

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

5:00 PM + Frank Schuhart, Sr.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

8:15 AM – Special Intention of Carol Stroud on her 70th birthday

11:15 AM – People of the Parish

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016

9:00 AM + Charles Staub

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

9:00 AM + Frank Mannarino

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016

9:00 AM + William H. Boeshore, Sr.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

NO MASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2016

5:00 PM + Ray Varela

SUNDAY OCTOBER 2, 2016

8:15 AM + Joseph & Wanda Belsak

11:15 AM – People of the Parish

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Amos 6:1, 4-7 / 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Luke 16:19-31

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE – In today's gospel the rich man died and was condemned to "a place of torment" because he ignored the poor. He asked Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers to change their ways. Evidently ignoring the poor was a family pattern. Is your family sensitive to the poor?

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, Doris Pohlman, Kiefer Kuhn, Marilyn Drummer, Kai Goley, Maria Maxwell, Richard Harkenrider, Jay Gary, Louise Snoots, Norma Woerner, Theron Menges, Noreen Kline, Alice Williams, Rose Altobelli, Kathleen Krepps, Carl Ramskow and Mark Schlaline.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS WEEKEND ARE IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM BOESHORE.

FLOWER BEDS – It's that time! Anyone who adopted a flower bed this year should clean out and prepare them for Fall. Thank you for helping our Church property look so beautiful.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Today's Gospel reading is Jesus' parable about the "rich man" and a "poor man," named Lazarus. The story shows both men after death, the rich man in torment, and Lazarus enjoying the comfort that he was deprived of during his earthly life. It's important to understand that this teaching does not imply that having wealth leads to eternal punishment. Rather, we look at *how* the rich man *used* his wealth and see there the cause of the problem. As Jesus says, this man "dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day." Clearly, he had abundant wealth and focused it all upon serving himself. To further the accusation against him, all the while "lying at his door was a poor man...who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table." But the rich man paid Lazarus no heed, and *this* is why he now suffers. This selfishness became the rich man's *self*-condemnation. He put himself in torment because he blatantly disobeyed God's law to love his neighbor. This challenging parable urges us to examine our own behavior and ask how we use our wealth. Are we willing to assist our neighbors in need? Or do we walk by the poor, excusing our own comfort?

QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Gospel Question: What does this parable tell us about God and divine judgment?

1st Reading: How does our culture deal with those indifferent to the poor?

2nd Reading: What do you like about Paul's advice to Timothy?

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun Oct. 1-2

5 PM Mass: Hannah Fletcher, Anastasia & Sophia Galysh

8:15 AM Mass: Ava Simone, Ethan Aiello, Lauren Wicker

11:15 AM Mass: Harrison Smith, Briello Baughman, Nick Steinke

Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun Oct. 1-2

5 PM MASS – Joe Schwar

8:15 AM MASS – Midge Stokes

11:15 AM MASS – Andy Hershey

Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun Oct. 1-2

5 PM: Syndia Helmers, Jen Gentile, Bertie Kuhn, Steve Signorello, Sam Spiese

8:15 AM: Bill Bowker, Kevin Heilman, Margie & Sam Leese, Carol Stroud

11:15 AM: Carmelita Garcia, Joyce Menges, Lorrie Nagy, John Schlaline, Jr., Pat Spiridonoff

Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- From Sept. 30 through Oct. 7th we will be away on our **parish mission trip**. Please keep us in your prayers as with the Missionaries of the Poor we serve those most in need in Kingston, Jamaica. Please also know how grateful I am for your support of this parish endeavor – at the Cultural Festival back in May, for your donations of medical supplies and sneakers, and for all the ways that you have put mercy into action. Thank you.
- The following week, Oct. 10 through 14, we have our **annual priest workshop**. Yes, I know, what timing! This year our theme is “A Call to Mercy: Penance, Evangelization, Health Care”. Sounds like a mish-mash of really important topics!

God bless you and your week.
Fr. Marcoe

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – “Fight the good fight of the faith.” Is your faith in Christ leading you to grow in holiness 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 Sept. 18, 2016 we sold \$1380 for a profit of \$69.00.

RUTH'S HARVEST food collections have resumed to benefit qualified students at Bermudian Springs Elementary School. Anyone who may be interested in helping to pack the bags should come to St. John's Lutheran on Tuesday, Oct. 5th at 10 AM. Any questions, call Pat Renaut at 637-1110.

PCCW – The Parish Council of Catholic Women would like to thank all of the bakers and buyers who made our bake sale a success.

POVERTY AND PROTECTING THE MOST VULNERABLE – While the common good embraces all, those who are weak, vulnerable, and most in need deserve preferential concern. Our concern for the poor and vulnerable includes all who are marginalized in our nation and beyond: unborn children, persons with disabilities, the elderly and terminally ill, victims of injustice and oppression, and immigrants. We are called to help children, families and individuals overcome poverty through efforts such as the opportunity for good and dignified work at fair, living wages, while also helping to overcome widespread hunger and poverty around the world. Does the candidate support policies that protect those who are most in need both in our nation and around the world? For more information, visit www.Hbgdiocese.org/vote.

AUGUST FINANCIAL REPORT –

Monthly Budget	\$ 33,600.00
Income for Aug. 7	9,292.10
Aug. 14	9,308.25
Aug. 21	8,682.85
Aug. 28	9,613.75

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME **\$ 36,896.95**

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Capital Expense Collection	1,188.60
Aug. 15th Collection	906.00
Missionary Co-Op Collection	3,306.32

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Ladies, this one is for you! When was the last time you took a day to rest awhile, to refresh your spirit, to wrap yourself in God's merciful love so that you have more to share with your children your grandchildren, your husband, your parents, your co-workers, and your neighbors? On Saturday, October 15th, the Diocese of Harrisburg will offer our 2nd Annual Diocesan Women's Conference at Bishop McDevitt High School. The theme this year is **“Wrapped in God's Merciful Love.”** Our Keynote Speaker will be Kimberly Hahn. Her keynote address is entitled: *Rome Sweet Home: How the Mercy of God led me to Become a Catholic*. There will be Workshop Sessions, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, Praise and Worship, Holy Mass and fellowship with hundreds of women, which will refresh your soul as we continue to celebrate this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Come and see what God's love can do in your life. **The early-bird deadline is September 27th.** For more information, please contact Sister Rosanne, or to register, go to www.hbgdiocese.org/women.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS – The IHM Knights of Columbus Council #13692 are once again offering scholarships for the 2016-17 school year for both elementary and high school students, awarded on a financial-need basis. Applications are available on the ledge behind the last pew and must be returned to the Council no later than October 30, 2016.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS – Oct. 2, 2016 – In celebration of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, the Holy Name Society of Annunciation Parish and the Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish will be hosting a blessing of the Animals on Sunday, Oct. 2nd at 2 PM at the Basilica Picnic Grove on Centennial Rd. Please bring your pets out for the blessing that will be conducted by Deacon Joe Lawrence.

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advocates, disabilities advocates and anybody who takes care of a loved one. For additional information or to register visit www.hbgdiocese.org/evangelization or email jcurran@hbgdiocese.org.

WE WELCOME the following members into our parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism:
Quincy Patrick Brewer, son of Rachel & Lee Brewer and
Owen James Morris, son of Lynn & Richard Morris.

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

SAVE THE DATE! The annual Veterans Day Dinner and Program will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5th starting at 6:15 PM. More details to follow in the coming weeks.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING – We have DVD's available on the presentation that was held here at IHM on August 19th. Please contact Anita in the Parish Office if you would like a copy.

ARE YOU CELEBRATING A SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR? Were you married 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 etc. years and so on? The Parish Council of Catholic Women would like to invite you to a special mass on Saturday, Oct. 8th at the 5 PM Mass. Couples and their families can sit together in the front of church for a blessing from Fr. Marcoe, and then after Mass, cake and refreshments will be served in the social hall. If you would like to participate, contact Pat Slonaker at 624-3245 before Oct. 1 or you can sign up on the sheets on the window sills of the Church.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS – The Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg is hosting a night for young adults ages 21 to 35ish from throughout the region called *Get Connected* on Saturday, Oct. 8, 2016. The evening will begin with the 4:30 PM Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer, followed by a dinner and social taking place at Saint Leo the Great Parish in Lancaster. Registration and detailed information may be found at www.hbgdiocese.org/getconnected.

A MEDICAL MORAL ISSUES WORKSHOP will be held on Sept. 30th from 8:30 AM until 1 PM at the Cardinal Keeler Center in Harrisburg. Three speakers will address topics such as 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. It is ideal for health care ministers, parish nurses, pro-life

THAT MAN IS YOU – Year 2 Update: That Man Is You returns on Saturday, Sept. 17th. We will meet in the Immaculate Conception School cafeteria starting at 8 AM until approximately 9:30 AM. There is no need to have attended Year 1 to take part in Year 2: The Spirit of Nazareth. Contact Pete Socks for more details via pete.socks@gmail.com or Tim Riley at tim.riley63@yahoo.com.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS – We are happy to welcome the following new parishioners to IHM Parish:
Michael & Keegan Woods, Abbottstown
Jessica & Marcelo Sanchez & family, Spring Grove

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – the food pantry held on August 3rd served 91 families which included 244 individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, Sept. 7th is <https://www.volunteersignup.org/TTDFA>. Please remember to drop off health/beauty aid items, such as soaps, toothbrushes, diapers, etc. and place them in the food pantry barrels.

ANNUAL WHITE MASS – The Harrisburg Diocesan Build of the Catholic Medical Association invites all Catholic physicians, healthcare workers, medical students, residents and their families to attend their Annual White Mass on Sept. 25, 2016 at 9:30 AM. The Mass will be at Saint Patrick Cathedral in Harrisburg with

Bishop Ronald W. Gainer as the celebrant and homilist. Please RSVP for reception to CathMedHbg@aol.com.

- Sept. 22 – St. Joseph Parish, Hanover, 7 PM
 - Sept. 26 – St. Philip Parish, Millersville, 7 PM
- No prior registration is required. For more information, call 717-657-8404, ext. 304.

RCIA NEWS

RCIA (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

6th ANNUAL MARYLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Our theme this year is "Witness of Mercy" being held at Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD. The dates of the Conference are Oct. 7, 8, and 9, 2016. Our powerful line-up includes Fr. Chris Alar from the famous Shrine of Mercy in Stockbridge, MA with Archbishop William Lori, and Sr. Tracey Dugas, a powerful speaker and Pauline Sister who specializes in media evangelization. More details on the website. Register now at www.marylandcatholicwomen.com or call Jeanne at 443-324-8487. Cost is \$75 or \$60 for Saturday only.

FALL ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Diocesan Institute schedule of Fall adult education offerings is now available. Visit www.hbgdiocese.org and click on the Diocesan Institute icon on the homepage 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.

FOR THOSE SEEKING TO LEARN AND DEFEND

THE FAITH – We live in confusing days. We live a secular age. People are searching for truth, but many do not know where to go to find it. Might I suggest the *Catholic Answers* website, www.catholic.com for those wanting to learn and defend the Faith. **Catholic Answers** is a reliably Catholic site that can help us to combat what Pope Emeritus Benedict referred to as "A Dictatorship of Relativism".

MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS – The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving 3 presentations concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching.

- Sept. 12 – Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg
- 7 PM

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.

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.