

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2016

5:00 PM + Ray Varela

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2016

8:15 AM + Ann Wainwright

10:15 AM – People of the Parish

MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2016

NO MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016

9:00 AM + Nazareno Monticelli

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2016

9:00 AM + Barb Brandl

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2016

9:00 AM + Guy Lawrence

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2016

9:00 AM + Charles J. Moore

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2016

5:00 PM + James Drummer

SUNDAY AUGUST 14, 2016

8:15 AM – People of the Parish

10:15 AM + Lorrie Raubenstine

+indicates - deceased

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 / Hebrews 12:1-4

Luke 12:49-53

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE – In today's gospel a servant WAITED for the master to return. Waiting is a normal part of family life. We wait for a child's birth, then for small legs to catch up. Later we wait for teenagers to return home safely. Finally we wait alone anticipating a call or visit from an adult child. Waiting is a sacred time, for even in the waiting we are connected.

SICK OF THE PARISH – Please keep our members in your thoughtful prayers.

Susan Goughnour, Fred & Yvonne Staub, Kenneth Williams, Don & Roxey Myers, Helen & Laverne Lawrence, Keira Slonaker, Polly Renaut, John Feiser, Dorothy Schlaline, Kiefer Kuhn, Marilyn Drummer, Kai Goley, Maria Maxwell, Richard Harkenrider, Jay Gary, Louise Snoots, Norma Woerner, Theron Menges, Noreen Kline, Alice Williams, Donna Cassatt, Kathy & Russ Brock, Rose Altobelli, Kathleen Krepps and Carl Ramskow.

FLOWERS on the altar this weekend are in honor of Judy & Joe Sferrella on their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The only thing we really know about when Jesus will come again is that we won't be expecting it. As Jesus instructs us today, the best plan of action is thus to be prepared at all times. A little thought experiment might be helpful here. Let's imagine that the doorbell rings this evening after dinner. We open the door and find Jesus standing there. He asks to come in. Are we ready for this honored guest? What will he find when he steps in unannounced? Is everyone speaking with love and acting with generosity? Is there anything in our home that, in his presence, we might be ashamed of – books, shows, movies, or music that aren't appropriate? Pictures, Facebook posts, or a record of Internet history that we hope he won't discover? Now, imagine that he came unannounced into our hearts this evening. What would he find there? Are our hearts ready to welcome Jesus? In truth, we need not wait for the second coming to have Jesus in our hearts. He wants to live there already today!

QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Gospel Question: What is required today of believers to be God's "faithful and prudent steward"?

1st Reading: What role does courage play in your faith life?

2nd Reading: How would you define the term "faith"?

PARISH WEBSITE HAS MORE PARISH INFORMATION, CALENDAR AND ACTIVITIES. VISIT WWW.IHMPARADISE.ORG.

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun Aug. 13-14

5 PM Mass: Regina Walton, Jakob & Ben Wicker

8:15 AM Mass: Anastasia & Sophia Galysh,
Ava Simone

10:15 AM Mass: Autumn & Madi Kuhn, Brielle
Baughman

Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun Aug. 13-14

5 PM MASS – Betsy Miriello

8:15 AM MASS – Midge Stokes

10:15 AM MASS – Jess Socrates

Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun Aug. 13-14

5 PM: Donna Cassatt, Syndia Helmers, Bertie Kuhn,
Sam Spiese, Amanda Wicker

8:15 AM: Kim Leese, Jeanne Maysilles, John Maysilles,
John Melhorn, Mat Robinson

10:15 AM: Kevin Behr, Bonnie Hensel, Joyce Menges,
Lorrie Nagy, Leland Steinke

Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT –

Monthly Budget	\$ 33,600.00
Income for June	9,654.18
June	9,521.00
June	8,680.75
June	8,686.55

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME \$ 36,542.48

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Capital Expense Collection	1,095.50
Catholic Communication	1,220.00

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – “Faith is the assurance of that which is hoped for.” If you believe in the Giver of the call, you can hope to be true to it. Will you follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Wayne at (717)657-4804 ext. 282 or email frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.

GROCERY CERTIFICATES – Please know how VERY GRATEFUL we are to all of you who support our Grocery Certificate Program and ultimately our Religious Education Program. During the week of July 31, 2016 we sold \$930 for a profit of \$46.50.

RCIA NEWS

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin in September. This Process is designed for non-Catholics who may be thinking about joining the Church, or who just want to learn more about the Catholic religion. Those who attend RCIA will be pleased to find a casual but stimulating and non-threatening atmosphere of instruction, faith sharing and prayer. Parishioners are encouraged to ask a non-Catholic spouse or friend if they would be interested. For more information about RCIA, please call Sister Rosanne @ 259-0611, ext. 7

THANK YOU!

We want to take this opportunity to say a **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped to make this year’s Parish picnic a **GREAT SUCCESS**. We are most grateful to: Steve Signorello and his “kitchen staff” who provided all the wonderful food; to the Scout Leaders and their troops who were so very generous about setting up and cleaning up and providing us with the **BEST “Slip and Slide” in Adams and York Counties**; for those who volunteered time to sell chances, oversee the games, and the bounce house; to Karl Hershey and Larry Miller, for running “Bingo”; to Jim Rumbaugh who cooled everyone off outside with Snow Cones; to Mark and Susan Scharlau, who kept the “Ice cream” flowing inside; to everyone who *donated* anything --- the Quilt, items for bingo prizes, the country store, theme baskets and auction prizes. And to **you, our good parishioners**, who came for an afternoon of good food, fun and time to *celebrate our wonderful parish!*

SAVE THE DATE! Second Annual IHM Family Movie Night will be held Saturday, Aug. 27th at 7:30 PM. More details to follow.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING- Come to a very special presentation here at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on August 19th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the parish social hall. Dr. Luis Garcia, MD of York will present on basic Church teaching regarding sexuality and NFP, and then will teach on the various forms of NFP and the science behind them.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CALENDAR SALE - will

be held after all 3 Masses the weekends of Aug. 13/14 and Aug. 20/21. The cost of the calendar is \$30 each. The winning number is drawn off the PA nightly lotto. The calendar runs from Sept. 1, 2016 through Aug. 31, 2017. Sunday’s winning calendar number pays \$50, Monday through Friday pays \$30 and Saturday pays \$35. Plus there are 18 Bonus days listed on the calendars. Thirteen of the bonus days pay out \$50, two of the bonus days pay out \$200 and Easter, Christmas and New Year’s each pay out \$500. Every calendar holder will also receive an invitation to a Chicken BBQ held in July at the New Oxford Social Club. For more information, please contact Dave Lambert at 717-476-3996 or email at dlambert@pa.net.

BBQ CHICKEN – The Knights of Columbus will be selling BBQ Chicken on Saturday, Aug. 20th from 11 AM until 2 PM or until sold out. Cost is \$8.00 for ½ chicken, baked potato, roll, butter and applesauce.

GRANDMA HUMOR - “Grandma wouldn’t lie”

The teacher advised the class to start the day with the pledge of allegiance, and instructed them to put their right hands over their hearts and repeat after him. He looked around the room as he started the recitation, “I pledge allegiance to the flag ...” When his eyes fell upon Little Johnny, he noticed his hand over the right cheek of his buttocks. “Little Johnny, I will not continue until you put your hand over your heart.” Little Johnny replied, “It is over my heart.” After several attempts to get Little Johnny to put his hand over his heart, the teacher asked, “Why do you think that is your heart?” “Because every time my Grandma comes to visit, she picks me up, pats me here, and says, ‘bless your little heart’ and my Grandma wouldn’t lie!”

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CONEWAGO DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN cordially invites all women of the parish to attend their annual Mass and Dinner on Thursday, Sept. 8th at Annunciation, McSherrystown with Mass starting at 6 PM with the meal to follow in the school hall. Guest speaker will be Deacon Thomas Aumen. Cost is \$15. If you wish to attend, please contact Pat Slonaker before August 24th at 624-3245.

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – OCT. 15, 2016 – Please mark your calendars for Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016 for the 2nd Annual Diocesan Women's Conference. The conference will be held at Bishop McDevitt High School. Theme is *Wrapped in God's Merciful Love*. Keynote Speaker is renowned Catholic author and speaker, Kimberly Hahn. Conference includes outstanding workshops, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, opportunities for Confession, beautiful music, and celebration of Mass by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer. Conference information, including Online Registration, is available as of July 30 at www.hbgdiocese.org/women.

A MEDICAL MORAL ISSUES WORKSHOP will be held on Sept. 30th from 8:30 AM until Noon at the Cardinal Keeler Center. Topics to be addressed include caring for the sick and vulnerable, end of life issues, and assisted suicide. This presentation is offered by the Secretariat for Catholic Life and Evangelization and is open to all and it is ideal for health care ministers, parish nurses, pro-life advocates and disabilities advocates. Additional information will be available later.

YEAR OF MERCY: YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE – Join Tri-County Young Adults and Theology on Tap on Sunday, Aug. 21st for a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, MD. Experience and celebrate God's mercy in a special way this Jubilee Year of Mercy. We will meet at the Basilica parking lot at 11:15 AM and gather for prayer. We will walk through the Doors of Mercy, then have confession and Sunday Mass at the chapel. There will be some time for visiting the shrine and the grotto. All are welcome to join us for dinner afterward.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES “COME AND SEE DINNER” will be held Sept. 21st at the Cardinal Keeler Center in Harrisburg. The evening includes a reception and auction, buffet dinner and remarks by Ms. Linda Schaefer. All proceeds from the Dinner will benefit the Catholic Charities Homes for Healing-Evergreen House, Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families, and Lourdeshouse Maternity Home. All are welcome! RSVP deadline is Sept. 6th. For more information, visit www.cchbg.org/events online or contact Christopher Meehan at cmeehan@cchbg.org or 717-657-4804.

CHARISMATIC DAY OF RENEWAL – This year's theme, A Day of Healing & Mercy with the Keynote Address by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer on “The Healing Ministry of Jesus” will be held Sept. 17th from 8 AM to 4 PM at the Cardinal Keeler Center in Harrisburg. Registration includes lunch and is \$20 at www.hbgdiocese.org/renewal.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS – We are happy to welcome the following new parishioners to IHM Parish:
David & Suzanne Livelsberger & family,
Seven Valleys

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING- Have you ever heard of **Natural Family Planning** before? NFP is a way of following God's plan for achieving and/or avoiding pregnancy. It's a system that uses a woman's signs of fertility to determine the fertile and infertile times of her cycle. Approved by the Catholic Church, NFP enables couples to avoid pregnancy by practicing chaste abstinence during the fertile time of a woman's cycle.

As a married couple, why should you consider NFP in your marriage as opposed to artificial contraception? Come to a very special presentation here at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on August 19th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the parish social hall. Dr. Luis Garcia, MD of York will present on basic Church teaching regarding sexuality and NFP, and then will teach on the various forms of NFP and the science behind them. From this first session, couples will then have an opportunity to learn a specific model for NFP that is best suited to their family's needs. Advanced registration is not required, but for further information please call the parish office at (717) 259 -0611.

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – the food pantry held on May 4th served families which included individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, June 1 is <https://www.timetosignup.com/nhm/sheet/56850>. Please remember to drop off health/beauty aid items, such as soaps, toothbrushes, diapers, etc. and place them in the food pantry barrels.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION – Are you considering a Catholic School education for your child/children? If so, please consider checking out the following:

Immaculate Conception School (preK-8th grade)

101 N. Peter St., New Oxford, 717-624-2061

www.icsbvm.org.

Delone Catholic High School (grades 9-12)

140 S. Oxford Ave., McSherrystown, 717-637-5969

www.delonecatholic.org.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

MASS INTENTIONS – Mass intentions are a wonderful way to celebrate a special occasion, remember those who have died or are sick and in need of our prayers. Please consider this as a "gift" for someone. Call Anita in the Parish Office to arrange your Mass intentions.

FLOWERS – Looking for a way to memorialize a loved one or celebrate a special occasion? A beautiful way would be to order flowers on the altar. Most weekends are available from now through the end of the year.

Please call Anita in the parish office to make arrangements.

AERO ENERGY PLAN – For each parishioner who is or becomes an Aero customer, IHM receives up to 3 cents per gallon of oil or propane. This is an excellent way to help your parish! If you are not already registered with Aero Energy for this program, please call Aero Energy at 888-480-1271 and sign up for the House of Worship Program. Any questions, please call Anita in the parish office.

COFFEE/DONUT SUNDAYS – We are currently looking for a volunteer or two to help with our monthly coffee and donut social after the 8:15 AM Mass. This would involve making the coffee and setting up and making sure everything is cleaned up afterwards. If interested, call Anita in the Parish Office.

MISSION TRIP TO JAMAICA – Fr. Marcoe will lead a week long mission trip/work retreat to serve with the Missionaries of the Poor in Kingston, Jamaica on Sept. 30-Oct. 7, 2016. This missionary pilgrimage is a response to the invitation of Pope Francis during the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy to extend God's merciful love to others, especially the needy and the marginalized. Missionary pilgrims will perform Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy with the religious brothers as they minister to the poorest of the poor, the homeless and the abandoned. If interested, email Luz Socrates at luzvsoc@hotmail.com or call the parish office.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT – We here at IHM have several pieces of medical equipment for parishioners to borrow when needed. They include: crutches, walkers, commode boosters, shower chairs, a cane and a wheelchair. Also, a parishioner has items that are no longer needed and if someone would like to have them, please contact the parish office for more information. They include 16" wheelchair, walker, SpOx fingertip meter, toilet seat side rails, toilet seat lifts, automatic blood pressure meter, shower chairs, bathtub handrail, short bedrail, women's depends L. There are also two items for sell; a bathtub lift and a Go-Go electric scooter. Call Anita in the parish office at 259-0611, ext. 5.

HIPPA LAWS – Please note that HIPPA (health care privacy laws) prevent hospitals from automatically notifying the parish office when you are in the hospital. Therefore, we ask you to please give consent

(permission) for the parish office to be notified. If you would like Fr. Marcoe to know of your hospitalization, please inform the parish office before going into the hospital OR once hospitalized, ask the nurse or hospital chaplain/pastoral care staff person to notify the parish.