

## April 10, 2016 – Third Sunday of Easter

### Stewardship is a way of life.

#### Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

**Tithing Income: Apr. 03, 2016 (Divine Mercy):**  
Regular: \$ 5,990.00  
Loose: \$ 953.00  
**Children's Offering:** \$ -0-  
**ONLINE GIVING:** \$ 1,780.00  
**Tithing Income TOTAL For**  
**Apr 03, 2016:** \$ 8,723.00

**Tithing Income: April 05, 2015 \$ 8,597.52 (Reg)**  
\*\* EASTER income 2015 (\$7384.00)\*\*

**Tithing Income: Mar 27, 2016 (Easter):**  
Regular: \$ 4,393.00  
Loose: \$ 1,339.05  
**Children's Offering:** \$ -0-  
**ONLINE GIVING:** \$ 1,425.00  
**Easter 2016** \$ 12,767.00  
**Good Friday** \$ 859.00  
**Tithing Income TOTAL For**  
**Mar 27, 2016:** \$20,783.05

**Tithing Income: March 28, 2015 \$ 5,137.00**  
(doesn't include Easter)

#### Mass Attendance:

**Weekend of April 03, 2016 – 386**

**Weekend of April 05, 2015 – 660 (Easter Wknd)**

**Pastor's tithing comments:** What a wonderful gift is this Year of Mercy, proclaimed by our Holy Father. We have the opportunity to remind ourselves of God's great love for us. God, after all, exercises great stewardship over us. We usually call it Divine Providence, i.e., God's loving and solicitous care. May we reciprocate by loving God and our neighbor.

## **PASTOR'S COLUMN: CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE FOR YEAR OF MERCY**

Destination: St. Patrick Cathedral, State Street, Harrisburg. We are answering the welcome extended to all parishes to make a trip to our mother church as a project for this special jubilee year, the Year of Mercy. On Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2 p.m., the faithful from both our Juniata Valley parishes will converge inside that magnificent house of worship for talks, a tour, Mass celebrated by me, your pastor, and, of course, a walk through the Holy Door.

The Holy Door is a centuries-old symbol for jubilee years, first instituted in Rome but, over time, spread to special churches throughout the world. Faithful walking through the door visually and physically depict the spiritual reality of leaving sin behind and opening themselves to a new life in Christ.

A pertinent Scripture verse would be Rev. 3:20, where Christ says, "Behold, here I stand, knocking at the door. If anyone hears me knocking and opens the door, I

will enter and have supper with him and he with me." Yes, the door is the door to the human heart. Christ knocks on the door of our heart and we open up, letting him in. Simultaneously, it could be said, that we then walk into the Heart of Christ.

Jubilee years were first called every 50 years in the Old Testament as sacred, sabbatical years of little or no work, and forgiveness of debts, as described in Lev. 25:10. In the Middle Ages, this was replicated in the Church when faithful from around the world gathered in Rome in 1300 for the first church jubilee year. Special years, like this now, can be announced by the pope outside of the regular cycle.

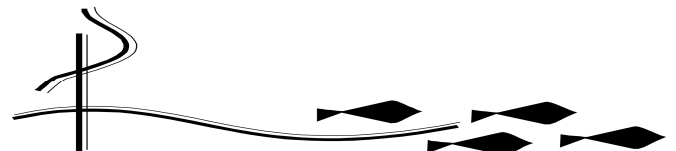
The idea of such a year, combined with a pilgrimage, and symbolic action like the Holy Door walk, is spiritual conversion, changing one's life, beginning anew, opening oneself to the grace of Almighty God. A plenary indulgence is granted for those who make such a pilgrimage. That means a complete remission from all temporal punishment due to sin already forgiven, under the usual conditions which are, from a cathedral promotional pamphlet:

- 1) *The intentional choice to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Door of Mercy and to pass through it.*
- 2) *A true spirit of contrition which frees one from the detachment to all sins.*
- 3) *A good confession of all sins made in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.*
- 4) *Worthy reception of Holy Communion in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist.*
- 5) *Prayers offered for the intention of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, and for his ministry as Vicar of Christ on earth.*

When sin is committed and then forgiven, there still might be punishment due, such as when one carelessly breaks a neighbor's window, is forgiven by the neighbor, but still has to pay for that damage. The temporal (i.e., temporary, not eternal) punishment due in the next life for venial sins is mysterious; we're not sure how it works. We know that there is a purgatory but, again, we don't know exactly how of it is applied.

Look upon an indulgence as an application or petition to God for a full pardon or commutation of the punishment, probably granted if the above five conditions are fulfilled (but read #2 again – it's a tough one). God, as Divine Judge, makes the final decision as to whether or not He grants you the plenary indulgence but don't worry about it. Leave it in His hands. If you wind up with a partial indulgence that's not such a bad deal either.

Stay tuned for more details, such as sign up, departure times, and costs. Just mark your calendars for now. Happy Holy Year of Mercy! **Fr. Bill**



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

**Sunday: 04/10/16:**

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church  
**CCD (7 & 8 Grades at St. Jude for NET Retreat)**

**Monday: 04/11/16:**

Mass/7am/Church

**Tuesday: 04/12/16:**

Mass/7am/Church

**Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Office**

**Wednesday: 04/13/16:**

Confessions/6:30pm/Church

Mass/7pm/Church

**Thursday: 04/14/16:**

SHS Children's Mass/9am/Church

**RCIA/7pm/Parish Office**

**Friday: 04/15/16:**

Mass/7am/Church

**Saturday: 04/16/16:**

Confessions/3:30pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

**Sunday: 04/17/16:**

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

**Last day for CCD**

**Monday: 04/18/16:**

Mass/7am/Church

**Tuesday: 04/19/16:**

Mass/7am/Church

**Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Office**

**Wednesday: 04/20/16:**

Confession/6:30 pm/Church

Mass/7pm/Church

**Thursday: 04/21/16:**

SHS Mass/9am/Church

**RCIA/7pm/Parish Office**

**Friday: 04/22/16:**

Mass/7am/Church

**Saturday: 04/23/16:**

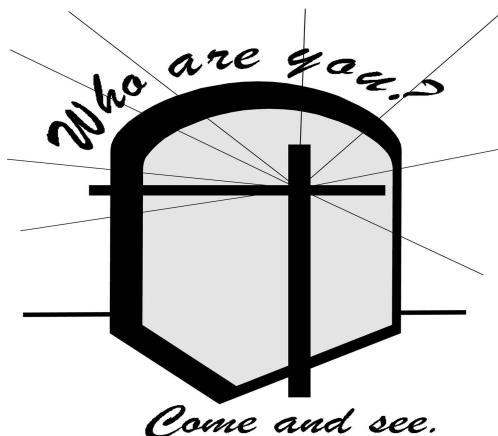
Confessions/3:30pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

**Sunday: 04/24/16:**

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

**Sacred Heart School Benefit Auction/11:30 am/Reedsville Youth Park!!!**



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

*Mass Intentions for the Week*



### And Weekly Readings

**Sunday, April 10**

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40-41; Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM John Zavacky

**Monday, April 11 St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr**

Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; Psalm 119:23-24,26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

7:00 AM For the Intentions of Kathie Tice for her birthday

**Tuesday, April 12**

Acts of the Apostles 7:51-8:1; Psalm 31:3-4,6-8, 17 & 21; John 6:30-35

7:00 AM Mother Mary Angelica

**Wednesday, April 13**

Acts of the Apostles 8:1-8; Psalm 66:1-3-7; John 6:35-40

7:00 PM Raymond Showers

**Thursday, April 14**

Acts of the Apostles 8:26-40; Psalm 66:8-9,16-17, 20; John 6:44-51

9:00 AM Lucy Ross

**Friday, April 15**

Acts of the Apostles 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1, 2; John 6:52-59

7:00 AM Josh Group

**Saturday, April 16**

Acts of the Apostles 9:31-42; Psalm 116:12-17; John 6:60-69

4:00 PM Helen Berich

**Sunday, April 17**

Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52; Psalm 100:1-2,3,5; Revelation 7:9,14-17; John 10:27-30

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM Bernard Sutusky

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

Apr 10 - Russell Krug

Apr 17 - Dave Kaniecki

Apr 24 - Mel Reed

**Memorialize Sanctuary Candles:** The following dates are **available:** Cost is \$20. Call the office to make arrangements. **Dates Available: April 24**

*Sanctuary Lamp:*

*In Loving Memory of  
 Mary & Angelo Esposito  
 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. **No Flowers during Lent.** The following dates are available: April 17, 24.

Flowers week of April 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>

In Loving Memory of  
John B. Zavacky  
Love, Wife Margie and Family

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



### HEADS UP ON NEW ENVELOPE IN YOUR PACKET

Yes, we are moving on the new church steps and a set of new windows in the school. Parish Finance Council thinks the total cost of the project will be about \$30,000, which we will raise in a small capital campaign, marked by a new capital campaign envelope in your May packet. An anonymous parishioner has generously donated \$12,500 for the project. Catch is, it's a matching grant, i.e., we have to match at least the amount of the donation in our campaign in order to keep that donation. That should be no problem with a parish as generous as this. Both Grounds and Property Committee and Finance Council will soon recommend to the pastor bids to be awarded for the work. With that decision made, we will make final cost numbers available to you. Meanwhile, please be generous and, in advance, 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....



### **Easter Flower Donations:**

In Memory of James and Gaetana Cole, Kathy Morgan, & Richard Parzanese  
**Parzanese, Gary M/M**

In Memory of deceased members of Michaels, Barno, Trackim & Uritis Families  
**Michaels, Jeffery M/M**

### **C.C.D. Kindergarten and First Grade:**

For a student to receive First Holy Communion in the Second grade they **must** attend 2 years of preparation. You may register your child now for Kindergarten or First grade. **Please call Connie Quinn at 667-6507 or e-mail to [quinn6507@gmail.com](mailto:quinn6507@gmail.com). Accepting registration all summer.**

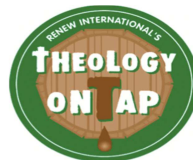
## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS



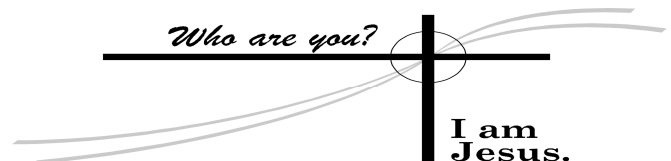
A Franciscan Priest from Italy will bring relics of St. Padre Pio to the 6:00PM Healing Mass at St. Jude on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. He will pray over people after the Mass using the mittens and cloth used to cover Padre Pio's stigmata wounds. All are invited to attend.



**Hershey Park Ticket Offer! Discount tickets to Hershey Park** are available to the friends and families of the parish at a **significant savings**. Gate admission price for Regular (age 9-54) is \$63.80; our price is **\$34.95**. Gate admission for juniors (ages 3-8) and seniors (ages 55-69) is \$40.80, our price is **\$29.50**. Gate admission for seniors age 70+ is \$26.80, our price is **\$22.95**. Tickets may be used any **public operating day** during the 2016 summer season. **ADD-On: discount Hershey Park Meal Tickets for \$15.00 each. Meal Tickets include a refillable 2016 Souvenir Cup! \*\*\* 2016 Summer Season: \$7.50 Pre-Paid Parking (50% off)!!!\*\*** **\*\*\*\*Orders with payment must be received at the parish by Monday, May 2, 2016.** Parishes will receive tickets by Thursday, May 26, 2016. **ORDER FORMS ARE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE or Stop in at the Parish office for the order forms.**



Please Join other young adults in Lancaster on Wednesday, April 13 at Annie Bailey's Irish Pub (second floor), 28 E. King Street, Lancaster, PA at 7 pm for a discussion of Franciscan Spirituality and the Year of Mercy. **Father Steve Fernandes, OFM, Cap, pastor of St. Joseph's parish in York, PA has been designated a special MISSIONARY OF MERCY by Pope Francis.** After a professional career, Father felt called to the priesthood as part of the Franciscan religious order. Following a discernment process, including a marriage annulment and serving as a missionary in Papua, New Guinea, Father was ordained in 2011. Currently a Capuchin Friar, his life story will be of interest in light of the Year of Mercy.



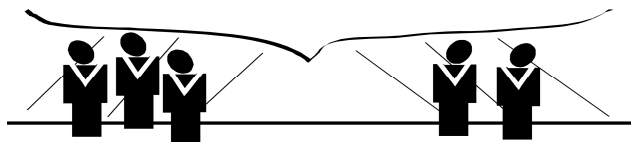
## Shrines of Italy Tour with Bishop Gainer Update

Catholic Charities is pleased to report that we are more than half-way filled to selling out the trip with Bishop Ronald Gainer this fall to the Shrines of Italy! The tour will take place **August 27 - September 6, 2016**. If that's not big enough news, there is a possibility (and right now NOTHING IS CONFIRMED), that the trip will include the canonization of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. (Again, that's just a rumor. But if it's true, our group will be in Rome that morning as Pope Francis celebrates the Canonization Mass!) All are welcome to join this once-in-a-lifetime trip. A sellout is expected. **For more information and to download a tour brochure, visit the Catholic Charities website [www.cchbg.org](http://www.cchbg.org).**

**April is Child Abuse Prevention Month** - The Diocese of Harrisburg is committed to the safety of children. We take very seriously the protection of youth in all Church related activities and programs. We are working to make the Catholic Church one of the safest institutions in the country. To report the suspected abuse of a minor, call the PA Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-932-0313. To report suspected abuse of a minor by a Church official, employee or volunteer, no matter when it happened, call the diocesan toll free hotline at 1 (800) 626-1608. **In the Diocese of Harrisburg we:**

- Have zero tolerance for anyone who is guilty of even one instance of abuse.
- Offer opportunities to help victims to heal.
- Screen all employees and volunteers before they can begin service.
- Educate our youth on how to stay safe.
- Train employees and volunteers on how to recognize and report abuse.
- Disclose all allegations to local civil authorities.
- Exceed State and national requirements.
- Undergo an annual independent audit of our procedures.

None of these efforts are new; some have been in place for decades. To learn more about what you can do to prevent abuse, how to report abuse, assistance available to victims and Youth Protection efforts of the Diocese, please visit: [www.hbgdiocese.org/safeyouth](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/safeyouth).



**IMPORTANT REMINDER: Sacred Heart School is currently enrolling for K-5<sup>th</sup> grades for the 2016-2017 school year.** If you are interested in sending your child to SHS in the fall, please call the office at 242-5351 and schedule your visit today!

We are currently scheduling Kindergarten Assessments. The Financial Aid process has also begun. **Neumann Scholarship applications are due by April 15.**

The school is currently preparing for the main fundraiser of the year – the **Benefit Auction**. We thank everyone who has been donating items for this event. It is truly appreciated! We also thank everyone that has been buying the Auction's raffle tickets. It is a big event where every parent of the school is involved. We welcome members of the parish and everyone in the community to join us for a fun-filled day at the Youth Park on April 24.

The auction committee is still looking for new, antique, collectable, or unique items to place up for bid. If you feel that you have item(s) that you would like to donate, **please contact Ashley Henry at [717-348-4321](tel:717-348-4321).**

The Sacred Heart School Benefit Auction committee would like to start placing yard signs to help spread the word about the auction. If your home or business is in a visible location and you would be willing to place a sign in your yard, we would love to hear from you! If this sounds like something you could help with, **please email Lori at [lorimcmonigal@gmail.com](mailto:lorimcmonigal@gmail.com) or call/text 717-250-4927.**

### BROTHER JUNIPER

