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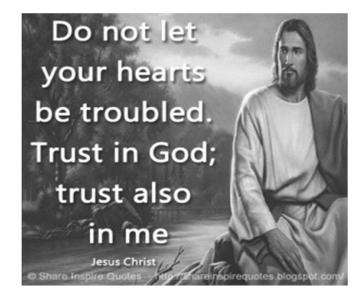
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# St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

May 10, 2020 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter





#### St. Mary Parish

607 East Main Street Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania 15851 814-653-8586

Email: stmaryschurch2@verizon.net

#### **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

20 Shaffer Street (P.O. Box J) Sykesville, Pennsylvania 15865 814-894-2772 Social Hall 814-894-7981 Email: abvmchurch20@gmail.com

Pastor – Father William R. Barron

**Deacon – Daniel Satterlee** 

#### **Shared contact information:**

Web address: www.stmarysassumption.com

**Parish app:** search "myParish – Catholic" to download app

**Fax number:** 814-653-2769

# Mass Intentions

Monday, May 11

Mike Tomasura, Sr. By Madelyn

Tuesday, May 12

Elsie Gigliotti By Barb Riggs

Wednesday, May 13

Olga Cowan By Jim Cowan

Thursday, May 14

Peach Wells

By Daughter, Terrie

Friday, May 15

Tom & Betty Moslak
By Mary Beth & Tom Stojek

Saturday, May 16

Cliff McAninch By Jaynie

Sunday, May 17

All Parishioners of both Parishes

# Sacrificial Giving

May 3 St. Mary Assumption
Collection \$3,429.50 \$1,654.00
Electronic Giving \$ 463.00 \$ 669.00

Thank you for your generosity!

# CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	St. Mary	<b>Assumption</b>
Pledged	\$22,113	\$19,926
Paid to Date	\$13,438	\$ 5,305
Than	k you for your g	enerosity!

# Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of:

**Daniel Caltagarone** By: Francis Caltagarone

Viola Fusco
By: Jackie
By: Jackie
William & Helen Pegnetter
By: Barb
Personal Intention
By: Jackie Bowers

**Special Intention for DKD and Special Intention for JD** By: Cheryl, Ron & Maddie Hannah

4/19 correction for Edwardine Caltagarone (not Edward By; Francis Caltagarone

# Happy Mother's Day!



Loving God,

we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end.

We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience. We ask you to bless them with your own special love.

Amen.

#### Information

**Prayer Chain** 

St Mary 653-2752 Assumption 661-3894

#### Anointing of the Sick:

Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

#### From the Pastor's Desk

We are entering in to another phase of this COVID 19 story where bulletin information may become incorrect. Events will begin to move more quickly throughout May and into early June, as sacraments are allowed to be celebrated again, and events are rescheduled. So, as I write this reflection on Monday, it may be already out of date. So, it would be best to keep things pretty general.

As you receive this bulletin, it will have been almost two months since you and I have been able to meet together for mass. We all need to turn to God in prayer and ask Him for wisdom to understand the significance of being locked out of Holy Communion for 2 months. Such a thing we could have not imagined. Yet, around the world, many persecuted Christians are unable to gather for Mass, and cannot receive the sacraments. In communist countries, such as Vietnam, formerly Russia, and China, priests have been jailed and not allowed to celebrate Mass. I recall the story of Cardinal Van Thuan, jailed by the Vietnamese after the war, who celebrated Mass with a crumb of bread, a drop of wine, and a drop of water in his hand.

Truth be told, we are learning what many of our persecuted brothers and sisters throughout the world have had to suffer, namely the loss of the sacraments. I pray that the Church here in America will find the best way to minister to the faithful during this pandemic. It seems to me that the pandemic is going to be hitting us in waves for a while, like an attacking army. We will have periods when infections spike, and periods when infections wane. We will need to figure out the best way to minister the sacraments and still take proper precautions for our health. These decisions remain in the hands of our bishops, so pray that they may be guided by wisdom. For myself, I am still receiving Eucharist at Mass daily, but my heart breaks that I cannot give the Eucharist to you. You are also very much missed – the empty pews are depressing, and it is not right without you all here. So, here is to hoping we can figure out a way to take care of both our bodies and souls in these uncertain days.

Fr. Bill Barron

# ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, May 10, 2020

#### **PARTNER PARISH NEWS**

**<u>BULLETINS</u>** are now available at the rectory office door because state and diocesan regulations have mandated that visitors to businesses must wear masks. Hence, to visit the church building one must wear a mask.

**RECONSECRATION TO THE BLESSED MOTHER**: Please be aware that on First Friday, May 1, 2020, the nation, the diocese, and both our parishes were reconsecrated to Our Lady. The prayer service at which I reconsecrated the parishes can be found online on our Facebook page. It was done during Eucharistic Adoration. May we continue to pray for Our Lady's protection.

**NEW YOUTUBE CHANNEL**: Fr. Bill is posting new YouTube videos giving spiritual guidance and direction during this time of challenge you can find our new channel on YouTube by searching for St. Mary's and Assumption Parishes on YouTube.

**PROGRAM:** St. Mary's and Assumption Parishes have successfully obtained \$17,800 from the Small Business Development Center's Paycheck Protection Program. This money is given in the form of a loan with 1% interest. Once we document that we have used the money according to government stipulations, there is the possibility that the loan will be transformed into a grant which will not need to be repaid. This money is used to pay the salaries of our 6 employees, as well as their FICA payroll taxes. This amount should be sufficient to cover two months of payroll expenditures for both parishes.

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #935</u> would like to welcome 6 new members who were installed on an online ceremony on April 16,2020. They are: Alex Adamski, Michael Adamski, Jake Felix, Rodney Felix, Bernie Snyder, and Jacob Snyder. Also, congratulations too 6 other members who advanced to 3<sup>rd</sup> degree at the same ceremony. They are: Frank Adamski, Denny Cherry, Dylan Fye, Pat Dennison, Gary Snyder, and Tom Vizza.

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY REGULATIONS: As we move into planting season, please be mindful of the new cemetery guidelines that were published last fall. If you do not follow the rules for planting, vigil lamps, etc. please note that the cemetery board will remove those items from your grave.

<u>LIFETEEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY:</u> A great bible study for teens is linked to on our website. It can be found in the Religious Education tab, under "teens". The episodes are contained therein.

<u>WE LIVESTREAM MASS EVERY DAY!</u> You can watch the mass online from St. Mary's and Assumption Churches every day. Go to <u>www.stmarysassumption.com</u> to watch the live stream. You can watch it any time of the day as well. It always remains on the website. 4:30 Saturday, 8:30 Sunday Mon-Fri. 7 A.M.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** -see the note always in the bulletin

**HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME VISITATION** - I cannot visit these facilities regularly. If you want me to come, have the hospital or nursing home staff call and request me at 503-0028.

<u>FUNERALS</u> - By order of the Bishop, only immediate family and the funeral home staff are allowed to attend funeral masses. If you need to plan a funeral, call the funeral director of your choice, and they will begin the planning. If you call me to plan the funeral, I will refer you to the funeral director. They all have different procedures for how to conduct a funeral during the public health crisis.

**DROP OF ENVELOPES:** You may drop off your envelopes using the mail slot at the front door of both Assumption and St. Mary's rectories.

**SIGN UP FOR THE PARISH APP**: Text APP to 88202 to download our parish app. 1) Download my Parish App 2) Select our Parish after opening.

**ONLINE GIVING:** Visit our parish website on the homepage and click on your parish icon to take you to the portal for online giving registration, or press the icon on the myParishApp called giving to take you to the portal.

#### ST. MARY'S NEWS

**RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE** will be here at St. Mary's in the Social Hall on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 6:30 p.m. <u>Due to the corona virus appointments need to be made to donate so please call</u> 1-800-733 -2767 to schedule your appointment. Any questions, call Karen Sistek at 724-237-9645.

**BELLS SYSTEM** - You may have noticed that the church bells have not been ringing these past few days. There are some electrical parts in the computer system that are broken. They have been sent away by mail for replacement. It may be days or weeks before we can get the bells working again, given the situation of business right now. Fr. Bill

#### **ASSUMPTION'S NEWS**

**A.B.V.M. BLOOD DRIVE** will take place Friday, May 22 in Assumption Social Hall. Due to the corona virus appointments need to be made to donate so please call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule your appointment. Any questions, call Karen Sistek at 724-237-9645.

<u>SAVE THE DATE - A.B.V.M. Annual Golf Tournament</u> will take place on Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at Silverwoods Golf Course, Treasure Lake, DuBois. More information to follow in upcoming bulletins.

<u>A.B.V.M. Annual Lenten Fish Dinner Update</u> – Although our Lenten Fish Dinners this year were cut short due to the Cronovirus was still a success for only having 3 Fish Dinners. **SPECIAL THANKS** to all Parishioners and Friends who patronized the three we did have. <u>Thank You</u> also to all volunteers who donated their time and donated the cakes for dessert. <u>Also Special Thanks</u> to the volunteers who donated their Thursday mornings to do Prep work for the dinners! <u>Thank You</u> once again to Josephine Nichols who plans and organizes our dinners. <u>Financial Report is as follows:</u>

**INCOME:** \$11,949.00 **50/50 INCOME:** \$866.00

**EXPENSES**: (8,551.31) **PAYOUT**: \$433.00

PROFIT: 3,397.69 DONATION: \$131.00

**DONATION:** \$79.50 **PROFIT:** \$564.00

**TOTAL PROFIT \$4,041.19** 

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the 50/50 winners: Molly Jo Smelko, Leo Nedza (who donated back his winnings) & Shannon Shaffer!