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1854 – 2016 ~ 162 YEARS

Mission Statement
To Be Open, Caring,
& Hospitable



WELCOME
You enter this Church ... not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service.
Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise. Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both on your going out and your coming in.

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Weddings, Baptisms, Anointing of the Sick and Funerals are the special pleasure of our ministry. Since individual needs differ, it's best to contact the Parish Office for appropriate consideration. Please do not hesitate to call, since these celebrations are our service to you & a joy for us.

Saturdays - 4PM Sundays - 10:30AM
Weekdays – 8:00AM Holidays - As Announced
Family Mass - As Scheduled
Office hours Mon~Thurs 8:00-5:00pm Fri Closed



NOVEMBER

- 19~ 8:00AM Butch Friedel - (Margaretta Callanan)
- 4:00PM Edward Keerans - (Julia Scott)
- Melvin Brukiewa - (Mary Brukiewa)
- 20~10:30AM John Pawlak – (Lois Pawlak)
- Rosalie Boswell - (Helen Toporzycycki)
- 21~ 8:00AM Rose Mary Sarnecki –
(Michael Sarnecki)
- 22~ 8:00AM Paul & Julia Sloboda – (Julia Scott)
- 23~ 8:00AM Richard Urbanski – (Rita Urbanski)
- 24~ 8:00AM Carolyn Randall –
(Carolyn Rzeczkowski)
- 25~ 8:00AM John Victor Toporzycycki –
(Helen Toporzycycki)
- 10:00AM James Benzing - (Betty Schroeder)
- 26~ 8:00AM Thanksgiving - (Joyce)
- 4:00PM Raymond Lubinski - (Cathy & Brian)
- Genevieve Brukiewa - (Mary Brukiewa)
- 27~10:30AM Eugene Brukiewa – (Mary Brukiewa)
- Margaret Callinan - (Mary Krivach)



November 20, 2016
The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
"Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal."
Luke 23:40-41

NEW LIGHTING!!! We hope everyone likes the one new light that has been in a few weeks now. The electrician, Don Hafner, will be installing the rest of the lighting November 28th and (barring any complications) will finish that week. We are all excited to see how bright the church will become. Once again, we thank you, Mr. Luberecki, for lighting up our Church.

THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

On Thanksgiving Eve, November 23rd at 7:00pm there will be a Canton Community Ecumenical Service at Gallery Church Patterson Park – 3115 Eastern Ave. All are welcome! Please bring a non-perishable food donation for the Canton Food Bank. Fr. Joe will be participating.

We warmly welcome all visitors to our parish community. We hope you leave with great comfort. God's Blessing for you and your family. Join us anytime.

Please keep in your prayers Ashley Storto, Joyce McLouski & those on the list in the pews.

Fr. Joe will celebrate Mass on Thanksgiving t 8 AM.

PASTOR'S CORNER

KING OF HEARTS

On this the **feast of Christ the King**, we come to realize that he was a king like no other, in that he did not have a **scepter**, but he did have a **towel** with which he washed his disciples' feet. Jesus had **no standing army**, but did have **followers**. He did not sit on a **throne** but on the back of a **donkey**. He wore no **crown of gold**, but one of **thorns**. He did not use his **authority** to **take** life but to **give** it. He did not set boundaries or **entertain** only the **nobility**; he welcomed **prostitutes, tax collectors, foreigners and thieves**. He did not **exploit** people but spoke **sympathetically** of widows, prodigals, Samaritans and the poor. He did **not wield the sword of punishment** but **extended mercy and forgiveness**: "Today you will be with me in paradise". He did **not coerce**; he **invited**, and **rather than tax his subjects** to pay the debts of his monarchy, **he laid down his own life** so that the "debt" of human sin would be forgiven. He did **not come to conquer but to save**. When the leadership and the kingship of Jesus are compared to other leaders today and throughout history, it is clear that **he has no equal**. For these reasons, on the feast of Christ the King, the Gospel story brings us to the cross and the sign above his head stating, "The King of the Jews". Ironically, the crime for which he was being executed was the very reason for which he had come among us **-to be king of the Jews and king of every heart**.

God loves you and so do I, **Fr. Joe**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2016

We are still in need of some strong people who have transportation to get food from Our Lady of Pompei and bring it to St. Brigid for our Thanksgiving Baskets. Pick up time is 11am & you should be finished by noon.

We could use a few people to pack the bags. If you can help with transporting OR packing the bags, we would be very appreciative.

BULL & OYSTER ROAST

Thank you to all who attended this fundraiser and those who supported us by buying raffle tickets. Congratulation to Raymond Echart winner of the 50/50 Raffle and Sue Branagan winner of the Gift Cards & Cheer Raffle. The attendance was less than 100, we netted \$2414.39 through the support of all. Thank You & God Bless.

CELL PHONES - Respect Our Lord & those around you. Turn off your cell phones during Mass. Please silence children's video games during the liturgy.

Collections from Last Week

	2015	2016
<i>Offertory Envelopes</i>	2083.00	1389.00
<i>Offertory Loose</i>	253.35	191.10
<i>Total</i>	2336.35	1580.10
<i>Poor Box</i>	51.10	31.00
<i>Attendance-Adults</i>	117	83
<i>Children</i>	7	3
<i>Arch for Seminarians</i>		37.51
<i>Next week's collection Utilities</i>		

Lectors and Ministers – November 19 & 20

Saturday: 4:00PM B – Terrie McKittrick
L – Pat Banz

Sunday: 10:30AM B – Connie Curtis
L – Mike Brown

Lectors and Ministers – November 26 & 27

Saturday: 4:00PM B – Antoinette Sheridan
L – Joy Mays

Sunday: 10:30AM B – Carmelia Endres
L – Vicky Walmsley

POPE FRANCIS ~ Ultimate Thanksgiving

Jesus' gesture at the Last Supper is the ultimate thanksgiving to the Father for his love, for his mercy. "Thanksgiving" in Greek, is expressed as "Eucharist". And that is why the Sacrament is called the Eucharist: it is the supreme thanksgiving to the Father, who so loved us that he gave us his Son out of Love. This is why the term Eucharist includes the whole of that act, which is the act of God and man together, the act of Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Reflection: In the Eucharist, we are able to encounter God's mercy in the flesh. Right now, thank God for this great gift. Ask him to open your heart wider to receive the Eucharist with a more grateful heart.

BEANS & BREAD

Please bring your casserole on this Tuesday, November 22nd to the Church. Pans & the recipe are available in back of church. We welcome anyone who would like to make a casserole. It is always on the 4th Tuesday of the month, so please consider this outreach to the needy. Thanks to all who have been so faithful.



THE BOOK OF LIFE

Please remember all those in the Book of Life and their families in your prayers.

ST. BRIGID BONANZA BINGO

DATE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2016

TIME: DOORS OPEN AT 11AM

DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 12NOON

COST: \$20 INCLUDED BINGO AND A BAKED ZITI DINNER. QUICKIES, RAFFLES WILL BE SOLD.

PLEASE CALL TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT NO LATER THAN, WED., NOV. 23, BEFORE NOON.

CHRISTMAS 2016 FAMILY SPONSORS

We are in great need of Sponsors. If you can help in any way, please let us know. Whether you can sponsor a whole family, one child, buy one gift or make a monetary donation every little bit helps. Call the office **ASAP** if you can sponsor an individual or family this year. There will be some disappointed kids on Christmas morning if we do not come up with enough sponsors. Thank you!



CHRISTMAS PANTRY

We are working to refill our pantry to stock for Christmas Baskets. We need tuna, soup, corn, green beans, corn muffin mix, baked beans, any sides, mac & cheese, Pastaroni, etc. From now through December, we ask that you bring a food item with you each week. We have 30 needy families and seniors. You may place items in the bin at Mary's altar. **Thank You!!**

ADVENT GIVING TREE

Week 1 & 2: Nov. 26 & 27 & /Dec. 3 & 4 Gift Cards

We are in need of 55 - \$15 Gift cards for either Target or Walmart and 25 - \$25 gift cards for a local grocery store. Please put your donation inside the envelope and drop it in the collection basket or return it to the parish office.

HIGHLANDTOWN TRAIN GARDEN

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TRAIN GARDEN as it celebrates its 8th year in Engine House # 41 across from the Southeast Anchor Library at 520 S. Conkling St. featuring the Blizzard of 2016 in miniature. It will be open on Nov. 26 and 27, Dec. 3 and 4, Dec. 10 and 11, Dec. 17 through Jan 3 (closed Christmas). Hours are 11 am to 5 pm. For more information, visit www.highlandtowntraingarden.com or call Joe Manfre at 410-458-9029.



PLEASE REMEMBER THE POOR BOX.

WHOLE COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

- NOV 20 Advent Workshop 8:30-10am
27 NO CLASS THANKSGIVING
1st Sunday of Advent -
Special Celebration
DEC 4 Home Study 2
11 Session 6

KIDS HELPING KIDS

Thank you again to all those who so generously donated to this project. The amount of donations received were very generous. The children decorated and assembled the bags on Sunday mornings and returned to Church on Tuesday evening to fill them. The bags are being delivered to "Believe in Tomorrow" before thanksgiving.



CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation students are attended a joint Retreat this weekend with students from St. Casimir, Sacred Heart of Mary, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Hope, St. Luke and St. Rita. The Retreat is at St. Anthony's Shrine on Saturday. Please keep these students in prayer as they complete their preparation and move closer to receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you.

TRI PIC WINNERS

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|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 11/06 M- 104 J. Hoppa | E- 088 not sold |
| 11/07 M- 488 not sold | E- 816 U. Gensler |
| 11/08 M- 969 G. Palcher | E- 139 F. Weir |
| 11/09 M- 079 R. Henkin | E- 247 M. Trotta |
| 11/10 M- 613 R. Kulacki | E- 570 not sold |
| 11/11 M- 782 J. Fruend | E- 458 G. Harris |
| 11/12 M- 478 R. Miller | E- 867 D. Dausas |

Thank you to all who support this most important Fundraiser.

LOTTERY CALENDARS FOR 2017

The nightly Maryland 3-digit lottery number is used to determine the winner.

Price is \$25 for 365 chances to win. Prizes are \$25 each night, \$100 on the 15th of each month & **\$500** on New Year's Day, Maryland Day, Armed Forces Day, Independence Day, Patriot's Day, & Veteran's Day. You are able to pick your own number from those that are available. **CHRISTMAS IS AROUND THE CORNER, NICE GIFT & EASY SHOPPING**



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