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St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

August 7, 2022 ~ 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mass Intentions

Monday, August 8—Assumption
Edna Rafferty
By Fred & Shelly Hayton

Tuesday, August 9—Assumption 8:00am Ron Fike

By Family

Wednesday, August 10 at St. Bernard's 8:00am Falls Creek

Thursday, August 11—St. Marys
Al & Linda Stefanelli
By Larry, Toni, & Family

Friday, August 12 – St. Marys
Jude Srock
8:00am

By Barb & John Srock & Family

Saturday, August 13—St Marys
Marlene Vizza
By Estate
5:00pm

Sunday, August 14- Assumption 8:30am Evelyn Reid

By Mike & Kathy McAninch

Sunday, August 14- St. Marys 10:30am

All Parishioners of both Parishes

Sacrificial Giving

July 31	St. Mary	Assumption			
Collection	\$2,002.00	\$1,587.00			
Electronic Giving	235.00	165.00			
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CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

2022	St. Mary	Assumption
CSA Goal	\$22,168.00	\$20,587.00
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Ministers Schedule for August 13-14, 2022

	5:00pm	8:30am	10:30am
	(St. Mary)	(ABVM)	(St Mary)
Altar Server	M. King		S. Mullins
Eucharist Minister	L. Shadduck	Deacon Steve	D. Dennison
Lector	B. Stover	P. Roman	D. Bowley

Information

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7 Things You Can Do To Get More Out Of Mass

Habits and routines form and shape our experiences and our lives. These habits will help you make going to Mass more than a habit. Going to Mass is the ultimate form of prayer and should be a spiritual encounter with Christ. I invite you to reconsider your Mass routines in order to more fully understand and appreciate the gift of the Mass. These practical tips will help us recognize Jesus at Mass, give God the sacrifice of our praise, and become what we receive in the Eucharist for our lives and for the life of the world.

St. John Vianney once said, "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy."

7 Things You Can Do To Get More Out Of Mass

1. Commit to never missing Mass.

Say it out loud to God and to your family. "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" (Joshua 24:15). Make Mass the first thing on your schedule by having a plan before the weekend starts. If you will be out of town, look up the closest Catholic Church make the plan or don't leave.

2. Prepare for Mass.

Read the Scripture readings ahead of time. There are many apps and daily devotionals you could use. Getting familiar with and studying the Scriptures ahead of time prepares our hearts to be rich soil for the Word to grow in us.

3. Plan on arriving 5 to 10 minutes early.

Something always comes up that can set you back a few minutes. Plan on being in the pew to slow down, settle, and open your heart to the work Jesus wants to do in you within that Mass. When you choose to arrive late or leave early, you are saying something else is more important.

4. Put on your Sunday best.

We <u>dress up</u> for things that are important to us. This little act of preparation is a witness to others that I'm preparing for something that matters to me. Once one of my nieces looked up at her dad and said "Church." His shirt had a collar on it and she knew he must be going to Mass.

5. Participate at Mass.

Enter fully into the celebration. You can respond confidently, sing boldly, listen attentively, return from distractions gently and immediately, remain until the final song is over, lead by example for your family and your parish.

6. Don't be in a hurry to leave.

Take time after Mass to offer a prayer of thanksgiving. Make an effort to meet people on the way out. Many lifelong friendships began by saying hello in Church.

7. Go forth with purpose.

"Do you leave Mass with a mission? There are people who desperately need what you have! Before you exit that pew before your genuflection is complete, and before you deactivate the car alarm in the parish parking lot, have a goal, a purpose, and a plan. Who are you going to invite next week? Who are you going to reach out to at work or school? What do you need to work on personally, and how do you plan to unleash the powder keg of grace within your soul in the coming hours and days? The question is not whether you have been empowered at Mass but whether you comprehend the power that exists within you—and what you plan to do about it." — Mark Hart, Behold the Mystery

Look around the world. There is racism, hatred, violence. People seem to be moving farther apart from one another and digging in their heels. We need Jesus. We need the Mass. We need to come together as one body in Christ.

Employment Opportunity

Position opening for regional parish business manager

The parishes of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Sykesville; St. Bernard, Falls Creek; St. Catherine of Siena, DuBois; St. Mary, Reynoldsville; and St. Michael the Archangel, DuBois, are hiring a regional business manager to oversee the business operations of the five parishes.

Interested candidates should demonstrate a background in accounting, human resources, personnel management, building and grounds supervision, and an understanding of diocesan polices and regulations. Candidates are asked to send a resume and three references to:

sienadubois@stcatherine.comcastbiz.net

PARTNER PARISH NEWS August 7, 2022

***SUNDAY MASS CHANGES: Beginning Sunday, September 11, 2022 the Mass time at Assumption in Sykesville will begin at 8:00 a.m. and at St. Mary's in Reynoldsville the Mass time will begin at 10:00 a.m. This change has been made to give our children plenty of time to get to their Faith Formation classes at Central Catholic in DuBois at 11:30 a.m. Classes will begin on that Sunday, September 11.

<u>CD OF A PICNIC:</u> The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #890 will hold its annual Picnic at the St Mary's Social Hall in Reynoldsville on Monday, August 15 at 6:00 pm. Meat, Drinks and Tableware will be provided. Please bring a covered dish to share and an item for the white elephant raffle. Please bring a friend! Questions call Angela Deemer (814) 590-4634

TRY ALPHA! The Alpha Course will be offered this fall, starting the week of September 12th. Alpha is a wonderful opportunity to journey through the foundational teachings of the Christian faith and form community with others. It allows us to discuss the big questions of our faith like, "Who is Jesus? How Can I Pray? How Can I Tell Others? Is There More to Life Than This?" Past guests on Alpha have consistently stated that their experience created a loving relationship with Jesus, strengthened their existing faith, created a newfound understanding of the Holy Spirit, helped them pray and read the Bible, introduced them to new friends, and motivated them to be active in their faith. Alpha is an 11-week course, where each night guests are provided a dinner, listen to a short video presentation, and participate in small group discussions. The course is free of charge, and will be from 6:30-8:30 PM each week. Alpha is available for all parishioners, friends, and family of all faith backgrounds from 18 years old and up. To register or find out more, please visit your parish website under the title "Alpha," or call the parish office.

MISSIONARY CO OP: On August 27-28, 2022, Saint Mary Church will learn of the ministries of Franciscan Mission Service (FMS). As a Catholic, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, FMS relies on the prayers and financial support of U.S. church communities to serve communities in South America, the Caribbean, and here in the United States. In anticipation of this message, Franciscan Mission Service invites parishioners to reflect on Pope Francis' words from *Evangelii Gaudium*: "Every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love." How might you be called to engage in the ministry of evangelization? Some give by going on mission, and some go by giving—with both prayers and donations. To find out more and hear missioners' first-hand accounts, visit www.franciscanmissionservice.org.

<u>GOLF:</u> DuBois Central Catholic School's 4th Annual Golf Classic will be held Friday, September 2 at the DuBois Country Club starting at 9 AM. Register Early – There are limited spots available. You can register online at <u>www.charitygolftoday.com/dccouting</u> If you don't golf or can't be there, buy 50-50 tickets online for a chance to win and support the school. Contact the school for more information at 814-371-3060.

"DAVID" The St. Michael Rosary Society in DuBois is sponsoring a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theater to see "David"! When: Thursday, October 13, 2022. Cost: \$161.00 includes round trip, show and dinner at the Hershey Farms Restaurant. The bus will leave St. Michael's parking lot at 9 a.m. and will return approx. 11:30 p.m. Please call Connie Georgek at 814-603-4717 for more information and reservations. Deadline/money due August 15, or until all seats are filled.

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

***ALUMNI DINNER will be held on Friday, August 19th. Volunteers are needed!!! Sign up sheets are on the table as you enter the church. We need servers in the kitchen and out on the floor and dish washers and clean up Please consider helping!!!

<u>HELP NEEDED FOR BINGO!</u> Volunteers are needed for 1 night a month or 1 night every 2 months. Floor help or kitchen. Please call Barb Murray at 814-653-8648 or the office 814-653-8586.

"WRAPPED IN LOVE-COVERED IN PRAYER" BLANKET MINISTRY: Do you know anyone in need of spiritual support during their time of trial or joy? Try presenting them with a prayer blanket. You can obtain one by contacting Peg Pennington at 814-371-0928. You will most likely get her answering machine, so be sure to leave your name and phone number so that she can get back to you. Peg will ask you a few questions to help determine which blanket best suits the person you are giving it to. Although there is no charge for our blankets, donations to our ministry are always welcome.

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

<u>17th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT UPDATE</u> – I need to make a correction from last weekend's bulletin. The Golf Tournament will be held on July 30th, 2023! Also, another \$50.00 donataion was given, so our new profit total is: \$6,345.45!