

February 5, 2012 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is a way of life.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing Income: Jan 29, 2012	\$ 8,667.00
Tithing Income: Jan 30, 2011	\$ 7,813.00
Children's Offering:	\$ 8.00

Next Week's Tithe is for:

Walk for Warmth, money from this event goes into the energy bank to help local people who are struggling.

Last week's Tithe 1/29/12 Supported:

Catholic Perspectives	\$ 404.50
Big Brothers & Big Sisters Of Lewistown	\$ 404.50

From the Pastor:

Many thanks to our Tithers who are returning to God some of His goodness

From the Pews:

"Tithing is our way of making a difference, of giving some of what we receive to God and to those in need."

Sacred Heart Parishioner

My Good Deed for the Week:

Here's what one of our young people offered as their tithe, in addition to their financial gift:

A First Grader helped his coach set up for their wrestling tournament, A Third grader helped his mom unload the van and carry bags into the house, Fourth Grader helped her brother with his homework, A Seventh Grader, sat patiently for 9 hours at her brothers wrestling Tournament.

★ GREAT JOB KIDS! ★



Bishop of Harrisburg

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I write to you concerning an alarming and serious matter that poses the greatest threat to religious liberty in our lifetimes. It negatively impacts the Catholic Church in the United States and strikes at the fundamental right to religious liberty for all citizens of any faith. Our federal government, which claims to be "of, by, and for the people," has dealt a heavy blow to almost a quarter of those people – the Catholic population- and to the millions more who are served by the Catholic faithful.

On January 20, just days before the thirty-ninth anniversary of the Roe v Wade decision, the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services announced that almost all employers, including *Catholic employers*, will be *forced* to offer their

employees' health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be *forced* to include those "services" in their health policies. And almost all individuals will be *forced* to buy that coverage as part of their policies. This governmental action is a direct violation of the protections of the First Amendment and the protections given to the Church to engage freely in her mission.

Efforts by the bishops to secure conscience exemptions were disregarded. As a result, unless the rule is overturned, we Catholics will be compelled to either violate our consciences, or to drop health coverage for our employees (and suffer the penalties for doing so). The Administration's sole concession was to give our institutions one year to comply. We cannot- we will not – comply with this unjust law.

Our opposition to this mandate is not a matter of opposing increased access to healthcare for the poor and needy, for which the Bishops are working. This is an edict directing every citizen to pay for these morally abhorrent services with their tax dollars while ordering the Church, through her institutions, to distribute contraceptives and provided sterilization. It is an unprecedented mandate to violate conscience.

As Americans and people of faith, we cherish our religious liberty and freedom of conscience preserved and protected by the Bill of Rights. As Pennsylvanians, we are conscious of our long history of safeguarding the rights of believers, whether they are Amish, Quakers, Jews, and Catholics, just to name some.

Therefore, I am asking that you prayerfully and respectfully make known your objections to this intolerable ruling and insist that your rights of conscience as a Catholic citizen be restored. As a community of faith, we must commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail, and religious liberty restored. Please visit www.usccb.org/conscience or www.pacatholic.org to learn more about this assault on religious liberty, and how to contact Congress for support of legislation that would reverse the Administration's decision.

May God bless you for your faith, courage, and resolve.

Sincerely Yours in the Lord,

Most Reverend Joseph P. McFadden
Bishop of Harrisburg

Weekly Readings



Monday – February 6(St. Paul Miki & Companions)

1Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Psalm 132:6-7, 8-10; Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday – February 7

1Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Psalm 84:3-5, 10,11; Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday – February 8

1Kings 10:1-10; Psalm 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mark 7:14-23

Thursday – February 9

1Kings 11:4-13; Psalm 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 & 40;

Mark 7:24-30

Friday – February 10 (St. Scholastica)

1Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Psalm 81:10-15; Mark 7:31-37

Saturday – February 11

1Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Psalm 106:6-7, 19-22; Mark 8:1-10

Sunday – February 12

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147:1-6; 1Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February:

02/05 – CCD Classes/9am/SHS

02/07 - Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Ofc. Basement

02/08 – Confession/6:30pm/Church

02/08 - Adult Choir Practice/7:30pm/Choir Loft

02/09 - Cursillo Group/4:30 pm/Parish Ofc.

02/09 - RCIA/7pm/Parish Ofc.

02/12 - CCD/9am/SHS

02/12 - First Penance Parents Mtg/9:30a/Church

02/12 - K5 Youth Group/2pm/Church Basement

02/13 - SHS School Board Mtg/6p/Faculty Rm

02/13 - St. Vincent de Paul Mtg/7pm/SHS Cafeteria

02/14 - Auction Mtg/6pm/SHS Cafeteria

02/14 - Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Ofc. Basement

02/15 - Confessions/6:30 pm/ Church

02/15 - Adult Choir/7:30pm/Choir Loft

02/16 - Cursillo Grp/4:30pm/Parish Office

02/16 - RCIA/7pm/Parish Office

02/17 - SHS EARLY DISMISSAL – Act 80 day/11:30 am

02/18 - ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE/8am/Church

02/18 - St. Vincent de Paul Free Meal/11:30am/SHS Caf.

02/19 - NO CCD

02/20- Parish office & School Closed–Presidents Day!

02/20 – Columbiette Mtg/6:30 pm/K of C House

02/21 – Development Mtg/6:30pm/SHS Faculty Rm

02/21 – Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish ofc. Basement

02/21 - Buildings & Grounds Comm. Mtg/7pm/Rectory

02/22 – ASH WEDNESDAY Masses 7a/12p/7pm ★

02/23 - FBI Mtg/9am/ Parish ofc.

02/23 - Cursillo Grp Mtg/4:30 pm/ Parish ofc.

02/23 - SHS Kindergarten Open House/5:30pm/School

02/23 - RCIA/7pm/Parish Ofc.

02/25 - ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE/8am/Church

02/26 - CCD/9am/SHS

02/27 - Parish Council Mtg/7pm/Parish ofc.

02/28 - Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish ofc.

02/29 – Confessions/6:30/Church

02/29 - Adult Choir Rehearsal/7:30pm/Choir loft

March

03/01 – Cursillo Grp Mtg/4:30pm/Parish office

03/02 - ALL DAY ADORATION/after 7am Mass/Church

03/02 - Holy Hour/7pm/Church

LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass &  for the Intentions for the Week

Sunday, February 5

7:30 AM Thomas & Marge Connare

11:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, February 6

7:00 AM Joseph V. Paterno

Tuesday, February 7

7:00 AM Special Intentions of M/M Thomas Sharkey

Wednesday, February 8

7:00 PM Cantina & Conti Families

Thursday, February 9

7:00 AM Leo Pupo

9:00 AM Charles Heindl

Friday, February 10

7:00 AM Wright – Zeigler Families

Saturday, February 11

8:00 AM Anthony Simonetti

4:00 PM Anna Hackenberry

Sunday, February 12

7:30 AM Rose Tote

11:00 AM Michael DeVecchio

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

Feb 12 - Russell Krug

Feb 19 - Dave Kanicki

Feb 26 - Mel Reed

Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates are available: Feb 19, March 4, Cost is \$20. Call the office to make arrangements.

*Sanctuary Lamp is In Loving Memory of
Paul & Mary Zarkovich*

Memorialize Flowers: If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. Dates available are Feb 12th, **No Flowers during lent (Ash Wednesday is Feb 22nd)**. Flower colors should be coordinated with the church seasons.

*Altar Flowers where donated by the families of
Bernard & Lona (Anastasi) Howard*



Jesus heals
the broken hearted

PARISH ACTIVITIES



CALLING ALL YOUTH; **World Youth Day Celebration on Palm Sunday** - All

youth of the diocese are invited to the annual World Youth Day Celebration on Palm Sunday, April 1, 2012, from 3:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. This day includes Mass at St. Patrick Cathedral followed by a dinner and concert at Strawberry Square in Harrisburg. The event promises to be an exciting, high-energy, interactive experience of faith. To register for the Palm Sunday celebration, **please sign-up in the Church vestibule no later than March 4, 2012 for more information contact Karen Thome, 694-3607.**

ATTN: ALTAR SERVERS: Fr. Bill will be holding Practice sessions, please plan to attend, for more information contact the Parish office. **Dates are as follows: Feb 18, 25, & March 17, 24, 31, & April 7th all practices will follow 8am mass on Saturday's** Thank you!



Attn: Parishioners who are Military personnel or parent(s) of Military personnel (here or overseas).

Our liturgy committee needs your help with a project, they would like to start. In honor of parishioner/Soldiers who fight for our freedoms, they would like to put up their pictures in our Church, so that we can pray for their safety and that we never forget the sacrifice they make everyday. Please send all pictures to the parish office, 9 N. Brown St. Lewistown, PA 17044. Please include Name, Rank, Military Branch, & where they are currently stationed (if you can), and names of the Parishioner they are related to or if they are a Parishioner themselves. Thank you for your support!



Are you thinking about joining the Columbiettes? Stop thinking about now is the time to **act!** The Columbiettes will be hosting a First Degree ceremony on **Sunday, February 19th directly following the 11:00 Mass in the SHS cafeteria.** This is the first step to joining a fabulous sisterhood. Once you're a Columbiette you'll be able to serve the church and community like never before standing side by side with your sisters. For more information or for an application, please call Adrienne Zannino at 717-348-9375 or Annemarie Swineford at the parish office.



We are looking for a few good men & women! Fr. Bill would like some help organizing Coffee & Donuts Social following the Sunday Masses... If you are

one of those people who just can't help during the week... but want to be part of the Church's activities?! This is the project for you, All you have to do, is pick up the Donuts, make the coffee and have everything out after the mass has ended... You can do it by yourself or have a partner or a group of you. **A sign up sheet is in the Church vestibule. Sign up today!**



NEW COMMITTEE FORMING,

SHS would like form a committee to make final arrangements for a permanent memorial for the Glass Project. We have stumbled upon a few road blocks in the planning over the last few years, but we are determined to complete the project now. If anyone has ideas and/or a willing spirit to help with the design of the memorial and/or to implement a final sales campaign, your help is greatly needed and appreciated! Please contact Sue Parzanese in the Development Office if interested.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

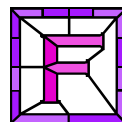


"Let each of you lead the life that the Lord has assigned, to which God has called you." If you are

considering a vocation as to the Priesthood or consecrated life? Call the office of Vocations (717) 657-4804 ext 282, or email: frlavoie@hbqdioces.org



A **televised Sunday Mass** is now airing on ABC Family from 6:30 am to 7:00 am each Sunday morning. **THE SUNDAY MASS** is produced by the Passionist Fathers and Brothers out of New York City and is available nationally on local affiliates. Too early for you? Tape it, Tivo it, or watch it online. For more information consult the website at www.TheSundayMass.org.



Find us on Facebook – The Diocese of Harrisburg has a Facebook page and we invite you to visit us there and 'Like' us. When you do we will be able to share with you many interesting and important announcements, news and issue items affecting Catholics and our Diocese. Stay up-to-date visit us and become a fan at: www.facebook.com/DioceseofHarrisburg



Joe Paterno Memorial Mass

Bishop Joseph P. McFadden will offer a Memorial Mass for Joe Paterno on **Wednesday, February 15, at 4:00 p.m. in Saint Patrick Cathedral.** All are welcome to attend. Saint Patrick Cathedral is located at 212 State Street, Harrisburg, PA.



Please join us at one of our Open Houses on **Wednesday, February 15, March 21, or April 18 from 6:00pm-8:00p.m.** Join us at SJCA on January 25th at 7pm to hear the first of a 4 part series on Parents and Teenagers. Lee Erickson will speak on the topic Your Teenager and Social media.

Join the Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy at Penn State Basketball. On Saturday, February 11th, at 1PM, come out and support the PSU Nittany Lions as they take on the Nebraska Cornhuskers. Special priced group tickets are available for just \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 18. Each member of the group will receive a Penn State Basketball tee shirt, and **the SJCA choir will be singing the National Anthem!** Ticket orders are due by January 27th. Call Katie at 808-6118 to order. support following the death of a loved one We look forward to talking with you further about our volunteer opportunities. I hope you will hear God's calling to join in our ministry. **Please call our at Office: 242-5000**



St. Jude Thaddeus Mass Schedule & Events:

Saturday:
Confessions: 4pm -4:45 pm
Mass: 5pm – English
 6pm - Spanish

Sunday:
Mass: 9:15 am

St. Jude Thaddeus Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Dinner: St. Jude Knights' Friday Lenten fish dinners will begin on **February 17,**

2012 and end March 30, 2012. The meal will be served 4-7 P.M. in the church social hall. Please join us for a delicious, all-you-can-eat meal that includes fried and baked fish, popcorn shrimp, fried clams, French fries, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls, puddings, and a selection of homemade desserts. Pay at the door: \$10.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children 6-12. Children under 6 eat for free. Please come and enjoy a great meal while supporting the fundraising efforts of our Knights.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is January 23-April 14th, 2012. Individual/Couples who earn under \$49,000 per year can have their income tax prepared free by an IRS-Trained volunteer. Anyone interested should call the United Way (717) 248-9636 to set up an appointment time.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL



Weekly Schedule:

Tuesday, Feb 7th: DRA Testing Grades 4 and 5

Thursday, Feb 9th: Mass 9AM Grade 3 prepares; school geography bee; DRA Testing for Grade 3



First Penance Parent Meeting 9:30 (Church) for parents of grade two children preparing for the Sacrament of Penance.



SHS thanks the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring the Pancake Breakfast at the opening of Catholic Schools Week. Money made was used for CSW activities for the children.



Thank you also to the Home and School Association for fundraising efforts to sponsor CSW events.



SHS will be selling Easter candy from Gardner's. Forms are available at the school office or on the school website for parishioners who may wish to purchase Easter Candy. Thank you for your support.



SHS is collecting medical items for the Mission trip. Parishioners caring to donate may also drop them off at the school.

Parishioners who need their end-of-the-year contribution statements can either call the parish office or fill out the coupon below and put in the collection basket or mail.

Contribution Statement

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____