

Mass Intentions

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Chris Leonard
Sun.	7:30a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10:00a.m.	Charmain Orndorff
Mon.	7:00p.m.	Hedwig Starzec
Tues.	8:00a.m.	Carroll Little
Wed.	8:30a.m.	Keith A. Adams
Thurs.	8:00a.m.	Helen Weaver
Fri.	8:00a.m.	Debbie Hockensmith
Sat.	5:30p.m.	Charles & Leona Klunk
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Barbara Poist
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish



The Readings for this weekend are:

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

The Gospel: John 20:19-31

Building Projects

Our Building and Grounds Team is working hard! This past week, the diocese and our parish finance council approved two more building projects:

- to install storm windows to protect the church's stained glass windows. (Some of the windows already have this. Now we are preparing to do the rest of them.)
- to replace the roof of the rectory which is showing signs of rot and deterioration.

We appreciate all of your support of the Parish! Thank you for your generosity as we continue to preserve this beautiful historic church for the greater glory of God and the salvation of souls.

From our Pastor: Why do Christians worship on Sunday?
Why not Saturday or another day?

- The Sabbath was Saturday.
- Jesus rose from the dead on Sunday, the day after the Sabbath.
- For this reason, the early Christians did Christian worship on Sunday, the first day of the week, the day which begins the new creation.

Look at how Saint Augustine who died in 430 AD says it:

"By his resurrection, Jesus consecrated Sunday, or the Lord's day. Though the third day after his passion, this day is the eighth after the Sabbath, and thus also the first day of the week."

--Saint Augustine

Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy

Sermo 8 in octava Paschae 1, 4

found on page 636 of the *Liturgy of the Hours* Volume II

See how Saint Justin who died in 130 AD explains it:

"We hold our common assembly on Sunday because it is the first day of the week, the day on which God put darkness and chaos to flight and created the world, and because on that same day our Savior Jesus Christ rose from the dead. For he was crucified on Friday and on Sunday he appeared to his apostles and disciples and taught them the things that we have passed on for your consideration."

--Saint Justin Martyr

First Apology in Defense of the Christians

found on page 695 of the *Liturgy of the Hours* Volume II

Looking to volunteer some time, donate items or money for the special needs in the area? Hanover Area Council of Churches (HACC) serves Hanover and the surrounding area with many opportunities to help those less fortunate. Drivers are especially needed for Meals on Wheels, Ruth's Harvest is in need of single serve food items, cereal, juice boxes, snacks... or monetary donations. Changing Lives Shelter is in need of deodorant for men or women, disposable cleaning gloves, Lysol spray, disinfecting wipes... The Clothing Bank is in need of all size sheet sets, bath towels, family toiletries... For more information call HACC at 717-633-6353.

The book to order Altar Flowers is now back in Church. It is behind the last pew on a table in front of the "Fr. Visitor" confessional.

Delone Catholic High School is seeking passionate, organized and fully committed teachers for the 2021-22 school year. A Spanish teacher, a teacher of Art and a Business Education teacher. All resumes with cover letter should be sent to: Mrs. Donna Thompkins, Interim Principal, Delone Catholic H.S. 140 S. Oxford Ave. McSherrystown, PA 17344 or email dthompkins@delonecatholic.org

A memorial Mass for Doris Shrader, who passed away last year during the shutdown, will be held Sat. Apr. 17th at 11:00a.m. All are welcome.

Preparations are beginning for this year's 50th Anniversary Mass, which will celebrate the love and commitment of couples who were married in 1971. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer. **The Mass and Reception will be held Sun. July 11th at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill.** Jubilee couples

will also be presented with a Commemorative Certificate; those unable to attend the event will receive one in the mail. **Please contact the Parish Office at 717-637-2721 by Apr. 18th with your name and address.**

The Prayer Group Movement for Youth and Children will gather Sun. Apr. 18th at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 220 Third St. Hanover at 2:00p.m. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before recitation of the Rosary. Please enter the Church at the side where the ramp is. Adults are welcome to attend and pray as well. Prayer books and rosaries will be provided. For more information call Vicky Bunty 717-632-3245.

Upcoming: we will again ask for donations of flowers for Mary's Altar for Her month of May. The blue pages will be put in the Flower Book in the back of Church soon!

The Tender Care Pregnancy Consultation Services will be holding a "Virtual" Walk for Life on Sat. May 8th. The goal is \$60,000. For more information contact debbie@tendercare.org or call 717-633-9685.

St. Teresa of Calcutta School News

The School will have their Race for Education on Fri. Apr. 30th. Donations are accepted by either sponsoring a student, contacting Mrs. Wenger at the Conewago Campus 717-632-8715, or donating online at www.stck8school.org All monies donated directly benefit the students!



DIVINE MERCY

**Eternal God,
in whom mercy is endless
and the treasury of compassion
- inexhaustible,
look kindly upon us
and increase Your mercy in us,
that in difficult moments
we might not despair
nor become despondent,
but with great confidence
submit ourselves to Your holy will,
which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.**