Presentation of the Lord ✠ ✠ ✠ February 2nd

Holy Ghost Church

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" Many Pasts, ONE United Future. "

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today, Jesus comes to His Father's house, the Temple and is greeted by Simeon the priest and Anna, the aged, pious woman.

We know by faith that He continues to dwell with us in His Body, the Church. The question is; are we conscious of His presence?

There were probably hundreds of worshipers in the Jerusalem Temple when Jesus entered it. Only the faithful few; Simeon and Anna, acknowledged Him.

Too many people turn down the invitation to encounter Jesus in our Church, through Sacrament and hearing the Word of God. The weather, work commitments, football games and sports (!!!) are some reasons that people give. These may be valid if we honestly exam our motives but the invitation into God's house should take priority. If possible, respond to Jesus' call "Come to me, you who labor and are heavily burdened." Sure, we can encounter Him in our family and friends, in nature and in other things of beauty, but nothing replaces His sacramental presence in the weekly Eucharistic assembly. Do not miss this precious opportunity to meet up with Jesus personally and intimately! You will never be the same.

PS. Just a note, asking you to be generous in the second collection next weekend to assist our brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico who are suffering because of natural disasters. Friends helping friends, especially fellow Christians is more effective than waiting for the authorities to act. Your help will be a sign that Jesus' message of charity and caring has taken root in our lives.

My prayers and thanks for your faithfulness in attending Mass and in helping those in need!

Your pastor and friend,

Fr. David J. Kozak

NO SIGN OF PEACE ***Bishop Alfred A. Schlert, directs that the Exchange of the Sign of Peace and the Reception of Holy Communion from the Chalice be suspended. This suspension will be in effect until the incidence of influenza subsides in our region.***

Bible Study—Lectio Divina

ALL ARE WELCOME to join in at the St. Vincent De-Paul Chapel every Monday at 6:30pm. Scripture Study and discussion along with some quiet time w the Blessed Sacrament .

SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION

We are all aware of the plight of the residents of Puerto Rico after recently experiencing a serious earthquake followed by numerous aftershocks. This new round of destruction comes upon the heels of the catastrophic damage caused by Hurricane Maria that has still not been totally repaired and has only intensified the conditions created by the Hurricane. In response to this disaster, Bishop Schlert has asked that each parish take up a collection for this purpose. This second collection will be taken up NEXT weekend February 8th & 9th. Please mark an envelope with your names and amount given in order to receive credit. The funds of this collection will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services to be Administered by them. Please be generous.

FASNACHT ORDERS: ***" clip able coupon" is listed below for anyone interested in ordering "Fasnachts" . Proceeds from this sale will help benefit Incarnation Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society. Orders may be placed in our weekly collection. Deadline is Sun., Feb. 16th, w/pick on Sun., Feb 23rd , from 12Noon – 4:00PM in Incarnation's LaBuda Hall during the Mardi Gras Bingo.***

———-PLEASE CLIP OUT AND PUT IN BASKET——--

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Please drop your order in the collection basket by Sunday, 2/16/20

Variety	½ Dozen ($4.80)	Dozen ($9.60)	Total
Cream Filled			
Jelly Filled			
Glazed			
Plain			

(H.G.) "Prime Time Seniors

Meeting—This Monday, February 3rd

MONTHLY CASINO TRIPS -

Wednesday, February 12th
Leave HG Church 10:30am for
******Mohegan Sun******
Cost: $25—Slot Play: $25--$5 Food Coupon
For Casino info. & Reservations Call:
"Boots" Horwath - 610-867-4839
or Gloria Szakos – 610-868-7940.

NOODLE MAKING "Oodles of Noodles" are being made after the 8am Mass Mon. Feb. 11th & Feb. 25th weather permitting.
Volunteers always welcome!
Donations of Eggs and Flour always graciously Accepted!
To order Noodles
Call Steph Lee 610-248-5303 0r
Gloria Szakos – 610-868-7940.

Next Sat. Feb. 8, 2020 Helper's Pilgrimage:
Please join Fr. Keith Laskowski and the Helpers of God's Precious Infants at a Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn and all those involved in abortion. The pilgrimage begins with Mass at 8am at Notre Dame Church Bethlehem, 1861 Catasauqua Rd. and continues with the Rosary at the abortion facility located at 31 South Commerce Way in the Bethlehem Industrial Park. The Mission: That through prayer, peaceful presence and fasting we may be God's instruments in the salvation of souls, so that innocent lives will be saved from abortion. Be part of the call to bring God's everlasting, unconditional love to those involved in abortion that their hearts may be converted and receive God's gift of life with joy.

Holy Ghost Financials

Weekly collection for 1/26 = $1,977.00
Online Giving = $135.00
Number of envelopes used = 73
Can you do more for our Parish?

H.G. Social Committee News.....

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Fall Fair Wrap-up The 2019 Fall Fair was another success for our parish.
The net profit was $16,000.00 which was given to Fr. Dave for our parish operating expenses, including updates and repairs to the heating and central air conditioning systems in parish buildings. THANK YOU to our generous sponsors and parishioners for supporting this event.

FOOD SALES FOR 2020

The Parish Social Committee will be selling the following home-made food items in 2020:
Soups :
Beef Vegetable : 2 / 22 & 23
Clam Chowder : 3 / 21 & 22
Cost is $10 per quart. Order forms are available in church. Soup will be available after Masses on Saturday and Sunday.

We will also host a Lenten Lunch on Friday, March 20, following the Noon Mass. Each lunch will cost $5 and includes your choice between clam chowder soup or cabbage and noodles plus bread and butter and a beverage.

Easter Candy Sale will be sold April 4 and 5.

Home-made Shoo Fly Pies will be sold April 25 and 26. Samples will be available for tasting at the March 20th Lenten Lunch.

Apple Dumplings will be sold in May.

Liturgy Committee News Our parish will celebrate World Marriage Day on the weekend of Feb. 15th and 16th. Father will confer a special blessing on married couples at each of the weekend Masses. Coffee and donuts will be served following the Sunday Mass.

The upcoming parish newsletter will contain plans for Lent, including the introduction of a traditional German Easter Egg Tree. Pope Francis announced that "Renewed by the Spirit" is the theme for Lent 2020. A perfect way for each of us to prepare to celebrate 150 years of Faith, Service & Friendship at Holy Ghost Parish.

ST. VINCENT DePaul SOCIETY
News and Upcoming Events:

Food Pantry Update: *we served 18 guest families at out January pantry. Our next food pantry will be held Saturday, February 22nd from 10-12. All volunteers are welcome!*

2020 St Vincent de Paul Meeting Schedule: 4/9/20, 7/9/20, 10/8/20. All meetings are held at 7:00pm in the church basement.

Mark your calendar! The 2020 Mardi Gras Bingo fundraiser will be held on Sunday, 2/23/20. Doors open at noon with bingo starting at 2:00pm. Tickets are $20 in advance; $25 at the door. They are available for purchase before and after weekend Masses as well by calling the rectory.

NOTE: If you are a parishioner who could use assistance due to infirmity or if you find yourself in a difficult financial situation, please contact the rectory for referral to our PARISHIONER PROGRAM. All inquiries are confidential. Please call the Rectory.

Incarnation Parish Senior Group

New members are invited to our join our Senior Group. Our meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of every month in LaBuda Hall at 12 noon. Finger foods are served and BINGO is played @ every meeting.

Meeting —This Wed., Feb. 5th —12noon

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Officers:

President Rosemarie Csaszar @ 610-866-7927
Vice President Barbara Raykos @ 610-867-0774
Secretary Josephine Zavecz @ 610-867-0260.
Treasurer Mike Vidumsky @ 610-530-1528

All Are Welcome

(INC) Parish Finance Council Fundraiser News

Once again we have scheduled two fundraising events for 2020. The Firecracker 10,000.00 finale will held on July 11th. The Fall Bazar will be held October 3rd. All proceeds go directly into the Church operating fund, additional information will follow. We Thank You in advance for your support.

(INC) Pastoral Council—Spring Yard Sale

We are currently accepting donations before and after weekend mass for our spring yard sale. Please contact Pat Krycia (610)703-0857 with any questions. (NOTE: We are not accepting, books, TVs, monitors, clothing or bedding.)

(INC) Parish Activities Group

LV Phantoms Hockey Group Outing – Sunday, 3/8/20. SOLD OUT!

Monthly 50/50 Drawing – Reminder – $5 per entry, and since this drawing takes place electronically, just make your donation in multiples of $5. Donation envelopes must be received by the last day of the month. Thank you for your support.

Save the dates and stay tuned for more information about these other upcoming PAG events:

- *Movie & Pizza Nights – Saturdays 2/29/20, 11/14/20, after special 4pm Mass*
- *Coffee & Donuts – Sundays 4/26/20, 5/24/20 (2/23/20 cancelled)*
- *Lenten Soup Supper – Friday 3/13/20, 6pm before Stations*
- *Parish Feast Day Dinner – Saturday 3/28/20, after special 4pm Mass*
- *Children's Egg Hunt – Saturday 4/11/20, 1pm*
- *Spring Parish Breakfast – Sunday 5/17/20, after 8am Mass*
- *Iron Pigs Outing – Sunday 6/28/20, 1:35pm game*
- *Bingo Buffet – Saturday 7/18/20, after special 4pm Mass*
- *Putt U Mini Golf – Wednesday, 8/5/20, 7pm*
- *Polka Mass & Halupki Dinner – Saturday 9/12/20, special 4pm Mass*
- *Halupki Sale – Saturday 10/24/20*

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Weekly collection for 1/26 = $1,564.00
Online Giving = $68.00
Number of envelopes used = 72
Can you do more for our Parish?

✠OUR WEEK OF GRACE AND PRAYER✠

(HG) 4:00pm ✠ Fritz & Novak Families
by Dick & Ann Fritz
(INC) 5:30pm ✠ Joseph Kundek by Family

SUN. Feb. 2nd Feast—Presentation of the Lord
8:00AM (INC) ✠ William Yenca by Family
10:00AM (HG) ✠ Louis (20 year Anniv.) & Helen Sule
by Daughter Sandy Sule
12:10pm Lehigh Univ. —Packer Memorial Church
9:10pm No Mass this Sunday only @ Packer Church

Mon. Feb. 3rd— St. Blaise & St. Ansgar
(HG) 8AM ✠ Joseph C. Horwath by Mary Bucko

Tues. Feb. 4th—Ordinary Time Weekday
(HG) 8AM ✠ John Boncik
by Jackie Salaiz & Colleen Monaghan

Thurs. Feb. 6th—St. Paul Miki & Companions
(HG) 8AM ✠ Jean Green by Maureen Dresen

Fri. Feb. 7th — FIRST FRIDAY
Adoration from 9am—11:45am
(HG) 12 NOON Mass ✠ Nancy Pittner
by Mary & Michael Gregoris & Family
Adoration 12:30-8pm
Diocesan Vocation Program 7-8pm w Confessions
Bishop Alfred A. Schlert Presiding

SAT. Feb. 8th Vigil Mass
3:35pm—Rosary for Vocations and Prayer Intentions
HG) 4:00pm ✠ Charles Konkolics
by the Rickey & Quigley Families

(INC) 5:30pm ✠ Dorothy Ezar by Husband Francis

SUN. Feb. 9th Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00AM (INC) ✠ John & Anna Lehman
by Children John & Janet

10:00AM (HG) ✠ James Taglang
by Larry & Debbie Shea

12:10pm Lehigh Univ. —Packer Memorial Church

9:10pm Lehigh Univ. —Packer Memorial Church

✠ DEVOTIONAL LAMPS ✠

$10 PER WEEK PLEASE CALL EITHER RECTORY

Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church

Sanctuary
Health & Blessings on Lou Donoso (99th Birthday)
Tabernacle(2)
Health & Blessings on Mary Jo Kozak
B.V.M.
In Memory of ✠ Elizabeth Molter by sister Helen M.
St. Joseph
In Memory of ✠ Matthew Mies Andrews
Sacred Heart
Health & Blessings on Charlotte Cole
St. Theresa
In Memory of ✠ Marie Hoch by Catherine Sterlein
St. John the Hermit
In Memory of ✠ Buragino, Corroda & Shunk Fams.
St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii
In Memory of ✠ Theresa Svajka by Maryann Fulop
Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano
In Memory of ✠ Deceased Boccardi/Bechdolt Fam.
Our Lady of Fatima
In Memory of ✠ Jean Green
St. Vincent DePaul Chapel / Tabernacle Lamp
In Memory of ✠George & Concetta Petito
& Joanne Kostecky Petito

✠ *Devotional Lamps* ✠

@ Incarnation of Our Lord Church

Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of ✠ Joseph J. Zelko
by Daughter Rosemarie Csaszar
BVM Lamp
In Memory of ✠Theresa Svjaka
by Nancy & Carl Hutt
St. Joseph Lamp
In Memory of ✠Joseph & Justine Kundek
by Daughter Maryann Sine & Husband Dale
Infant of Prague
Health & Blessings on Joseph Zaun Sr.

Our Lady of the Rosary
In Memory of ✠ John Stofanak Sr.
Tabernacle Lamps
In Memory of ✠ Theresa Svjaka
by Jo Zavecz

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