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

June 21, 2020 ~ 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Train a child  
in the way  
he should go,  
and when he is  
old he will not  
turn from it.*  
PROVERBS 22:6  
*Happy Father's Day*



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**Pastor – Father William R. Barron**

**Deacon – Daniel Satterlee**

**Shared contact information:**

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

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

## Mass Intentions

<b>Monday, June 22— St. Mary’s</b> Bernard Faith By Joyce Snyder	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Tuesday, June 23— Assumption</b> Mel Beimel By Fred & Wilma	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 24— Assumption</b> Tony Petraitis By Antoinette	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Thursday, June 25— St. Mary’s</b> Henry & Hazel Leidl By Mary & Don Hannah	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Friday, June 26— No Mass</b>	
<b>Saturday, June 27— St. Mary’s</b> Leslie (Earley) Osikowicz By Mom & Dad	<b>4:30pm</b>
<b>Sunday, June 28— Assumption</b> Cliff McAninch By Eric & Janet Mehok	<b>8:30am</b>
<b>Sunday, June 28— St. Mary’s</b> All Parishioners of both Parishes	<b>10:30am</b>

## Sacrificial Giving

<u>June 14</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Collection	\$2,100.00	\$2,256.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 285.00	\$ 326.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Pledged	\$22,238	\$19,926
Paid to Date	\$15,913	\$ 8,445

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Sanctuary Candles

### In Memory of:

<b>Raymond McGreevey</b>	By: Family
<b>LeRoy (Snuffy) Kaizer</b>	By: Denise, Betsy, & Tom
<b>Santo Perry</b>	By: Darla & Doug
<b>Roy A. Dickey</b>	By: Doug & Darla
<b>Mark Ferko, Jr.</b>	By: Aunt Gina
<b>Tom &amp; Betty Moslak</b>	By: Mary Beth & Tom Stojek

## Ministers Schedule for June 27-28, 2020

	<b>4:30pm</b> (St. Mary)	<b>8:30am</b> (ABVM)	<b>10:30am</b> (St Mary)
<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>R. Whipple</b>		<b>M. Hannah</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>L. Shaddock</b>		<b>D. Dennison</b>

## 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

Here are some answers to some questions that might be on your mind. Have a great week ahead – Fr. Bill

**First Confession and First Communion:** We will be scheduling these shortly for St. Mary’s Parish. Please watch for the dates and times as we announce them. There are no first communicants for ABVM this year – Dubois schedules 1<sup>st</sup> reconciliation for some of the ABVM students grandfathered into their program- this event occurs at St. Catherine’s; they have yet to reschedule the 1<sup>st</sup> reconciliation.

**St. Mary’s Cemetery grass mowing problems:** I received complaints about the appearance of St. Mary’s Cemetery on Memorial Day weekend. The grass was too long. These complaints were forwarded to the grass mower, 3 B’s Landscaping. Instead of addressing the complaints, the contractor’s response to the complaints was to quit mowing. I have decided not to pursue the matter and let them make a clean break from their business relationship with us. Please know that if the grass at the cemetery looks unkempt over the next month or so, the contractor made a decision to leave us this position with 2 weeks’ notice, he is the one responsible for the cemetery’s appearance.

The parish will continue to pursue a relationship with a mower who is responsive to our needs and wants our business. If you have a contractor who is interested in this work, please have them call me. We already have a few leads.

**St. Mary’s Bingo –** I am going to uphold the expectation that patrons to St. Mary’s Bingo would need to wear a mask to come to Bingo. Based on my experience with mass, mask wearing will deter most of the Bingo players from coming. Therefore, it will not be financially feasible to run a Bingo at this time. I will review this decision on a monthly basis, but I do not envision Bingo restarting any time before July. I am aware that other local bingos do not require mask wearing. They are not governed by the same set of expectations that a Catholic institution is. I am responsible for the health of my volunteers and patrons, I need to follow the same protocols “downstairs” that I do “upstairs”. Fr. Barron

**When will the mask and other health procedures be reviewed?** I’ve been getting questions such as “how long will these extra precautions last?” My best answer is, “I don’t know”. There are some parish gatherings and activities under my authority to schedule, and I will review whether we will have these gatherings or not on a monthly basis. But as far as liturgy goes, those precautions are a decree of the Bishop, and he will need to review them himself. He has not given me any indication of when that might be. It has only been a month since they took effect. I trust in his goodwill – we do the best we can with the precautions – the obligation to come to church continues not to be in effect – use your judgment as to what you think about attending mass under these precautions. If I get news to share with you, I certainly will.

## ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, June 21, 2020

### PARTNER PARISH NEWS

**HAPPY FATHERS' DAY** to all our Fathers from the Knights of Columbus! On Fathers' Day we collect baby bottles for Pro Life. This year we had to send out letters. A great big thank-you to all who have donated! If you haven't done so, please return your envelopes as soon as possible. Thank you.

**SCRIPTURE SHARING:** The Sisters of Mercy from the Rural House of Mercy invite anyone who desires to explore and enter into the Scriptures, particularly the Gospels, to gather with them in the St. Mary's social hall on the second Wednesday of each month at 10:15 am for an hour of Scripture Sharing. The reading for this month's gathering on Wednesday, June 24 will be Matthew 10:37-42. Keeping in mind the strict guidelines, we will have arranged seating according to physical distancing and will trust that you will each bring a mask. Printed copies of the reading will be available. Please note that we will gather in the social hall rather than the classroom. Please enter through the patio door Anyone is welcome!

**BELLS:** We are happy to report that the bells system at St. Mary's Church has been fixed and the bells ring over Reynoldsville once again! A few parts needed to be replaced in the system, and we had to wait a few weeks for them to arrive.

**MSGR. KAZA:** Our parishes welcome Msgr. Charles Kaza back to his position as pastor of St. Tobias in Brockway, and we thank retired priest Fr. Leo Gallina for his year of service to the parishioners during this difficult time. Fr. Leo has returned to retirement at the priest retirement home in Erie.

**UPDATES TO HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS** - Effective immediately, all visitors are welcome to attend daily and weekend masses at both our parishes. The concern about lack of seating is no longer a concern. You do not need to tape a green parking pass in the window of your car as well. Also, you may come to Mass at your regular time, provided that you can be at least 5-10 minutes early, so the ushers may seat you. We continue to follow the Diocese's protocols for health at mass, including mask wearing and social distancing in the pews. Ushers will continue to greet you at your car and send you into the church. An usher will greet you at the door and seat you. At daily mass, there will be no usher in the parking lot. You may approach the door, put your mask on, sanitize your hands, and find a seat. There is plenty of seats available.

**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.

**MEETINGS WITH FOOD** - Fr. Bill Barron is working on protocols for how this can be possible, including St. Mary's Bingo. He will communicate once answers are discovered.

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

**CHURCH CLEANING:** As we anticipate a return of public Mass, we will continue to have staff clean both churches. When we are ready to have volunteers return, we will let you know.

**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.

**LIFETEEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY:** 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.

**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.

**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

**SMOKED BEEF BRISKET TAKE-OUT DINNER** will take place here at St. Mary's on **Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>** from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Dinner includes: Beef Brisket/BBQ Sauce, Homemade Baked Beans, Macaroni Salad, Roll, and Dessert. The cost is Adults - \$10.00 and Children 12 and under - \$5.00. There will be 150 dinners sold. See insert for more information.

### ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

**OUR LAST PICK OF THE WEEK DINNER AT ASSUMPTION PARISH** will take place **Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Curbside Pick up Only!!** Adults: \$10.00; Dinner Includes: Sweet Italian Sausage Sandwich, Macaroni Salad, Baked Beans & Dessert. You may call the Rectory Office to reserve your dinner/dinners (894-2772). Also, you may drive up and get a meal without a reservation! Deadline to call in your reservation will be Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> by noon. Only 200 dinners will be **SOLD**. Please drive up Mary's Way and we will be collecting your payment and giving your dinner/dinners to you curbside. Thank you for your support and co-operation with this fundraiser!

**ASSUMPTION PARISH CASH RAFFLE** – Assumption Parish is doing a Cash raffle in place of the the Annual Golf Tournament that was to take place in July. Every Parishioner should have received ten \$5.00 tickets to sell in the mail. If you haven't please call the rectory office (894-2772) and I will get you a book of tickets in the mail. This is taking place of the \$50.00 donation we ask from you who in the past have given a donation for a sign; **In Memory of/In Honor of** for the tournament and for those who don't give for a sign we are asking that you sell the tickets or consider buying them. The profit from last year's golf tournament was \$6,907.75. We need to try and replenish some of the money lost from cancelling the tournament! Please consider helping with this raffle. **Cash Prizes** that will be given out will be \$2,000.00. **Parishioners have already started returning their sold books of tickets!!! Deadline to hand tickets in is Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> Prize - \$1000 – 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$500 – 3<sup>rd</sup> – 300 – 4<sup>th</sup> – 200. Thank you** once again for supporting your parish in this fundraiser. Drawing will be held on Sunday, July 26 the day the golf tournament was to take place. A Big Thank you to Leo Nedza for donating the tickets!!