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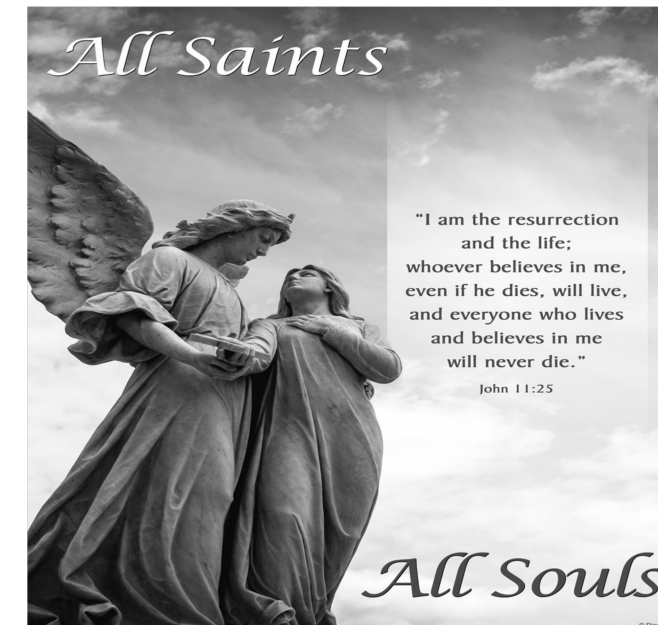
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# St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

November 15, 2020 ~ 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



**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**

**Shared contact information:**

**Web address:** [www.stmarysassumption.com](http://www.stmarysassumption.com)

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

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

## Mass Intentions

- Monday, November 16— St. Mary's 5:00pm**  
Bernie Snyder  
By Joyce & Family
- Tuesday, November 17—Assumption 5:00pm**  
Mary Felix  
By Mike & Mary Felix
- Wednesday, November 18 Assumption 5:00pm**  
Mary Ann Masisak  
By Mary Jo Anderlonis Fulton
- Thursday, November 19—St. Mary's \*\*8:00am**  
Marlene Vizza  
By Estate
- Friday, November 20 No Mass**
- Saturday, November 21— St. Mary's 4:30pm**  
Rose Zukauskas  
By Blue Army
- Sunday, November 22 — Assumption 8:30am**  
Alan Towns  
By Sandra Pyne
- Sunday, November 22— St. Mary's 10:30am**  
All Parishioners of both Parishes

## Sacrificial Giving

<u>Nov. 8</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Collection	\$4,014.00	\$2,567.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 690.00	\$ 206.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Pledged	\$23,643	\$19,926
Paid to Date	\$20,133	\$13,680

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Sanctuary Candles

### In Memory of:

#### **Santo & Dorothy Perry**

By: Darla & Doug

#### **Jack Perry**

By: Darla & Doug

#### **Roy, Marguerite, & N.K. Dickey**

By: Doug & Darla

### **In Thanksgiving**

By: Mickey

## Ministers Schedule for November 21-22, 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>S. Mullins</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

## Parish Spotlight ~ From the Pastor's Desk

November is the Catholic Church's month of remembering and praying for the deceased. The world that we live in is very secular. By that, I mean to say that it is focused on what is going on today, now, in the material world. All public efforts are focused on maximizing material goods, and minimizing material harms (such as sickness, pain, loss of income, etc.). The focus on material goods is not a bad thing in itself. But our culture has made spiritual (and now religious) matters a matter of privacy. In other words, no significant public attention is paid to supporting a good spiritual/religious life. With more attention paid than ever before to the maximization of material goods, and with less attention paid than ever before to spiritual/religious goods, we find our priorities out of order. We run the risk of losing our souls, and turning our good material blessings into idols, replacing God.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day remind us that the goods of this world are passing away, and that the highest good is becoming holy. On All Saints, we are reminded that we are ALL called to be SAINTS! Saints are not just for the stained glass. If we want to go to Heaven, then we must become a saint. We may be humble enough to realize that we are not "stained glass" material. But each of those saints had a life which involved doubt, sin, weakness, and death. The story is not that they were flawless, but that they turned to the grace and mercy of God. God made them saints! He can make us saints, too, if we repent of sin and begin the process of conversion of heart.

We see that this is the highest of goods, because everything we have here is passing away. All things in this mortal world come to an end, including us. But the good news is that there is something of us that endures. Indeed, it is our soul. Might we want to ask the question, "what is good for my eternal soul?" Might we want to nourish our souls even more than we nourish our bodies? We can nourish our souls with prayer, with Mass, with fasting, and even with charity. We can nourish our souls with the Scriptures and the Sacraments. Our bodies are good, make no mistake. But our souls are even more valuable, as they are the part of us that we will take with us after death. Allow God to nourish your soul for an eternity, beginning today.

Fr. Bill Barron

## ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, November 15, 2020

### PARTNER PARISH NEWS

**HAPPY 85<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY, MONSIGNOR BOBAL!** Monsignor Bobal turns 85 years old on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Anyone wishing to send him a card, his address is 439 Bobal Road, Reynoldsville, PA 15851.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER:** St. Bernard Church, Falls Creek, Famous Spaghetti Dinner will be today, Sunday, November 15, from 10am until sold out. Only meatballs and sauce are available and the format will be take-outs only; please bring your own container.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT ST. MARY'S** will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 16, 2020. The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. with a special guest speaker Corine Snyder from the Helping Hands Food Pantry. If you are interested in learning about our organization please attend our meeting.

**THANKSGIVING MASSES:** There will be, as in past years, masses for Thanksgiving at both parish locations. Wednesday, November 25th at 7 p.m., at St. Mary's Parish, and Thursday, November 26th at 9 a.m. at Assumption Parish.

**LIBERTY AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP** from DuBois, PA meets every Monday night at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of Our Saviour, 400 Liberty Blvd., DuBois. For more information feel free to call (814) 541-2779 or (814) 590-5729.

**FUNERAL DINNERS:** Effective immediately, the social halls of both Assumption Parish and St. Mary's Parish will be open for funeral dinners after funerals at the respective churches. Please note, however, that the Altar Rosary Societies of both parishes are predominantly made up of people who are the "at risk" part of the population for serious complications from the Coronavirus. Therefore, if you wish to use either social hall for a dinner after a funeral mass, you must provide for your own caterer. We cannot at this time expect the Rosary Society to facilitate your funeral dinner. Whenever that would change, I will let you know. Fr. Bill Barron

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will be selling Christmas candy. Order forms are available on the table as you enter the church!

**HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES:** Visitation to the Nursing Homes is still limited to clergy assigned to the home. If you have a family member who needs to be visited at Christ the King Manor, please contact Fr. Matias at the Manor. He will be happy to visit and if necessary, provide the sacraments. If your loved one is in another nursing home, please call the parish in the town that that home is located, and ask the pastor for guidance. Fr. Ed Walk is the chaplain at the Dubois hospital, and can make visitation freely throughout the hospital. The hospital has informed me that it may be possible now for me to visit parishioners at the hospital, but only if the nursing staff deems it a situation serious enough to necessitate a visit. That will be determined by them on a case by case basis. Fr. Bill Barron

**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.

**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

**WELCOME** Madelyn Marie Yamrick, daughter of Kevin & Lauren Yamrick, who was initiated into her faith through Baptism on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> here at St. Mary's Church.

**TREASURES FOR CHILDREN:** We are once again having the tree at the entrance of the church with tags on it with the age of the child and some of their needs and wishes for Christmas. **You do not need to buy everything on the list, just do whatever you can!** Please bring the gifts, not wrapped, with the tag, to the church no later than Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please, help if you can!

**THANK YOU** to all who helped in any way to make our Turkey Take Out dinner and Bingo a success! We were sold out before one o'clock the day of the dinner! We had 605 dinners available and they were all reserved before we started serving! For the first time doing things so differently, because of COVID, everything went pretty smooth. There were a lot of hours and work planning, preparing, serving, and clean up, but our parish is so blessed to have some very dedicated people who are always willing to step up for a challenge! May God bless each and every one of you!

### 2020 TURKEY TAKE OUT DINNER REPORT

Income	\$6,193.00 (with donations)
Expenses	\$1,729.63
Profit	\$4,463.31

**ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES** with the names of your loved ones will be placed on the altar during the month of November.

### ASSUMPTION'S NEWS



**A LARGE CORNUCOPIA** is now placed in front of the altar of sacrifice. The Lord and his poor need our help! **Please bring non-perishable food items** to the church and place your items in the side room off to the right going up the steps at the entrance of the church or **you may put your items in the social hall. The ramp door will be opened starting Monday, November 9 through November 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am until 5:30 p.m. for your convenience.** Please be Generous!

**FLOWER MEMORIALS** – This year the Sanctuary of the church will be the only place where we will be decorating for Christmas because of the Pandemic. The Birth of Jesus is still the most important time of the year, even if we all can't gather as a parish family to celebrate so we want to try to make the Christmas season as normal as possible. In your contribution packet there is an envelope designated for Christmas Flowers. Please use this envelope for your Christmas remembrances of Deceased Loved Ones by writing their names on the envelope and dropping it in the mail slot at the Rectory Office or placing it in the basket at the entrance of the church now through December 13<sup>th</sup>. Your remembrances of your Loved Ones will be used as an insert in the bulletin for the weekend of December 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Oplatki** will not be distributed this year.