

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY - Living and deceased members of Andrew and Bertha Smith

SUNDAY - *Seventh Sunday of Easter*
People of the Parish

MONDAY - *Saint Bede the Venerable; Saint Gregory VII; Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi; Memorial Day*
Kenneth Deatrick (Ann.)

TUESDAY - *Saint Philip Neri*
Bill Groft

WEDNESDAY - *Saint Augustine of Canterbury*
Max and Jean Overbaugh

THURSDAY - NO MASS

FRIDAY - Gina Iocco (Ann.)

SATURDAY - Robert F. Miller

NEXT SUNDAY - *Pentecost Sunday*
People of the Parish

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Please pray for those who have asked for prayers

- Sara Arigo
- Nadine Becker
- Ron Becker, Jr.
- Nicholas Harner
- Henry Krug
- Ellen McWilliams
- Joe Orndorff
- Steve Overbaugh
- Larry Redding
- Richard Shermeyer
- Donald "Donnie" Smith
- Linus Smith
- Ronald Smith
- Fred Wilke

If you would like to add or remove someone from this list please call 717-624-4121 or email icbvmno@comcast.net. Thank you!

Online Resources to help us keep the Lord's Day HOLY!

<https://www.facebook.com/St.JosephHanover/>
<https://www.hbgdiocese.org/coronavirus/#parishes-live-streaming-mass>. **You can go anywhere in the world and attend Mass and Adoration by going to:** <https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online/> and <https://virtualadoration.home.blog/>

Important Notice

While we know everyone is excited and ready to head back to Mass during the yellow phase, there is still much to be accomplished before that can happen. We have been working behind the scenes for the past 2 weeks preparing for that glorious occasion. **However, at this time, NO DATE has been set.** We are following directives provided by the Diocese of Harrisburg and we continue to ask for your patience and cooperation. We will need MANY volunteers to make the reopening as safe as possible. If you wish to volunteer please email the parish office at icbvmno@comcast.net with your contact information. Announcements will be posted on the website as well as emailed.

Sacrificial Giving

Sunday Collection Budget\$400,000.00
Weekly Total Needed\$7,692.30

5/17/2020

Adult Weekly Collection.....\$4,223.00
Adult Online Giving (5/11 to 5/15).....\$550.00
Children's Weekly Collection.....\$0
Weekly Collection Total\$4,773.00
Weekly Shortfall\$2,919.30
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A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."

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.



There are over 5 million cases of skin cancer diagnosed in the United States each year, making skin cancer the most common type of cancer in the U.S. Fortunately, skin cancer can be prevented and treated if caught early. As summer approaches, we all will be spending more time outside enjoying the sun. The CDC recommends the following to be sun smart: stay in the shade, especially during late morning through mid-afternoon; whenever possible, wear a long-sleeved shirt and pants to protect your skin, along with a wide brimmed hat; and reapply sunscreen at least every 2 hours and especially after swimming, sweating or toweling off. And don't forget, sunscreen isn't just for the beach or pool – it's for anytime you are exposed to the sun!



PA Department of State Announce JUNE 2, 2020 is the new date for the PENNSYLVANIA PRIMARY. All Pennsylvanians can now apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot and vote from the comfort of home. Learn more at: VotesPA.com/. Mail Ballot is fast, easy and mobile friendly! The new deadlines are:

- *May 25: Last day to apply for a mail-in ballot*
- *June 2, 8 pm: Deadline to return your mail-in ballot*

Enter your email address when you apply and you will receive updates on your ballot status. If you want to be mailed a paper application, need help, or have questions, call 1-877-VOTESPA (option 3).



We are pleased to welcome **Mr. and Mrs. Christian and Elizabeth Origenes** to Immaculate Conception B.V.M. parish.

Sometimes Jesus withdraws from us so that we may not attach ourselves too much to the joys of sense. When He withdraws, however, He sends the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, who sustains, helps, and consoles us.

-St. Joseph Marello (1844-1895), Bishop, Catechist, Spiritual Director, Feast Day May 30

Mother's Day Intentions

In Memory of:

Bertha C. Smith
 Clara A. Kuhn
 Veronica Smith
 Bertha Smith
 Beatrice Rickrode
 Doris Hockensmith
 Donna Yake

From:

Letty Rider
 Letty Rider
 Letty Rider
 Deb Laughman
 Tom & Anita Hockensmith
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Prayer Against Coronavirus - Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illness. For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness. We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy. Amen.

- Pedro de la Cruz



If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins, you shall receive a never fading crown of glory. For even if you are now on the brink of damnation, even if you have one foot in hell, even if you have sold your soul to the devil...sooner or later you will be converted and will amend your life and save your soul. If you say the Rosary devoutly every day of your life.

- Saint Louis de Montfort

Sheltering-at-home for an extended period of time can drive even the best of people to be frustrated with each other and with the present circumstances. But this time can also be experienced as one of grace. We know from Romans 8:28 that "all things work for good for those who love God." So even during (and maybe especially during), these difficult days, our Lord is calling us to draw closer to Himself. Here are some suggestions for the spiritual life of families that might be helpful.

Spiritual Communion/Morning Offering – We might not be able to receive the Body and Blood of Christ yet sacramentally, and let's face it, there is no substitute for that. Still, we can profit a great deal spiritually by watching and praying televised or livestreamed Masses (especially on Sundays) and by uniting ourselves to the Holy Sacrifice by through spiritual communion and morning offerings.

Increasing Our Prayer Lives – Both Quality and Quantity. Should at least pray each morning and night and grace at meals. From "golden oldies", to devotional prayer, to lectio divina, to just talking to God as our friend...because He is! Talk to Him plainly. Pour your heart out to Him.

The Rosary, Especially the Family Rosary – I know this also falls under the previous point, but the Rosary is particularly powerful. St. (Padre) Pio referred to the Rosary as "The Weapon". Outside of liturgical prayer, it may be the most powerful prayer there is. It is also like "glue" for families, especially during trying times.

Good Spiritual Reading – The Bible, Liturgy of the Hours, Writings by the Saints, writings by contemporary Catholic authors like Scott Hahn, Colleen Carroll Campbell, Peter Kreeft, Emily Stimpson Chapman, etc.

Fasting – Fasting is one of those things that I am generally weak in, but have been focusing on more regularly during this time. Scripture speaks clearly of the power of fasting combined with prayer. As a family we are also trying to abstain from meat on Fridays. Little sacrifices, when united to the Cross, are pleasing to God.

Keeping a Spiritual Journal – Helps to concretize things a bit more in our spiritual lives and helps to keep us honest.

Singing Hymns and/or Praise and Worship – Saint Augustine famously wrote, "He who sings prays twice." Actually, the quote is rendered more accurately is "He who sings well, prays twice", but I think that effort counts here. And it has the added benefit of lifting our spirits.

Forgiving Each Other and Making Sacrificial Acts of Love – This is true for everyone, and especially for those sharing familial bonds. The emotions might not be there, which is where the act of the will comes in. Say the words. Don't think you are being disingenuous if you say the words and don't feel it. In such cases, there is even more grace. We also grow in charity by helping others, e.g. with a chore, making a meal, etc.

Sharing in Wholesome Fun – Playing games together, conversation, watching movies and old sitcoms, and laughing together are all things that can reduce stress and bring us together.

Eating Meals Together - Food is a great uniter and tends to bring out our "better angels". Put away the phone and hand-held device and see what happens.

Easter Word Search Puzzle

Circle the words that you find.



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| Alive | God | Resurrection |
| Angels | Holy Ghost | Sepulchre |
| Cross | Jesus | Tomb |
| Dead | Joanna | |
| Disciples | John | |
| Easter | Mary | |
| Father | Peter | |
| Gardener | Rabboni | |