

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

5:00 PM + Edward Hoffheins, Jr.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

8:15 AM – People of the Parish

11:15 AM + Paul Hufnagle

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

9:00 AM + Lucretia Breighner

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

9:00 AM + George Gans

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

9:00 AM – Special Intention of Betty & Tim Wicker

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

9:00 AM + Fred & Magdalena Brandt

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

5:00 PM + Dorothy Schlaline

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

8:15 AM – People of the Parish

11:15 AM + Patty Zenyuh

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Sirach 27:30-28:7 / Romans 14: 7-9

Matthew 18:21-35

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE - The key word in today's gospel is "listen." We cannot change another person; not alone, not with others and not with a whole Church. All we can do is state our position and "if he listens to you" then he /she can take the steps necessary to change themselves. Change comes from within.

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, Doris Pohlman, Marilyn Drummer, Maria Maxwell, Louise Snoots, Norma Woerner, Theron Menges, Bob Kline, Alice Williams, Brenda Freed, Michelle Starcher, Louise Peters, Ken Jacoby, Syndia Helmers, Addie Mannarino, Scott Hale, Hector Miranda, Kai Goley, Richard Doll, Ethan Slagle, and Dave Lambert.

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 Sept 3, 2017 we sold \$640 for a profit of \$32.00.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus addresses a common occurrence in the Christian community: a dispute between two members of the Church. Jesus outlines a procedure for settling such matters fairly. The victim should privately address the offender and attempt to resolve the dispute without outside involvement. If that fails, then the victim should bring two or three witnesses and confront the offender again. If the dispute is still unresolved, the matter should be brought to the attention of the entire community. If the offender refuses to adhere to the reparations prescribed by the community, then Jesus suggests that the offender may be expelled from the Church.

Jesus does not discourage disagreement within the community of the Church; he acknowledges the reality of conflict and error and offers his disciples a means for addressing such matters. It is in the conclusion of this teaching that the message of hope is found. Jesus is present with the community and will guide the community in its relations. If decisions are taken to prayer, then the community can be assured of God's assistance.

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun Sept. 16-17

5:00 PM Mass: Nathan & Emma Maysilles, Regina Walton

8:15 AM Mass: Amelia Gerringer, Ben & Sadie Wicker

11:15 AM Mass: Autumn & Madi Kuhn, Tyler Raubensline

Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun Sept. 16-17

5 PM MASS – Pat Renaut

8:15 AM MASS – Jeanne Maysilles

11:15 AM MASS – Andy Hershey

Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun Sept. 16-17

5:00 PM: Donna Cassett, Bertie Kuhn, Steve Hoffman, Dan Landis, Steve Signorello

8:15 AM: Doug Barnhart, Bill Bowker, Kevin Heilman, Liz Kohler, Jeff Seifert

11:15 AM: Andy Altobelli, Carmelita Garcia, Bonnie Hensel, Lorraine Nagy, Leland Steinke

Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – "Where two or three are gathered in my name ..." The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Call Fr. Brian Wayne at 717-657-4804 or write: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. From September 6 through 20 I will be away on the **pilgrimage to Italy**. I will be praying for all of you as we visit locations so important in our Catholic faith. This is a special trip for my parents, who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary earlier this month!
2. A special **appreciation breakfast** to thank our **altar servers** will be sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on Sept. 24th from 9:30 to 10:30 in the social hall. All altar servers and their families are welcome. Please call the parish office for more information.

God bless you and your week – Fr. Marcoe

HURRICANE HARVEY EMERGENCY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations to the special collection for Hurricane Harvey that was taken up the weekend of Sept. 2-3. For those who missed this collection or want to give an additional donation please mark your donation for Hurricane Harvey Relief or visit: www.HbgDiocese.org/donate and use the Natural Disasters option. Millions of people were affected by this unprecedented catastrophic weather event. Please pray for the families that have lost loved ones and all who have lost homes and businesses along with their sense of normalcy. Your prayerful and financial support is urgently needed. Please give generously.

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – The food pantry held on Sept. 6th served 100 families which included 280 individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, Oct. 4th is www.volunteersignup.org/JB8CM. Please remember to drop off health/beauty aid items, such as soaps, toothbrushes, diapers, laundry detergent, etc. and place them in the food pantry barrels.

PCCW NEWS – Please come and check out the Parish Council of Catholic Women, what we do, and what we are all about. Our first meeting is on Wednesday, September 13th at 7 PM in the church social hall.

The Parish Council of Catholic Women will be having a bake sale on Sunday, Sept. 17th in the social hall after the Masses. Donations are always welcomed and can be placed in the hall before Masses, labeled, priced, and wrapped to go.

Have you been married for 5,10,15,20,25 years and so on in this year (2017)? If so, the Parish Council of Catholic Women would like to invite you to attend Mass on Saturday, Oct. 21st at 5 PM. Father will recognize each couple and then give a special blessing. Couples and their families are welcomed to the social hall for cake and drinks. If you would like to attend, you can sign up on the sheets on the window sills or call Pat Slonaker at 717-624-3245 by Sept. 10th.

THAT MAN IS YOU – ALL men are invited to join us for the new program of That Man Is You. This year we will explore *The Revelation of the Father*. Lives are being transformed by this exciting program across the nation, in the Harrisburg Diocese and right here in your very own parish. Come join us Saturday mornings at 8 AM in the Immaculate Conception BVM, New Oxford cafeteria beginning Sept. 16th. You are not required to attend all sessions. Join us as together we build our faith as brothers in Christ. Contact Pete Socks at 521-3137 or pete.socks@gmail.com.

FUSION NEWS – Fusion is Immaculate Heart of Mary's youth group; open to all teens in grades 8 to 12. For information, please call or email Paul Oakes at 717-259-0611 ext. 8 or poakes@hbgiocese.org.

On Saturday, September 16th, from 9AM to Midnight, Fusion will be attending the Uprise Christian Music Festival. The cost is \$45 a person / if you pay \$30, the parish will pay \$15. Families and teens are welcome to join us. If you would like to attend, please have the money and RSVP with Paul by **Monday, September 11th**.

On September 23rd, from 6 to 8:30 PM, fusion will present **Stop Bullying!** This youth night will be devoted to discussing different kinds of bullying and how to counter it. This program is open for all teens. We'll meet in the Den and will end the evening with Eucharistic Adoration.

Did You Know?

According to the Catholic Calendar, September is the month dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. In the Bible, there are two references to Mary's sorrows. In Luke 2:35, Simon predicts that a sword would pierce Mary's soul. John 19:26-27 recounts Jesus' words to Mary and the beloved disciple from the cross.

DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – OCT. 14TH

Women of the parish, please mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Women's Conference, which is being held on Saturday, October 14th at Bishop McDevitt High School. The Theme is: "Lead All Souls to Heaven": Mary's Message to Us from Fatima. The Keynote Speaker is Susan Brinkmann, award-winning Catholic author and noted speaker. Brochures can be found on the ledge behind the last pew. Online registration is currently available at www.hbgdiocese.org/event/womens'conference!

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ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA CALENDAR RAFFLE –

The Home and School Association will be selling calendar raffles beginning the weekend of Sept. 9-10 and concluding the weekend of Sept. 23-24. The cost is \$25 per raffle which gives you 100 chances to win! You can pickup calendar raffles at the McSherrystown Campus parish office or you may contact Andrew Stoner at 717-624-0074.

MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS – The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving the following presentations within the diocese concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends.

- Sept. 11 – Cardinal Keeler Center, 7 PM
- Sept. 14 – St. Joseph, Hanover, 7 PM

No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804, ext. 304 or email: tribunal@hbgdiocese.org.

ADAMS DEANERY ADORATION CHAPEL is in desperate need of adorers for the following hours:

- Monday @ **1 am**, 8 am & 6 pm
 - Tuesday @ **3 am, 4 am, 5 am**, 10 am & 1 pm
 - Wednesday @ **1 am** & 10 am
 - Thursday @ **12 am**, 8 am & 10 am
 - Friday @ **1 am** & 7 pm
 - Saturday @ 5 pm, 6 pm, **7 pm** & 9 pm
- (Hours that are in bold are in desperate need of coverage). Contact Gloria Murren at 717-479-1071. The House of Nazareth Adoration Chapel is located at 9 N. Third St., McSherrystown. The Chapel is closed on Sunday's from 7 AM till noon for cleaning.

TREKKING SPAIN – Fr. Mark Weiss recently made a spiritual pilgrimage of over 170 miles in 10 days across Spain. He will present on his journey, its spiritual richness and the long tradition behind the Camino de Santiago at Theology on Tap, Tuesday, Sept. 26th at The First Post, 3691 E. Market St., York. The Happy Half Hour is at 7 pm and the talk is at 7:30 followed by Q&A. All young adults (20's and 30's) single, married, Catholic or not, are invited to attend.

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FALL ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Diocesan Institute schedule of Fall adult education offerings is now available. Visit www.hbgdiocese.org/institute to access the schedule and registration information. Numerous courses and sessions are also available via webinar, allowing you to participate from home. Contact Ryan Bolster at rbolster@hbgdiocese.org or 717-657-4804, ext. 225.

PILGRIMAGE TO JAMAICA – Join the Pilgrimage to Missionaries of the Poor in Kingston, Jamaica Oct. 15-23. Work with the Brothers serving the poor, then experience retreat with Fr. Ho Lung Friday-Sunday. Contact Roy Wainwright at 717-586-8412 or email roywainwright3@gmail.com.

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

ANNUAL WHITE MASS – The Harrisburg Diocesan Guild of the Catholic Medical Association invites all Catholic physicians, healthcare workers, medical students, residents, and their families to attend the Annual White Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Harrisburg on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 9:30 AM at Saint Patrick Cathedral in Harrisburg. Please RSVP for the reception to kneri@hbgdiocese.org.

RED MASS – The Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg, will be the principal celebrant at the Red Mass on Monday, Sept. 18, 2017 at 5:30 PM at The Cathedral Parish of St. Patrick, 212 State St., Harrisburg. The homilist will be the Most Reverend David A. Zubik, Bishop of Pittsburgh. All who attend the Red Mass are invited to greet Bishop Gainer and Bishop Zubik after Mass. At the Red Mass, lawyers, judges, lawmakers, and public officials gather together to pray for God's wisdom and guidance in their pursuit of justice.

RUTH'S HARVEST – the next Ruth's Harvest packing is Wed., Aug. 30th at 10 AM at the Abbottstown Fire Hall. It only requires an hour (or less) of your time, so feel free to join us. Also, please remember to place donations in the Ruth's Harvest boxes. We are collecting individual sizes of rice with chicken and vegetables (Chef Boyardee), beef stew (Dinty Moore), soup and fruit cups.

JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT –

Monthly Budget	\$ 33,600.00
Income for June 4	9,088.00
June 11	8,205.00
June 18	9,363.40
June 25	9,065.25

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME \$ 35,721.65

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Capital Improvements	1,497.40
Pentecost Collection	3,119.26

PARISH CARING COMMITTEE – Assists parishioners on an as needed basis, in times of need or stress and provides visitation, care giver relief, meals, errands, light household chores and local transportation. To request assistance or to become a Caring Committee Volunteer, contact Jen Gentile at 717-225-5059.

AERO ENERGY HOUSE OF WORSHIP PROGRAM –

We would like to thank those parishioners who partner with Aero Energy for their oil/propane needs. Immaculate Heart of Mary receives 3 cents per gallon on all propane and oil throughout the heating season. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to give to your Church as well as savings for yourself. **NEW this year** is Aero Energy is offering \$50 credit for any member of our Church who becomes a NEW customer to Aero Energy. They are also giving IHM \$50 as well for any new customer. There are brochures on the pamphlet rack or you may call Anita in the parish office with any questions.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WME) is a weekend dedicated to your marriage, helping husbands and wives to communicate more fully, renew your romance, and bring

yourselves closer to God and to each other. Led by seasoned leaders who have experienced the magic and success of the weekend themselves, the weekend provides a conducive environment for couples to spend time together away from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, while encouraging you to focus on each other and your relationship. Rediscover the best friend that you had on your wedding day!

Time: Friday evening, Sept. 29th - Sunday morning Oct. 1st

Location: Hampton Inn, Mechanicsburg PA

Early registration is advisable as space is limited.

Please go to www.yourmarriageisworthit.org for more information or to register, or call 412-635-7775.

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA SCHOOL UPDATE –

The current enrollment at St. Teresa of Calcutta School is 438 students with the possibility of adding 5 more. Sacred Heart Campus has 168 enrolled in grades K through 3 and McSherrystown Campus has 271 enrolled in grades 4 through 8. The school colors will be dark blue, light blue and orange and will be known as “The Crusaders”. Grades 2, 4, and 8 will have 3 sections and all other grades will have 2 sections. Let us continue to keep the students, teachers, staff and families of St. Teresa School in our prayers in this ongoing time of transition.

SUGGESTION CARDS are available on the back ledges and at the entrances of the church. If you have any suggestions on how to make our parish better, please fill one out and return it in the collection basket.

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL – For everyone’s information, especially for those who may be new to our parish, there is a so-called **Children’s Chapel** or **Cry Room** here in the Church. It’s located in the front left corner of the church, where a restroom is also located. As a parish family, we want children and families to be welcome here at Mass, and so it’s important to have an appropriate place in the church for babies and young children when they get fussy and need extra attention. I really want to encourage parents to use this space to tend to your children as needed. Please, feel free to just get up when need be from the body of the church, and utilize this space. Then you can better tend to your children without feeling like you’re being watched. And this will also allow the other parishioners to be able to more fully focus on worshiping.

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE – In October 2015, Father Marcoe blessed a Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The Statue will be brought to any person who would like a visit from the Pilgrim Virgin by members of the Legion of Mary. Prayers from a “Pilgrim Virgin” booklet are prayed and the Rosary. The Statue is usually left at the home for two weeks. When the Legion of Mary picks up the Statue, there are closing prayers to conclude the visit. The purpose of taking the Pilgrim Virgin to the parishioners is to promote the message of Fatima, which is penance, daily rosary and

devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. If you would like a visit from the Pilgrim Virgin, contact Janet Todt at 528-4755.

PRAYER SHAWLS – Are you in need of a prayer shawl? Do you know someone who is? Please call Jan Melhorn at 308-2532. The next prayer shawl meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 14th at 1 PM in Room #3 of the RE Building. All knitters and crocheters are welcome. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, we can teach you. Skeins of new yarn are always welcome and there are bins at the church entrances for these donations.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED - Our Parish is in need of several more Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, **especially for the 8:15 AM Mass.** This ministry plays an important role assisting Father in distributing Holy Communion to our parishioners at Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation. Please call Father if you feel God is calling you for this ministry. You must 18 years of age or older, a practicing Catholic and a member of our parish.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.