



Stewardship is a way of life.
Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing Income: Nov. 22, 2015:	
Regular:	\$ *
Loose:	\$ *
Children's Offering:	\$ *
ONLINE GIVING:	\$ *
Tithing Income TOTAL For	
Nov. 22, 2015:	<u>\$ *</u>

Tithing Income: Nov. 23, 2014 **\$ 7,241.00**

Due to early submission Tithing income will be reported next in next weeks bulletin.

Mass Attendance:
Weekend of November 22, 2015 - *
Weekend of November 23, 2014 - *

From Our Pastor: 'Tis the season. Consumerism is on a rampage but so is generosity. Studies show that people are most generous to charities this time of year. I wonder which wins out? Consuming or giving? Now that would be an interesting survey. How heartening it would be to see a report that contributions to church and charity surpass shopping and buying at Christmas time. Fat chance, you say, but hope springs eternal. I like to think that the nobler aspects of human nature prevail this time of year, inspired by the generosity of Christ's birth in the manger. But remember, we change the culture, beginning with ourselves. Start now, putting giving over taking and then you can truly sway 'tis the season to be jolly.

Tithing Update:

The following is our Tithing through September 27th

July 2015:
 Sister Servants of the SHOJ \$ 1,008.00
 Mother Hubbard's Cupboard \$ 680.00
 Shelter Services of Mifflin County \$ 752.00
 Association of Marian Helpers \$ 401.00
 Operation Homefront \$ 401.00

August 2015:
 Missionary Cooperative \$ 1,407.00
 Sacred Heart Southern Missions \$ 401.50
 Center for Bio-Ethical Reform \$ 401.50
 St. Labre Indian School \$ 344.50
 Diocesan Catholic Charities \$ 344.50
 United Way Energy Bank \$ 906.00
 Christian Foundation for Children & Aging \$ 837.00

September 2015:
 Seminarian Fund at the Diocese \$ 960.00
 Peters Pence \$ 628.00
 Wounded Warrior \$ 694.00
 Eternal Word Television Network \$ 799.00
 Disabled American Veterans \$ 224.00
 Paralyzed Veterans \$ 224.00
 Sudan Relief Fund \$ 224.00

FINANCIAL COLUMN

This is the fourth installment of the Monthly Fiscal Report for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. This includes YTD as of October 31, 2015. If you have any questions or concerns about this or any report, feel free to contact me at the parish office!

Sue Parzanese, Parish Business Manager

<u>Church</u>	<u>YTD2015</u>	<u>YTD2014</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>Income</u>			
Offerings***	\$137,837	129,855	440,900
Other	\$ 12,330	14,686	35,455
TOTAL	\$150,167	144,541	476,355
<u>Expenses</u>			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 62,153	49,663	168,243
Utilities & Serv.	\$ 22,491	22,186	59,243
Supplies	\$ 10,095	7,778	26,050
Capital Expend.	\$ 0	0	0
Deposit to Savings	\$ 0	0	1,200
Other Expenses	\$ 7,294**	17,538	59,920
TOTAL	\$ 102,033	97,165	314,656
Income/Expenses	\$ 48,134	47,376	161,699
<u>School/Cafeteria</u>			
<u>Income</u>			
Tuition	\$ 89,933	98,618	218,396
Fundraising	\$ 5,611	7,391	113,700
Other	\$ 30,476	27,808	128,046
Sale of Food	\$ 3,508	3,808	14,000
Govt. Reimb.	\$ 2,388	0	16,000
TOTAL	\$ 131,916	137,625	490,142
<u>Expenses</u>			
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 156,955	155,565	475,069
Other Expenses (sch)	\$ 35,205	37,727	134,338
Other Expenses (caf)	\$ 3,219	3,963	13,450
TOTAL	\$ 195,379	197,255	622,857
Income/Expenses	\$(63,463)*+(59,630)	(132,715)	
<u>Rectory/Convent/Cemetery</u>			
<u>Income</u>	\$ 534	345	250
<u>Expenses</u>	\$ 9,995	9,617	27,678
Income/Expenses	\$(9,461)*+ (9,272)	(27,428)	
<u>Total Parish Finances</u>			
<u>Income</u>	\$ 282,617	282,511	966,747
<u>Expenses</u>	\$ 307,407	304,037	965,191
Income/Expenditures	\$(27,790)*	(21,526)	1,556

*Parenthesis indicate a negative balance
 +Will carry a negative balance each month as the parish subsidizes these cost centers
 **Does not include our tithing donations (Committee will meet in December to assign additional tithes)
 ***Includes Online Giving donations.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November

Sunday: 11/29/15 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

NO CCD

Monday: 11/30/15:

SHS Closed

Mass/7am/Church

December

Tuesday: 12/01/15:

SHS Closed

Mass/7am/Church

Wednesday: 12/02/15:

Confessions/6:30pm/Church

Mass/7pm/Church

Adult Choir/7:35pm/Choir Loft

Finance Council Meeting/7:30 pm/Rectory

Thursday: 12/03/15:

Community Ice Festival begins....

SHS Mass/9am/Church

RCIA/7pm/Parish office

Friday: 12/04/15:

Mass/7am/Church

Saturday: 12/05/15:

Confessions/3pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

Sunday: 12/06/15 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

CCD/9am/SH School

Mifflin County HS Choir will sing at 11am Mass

Advent Penance Service/3pm/Church

7pm/ St. Jude

Monday: 12/07/15 Immaculate Conception Vigil:

Mass/7pm/Church – Sacred Heart

Tuesday: 12/08/15 Immaculate Conception Holy Day:

Mass/12 Noon/Church – Sacred Heart

Mass/7pm/Church – St. Jude Thaddeus

SHS School Board Meeting/6pm/Faculty Room

Wednesday: 12/09/15:

Confessions/6:30pm/Church

Mass/7pm/Church

Adult Choir/7:30 pm/Choir Loft

Annual Christmas Open House/7:30 pm/Rectory

Thursday: 12/10/15:

Mass/9am/Church

Friday: 12/11/15:

Mass/7am/Church

Saturday: 12/12/15:

Cursillo School of leaders/10a/St. Jude

Confessions/3pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

Sunday: 12/13/15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

CCD/9am/SH School

LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass Intentions for the Week



And Weekly Readings

Sunday, November 29

Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:4-5,8-9,10,14; 1

Thessalonians 3:12-42; Luke 21:25-28,34-36

7:30 AM Marjorie Kaufman

11:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, November 30 St. Andrew

Romans 10:9-18; Psalm 19:8,9,10,11; Matthew 4:18-22

7:00 AM Lily Blakey

Tuesday, December 01

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,12-13, 17; Luke 10:21-24

7:00 AM Tom & Marge Connare

Wednesday, December 02

Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalm 23:1-6; Matthew 15:29-37

7:00 PM Richard & Elizabeth Showers

Thursday, December 03 St. Francis Xavier

Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalm 118:1, & 8-9,19-21,25-27;

Matthew 7:21, 24-27

9:00 AM Louis Jordan

Friday, December 04

Isaiah 29:17-24; Psalm 27:1,4,13-14; Matthew 9:27-31

7:00 AM Repose of the Soul of the Deceased

members of the Robert Spangler Family

Saturday, December 05

Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26; Psalm 147:1-2,3-4,5-6;

Matthew 9:35-10:1,5-8

4:00 PM Phil Gingerich

Sunday, December 06 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 126:1-6; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11;

Luke 3:1-6

7:30 AM Joe & Lucy Hallinger

11:00 AM Richard Calkins

Van Transportation to Mass: The following is the **Van schedule:**

Nov 29 - Dave Kaniecki

Dec 06 - Mel Reed

Nov 22 - Russell Krug

Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates are **available:** Cost is \$20. Call the office to make arrangements. **Dates Available: Dec 27**

The Sanctuary lamp is
In Loving Memory of
Mary Esposito & Joe Hallinger
With Love Annie Hallinger

Memorialize Flowers: If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. **The following dates are available:**



Pray Constantly

Altar Flowers are in:
 In Honor of Martin & Mary Smith for Their
 39th Wedding Anniversary and in Loving
 Memory of Their Parents

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



On Sunday, November 29 & Dec 6th
 St. Vincent DePaul will be collecting
 grocery items for the Christmas
 Baskets to be given out to those in
 need in the parish or in the community
 on December 19th from 10am – 12pm.

**The following is a list of the items needed by
 December 1st:**

Cranberry Sauce
 Boxes of Stuffing or Bread Cubes to make stuffing
 Peas, Corn, Green Beans
 Box Potatoes or Potatoes for mashing
 Cake Mixes, Frosting

Items for making pies

Canned Fruit, Sweet Potatoes

Also needed are Turkeys if you have one to
 donate. Please **bring your items to the sacristy
 of the church or to the church office on 9 N.
 Brown St.**

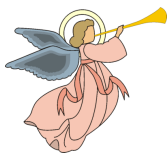
On December 13th St. Vincent DePaul will be
 accepting monetary donations to purchase turkeys
 and anything other than food items they may need.
 Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**P.S. If you know of anyone needing a basket
 please call the parish office before the 4th of
 December.** Thank you.



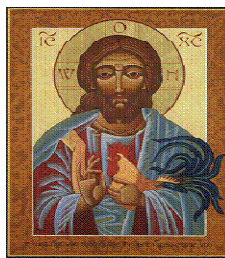
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 National Council of the United States
 Seeking Charity and Justice

ST. Vincent de Paul needs help! They are looking for
 donations for the small travel size toiletries such as
 shampoo, toothpaste, shaving cream, deodorant, and
 baby items, etc....



**Mark your calendars: December 9th
 at 7:30 For the Annual Rectory
 Christmas Wine and Cheese Open
 House!**

Behold, I will
 fulfill the promise



**Upcoming Cursillo Movement
 Event, held at St. Jude,
 Mifflintown, is open to
 everyone:**

**“School of Leaders”
 Session, 10 am to 12noon,
 On December 12th.** beginning
 with a spiritual talk by Fr. Bill
 and following with a layperson speaking about
 practical applications. This event will take place in
 the Church.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Annual St. Jude
 Mifflintown **Cookie
 walk will be held
 Saturday, December
 12th, at 8 am in the
 Social Hall... Get**

there early; cookies go fast!

Mifflin County Round Table of Christians and Jews

**Nominate someone for this year’s Brotherhood
 Award.** The person nominated should have
 demonstrated through religious, community work,
 or other humane expressions, the qualities that
 embrace Brotherhood. The process is easy. Just
 pick up an application form at any area bank or at
 the Juniata Valley Chamber of Commerce office,
**complete the form and mail to: Mifflin County
 Round Table of Christians and Jews, P.O. Box
 1136, Lewistown, PA 17044. Entry deadline is
 Saturday, December 12th.**



**All are invited to kick-off
 Catholic Schools’ Week 2016
 with the Hershey Bears Hockey
 team at the Giant Center in
 Hershey. The Annual Catholic
 Diocese of Harrisburg Night will
 be **Saturday, January 30, 2016****

at 7 p.m. Tickets are discounted to \$14 each for all
 ages from the regular admission price of \$20. For
 tickets, get an order form from your school or parish
 office or contact Janet Dise -
jdise@HersheyPA.com . Forms are also available
 for download on the [intranet](#) under announcements
 and also at www.hbgdiocese.org/schools. **The
 deadline for orders is Monday, January 25,
 2016.**

The Jubilee Year of Mercy:

With the Universal Church, **Bishop Gainer will celebrate the opening of the Jubilee Year of Mercy on Tuesday, December 8, 2015** on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary with the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist at 6 PM at Saint Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg. All faithful of the Diocese are invited to attend. **The South Street Parking Garage is available free of charge to all participants.**

Bishop Gainer will solemnly open the principal Diocesan Door of Mercy at Saint Patrick Cathedral on **Sunday, December 13, 2015** at 4 PM in the context of Solemn Vespers for the Third Sunday of Advent. All the faithful of the Diocese are invited to attend. The prescription for the solemn ritual involves gathering at a stational church with a procession to the Door of Mercy: we will gather at Saint Lawrence Chapel, State Street, and process together to the Cathedral where Bishop Gainer will solemnly open the Door of Mercy and lead us through into this year of grace. Participants able to make the small pilgrimage are asked to gather at St Lawrence Chapel by 3:50 PM. Those unable to walk in process are invited to go immediately to the Cathedral. **The South Street Parking Garage is available free of charge to all participants.**



From the Desk of Dr. Maginnis

Sacred Heart is continually working through the Middle States reaccreditation process. It is a task required by our Diocese that is best described as an intensive evaluation process aimed at improving the future of the school. Currently the planning committee is analyzing lengthy surveys that were completed by parents and staff. Also being reviewed is student achievement to make sure students are continually advancing. With such a great community of parents, students, and teachers, it is not surprising that surveys and achievement scores for Sacred Heart are quite positive. There is a tradition of excellence in this

school that has not wavered in over 60 years. **Recently school evaluators from the Diocese visited our school for a day and were impressed. They said it is one of their favorite schools to visit.**



Gala tickets on sale now! Join us Over the Rainbow for an Enchanted Evening in the Emerald City.

Saturday, February 6, 2016

5:00 PM- 11:00 PM

Lewistown Community Center @ Rec. Park

Tickets:

\$50 thru Jan. 17, 2016

\$60 after Jan. 17, 2016

Purchase a table of 8 to receive reserved seating & a complimentary bottle of wine!

Door Prizes every hour plus Grab Bags, 50/50's & Raffle Tickets will be available for purchase.

Get your tickets at the school or parish office today!



Make your Christmas shopping easy! Order gift cards through the SHS scrip program. You don't have to have a student at SHS to order. Due dates are on the order form!

Order forms will be available in the vestibule of the church for your convenience.



Please join us for our annual Christmas Musical on Friday, December 18th at 10am & 7pm in the church. This year the students will be performing "Follow the Star."



The auction committee is looking for handmade items for this year's auction. If crafting is your thing, please consider making an item to donate. **For questions, please contact Ashley Henry, at the Parish Office.**

SHS HSA will be collecting Campbell Soup, Box Tops, and Tyson A+ labels all year. Please put yours in the Campbell Soup bin in the back of the church and help us get some nice items for our school.

