

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

REV. FRANCIS P. STRAKA, Pastor
Mrs. Karen Glose, Director of Music
Mrs. Mary LaBianca, Adult Choir Director
Ms. Irene M. Quigley, Principal of Good Shepherd Catholic School

Mrs. Linda Santucci, Coordinator of Religious Education
Mrs. Deborah Heckenberger, Youth Activities
Ms. Joanne Manning, Parish Secretary

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Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.
 Weekdays 8:00 a.m.
 Holy Days 7:00 p.m. [Vigil]
 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
 or by appointment

Baptism

Every Weekend after Mass on request. Baptismal preparation classes are the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the classrooms above the church. Please call the rectory in advance to schedule class attendance and Baptism.

Sponsors

Parishioners need to meet with Fr. Straka to determine whether they are eligible to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call the rectory.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to schedule a wedding. Attendance at diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes is required six months prior to the wedding date, as well as three or four sessions with the priest. Current Baptism and Confirmation certificates are needed for the Catholic parties. In the case of previously existing marriages, a death certificate or declaration of nullity is necessary before another marriage can be considered.

Parish Registration

New parishioners living in the parish boundaries are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address or phone number or move out of the parish.

Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and on First Fridays. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners on First Fridays several times a year. Please call the rectory to request being included on the homebound Communion list.

Please call the rectory when parishioners are admitted to a local hospital.

Parish Activities/Contacts

Adult Education	Fr. Straka.....	610-262-2559	Hospitality Committee	Jane Spengler.....	610-262-8138
Adult Prayer Group	Vincent Santucci.....	610-262-8428	Knights of Columbus Council #4050.....	484-540-5090	
Altar Servers	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Lectors	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559
Baptismal Prep Classes	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Ministry to the Sick	Fr. Straka.....	610-262-2559
Bible Study	Fr. Straka.....	610-262-2559	Music Ministry/Choir	Karen Glose.....	610-691-0525
Blood Drive	Deborah Heckenberger...	610-760-9491	Nthmp Area Food Bank	Bella Skweir.....	610-262-2673
Chi-Rho Volunteers	Jane Spengler.....	610-262-8138	Parish Family Picnic	Fr. Straka.....	610-262-2559
Church Cleaning Teams	Barbara Pengitore.....	610-262-3193	Persons w/Disabilities Rep.	Sue Parker.....	610-502-1280
CYO	Tim Grubb	610-762-9072	Prayer Chain	Priscilla Koch.....	610-428-9053
Ecumenical Rep.	Fr. Straka	610-262-2559	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mary LaBianca.....	610-502-0160
Eucharistic Ministers	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Pro-Life Activities	Fr. Straka	610-262-2559
Finance Committee	Drew Maron.....	610-261-4705	Religious Education	Linda Santucci.....	610-262-7343
First Friday Adoration	Fr. Straka.....	610-262-2559	RENEW Group	Charlie Walsh.....	610-837-0376
Fund Raising	Barbara Pengitore.....	610-262-3193	RCIA	Fr. Straka.....	610-262-2559
Grocery Certificates	GSCS Office.....	610-262-9171	Ushers	Michael Sommer.....	610-262-7904
Greeters	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Young at Heart	Anna Hudock.....	610-262-3478
Grief Support	Rosemarie Pengitore.....	610-262-9012	Youth Activities	Deborah Heckenberger...	610-760-9491

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

June 06, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Mary Conarty	Bennett Family
June 07, Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†Joseph Grabarits	Barbara Grabarits and Family
June 08, Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	†David Plata	Brother and Sisters
June 09, Thursday	8:00 a.m.	†Connie Marth	Helen and Stephanie Kerbacher
June 10, Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Marc Allain	Bella and Michael Skweir
June 11, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Frank Geosits	Wife, Dorothy, and Family
June 12, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Living and deceased parishioners	
	10:30 a.m.	†Richard Brinker	Neighbors of Richard and Carolyn Brinker

<u>Next Week's Schedule:</u>	<u>Lector:</u>	<u>Euch. Min.:</u>	<u>Altar Servers:</u>	<u>Greeters:</u>
June 11, Sat. 4:00 p.m.	A. Molchany	C. Wuchter	J. Warren/M. Warren/A. Weber	M. Mraz/P. Schuler
June 12, Sun. 8:00 a.m.	M. Heist	T. Melosky	J. Millan/N. Millan/B. Gallagher	N. Birosik/D. Cesanek/G. Farkas
10:30 a.m.	L. Nemeth	J. Alba	A. Miletics/G. Miletics/E. Meister	H. Stempo/B. Yezzo

SANCTUARY LIGHTS are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Connie Marth requested by Chris, Sue and Kyle Parker.

PLEASE PRAY for God's blessing and gift of good health for all the sick of our parish. Also remember in your prayers Josephine Miller, sister of Alfred Kosman, who died this past week.

dear Padre:

Sick-call sets make wonderful wedding presents

I take communion to shut-ins and wonder why, when someone is near death or the priest visits to anoint, a sick-call set is not set up. Decades ago, we all got one as a wedding gift.

When I'm in a parish, I make sure all of my extraordinary ministers take a sick-call (crucifix) set with them because many homes don't have them. According to the ritual for the *Pastoral Care of the Sick* (I.III.74), the Eucharist should be transported in a pyx that is kept in a burse. At the location (home), there should be a proper place for the Eucharist, usually a table with a linen cloth, candles, and possibly holy water. All these items are in the set. So, if time and location allow, this should still be done. However, it is not essential if the person is in danger of death or a sacred space cannot be set up (for example, on the side of the road).

These sets are available for purchase; many Catholic supply stores have them. They make a wonderful wedding gift because they recognize that spouses intend to be together until death. The set can be used when one becomes ill or close to death. Unfortunately, many families do not attend Mass, so their preparation for receiving the Eucharist or being anointed is far from their minds. Their awareness of, and access to, such items now come from parish ministers.

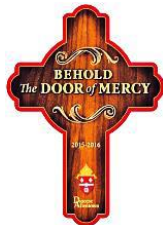
FR. DON WILLARD, CSsR
sundaybulletin@liguori.org

Calendar:

- Monday – June 6**
Weekday
1 Kgs 17:1–6 / Mt 5:1–12
- Tuesday – June 7**
Weekday
1 Kgs 17:7–16 / Mt 5:13–16
- Wednesday – June 8**
Weekday
1 Kgs 18:20–39
Mt 5:17–19
- Thursday – June 9**
Weekday
1 Kgs 18:41–46
Mt 5:20–26
- Friday – June 10**
Weekday
1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–16
Mt 5:27–32
- Saturday – June 11**
St. Barnabas, Apostle
Acts 11:21b–26; 13:1–3
Mt 5:33–37
- Sunday – June 12**
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Sm 12:7–10, 13
Gal 2:16, 19–21
Lk 7:36–8:3

GIVING SUNDAY : Sun., June 12
BAPTISMAL PREP : Sat., July 3, 10:00 a.m.
PICNIC PIEROGIE MAKING : Fri., Aug. 5 & Sat., Aug. 6
ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC : Sunday, September 11, 2016
BREAKFAST : October 30, 2016
CONFIRMATION : Wed., March 8, 2017

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or call for an appointment. **Rectory office is closed on Wednesdays.**



2016 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: As of today, our parishioners have raised \$28,525.00 from 149 parishioners. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our goal of \$41,737. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our financial goal and to reach the 100% participation goal. If you have not made your

pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our goal. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, visit the Appeal website at FaithHopeCharityGives.org or please call the parish office at 610-262-2559.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS: The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of Robert Haldeman. They were donated by the Haldeman and Churetta Families.

MEMORIAL FUND: Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions **in memory of Connie Marth:** \$25 Debra Kay and Joseph Bennett; \$20 Bonnie Yezzo; \$10 Betty and Richard Panik.



PIEROGIE MAKING FOR CHURCH PICNIC: MARK YOUR CALENDARS. We will be making pierogies for the church picnic on **Friday, August 5 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and Saturday, August 6 starting at 7:00 a.m.** Friday we will be peeling and cooking potatoes. Saturday we will

be making, cooking and packing the pierogies. Please come and help. The more help we have, the faster we get done. We need both Men and Women. Please come and join us. We do have fun.



NEW ALTAR SERVERS: Any boy or girl in the parish who has made First Holy Communion and would like to become an altar server is asked to contact Joanne at the rectory before June 19.

Training will be held when Fr. Straka returns.

"GIVING SUNDAY": Sunday, June 12, is Giving Sunday. Parishioners are encouraged to bring cans of potatoes, boxes of Jell-O or pudding, or a jar of peanut butter. Your gifts will be brought to the altar during the preparation of the gifts.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: There will be a Holy Hour and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at Queenship of Mary Church next **Sunday, June 12 at 3:00 p.m.** Msgr. John Martin, Pastor of St. Peter's Church, Coplay, will give the reflection. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Come for the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and then stay for Queenship of Mary's parish picnic. All are welcome.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: The weekend of June 18/19, our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering. Please use the envelope included in your June/July packet of envelopes.

QUEENSHIP OF MARY CHURCH, Northampton, will have its parish festival **next Sunday, June 12**, on the church grounds from **12 noon until 7:00 p.m.** There will be plenty of food, a bake sale, children's games, a cash raffle and a Chinese auction. The Josef Kroboth Orchestra will play from 3:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. For more information call Mimi: 610-262-2227.



BAND CONCERT SCHEDULE: The Borough of Northampton wishes to announce the band concert schedule at various Borough locations for the 2016 summer season. Concert schedule is as follows: "Celtic Adventure" at 18th Street and Lincoln Avenue on June 8 at 6:30 p.m.; "Brosky/Meyer Trio" at Canal Street Gazebo on June 15 at 6:30 p.m.; "Kilts in the Park" at Municipal Park, Laubach Avenue on August 13 at 4:00 p.m. The concerts are free to the public. Individuals interested in attending the concerts are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets.

"CARE NOTES": Please check the "Care Notes" rack in the back of the church for helpful pamphlets in dealing with the loss of a loved one.

Assumption B.V.M. Church Annual Parish Picnic
Sunday, September 11, 2016
EGYPT MEMORIAL PARK
begins with a Mass at 11:00 a.m.,
continues with music, games and food until 7:00 p.m.
Featuring the music of "The Pennsylvania Villagers"
3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

10TH ANNUAL TREASURES AND TREATS FOOD FEST: Saints Simon and Jude Church, 730 W Broad St., Bethlehem, is having their 10th Annual Treasures and Treats Food Fest on Saturday, June 18 from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall. This summer festival will include Craft Items, Baked Goods, Nearly New Display, Raffle Baskets, Money Raffle and Parish Made Noodles. Specialty Foods include Vicki's Tacos, Chicken Flautas, Rice and Beans, Cabbage & Noodles, Vietnamese Spring Rolls, Pizza, Stromboli, Specialty Treats, Turkey BBQ, Hamburger BBQ, Hot Dogs and more. All are welcome!

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June 2, 2016

Dear Good Shepherd Catholic School Community,

As Chairman of the Board of Directors for Good Shepherd Catholic School, I am pleased to announce that Mr. John Paul Crescenzo has been appointed principal of Good Shepherd Catholic School effective July 1, 2016. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Search Committee and the Good Shepherd Board for their dedicated efforts through the search process.

A lifelong educator, Mr. Crescenzo brings a wealth of experience with him, as a teacher at Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, adjunct professor at Farleigh Dickinson University, and principal at St. Vincent de Paul School, Diocese of Paterson, NJ. Mr. Crescenzo holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education and English from Seton Hall University and a Master's Degree in Educational Administration from Kean University in Union, NJ. He is a certified school principal in the state of New Jersey and he along with his wife and two children are members of St. Frances de Chantal Parish in Easton.

Please welcome Mr. Crescenzo to the Good Shepherd School community and wish him all the best as he and our dedicated faculty look forward to the next school year.

On behalf of the Good Shepherd Catholic School Board of Directors, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Ms. Irene Quigley for twenty-eight years of dedicated service as an educator in the Diocesan school system. Ms. Quigley has given a lifetime of service to Catholic education. She began her ministry in the Diocese of Allentown in 1988 at St. Joseph Regional Academy; served as CRE at St. John the Baptist Parish in Stiles and St. Peter Parish, Coplay; and most recently, served as a principal for seventeen years at Christ the King School and Good Shepherd. We recognize and congratulate Ms. Quigley on her service to our students and community and wish her well as she retires to spend more time with her family.

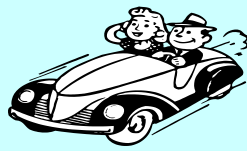
Thank you for your support of Good Shepherd Catholic School!

Sincerely,

Drew Maron
Chairman, Board of Directors
Good Shepherd Catholic School

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ANNUAL PICNIC
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016
EGYPT MEMORIAL PARK
FROM 12:00 p.m. TO 7:00 p.m.**

11:00 a.m. Outdoor Mass
Bingo - 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
The Pennsylvania Villagers - 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Children's Games,
Basket Raffle and Games of Chance



Baked Goods, Exotic Non-Alcoholic Drinks
Soda, Bottled Water, Iced Tea, Beer, Coffee
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Steak Sandwiches
Turkey BBQ, Pork BBQ, Kielbasi with Sauerkraut
Sweet Italian Sausage Sandwiches, Ice Cream Treats,
Holubki, Haluski, Goulash, Pirohy (Pierogies), French Fries

