

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

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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]
6:45 a.m.; 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
or by request

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 Msgr. Koons 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 are always welcome and are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address, phone number, or move out of the parish.

Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and during the month. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners several times a year or at your request. 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.**

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 13, 2019**

Daily Masses

Oct. 14,	Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Rev. Francis P. Straka	M/M Robert Friel & Family
Oct. 15,	Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†Theresa Hutnick	Michael and Linda Hutnick
Oct. 16,	Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	†Harry Yoa	Ciecko Family
Oct. 17,	Thursday	8:00 a.m.	†George and Mary Stefaniak	Daughter, Linda
Oct. 18,	Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Helen Weiner	Phyllis, Terry and Family
Oct. 19,	Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Jonathan Keller	Family
Oct. 20,	Sunday	8:00 a.m.	†John Humenik	Sons, David and Paul
		10:30 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our Parish	

Next Week's Schedule:

Oct. 19, Sat. 4:00 p.m. Anthony Molchany
Oct. 20, Sun. 8:00 a.m. Marge Heist
10:30 a.m. Larry Nemeth

Lector:

Euch. Min.:

Conrad Marth
Joseph Ciecko
Cindy Walsh

Altar Servers:

Mikayla Warren
Nicholas Millan
Gerald Miletics

Greeters:

Connie Kovacs/Pat Madea
Barbara Cwitkowitz
Bella and Mike Skweir

Sanctuary Lights are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Thomas and Catherine Hughes requested by Joanne and Juliet.

Please pray for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish. Also remember in your prayers Julia Hurish and Robert Rybitski who died recently.

Good News!

October 13, 2019

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

A young Howard Kelly was poor and hungry, knocking on doors for a bit of charity. At the last door, discouraged by so little response that day, he merely asked for a glass of water from the young girl who opened the door. Realizing he was more than thirsty, she brought him a glass of milk. He asked what he owed her and she responded, "Nothing. Mother has taught us never to accept pay for a kindness." Little Howard responded simply: "Then I thank you from my heart." Years later this same little girl was a seriously ill, middle-aged woman. She was transferred to the city hospital and treated successfully by a specialist. After months of treatment and medication, she overcame the disease and returned home. When the bill arrived, she feared to open it because, although not totally poor, she was of humble means. Peering inside the envelope, she found this message on the bill: "Paid in full with one glass of milk. Dr. Howard Kelly."

Our acts of kindness never go unpaid, and a little love goes a long way toward transforming the world. True gratitude is never just a word on the lips but a lifestyle and an attitude of a noble heart. A grateful-hearted person knows that all we receive is a gift, and we should return those gifts to those around us. Our biggest benefactor is God himself, who has given us life, love, and eternal salvation. May our Lord be the first one to whom we return our gratitude!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Calendar:

Monday – October 14

Weekday

Rom 1:1-7 / Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday – October 15

St. Teresa of Ávila, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Rom 1:16-25 / Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday – October 16

Weekday

Rom 2:1-11 / Lk 11:42-46

Thursday – October 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Rom 3:21-30 / Lk 11:47-54

Friday – October 18

St. Luke, Evangelist

2 Tm 4:10-17b

Lk 10:1-9

Saturday – October 19

Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Rom 4:13, 16-18

Lk 12:8-12

Sunday – October 20

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13 2

Tm 3:14-4:2

Lk 18:1-8

Rel. Ed. Classes	: Sundays, 9:00 - 10:05 a.m.
Prayer Shawl Meeting	: 3 rd Tues. of month @ 10 a.m.
7th & 8th Grade Rel. Ed.	: Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	: Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Donut/Giving Sunday	: Sunday, October 13
Children's Mass	: Sunday, October 27, 10:30 a.m.
Breakfast	: Sunday, October 27
Cemetery Blessing	: Sunday, Nov. 3, 12:30 p.m.
Confirmation	: Thursday, March 5, 4:30 p.m.
Church Picnic	: Sunday, September 13, 2020



New Altar Servers: Any boy or girl in the parish who has made First Holy Communion and would like to become an altar server please call the rectory and let us know which training session you would be able to attend. **Training will be held in church after**

the 10:30 a.m. Mass today, Sunday: October 13.

"Donut/Giving Sunday": Today, Sunday, October 13, our Hospitality Committee will be hosting "Donut/Giving Sunday". Join us after the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses for coffee, donuts and fellowship in our social hall. **This month's donuts are being donated by Marie Bitenc in memory of her husband, Herb Bitenc.**



Anniversary Flowers: The flowers by the altar this week are in honor of the 61st Wedding Anniversary of William and Mary Ann Holmes. They were donated by daughter, Kelly, and son, Keith.

A Night at the Races: Good Shepherd Catholic School presents "A Night at the Races" on Saturday, November 2, in the School Gym. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. Racing begins at 7:00 p.m. To buy a horse, buy your tickets or for more information please call the school at 610-262-9171. You must be 21 years or over for this special event! Limited to the first 300 tickets! Cost is \$20 per ticket.



Sunday Breakfast: Breakfast will be served after both Masses on **Sunday, October 27.** Please support this fundraising effort of the parish and enjoy a hearty, homemade breakfast with your friends. Menu includes: French toast,

pancakes, scrambled eggs or omelet, ham, sausage or bacon, hash browns, toast, juice, coffee, tea. Cost \$7.00 adults/\$3.00 children. **Tickets on sale at the door. This month's special is Creamed Chipped Beef on Toast.** Thank you all for supporting this parish fundraiser.

World Mission Sunday: Next weekend, October 19/20, we are invited to unite with Catholics around the world to "celebrate the hope that saves" through prayer, participation in the Eucharist and by giving generously. In this way, we stand in solidarity with the young and developing churches in over 120 countries through our support for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith through this special collection. Please be generous in your prayer and support for the Church in mission around the world. There is an envelope in your October/November packet for this special collection.

Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 4456 Main St., Whitehall, will hold their annual **Basket Party** on **Saturday, October 26** from **10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.** and **Sunday, October 27** from **8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** Tickets - 25 for \$5 on sale at door. Homemade food and baked goods for sale. Drawing Sunday at 2:00 p.m. You do not need to be present to win.

Cemetery Vigil Lights will be available in the church social hall starting on Saturday, October 12, thru Thursday, October 31. We ask a donation of \$2.50 per candle to cover expenses.

Commemoration Of All Souls: On Sunday, **November 3 at 12:30 p.m.** at our cemetery, we will have a special prayer service to remember the faithful departed, bless the cemetery, and to read the names of those buried/entombed there this past year.

PLEASE NOTE: The Annual Assumption B.V.M. Church Picnic will be held next year on **Sunday, September 13th, at Egypt Memorial Park.** Please mark your calendars.

Memorial Fund: Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions **in memory of Irene Tanzosh:** \$500 Tanzosh Family; \$25 Frank and Kelly Geosits; \$50 Ted and Karin Foster; \$50 Virginia Haldeman; \$50 Beth Tanzosh; \$50 Felix and Florence Jurasits; \$25 George and Debra Anthony; \$25 Stephen and Monica Fedorak; \$25 Judith Haldeman; \$25 Joseph and Mary Ellen Schwartz; \$25 Jeffrey and Marica Churetta; \$20 Sharon Geosits; \$25 Dorothy Geosits; \$50 Louis and Jane Denardo; \$25 Rosalie Finelli; \$50 Gracemarie Finelli; \$25 Steve and Ann Marie Graft; \$25 Mary Ann Liskanich; \$35 Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Strisofsky; \$20 Carol Jean Susko; \$25 Rosann Hantz; \$20 Donna and Bob Coleman; \$20 Mr. and Mrs. Kim Davis; \$25 Sarah Opplinger; \$20 Tim and Jan Morris.

Men's Morning of Reflection Hoping Against Hope: Living the Gospel where it is unwelcome – The Diocesan Commission for Men is offering a men's morning of reflection next Saturday, October 19, at Queenship of Mary in Northampton. An optional Holy Mass will be offered at 8:00 AM followed by refreshments. Presentations by Rev. Eric Gruber, Rev. Patrick Lamb, and Rev. David Anthony will begin at 9:15 AM. To register for this free offering visit www.allentowndiocese.org/cfm-spirituality



Young-at-Heart News: The next meeting of the Young-at-Heart will be on Tuesday, October 29, in the Assumption B.V.M. Social Hall.

Diocesan Men's Conference Standing Firm In Our Faith: Register today to see Dr. Ralph Martin, Fr. Jim Greenfield, Gus Lloyd, and Sam Guzman at Standing Firm in Our Faith, the 8th annual Allentown Diocese Men's Conference on Saturday, November 23, 2019 at DeSales University. In addition to a Vigil Mass, there will be opportunities for Adoration and Confession. Register at www.allentowndiocese.org/mensconference by November 13. Questions (610) 289-8900, Ext. 2021 or can be directed to mensconference@allentowndiocese.org.

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BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 27, 2019

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD
AT THE DOOR ONLY

ADULTS \$7.00

CHILDREN \$3.00

MENU

French Toast

Pancakes

Scrambled Eggs & Hash Brown

Choice of: Sausage, Bacon or Ham

Omelet your way & Hash Brown

Cheese Steak Omelet & Hash Brown

Creamed Chipped Beef on Toast

Includes: Juice, Toast, Coffee or Tea