

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY - *The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

3 - 4 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Sue and Erik Norton
6:30 p.m. Richard J. Smith

SUNDAY - *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

8:00 a.m. Deceased Priests and Religious who served
Immaculate Conception B.V.M. Parish
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish
1:00 p.m. Communion Service
5:00 p.m. Barbara McDongall

MONDAY - *Saint Clement I, Saint Columban, Blessed Miquel Agustin Pro*

7:30 a.m. Janet Groft
4 - 5 p.m. Confessions

TUESDAY - *Saint Andrew Dung-Lac*

7:30 a.m. Barbara Thompson
9 - 10 a.m. Confessions

WEDNESDAY - *Saint Catherine of Alexandria*

4 - 5 p.m. Confessions
5:30 p.m. All Souls

THURSDAY - *Thanksgiving Day*

9:00 a.m. Janet Groft

FRIDAY - NO MASS

SATURDAY - *Blessed Virgin Mary*

3 - 4 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Dorothy and George Bondra, Sr.
6:30 p.m. Gregory Earl Seely

NEXT SUNDAY - *First Sunday of Advent*

8:00 a.m. Richard Flickinger
11:00 a.m. Curtis Hardnack
1:00 p.m. Communion Service
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY - Second Collection - Matthew 25
Religious Education Class - 9:15 to 10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY - **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**
Parish Office - Closed

FRIDAY - Parish office - Closed

NEXT SUNDAY - Religious Education Class - NO CLASS



November Turkey Dinner Update - We had the largest turnout in the history of our turkey dinners! A total of 291 meals were served with a profit of \$1,933. Our continued thanks to Tom Becker, our volunteers and patrons. The next TAKE OUT dinner is on December 20, 2020.

Sacrificial Giving (Fiscal Year 2020-2021)

Sunday Collection Budget \$380,000.00
Weekly Total Needed..... \$7,307.69

11/15/2020

Adult Weekly Collection \$5,883.00
Adult Online Giving (11/9 to 11/13) \$645.00
Children's Weekly Collection \$2.00
Weekly Total \$6,530.00
Weekly Deficit..... \$777.69
Y-to-D Deficit..... \$(47,434.55)

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Sara Arigo
Ron Becker, Jr.
Agnes Bevenour
Sandy Bladen
Nancy Christy
John (Bill) Dean
Lorraine Ensor
Ean Grothey
Konnor Grothey
John Goshorn
Ben Heidlebaugh
Bill Heidlebaugh
Teresa Hertz
Tom Hockensmith
Henry Krug
Joe Kuhn
Bernard Lawrence
Dakota Legore
Ellen McWilliams
Jeanne Myers
Bill O'Bryan
Joe Orndorff
Steve Overbaugh
Larry Redding
Dee Schuette
Mary Shadle
Linda Sokolovich
Linus Smith
Deven Veith
Charles Walmer
Donna Weaver
Sarah Weaver
Fred Wilke

The annual **Matthew 25 collection** will take place this Sunday. This special collection supports efforts throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg in serving others who are in need of food, clothing and shelter. Last year, more than 30 organizations throughout the Diocese received over \$190,000 to support these efforts in the community. The Diocese anticipates an uptick in applications and requests for funding as a result of COVID-19. A letter was recently sent to past donors asking them to renew their support. Please visit www.hbgdiocese.org/giving/matthew25/ for more information and to make a gift. Our parish retains 25% of what is donated by our parishioners to help our efforts that align with this collection.

Thank you to Mark Becker for coordinating the cemetery cleanup and to all the volunteers who helped. We appreciate your time and effort as the cemetery looks very nice.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Reminder: Baby bottles are due back to the parish this weekend, November 21/22. Thank you for supporting Tender Care Pregnancy Center.



SWEETS On the Porch Sponsored by the Annunciation B.V.M. Parish Women of Mercy & Joy Saturday, December 5, 2020 Sunday, December 6, 2020 After the 4pm, 8am, & 10am Masses At the Parish House 9 N. Third St. McSherrystown, PA Home made Cookies & Candies for sale.

Grocery Certificates - Giant & Weis gift cards can be ordered by writing your order on paper or downloading the form and placing with payment into the collection basket. **Starting November 21/22 gift card orders can be picked up after the 8 a.m. Mass or call the rectory to make arrangements for pick up. The next order is due November 21/22.** FYI: Panera and Starbucks have \$5 gift cards and Amazon has \$10 cards available. The Scrip form can be obtained at www.icbvmnewoxford.org, on the home page, under Parish Documents.

We ought to speak, shout out against injustices, with confidence and without fear. We proclaim the principles of the Church, the reign of love, without forgetting that it is also a reign of justice.

-Blessed Miguel Pro (1891-1927), Jesuit Priest, Martyr, Beatified November 25

November is traditionally dedicated by the Church as the Month of All Souls. To "pray for the living and the dead" is one of the spiritual works of mercy.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
Let the perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

As many of you know it is a traditional practice of many Catholic families to add this prayer at the end of "Grace Before Meals" or "Grace After Meals".

The practice of prayer for the dead also has Biblical foundations, not only in the New Testament, but in the Old as well, cf. 2 Maccabees 12:39-45.

Many of our Saints have spoken and written of having been visited by souls in Purgatory to beseech them for prayers. Saint Pio, aka Padre Pio, and Saint Faustina, just to name two 20th century Saints, spoke and wrote frequently about these visitations from the faithful departed. In some cases, they thought that those who visited them from "the great beyond" would have long since been in Heaven. In numerous cases, they were re-visited by these same souls after they had prayed for them. The reason for these second visits? To let them know that their prayers were instrumental in them (those individuals who had been in Purgatory) being released more quickly into Heaven than they otherwise would have been, and that now they were enjoying the fullness of happiness, peace, and glory with God and all the blessed!

Tending the needs of others is a gift of service to God as well as those in need. Imagine that you chose to serve God as a deacon, priest, brother or sister. What do you think/feel about this choice? (Matthew 25:31-46). If God may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit our website at www.hbgdiocese.org, call Father Jonathan Sawicki at (717) 657-4804, or write: frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org.

Director, Buildings and Properties Full time position Harrisburg Catholic Administrative Services is seeking an energetic and organized Director to manage the Department of Buildings and Properties. This complex position includes direct management of properties owned by The Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg; technical advice and support for the buildings and grounds at over 100 parishes and schools; supervision of a Diocese wide asbestos management program (AHERA); management of facilities staff, including a diocesan-wide shared maintenance program; oversight and approval of planning, design, and construction programs and interfacing with architects, engineers, and contractors. The successful applicant will be experienced in property management and construction procedures, team-oriented and a good communicator. Familiarity with budget management, establishment of purchasing contracts, and preventive maintenance required. Architectural, engineering, or construction management background (especially registration in any of these fields) is a definite plus and a degree in engineering or architecture is highly desirable. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Please send cover letter, résumé, and references no later than November 30 to: employment@hbgdiocese.org or mail to: Human Resources Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg 4800 Union Deposit Road Harrisburg, PA 17111

Truth, Beauty, and Goodness Evangelization Speaker Series - The next presentation for the Truth, Beauty, and Goodness Evangelization Speaker Series is on November 30, 2020 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm via Zoom. The presentation is entitled, "Blessed are the Broken-hearted". The speaker is Christina Bair, an Autism Support Teacher from York, PA. Whether you are young, old, single, married, divorced, or widowed, you've most likely experienced the heartbreak of loss and pain in relationships. Come discover how Christ's perfect love transforms and heals our hearts. To register, go to https://hbgdiocese.formstack.com/forms/speaker_series. Registration deadline is November 27. Registration is free, though free will offerings are gratefully accepted.

Thanksgiving Prayer

O God, when I have food,
help me to remember the hungry;
When I have work,
help me to remember the jobless;
When I have a home,
help me to remember those who have no home at all;
When I am without pain,
help me to remember those who suffer,
And remembering,
help me to destroy my complacency;
be concerned enough to help;
By word and deed,
those who cry out for what we take for granted.
Amen.

