MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017
5:00 PM + John Potocki

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2017
8:15 AM – Living & Deceased Members of the Miller & Baummer families
11:15 AM – People of the Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017
NO MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017
9:00 AM – Special Intention of Charles Ruffner on his birthday

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2017
9:00 AM + Lorrie Raubenstine

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017
9:00 AM + Charles Luckenbaugh

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2017
9:00 AM + Rick Stefanovich

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017
5:00 PM + Fred Krepps

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2017
8:15 AM + Lucretia Breighner
11:15 AM – People of the Parish
+indicates – deceased

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS
Isaiah 45:1,4-6 / 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5
Matthew 22:15-21

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 Renaunt, 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, Dave Lambert, Nadine Kroft, Joshua Truex, Phyllis Woerner, Cathy Hertz, Maria Twardy and Gerald Serfoss.

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, please pray for the repose of the soul of Arlington (Jim) Schuchart of our parish, who died this week.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE
October 15-21, 2017

Sunday, Oct. 15th – Religious Education 9:30-11 AM
Sunday, Oct. 15th – Adult Enrichment Class in social hall, 9:30-11 AM
Monday, Oct. 16th – Cub Scouts, 6:30 PM
Monday, Oct. 16th – Charismatic Prayer Group in social hall, 7 PM
Monday, Oct. 16th – Legion of Mary Meeting in Rel Ed Bldg, Room 5, 7 PM
Monday, Oct. 16th – Confirmation at St. Joseph’s Church, Hanover
Tuesday, Oct. 17th – AM Bible Study in the den 9:30-11 AM
Wednesday, Oct. 18th – Boy Scouts, 7 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 18th – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 7 PM
Thursday, Oct. 19th – Faith Sharing Group in social hall, 9:30-11 AM
Saturday, Oct. 21st – PCCW Anniversary Mass 5 PM, Reception afterwards in social Hall.

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun Oct. 21-22
5:00 PM Mass: Hannah Fletcher, Keira Slonaker, Liam Miriello
8:15 AM Mass: Ryan Gebhart, Joseph Murphy, Lauren Wicker
11:15 AM Mass: Autumn & Madi Kuhn, Edie Rumbaugh Coordinator is Lori Kuhn.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun Oct. 21-22
5 PM MASS – Joe Schwar
8:15 AM MASS – Barb Bowker
11:15 AM MASS – Andy Hershey Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun Oct. 21-22
5:00 PM: Jen Gentile, Dan Landis, Barbara Reichart, Steve Signorello, Mary Margaret Thorne
8:15 AM: Bill Bowker, Kristy Bucholtz, Jeff Seifert, Midge Stokes, Carol Stroud
11:15 AM: Rita Becoski, Carmelita Garcia, John & Diane Schaline, Pat Spiridonoff Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – “Many are called, but few are chosen.” Consider following Christ more closely as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life. Call Fr. Brian Wayne at 717-657-4804 or write: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org
FALL FESTIVAL – The Charitable Children’s Group is hosting a fun family day on Sunday, Oct. 22nd from 3-6 PM. Come out and enjoy the fun, the food, the games and a hayride. Children may wear tasteful Halloween costumes. Flyers can be found on the ledge behind the last pew. RSVP to Kylee King at 717-858-4472 by Sunday, Oct. 15th.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – Next weekend, our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. It represents a global sign of the universal Church and Mission. We are invited to reach out and help build the Church in the most remote areas across our world. Your prayers and donations will support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations to priesthood and religious life. Please show your generosity as much as possible during this collection.

VETERAN’S DAY DINNER: The IHM Veterans Day Dinner will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11th at 6:15 PM in the social hall. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for kids (ages 5-16) and will be on sale after Masses in October. All Veterans are free as our guests.

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 Oct. 8, 2017 we sold $760 for a profit of $38.00.

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.

PARISH SERVICE PROJECT – the Parish Council’s Mission for Social Concerns and Outreach is offering an opportunity for parishioners to participate in a service mission project to help out the elderly Benedictine Sisters at their beautiful St. Emma’s Monastery and Retreat Center in Greensburg, PA. Mother Mary Ann Noll, OSB, the Prioress has appealed for a team of 8 volunteers to clean up after their annual “Christmas Shoppe” fundraising event on Sunday, Nov. 12 and Monday, Nov. 13. There is no charge for the 2 night stay at their retreat center and participants are invited to join the sisters in their prayers and vespers. Serving and reaching out to those in need are concrete ways we grow deeper in our Catholic faith as an individual and as a parish family. If interested, please call or text Luz Socrates at 717-873-3650 or email at luzvsoc@gmail.com.

Fusion News
Fusion is Immaculate Heart of Mary’s youth ministry, 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, October 21st, from 9AM to 1PM. Fusion will be going to the Boyer’s Nurseries and Orchards in Adams County to go apple gleaning. The apples will be collected and donated to the local food banks. Service hours will be provided. If you would like to attend, please RSVP with Paul by Tuesday, October 17th.

Fusion is again going to Mount 2000! The three-day event will run from Friday, February 9th, to Sunday, February 11th, 2018. While there’s still information to follow, at this time, we are in need of a head count. If any teens in grades 9 to 12 would like to attend, please RSVP with Paul by Saturday, October 21st.

Did You Know?
October 15th is the feast day for St. Teresa of Avila. As a teenager, she cared only about boys, clothes, flirting, and rebelling. When she was 16, her father decided she was out of control and sent her to a convent. At first she hated it but eventually grew to enjoy it as her love for God grew stronger. She became a Carmelite nun, but still considered herself a great sinner. She found mental prayer to be extremely difficult in addition to getting involved in flattery, vanity, and gossip. Teresa eventually started to have a more spiritual and mystical prayer life. In one vision, she saw an angel of God standing next to her, clutching a golden arrow. The angel pierced her heart, awakening in her a deep and ecstatic love for God.

HARRISBURG DIOCESE CURSILLO MOVEMENT – all are invited to the Harrisburg Diocese “Grand Ultreya” celebration on Oct. 28th from 9 AM till 3 PM at the Cardinal Keeler Center, 4800 Union Deposit Rd., Harrisburg. Doors open at 8:30 AM with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 9:15 AM. Bishop Ronald Gainer will be the main Celebrant. Fellow Cursillistas, this is a great opportunity to live your Fourth Day. For those that have not made their Cursillo weekend, this is a great opportunity to learn more about the Cursillo movement. Lunch will be provided. Suggested Donation is $15.00. To register contact Phil Talalarico, 717-691-0604.

DIOCESAN ROSARY RALLY – On Monday, Oct. 23rd from 6-7 PM there will be a Rosary Rally led by Bishop Gainer for High School student-athletes, coaches, and their families. This Rosary Rally will take place at Bishop McDevitt High School, 1 Crusader Way, Harrisburg, in Finestra Hall Auditorium. The Rally is open to ALL high school athletes, coaches, and their families and is for ALL high school sports … fall, winter and spring, including high school CYO. The evening will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction and the recitation of the Rosary. Afterward there will be some light refreshments.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH BINGO – Sunday, Oct. 29th at 1:30 PM in the school cafeteria. Prizes include Thirty-One and Vera Bradley bags, Alex and Ani jewelry, local gift certificates and more! Tickets are $17 in advance and $20 at the door. For tickets or information call Rosemary Lowas at 717-825-1922.

OCTOBER – RESPECT LIFE MONTH
Walk with each other. Do not be afraid to embrace God’s gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us.
THANKS TO
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God bless you and your week – Fr. Marcoe

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AUGUST FINANCIAL REPORT –
Monthly Budget $ 35,200.00
Income for Aug. 6th 10,874.76
   Aug. 13th 7,885.06
   Aug. 20th 8,487.50
   Aug. 27th 9,794.60
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME $ 37,041.92
SECOND COLLECTIONS:
   Capital Improvements 1,473.04
   August 15th Collection 1,824.00

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.

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/9KFR3. 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.

CONEWAGO DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN invites you to the Annual Harrisburg Diocesan Marian Day on Oct. 21, 2017 at St. Joseph Parish, 5125 Grandview Rd., Hanover. It will be held from 9 AM to Noon. Please register in advance with Harriet Glass at 717-677-4303 or by email at hrglass@embarqmail.com. Registration deadline is Oct. 7th. Registration fee is $10. Make checks payable to Conewago District CCW.

REFORMATION PANEL DISCUSSION – A video of the panel discussion held here at IHM on Sept. 27, 2017 can be found on the IHM website as well as https://youtube/1Zc29zXy5Tw.

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

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.