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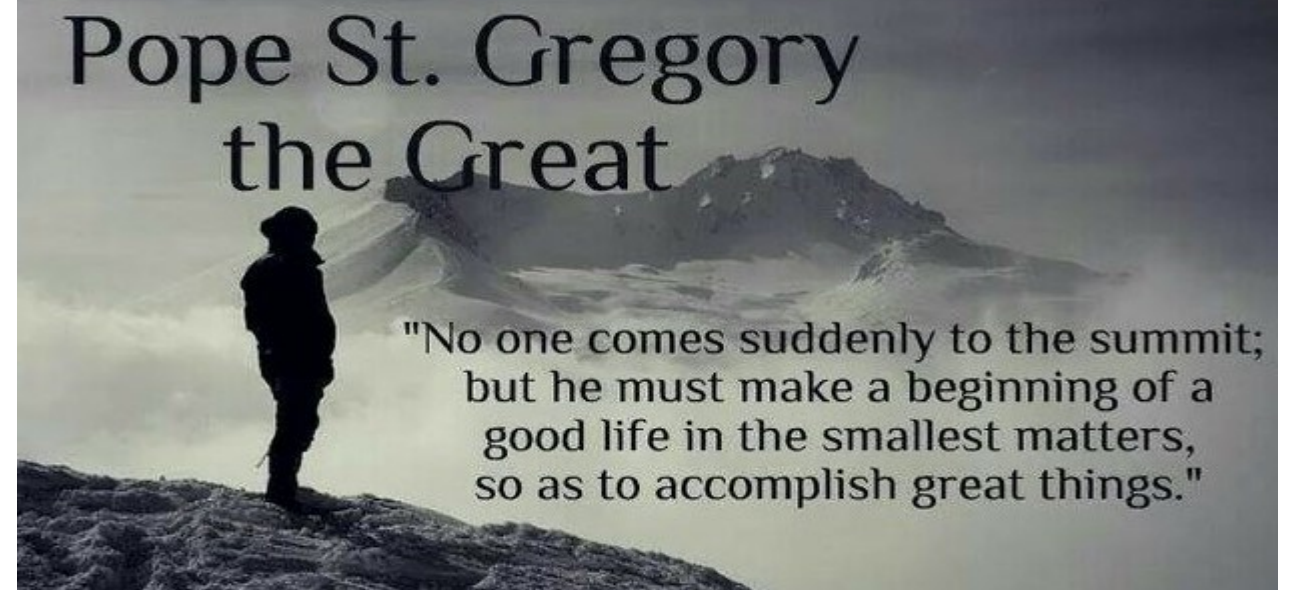
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(814) 894-2772 (ABVM) and
request a registration form .

St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

August 30, 2020 ~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Mary Parish
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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, August 31— St. Mary's Mary Ellen Dworsky By Tim & Carolyn Robertson	5:00pm
Tuesday, September 1— Assumption James Rafferty By Mr. & Mrs. Frank Sonnie	5:00pm
Wednesday, September 2 -Assumption Mel Beimel By Mary Kelly	5:00pm
Thursday, September 3 -St. Mary's Eugene Mennitti By Dr. Jim & Milly O'Bryon	5:00pm
Friday, September 4 - St. Mary's Luigi & Francis Vizza By Tom & Madelyn	5:00pm
Saturday, September 5— St. Mary's George & Anna Mae Sonnie By Mr. & Mrs. Frank Sonnie	4:30pm
Saturday, September 5— St. Mary's Martina & William Leiberton By Birdie, Bill & Carol	4:30pm
Sunday, September 6— Assumption Alan Towns By Laura	8:30am
Sunday, September 6— St. Mary's All Parishioners of both Parishes	10:30am

Sacrificial Giving

<u>Aug. 23</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Collection	\$2,658.00	\$1,691.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 283.00	\$ 216.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Pledged	\$22,238	\$19,926
Paid to Date	\$18,008	\$10,860

Thank you for your generosity!

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of:

Raymond and Irene McGreevey By: Family
Stanley Verona By: McCluskey Family
Bernie Snyder By: Joyce

Special Intention By: Patty Nesbit

Parish Spotlight ~ St. Gregory the Great

I am a proud alumnus of St. Vincent Seminary in Latrobe. I was blessed to be trained for the priesthood by the Benedictine monks of St. Vincent. Our chapel was named after a great Benedictine, Pope St. Gregory the Great. His memorial is on September 3rd. His impact of the church and the society of his time was immense. In these days when being a Catholic is a source of shame for some, we need to remember our Catholic History, realizing that we have a lot of which to be very proud. The following is from Franciscan Media:

Saint Gregory the Great's Story

Gregory was the prefect of Rome before he was 30. After five years in office he resigned, founded six monasteries on his Sicilian estate, and became a Benedictine monk in his own home at Rome.

Ordained a priest, Gregory became one of the pope's seven deacons, and also served six years in the East as papal representative in Constantinople. He was recalled to become abbot, but at the age of 50 was elected pope by the clergy and people of Rome.

Gregory was direct and firm. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and the victims of plague and famine. He was very concerned about the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his own monastery. He is known for his reform of the liturgy, and for strengthening respect for doctrine. Whether he was largely responsible for the revision of "Gregorian" chant is disputed.

Gregory lived in a time of perpetual strife with invading Lombards and difficult relations with the East. When Rome itself was under attack, he interviewed the Lombard king.

His book, *Pastoral Care*, on the duties and qualities of a bishop, was read for centuries after his death. He described bishops mainly as physicians whose main duties were preaching and the enforcement of discipline. In his own down-to-earth preaching, Gregory was skilled at applying the daily Gospel to the needs of his listeners. Called "the Great," Gregory has been given a place with Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome, as one of the four key doctors of the Western Church.

An Anglican historian has written: "It is impossible to conceive what would have been the confusion, the lawlessness, the chaotic state of the Middle Ages without the medieval papacy; and of the medieval papacy, the real father is Gregory the Great."

Reflection

Gregory was content to be a monk, but he willingly served the Church in other ways when asked. He sacrificed his own preferences in many ways, especially when he was called to be Bishop of Rome. Once he was called to public service, Gregory gave his considerable energies completely to this work. Gregory's description of bishops as physicians fits in well with Pope Francis' description of the Church as a "field hospital."

Saint Gregory the Great is the Patron Saint of:

England
Epilepsy
Musicians
Teacher

Ministers Schedule for September 5-6, 2020

	4:30pm (St. Mary)	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
Altar Servers	R. Whipple		S. Mullins
Lector	L. Shaddock		D. Dennison

Information

Prayer Chain

St Mary 653-2752
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Anointing of the Sick :

Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

- Fr. Bill Barron

ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, August 30, 2020

PARTNER PARISH NEWS



Rejoicing in God's gracious and faithful Love,
Sister Margaret Park will celebrate her
50 years of Consecrated Life within the Sisters of Mercy
by renewing her vows
at the 10:00 am Sunday Mass
at Saint Catherine of Siena Church in DuBois PA
on September 6, 2020.

Glad to be a native daughter of Immaculate Conception Parish, Brookville, Sr. Margie entered religious life from that parish on September 6, 1970. Through the Sisters of Mercy's Rural House of Mercy, she ministers currently to the People of God throughout the DuBois Deanery. With gratitude to God, please join her for the live-streamed Mass via St. Catherine of Siena's Facebook link: https://www.facebook.com/StCatherineOfSienaRomanCatholicChurch/?ref=page_internal

FRIDAY IS THE FIRST FRIDAY IN SEPTEMBER. *Anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion and is not already on the list, please call Father Bill at 653-8586.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #935 will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 2 at 7 p.m. in the Social Hall.

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION can be done by picking up a form in the sacristy after any Mass or by calling Barb Murray at 653-8648.

HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES: If you need visitation by a priest at the Dubois Hospital, the priest to call is Fr. Ed Walk at St. Bernard's Parish. If you need visitation by a priest at Christ the King Manor, the priest to call is Fr. Matias. They will not allow the pastors to go into either facility to see their parishioners. Also, Fr. Matias is not allowed to travel between the hospital and the Manor.

LIVESTREAMING OF MASS - Mass will continue to be livestreamed daily.

SUNDAY & HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - The obligation to attend these Masses is not in effect. No one is required to attend mass in person at this time.

CONFESSIONS- Confessions will be available at St. Mary's after Saturday 4:30 Mass and Sunday 10:30 Mass, and at Assumption after Tuesday and Wednesday 5 p.m. masses. Please note that Confessions will not be available before any Mass. Masks are required for Confession. Confessional at St. Mary's is in altar server sacristy, at Assumption, confession is the altar servers' room.

FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS - Please note that you are allowed to have non-family and extended family attend funerals and weddings again. The seating capacity for Assumption Church given social distancing is 60. The capacity for St. Mary's is 85. There is overflow seating with the closed circuit tv in the St. Mary's Social Hall for an additional 40-60 people. We are working on installing a closed circuit tv at Assumption Social Hall that will seat an additional 30 people. All attendees at funerals and weddings, except for bride and groom and those "in the wedding" must wear masks for the duration of the service.

BAPTISMS can proceed freely. Please call to schedule a baptism anytime.

BULLETINS 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.

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.

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

ST. MARY'S BINGO - We are currently reviewing the governor's latest pronouncements to see if it is possible to operate bingo. As of August, it appears that it is not possible to do so at this time. It would be good to be able to bring Bingo back in some form this fall, but only if it is possible to do so within government and church COVID directives. This is proving to be difficult. More to come in future weeks.

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

ASSUMPTION ROSARY SOCIETY FALL BAZAAR - A.B.V.M. Rosary Society will not be having their fall bazaar in October due to the Pandemic we are still facing. Raffle tickets have been mailed to all members of the Rosary Society. If you have not received your tickets, please call Josephine **(371-0725)** The prizes on the ticket are as follows: **Expert 4 burner grill, 50 inch flat screen T.V. & Hp Laptop Computer.** The prizes were already donated so we need to give them away! **Also, anyone** who is not a member of the Rosary Society and would like to help out this fundraiser by selling a book of tickets, please call Josephine (371-0725) or the Parish Office (894-2772) to get a book of tickets!!

N&N CINNAMON ROLL FUNDRAISER – Order forms are being used as an insert in the bulletins every other week for you to place your order: Orders are due September 6th and Delivery will be Tuesday, September 22nd Pick up will be at the church Social Hall. Social distancing will take place to pick up your order and a mask must be worn. You may place your order in the basket at the entrance of the church or put it in the mail slot at the church office. If you have any questions, please call Josephine (371-0725). Thank you in advance for your support in these fundraiser!

FAITH FORMATION – Faith Formation will begin on Sunday, September 13th at DuBois Central Catholic. You will be receiving a letter and schedule by mail with more details. Any questions, please call Rita (371-4082).