DAILY MASS SCHEDULE
Week of July 22\textsuperscript{nd}

Daily Mass will be held Monday through Thursday at 9 AM.
We will not have Mass on Friday, July 26\textsuperscript{th}. 
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2019
5:00 PM + Tom Harbaugh

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019
8:15 AM – People of the Parish
10:15 AM + Charles & Marie Hensel

MONDAY, JULY 22, 2019
9:00 AM - Special Intention of Fr. Marcoe

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019
9:00 AM + Carl Parrill

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019
9:00 AM + Adrian Woods

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2019
9:00 AM + Marlene Smith

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019
NO MASS

SATURDAY JULY 27, 2019
5:00 PM + John & Dottie Schlaline

SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2019
8:15 AM + Lorrie Raubenstine
10:15 AM - People of the Parish

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NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

Genesis 18:20-32
Colossians 2:12-14

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FAMILY PERSPECTIVE – Cell phones, emails, faxes, texts and voice mail can reduce our lives to a continual series of interrupted moments. Listen to Jesus in today’s gospel: “You are anxious about many things” robbing us of the precious time needed to BE with others. Quality time is QUANTITY time.

PRAYER SHawl MINISTRY – Our next meeting will be held on August 6th at 1 PM in Room #1 in the Religious Education Center.

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JULY 21, 2019

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE
July 22nd-July 26th

Monday, July 22nd – Cub Scouts, 6:30 PM
Monday, July 22nd – Legion of Mary in Rel Ed Bldg
Room 4, 7 PM
Monday, July 22nd – Charismatic Prayer Group in
Social Hall, 7 PM
Wednesday, July 24th – Scout Community Meeting
Social Hall 6:30 – 8:30
Thursday, July 25th – Faith Sharing Group in Den
After 9 AM Mass

MISSION FOR LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ALTAR SERVERS for Sat/Sun July 27-28
5:00 PM Mass: Riley & Zachary Horst, Mary Murphy
8:15 AM Mass: Emma & Hannah Maysilles, Ian Frantz
10:15 AM Mass: Erich & Nicholas Steinke, Logan Bergels
Coordinator is Kelli Maysilles.

LECTORS for Sat/Sun July 27-28
5 PM MASS – Barbara Reichart
8:15 AM MASS – Susan Fobes
10:15 AM MASS – Susan Altbobelli
Coordinator is Dianne Giampietro.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC) for Sat/Sun July 27-28
5:00 PM: Rose Deitz, Jen Gentile, Mary Margaret Thorne, Pat & Randy Slonaker
8:15 AM: Doug Barnhart, John & Kelli Maysilles, Jeff & Terry Seifert
10:15 AM: Kevin Behr, Bonnie Hensel, Joyce Menges, Diane & John Schlaline
Coordinator is Claire Wentz.

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. IHM receives a 5% profit from the sale of all the grocery cards purchased. Before going for groceries, please consider purchasing Weis or Giant cards after each Mass at the front entrance. Cards can also be purchased in the parish office during the work week. Thank you for your support of this wonderful program! During the week of July 14, 2019 we sold $1190 for a profit of $59.50.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – “Mary has chosen the better part.” Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrated attract you? Talk to Fr. Burger or Fr. Jonathan Sawicki, Director of Vocations, at 717-657-4804 or check out www.dioceseanpriest.com.
OFFERTORY PROCESSION – For the benefit of you, our long-time parishioners as well as you, our NEW parishioners ~ we invite you and your family to participate in the Offertory Procession when you come to Mass on Saturday night or Sunday.

Perhaps you have NOT noticed the 3 crosses and the picture frame on the ledge behind the last pew (right hand side) as you come into Church. There is an invitation from Fr. Burger in the frame for you to bring forth the gifts at the Offertory time. You just need to take the 3 crosses to the pew with you, and when the altar server goes to the back of the Church with the Processional Cross, you get out of your pew and head to the back of the Church. One of the ushers is there to assist you, if necessary. The gifts (the paten of hosts and the cruet of wine) are on the ledge by the picture frame. You bring those gifts, as well as the collection basket forward, following the altar server with the cross. Please consider having your family participate in the Offertory Procession. This is a simple way to participate more fully in the celebration of the Mass.

MISSION TRIP – Is this the year you give of yourself on a mission trip – a Christian pilgrimage of service as a thank you for your blessings? Father Ho Lung (Missionaries of the Poor) in Jamaica can use your help taking care of the hundreds of castaways in Kingston; men, women and children. He gathers the resources, but needs your hands to serve these people. Roy and Margaret Wainwright (and granddaughter) are going this year November 2-10. Won’t you consider joining us? You must want to “die to self” and use your willing heart to serve others for the week. You will never be the same. Contact Roy Wainwright at roywainwright3@gmail.com or 717-619-7243. See more at our website www.ihmparadise.org/29.

RCIA PROCESS
The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Process is for:
+ The unbaptized.
+ Those baptized into the Catholic Church but not brought up in the practice of the Faith.
+ Those who want to respond to God’s invitation to return to the practice of the Faith.
+ All who need to refresh or renew on an adult level what has been taught to them as children.

Immaculate Heart of Mary has an active RCIA, the process by which a non-Catholic can become a member of the Roman Catholic Church and a baptized Catholic can respond to God’s invitation to fuller, more visible communion with the Church. If you, or someone you know is interested in more information about RCIA, please call Sister Rosanne at (717) 259-0611, ext. 7.

FUSION - Fusion is Immaculate Heart of Mary’s youth ministry; open to all teenagers in grades 8 to 12.
Reminder: July 21 is Vocation Night with special guests Fr. Morelli and Seminarian Rich Groff.
July 21, 6 - 8:30 PM: DY Session 9: Priesthood, Consecrated Life, and Celibacy

July 28, 6 - 8:30 PM: Polar Vortex Night – DY Session 7: Language of the Body
August 11, 6 - 8:30 PM: DY Session 8: Marriage
August 18, 6 - 8:15 PM: Closing Night – DY Session 10: Friendship, Dating, and Family
August 18, 8:30 - 9:15 PM: Work-In-Progress Concert

For more information, please call or email Paul Oakes: (717) 259-0611 ext. 8 or poakes@hbgdiocese.org

OPEN POSITION – St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School is currently looking for a part-time Preschool Teacher for our three-year-old program in the 2019-2020 school year. Interested Applicants must be PA certified in Early Childhood (at least two years experience preferred). Please send cover letter and resume to Mr. Jesse Read at principalcc@stck8school.org.

PARISH PICNIC – Have you heard? Our Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 4th from 11:30 AM until 4:30 PM. It takes everyone to make our picnic a success! We are in need of donations for the COUNTRY STORE and also ~ Bingo prizes. We’re also very grateful for as many THEME BASKETS as possible. If you have any questions, please call Sister Rosanne at (717) 259-0611, ext. 7.

ADVENTURE CLUB – Have you heard the phrase ~ “Christmas in July”? Well, the Adventure Club is planning a trip to the American Music Theatre not in July but December, to see the show ~ “JOY TO THE WORLD!” Never too early to plan for Christmas. Interested??? Call Janet McIntyre at (717) 633-9384 for more information and/or to sign up. More specific details will appear in upcoming bulletins.

THRIFT SHOP- The Immaculate Conception Thrift Shop, 5 Carlisle St., New Oxford (we didn’t move yet), is having a clothing sale. Buy two and get the third item free (must be of equal to or less in value). Shop hours are Monday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Questions – call Pat @ (717) 624-1272.

ADAMS DEANERY PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL – We are in desperate need of adorers for the following hours: Monday @ 12am
Tuesday @ 9am & 5pm
Wednesday @ 2 am
Thursday @ 12 am
Friday @ 11 pm
Saturday @ 4 pm

The hours in Bold are in desperate need.

THANKS TO

“Can you spend just one hour with our Lord.”
Contact: Gloria Murren @ (717) 479-2434.
CUB SCOUT FUNDRAISER – Join Pack 127 at Hickory Falls for a family fun evening on Aug. 6th anytime between 4-9 pm. Help us fundraise money to support
our cub scouts with camping, STEM activities, requirements, and lots of other fun things!

THRIFT SHOP – The Immaculate Conception Thrift Shop will NOT be accepting donations until they relocate to 101 N. Peter’s St., New Oxford and open on Monday, July 29th. Shop hours will be Monday to Saturday from 9 AM to 3 PM. Questions, call 717-624-1272.

SAVE THE DATE - Our annual Parish Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 4th from 11:30 AM until 4:30 PM. Plan to join us for some good food, games, Theme Basket Auction, Cake Walk and much, much more! For more information, please call Sister Rosanne at (717) 259-0611, ext. 7

RETREAT – please join us in New Oxford, PA for a one day retreat on August 24, 2019 sponsored by Breadbox Media featuring Dr. Scott Hahn who will provide 3 talks. Lunch will be included. Details can be found and tickets may be purchased at https://breadboxmedia.com/paconference/ or by contacting Pete Socks at 818-521-3137 or pete.socks@breadboxmedia.com.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE
Children learn by watching us. Do they see you helping others like the Good Samaritan, or do they see you avoiding others like the Levite in today’s gospel. Worry more about what your children see in YOUR LIFE than what they see on TV.

HOUSE OF WORSHIP PROGRAM – We would like to express our most sincere gratitude to all those who participate in the Aero Energy House of Worship Program. Our parish received a check in the amount of $527.16 from this past heating season! IHM receives 4 cents per gallon for anyone using heating oil or propane that is a current customer of Aero Energy or anyone who becomes a NEW customer. If you are not already participating in this program and would like to, please call Aero Energy at 888-827-1713 to sign up for the House of Worship Program. There is no additional cost to anyone who participates – it is a donation from Aero Energy to our church. Thanks to all who participate!

THRIFT SHOP – The Immaculate Conception Thrift Shop, 5 Carlisle St., New Oxford is having a 50% off moving sale now until Saturday, July 13th. Shop hours are Monday to Saturday from 9 AM until 3 PM. Questions call 717-624-1272. We will be moving to Immaculate Conception School, N. Peter’s St. (behind the Church) and plan to open on Monday, July 29th. Please note date changes.

WELCOME! We welcome the following to our parish family:
Cory & Hannah McCoy & family, Dover
Orian & Melinda Morgan & family, Dover
Eric & Dee Thieme, Dover
Ryan & Danielle Peters & family, East Berlin
Kenneth & Cindy Gordon, Spring Grove
Thomas & Sherry Groft, Spring Grove
SAVE THE DATE
The 12TH Annual "Swing for the Sisters" Golf Tournament to benefit the retired Sisters of Saint Joseph will be held on Saturday, September 28th @ Flatbush Golf Course in Littlestown, PA. For more information or to register for a Foursome, please call 800-482-6510.

HEALING HEARTS is a support group for widows and widowers. The group will meet once a week on Thursday nights from 6pm until 7:30 pm at Kim Aiello’s house at 1650 Pine Run Road, East Berlin. The meetings will consist of prayer, bible study, share time, Christian music, group social outings, like going to see a Christian movie, attending a Christian Concert, or listening to a Christian Speaker. The support group goal is to help heal the broken heart and replace sorrow with joy, by finding peace through a personal relationship with the Lord. Contact Kim Aiello at 717-476-7504 or emailing her at jkilo1@hotmail.com.

SUMMER WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 5 PM,
Sunday 8:15 AM and 10:15 AM

MAY FINANCIAL REPORT –
Monthly Budget $36,000.00
Income for May 5th $11,355.50
   May 12th 9,121.80
   May 19th 9,406.00
   May 26th 10,280.00
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME $40,163.30
ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS:
Capital Improvements $1,748.75

ARE YOU CARING FOR AN AGING PERSON?
There is a safe website where you can get help and ideas. Go to www.agingcare.com. You can sign up for their emailed newsletter at the bottom of the home page. I have been following the newsletters and find a lot of articles which may be useful. If I can be of any help, please contact me at roywainwright3@gmail.com or 717-619-7243.

ABBOTTSTOWN/EAST BERLIN FOOD BANK – The food pantry in East Berlin held on June 5th served 60 families which included 158 individuals. The number of families served at the Abbottstown location on June 6th was 33 for a total of 75 individuals. The link to the Time to Sign Up page for the food pantry on Wednesday, July 3rd at the East Berlin location is www.volunteersignup.org/79FEK and Tuesday, July 2nd at the Abbottstown location is www.volunteersignup.org/RHDFH. Please remember to drop off health/beauty aid items, such as soaps, toothbrushes, diapers, as well LAUNDRY DETERGENT, etc. and place them in the food pantry barrels.

RUTH’S HARVEST – There has been a change in the April date for Ruth’s Harvest. Remaining dates for this school year are now April 10th and May 22nd at 10 AM at the Abbottstown Fire Hall.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students at Delone Catholic High School for achieving honor roll status:
FIRST HONORS: Audrey & Abigail Sell, Christian Powell and Julia O’Brien
SECOND HONORS: Harrison Smith & Avery Kuntz
COMMENDABLE EFFORT: Christian Powell & Avery Kuntz

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.

SUNDAY, MAY 5th – Religious Education from 9:30 – 11 AM
SUNDAY, MAY 5th – Adult Enrichment Class in
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.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snare of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

NEW ENTRANCE PROCEDURE FOR THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTER –
I want to let you know about a new entrance procedure that we now have in place when coming to the parish office and the Religious Education Center. You will now find that the doors will be locked. We ask that you please ring the bell on the wall outside the door and you will be buzzed into the building. This safety system which now allows the staff to see who is at the door was installed this last week.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING SERVICES:
Depression and anxiety can occur when we have a loss or a major change in our life. A licensed skilled therapist can help you by listening, processing, and giving you the power to make positive change. Catholic Charities Counseling Services is accepting new clients for four office locations throughout the Diocese. Catholic Charities Counseling is for anyone: children, adolescents, adults, and couples. Services are provided in a confidential office setting. Services include individual and family therapy, marital counseling, and parent-child counseling. We accept Medical Assistance, or clients can pay for services (discount fee schedule available). Just call for an appointment: Capital Region 717-233-7978; Lancaster 717-299-3659 or 717-392-2113 (Espanol); York 717-845-2696; Paradise School Office (Abbottstown) 717-259-9537. Visit www.cchbg.org for more information.

Don’t Get Scammed!
Scammers are now posing as priests and other clergy. In this latest scam, you might receive an email or a text message that appears to be from your Pastor or another priest that you may know. The scammer ask you to help someone in need by purchasing a gift card and to provide the codes on that card.

Here’s how to protect yourself from being scammed.
1. Know that scammers are out there. Be suspicious of any request for funds of any type via an email message or a text message. Verify any request with a call to the person who supposedly sent it or a call to the phone number of the text that you received.
2. Know that any email from a priest should be from a diocesan or parish email account. Messages sent from free services, such as Gmail or Yahoo, are more likely to be scammers.
3. Many clergy do not share their cell phone numbers publicly. If you receive a text message from someone not on your phone’s contact list, be suspicious.
4. Know that priests will NEVER ask for financial transactions via email or text messages.

GUIDED PRAYER APP – Alessandro DiSanto, a Holy Name of Jesus parishioner, has worked with a few friends to build an app aiming to help people grow in their faith lives through guided prayer and meditation sessions. The app is called Hallow and offers guided audio sessions through a variety of prayer types, including Christian Meditation, the Examen, Lectio Divina, and Spiritual Writing. To learn more, visit www.hallow.app or feel free to reach out to Alessandro at alessandro@hallow.app. The app is available on both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

IMPORTANT CHANGE FOR HANOVER HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS – The Hanover Hospital – UPMC Pinnacle Health has issued the following changes to their policy effective December 2018.

1. Clergy will not be able to view denominational lists at the front desk.
2. Clergy will not be able to obtain patient information at the front desk unless they have the patient’s name.
3. If the patient indicates a congregational affiliation in the admissions interview, the Chaplain will call the congregation. If the patient indicates to the Chaplain on his or her rounds that he or she belongs to a particular congregation and gives permission the Chaplain will call the congregation.
4. In an emergency situation if the patient or family indicates a congregational affiliation to the Chaplain or other staff and gives permission to call the congregation, every effort will be made to notify the congregation.
Because of these changes, it is very important that a family member contacts the parish when someone is admitted.

WEEKDAY MASS PARKING – Anyone attending the weekday Masses are asked to park in the lot beside and behind the Church whenever there is snow and ice. This parking area will be made ready first for anyone on the property.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT – It has been noted that some people, who are dropped off or picked up for Mass, are doing so at the steps right along West Canal Road. Especially at night, and given the adjacent hill, it is deemed this is unsafe given the speed and flow of traffic. For accessible and safe access to the Church at all times, please use the side social hall doors. Thank you.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – CAN YOU DONATE NEW YARN? During the last year, the Prayer Shawl Ministry has made over 50 items for our own parishioners, Rachel’s Vineyard retreatants, Cross Keys Village Skilled Nursing patients, Spiritrust Lutheran hospice and Hanover Hospital Maternity. We rely on your donations to help with our yarn expense. We can always use red, white and blue yarn for military veterans in hospice care. Please drop off your donations in the covered gray boxes at the entrances to the church. If you know of anyone who would benefit from a prayer shawl, please call the parish office at 717-259-0611. Thank you!

AERO ENERGY HOUSE OF WORSHIP PROGRAM – This program was established to provide Aero Energy customers an opportunity to give to our church. To participate, Aero Energy customers sign up by phone or online and Aero Energy donates 4 cents for every gallon of fuel they use to us. Please call if you are not already part of this wonderful program. It’s an easy way to benefit Immaculate Heart of Mary. Call 888-827-17136.

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.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION – Please keep collecting and sending in those BoxTops for Education for St. Teresa School. If you’d like to help out trimming those BoxTops, please contact kwenger@hotmail.com. All help is appreciated!

EVENT NOTICE – I have been a parishioner at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for more than 40 years and employed in the newspaper business for more than 20 years. We have many wonderful events happening here at our parish and we’d like to get the word out to the public. Please feel free to send me any events that would be of interest to our local community – from Lenten dinners to youth events to Bible studies and everything in between! You can send information to: 6fletch@embarqmail.com. Don’t forget to tell me the following: WHAT is the event? WHO is invited? WHEN is the event? WHERE is the event? WHY should people attend? HOW can they get more information? If you have any questions, feel free to call or text me at 717-357-8051. Thank you!

Holly Fletcher

HEARING IMPAIRED – Anyone who is hearing impaired may find it helpful to sit in Pew #9 on the Sacristy side. You will notice “hearing impaired” stickers on the side of the pew to indicate the best place to sit if you are hearing impaired.

HANDICAP PARKING – Please note that handicap parking spaces are available for parking near the social hall entrance to the Church. If you are attending the 11:15 AM Mass, in order to avoid the traffic associated with religious education letting out, the following two options are recommended: EITHER come in the EXIT lane BEFORE 11 AM, OR come in the usual entrance way AFTER approximately 11:07 AM.

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. We really want to encourage parents to use this space to tend to their 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.

CREMATION
Since 1963, Catholics have been allowed to choose cremation over burial as a means of laying a loved one to rest. Cremation is a popular choice since it is less expensive and more manageable than a full burial. Cremation, like death, is final. But that doesn’t mean you won’t have second thoughts. Susan Skiles Luke, a marketing consultant in Columbia, Missouri, had her mother cremated and buried in a family plot. Now, she wishes it was her mother’s body and not just the cremated remains that was in the grave. “When I go there, which isn’t often, I want to feel like her body is under ground, right alongside my grandparents and beloved great aunt, all dressed up in their Sunday best…”

Although cremation is permitted, some Catholics have not been dealing properly with their loved ones remains. Common practices include scattering ashes, parting ashes out to friends and relatives, and keeping the ashes in a common area, such as a living room. While scattering ashes may seem romantic to some (but is also contrary to Catholic teaching), there’s something to be said about keeping your loved one in one place, and then marking that place with a name. “We mark the graves of our loved ones with a headstone to memorialize them, so we don’t forget them”. When visiting that person’s grave, just seeing his or her name can give comfort.

To instruct the faithful in this regard, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has issued updated guidelines. According to these, burial is still preferred, but cremation is an option. When a loved one has been cremated, their ashes must be kept intact, the same as one would treat a body. The ashes may not be separated or scattered. Instead, they should remain in a proper vessel that is interred in a proper place, such as a cemetery or church. Finally, the document stresses that Catholics who choose cremation for reasons contrary to the faith, (e.g., to have their ashes scattered) must be denied a Christian funeral.

In the end, whether cremation or burial is chosen, we await from the grave the second coming of Jesus Christ and the blessed Resurrection of the Dead.

3. Listen carefully to what your child is asking or talking about.
4. Clarify just what any concerns are before you answer. Sometimes we make assumptions and give far more information than what the child needs.
5. Keep your answers simple and brief. Don’t answer questions that have not been asked. Do not overload your child with information that is beyond his/her level of understanding.
6. Assure your child that you and other adults that are in charge are doing everything possible to make sure they will be safe. This will give them a sense that adults are actively taking steps to protect those who are currently suffering.
7. Don’t make guarantees that such a thing can never happen again. Words like “never” and “always” should be used very carefully because small children trust that this is a promise from you.
8. Explain that we do not know why people treat other people badly.
9. Try to limit your child’s exposure to media coverage. A child believes what he or she sees on television, or in the newspapers is always true.
10. Let your children know about successful community efforts. You may want to share positive media images, such as reports of individuals helping those in need.

Additional information is available at www.YouthProtectionHBG.com

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

God bless you and your week – Fr. Marcoe

Tips for talking to children about difficult subjects/news reports

The topic of sex abuse, particularly child sex abuse, is a daunting one for parents. Every parent must consider many factors including the best age-appropriate way to discuss the topic. Below are some points to consider adapted from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, and First Things First.

1. Make sure you are composed before you talk with your child.
2. If you believe your child is aware of news concerning abuse in the diocese, start the conversation. Not talking about a difficult event can make the event even more threatening in your child’s mind.