

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2017

5:00 PM + Ray Varela

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

8:15 AM + Deceased Members of the Joseph
Smith family

10:15 AM – People of the Parish

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2017 – LABOR DAY

9:00 AM + Al Polklis

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

9:00 AM – Intentions of Abused & Abducted Children

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

9:00 AM + Mae Legore

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2017

9:00 AM + Helen Neiderer

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

+indicates - deceased

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Ezekiel 33:7-9 / Romans 13:8-10

Matthew 18:15-20

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE - Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in the way. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me."

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, Micheline Starcher, Louise Peters, Ken Jacoby, Syndia Helmers, Addie Mannarino, Scott Hale, Hector Miranda, Kai Goley, Richard Doll, Ethan Slagle, and Dave Lambert.

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, please pray for the repose of the soul of Father Kenneth Lawrence who died last week.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry; he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely, calling him "Satan." In opposing this aspect of Jesus' mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ's disciple is to follow in his way of the cross. People could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus' disciples would be called to a similar life of service. Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus' prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called "rock" would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did.

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun Sept. 9-10

5:00 PM Mass: Bob & Luke O'Brien, Aaron Oravitz

8:15 AM Mass: Anastasia, Sophia & Madelyn Galysz

11:15 AM Mass: Sally Earp, Margaret & Clare Mailey

Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun Sept. 9-10

5 PM MASS – Barbara Reichart

8:15 AM MASS – Kevin DePaulis

11:15 AM MASS – Wendy Behr

Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun Sept. 9-10

5:00 PM: Dan & Barb O'Brien, Mat & Holly Robinson,
Sam Spiese

8:15 AM: Margie & Sam Leese, John Melhorn,
Elaine & Mitch Walton

11:15 AM: Kevin Behr, Joyce Menges, Lorrie Nagy,
Diane & John Schlaline

Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – "What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process." Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Call Fr. Brian Wayne at 717-657-4804 or write: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH IN
OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. There will be a special Mass in the church at 9am on Sept. 4th to celebrate **Labor Day**.
2. 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!
3. The weekend of Sept. 9/10 an American priest representing **Food for the Poor** will be celebrating Masses. There will be envelopes at the end of the pews for you to take and donate to this important ministry that provides food, medicine, and shelter, among other services, to the poor in Latin America and the Caribbean. Thank you for your generosity.
4. A very special thank you to Sr. Rosanne, Ed Earp and Fusion who have worked together to renovate the **"Den"** on the second floor of the Religious Education Center. The Den is the meeting room for Fusion, as well as for RCIA, our small Christian Communities (prayer groups), and others. The room really needed a refurbishing to make it more functional for all of these groups and to spruce it up too. A fresh coat of paint, new carpeting, couches, and lighting were all installed to make this a nice meeting space here at IHM.
5. 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

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS – We are happy to welcome the following new parishioners to IHM Parish:

Jeffrey & Colleen Cosentino, Spring Grove
Dale & Karen Kruse & family, East Berlin
Jay & Nancy Hendrickson, East Berlin
John & Gloria Tumminello, Hanover
Ottis & Amanda Grim & family, Hanover
Robert & Kristina Pribish, Dover
Greg & Anna Mummert & family, Abbottstown
Dustin & Ashley Kuhn & family, Abbottstown
Thomas & Amy Long & family, East Berlin

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 Aug. 27, 2017 we sold \$1740 for a profit of \$87.00.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Life is a journey in which a person is constantly learning, growing and changing. If you want to be a member of the Catholic faith, the RCIA process is a step on that journey, providing you with an opportunity to grow spiritually, learn, ask questions and experience what is meant by being a Catholic Christian. The Catholic Church is always ready to welcome anyone who desires to become a part of our faith community. If you are an un-baptized adult, a member of another Christian faith or perhaps you are just interested in learning more about the Roman Catholic Church, please call Sister Rosanne at 259-0611, ext. 7

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – the food pantry held on Aug. 2nd served 105 families which included 301 individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, Sept. 6th 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.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – The first meeting of the fall for the Prayer Shawl Group will be held at 1 PM, Tuesday, Sept. 5th in Room #3 of the Religious Ed Center.

ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS – Dennis Hallisey will begin the Adult Enrichment Class on Sundays from 9:30 AM to 11 AM on Sept. 24, 2017. The first two weeks, Sept. 24 and Oct. 1, they will meet in the Den on the second floor of the Religious Ed Center. After that, they will meet as usual in the social hall.

PCCW NEWS – Attention all bakers, 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 welcome and can be placed in the hall before the 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@hbgdiocese.org.

On Saturday, September 9th, from 6 to 8:30PM, Fusion will celebrate Kick-Off Night! During the upcoming school year, we'll be meeting in The Den. We'll view and discuss **Chosen, Lesson 9: When did my journey begin?**

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 **Saturday, September 9th**.

On Saturday, September 23rd, from 6 to 8:30PM, 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 in Eucharistic Adoration.

Did You Know?

September 3rd is the feast of Pope St. Gregory the Great. He was the Pope of the Catholic Church between 590 to 604 AD. Gregory was well-educated and excelled in his studies; becoming an expert in law. After his father died, he had the family villa turned into a monastery. Gregory first became a monk before he was proclaimed pope by acclamation. Though he was pope, Gregory referred to himself as a servant of God; a habit that is still practiced today. He was most famous for his emphasis on missionary work. He made changes in the Mass that are still in place, like the position of the Our Father in the Mass. And he established Gregorian Chant. He's the patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers.

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.

DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – OCT. 14TH

Women of the Diocese of Harrisburg may register online at www.hbgdiocese.org/women, for the **3rd Annual Diocesan Women's Conference**, Saturday, **Oct. 14, 2017**, at Bishop McDevitt High School. Brochures for paper registration are also available at parishes and online. Theme: **“Lead All Souls to Heaven”**: **Mary's Message to Us from Fatima**. Keynote speaker: **Susan Brinkmann**, award-winning Catholic author and noted speaker. The title of her keynote address is: *The Message of Fatima for Today's Woman*. This Conference includes 36 workshops from a blue-ribbon panel of speakers, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary and Benediction, opportunity for Confession, beautiful music, good food, many exhibitors, Mass with Bishop Gainer as Principal Celebrant and Homilist, fellowship with hundreds of women and more. Last year we had more than 800 women attend this conference. We expect another large crowd this year. We would love to see you there!

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

Monday @ **1am**, 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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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.

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.

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 worshipping.

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.