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St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

February 16, 2020 ~ Sixth 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

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, February 17 (St. Mary) 8:00 AM
Kay Satterlee
By Deacon Dan and Dr. Janet Satterlee

Tuesday, February 18 (Assumption) 9:00 AM
Tony Petraitis
By Jeanne Kickish

Wednesday, February 19 (Assumption) 9:00 AM
Alan Towns
By John & Marlene Boboige

Thursday, February 20 (St. Mary) 8:00 AM
William W. Snyder
By Joyce Snyder

Friday, February 21 No Mass

Saturday, February 22 (Assumption) 4:30 PM
Vi McKee
By Frank & Barb Sonnie

Sunday, February 23 (Assumption) 8:30 AM
All Parishioners of both Parishes

Sunday, February 23 (St. Mary) 10:30 AM
Rita Leiberton
By Carol Liedl Rokosky

Ministers Schedule for February 22-23, 2020

	4:30pm (ABVM)	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
Altar Servers			M. Hannah C. Uhl
Lector	K. Witherite	J. Gruda	D. Bowley
Eucharistic Ministers	F. Enseki D. Slawson	B. Alexander B. Cook K. Roman	C. McGranor C. Hannah D. Dennison
Samaritan Outreach		M. Boboige	

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening 4:30 PM
(Jan.-May – Assumption; June-Dec. St. Mary)

Sunday Morning 8:30 AM (Assumption)
10:30 AM (St. Mary)

Sacrificial Giving

<u>Feb. 9</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Collection	\$2,383.00	\$1,962.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 75.00	\$ 56.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>		

CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Goal for 2020	\$19,613	\$19,327
Total Pledged	\$	\$
Total Paid	\$	\$
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>		

Sanctuary Candles

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Hanna Heasley
Louis Foradori

by Peggy Pennington
by Gerry B.

Office Information

Prayer Chain St Mary 653-2752 Assumption 661-3894	Office Hours: (located at St. Mary Church) Monday 7:00AM—2:00 PM Tuesday 7:00AM—2:30 PM Wednesday 8:00AM—2:30 PM Thursday 8:00AM—2:30 PM Friday—Closed
Hospital Visits: Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028	
Blue Army Prayer Cell: Tuesday 3:00pm Madelyn Tomasura’s home	Bingo: Sunday at 6:00pm at St. Mary

The Parish Spotlight ~ Catholic Services Appeal

On the weekend of February 22nd and 23rd, both of our parishes will make the annual Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) on behalf of the Erie Diocese. You may have received a magazine from the Diocese advertising the CSA. The Diocese supports our parishes mainly in the area of legal support and ongoing formation for our clergy and staff. The local efforts of Catholic Charities are also supported by the CSA. CSA also goes to support seminary formation for future priests and Catholic Education.

I can appreciate that you may have questions about how your gifts may be used by the Church. You are welcome to contact the Diocese, as I am sure that they would be glad to answer any questions you have. On the parish level, if you ever have any questions about the use of our funds, I am always glad to discuss that with you.

Please note that the Catholic Services Appeal is the support of church ministries at the Diocese-wide level. This is distinct and different from our Increased Offertory/Stewardship Commitments that were made last fall. An update letter was just sent out about your offertory commitments a few weeks ago. The CSA commitment begins in March and runs until the end of the calendar year. It is a distinctly different pledge from your offertory pledge.

Good stewardship is the recognition that all that we have is a gift from God, and we owe God a return on His investment in us. Thank you for supporting your parish and thank you for supporting your Diocese. Together, we make up God’s Church in this corner of our state. Please prayerfully consider your CSA pledge for this year. You will have an opportunity to make your pledge in the pew next weekend, the 22nd and 23rd, and drop that pledge in the offertory basket. Feel free to return your pledge to the parish office in whatever way you usually do. If you are not in a position to contribute a CSA pledge, please keep the Diocese of Erie in your prayers.

Fr. Bill Barron

ST. MARY’S / ASSUMPTION’S NEWSLETTER, FEBRUARY 16, 2020

PARTNER PARISH NEWS

COUNCIL MEETING will be held on Wednesday, February 19th in the classroom of St. Mary’s church at 7 p.m.

THE CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL will be held next weekend in our parishes. The CSA is an opportunity for Catholics throughout the diocese to join together in doing the work of Christ. The CSA reminds us that we are all part of the same Catholic family and that the work of the diocese is the work of the church. The church serves each of us and our support is essential in continuing God’s work in our area. Every CSA donation also brings us closer to being able to complete our own parish projects. No gift is too small, but please give as generously as you can.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE- FEBRUARY 26TH - Mass at Assumption Church at 7 A.M
Mass at St. Mary’s Church at 7 P.M.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE - THURSDAYS 7 P.M.

FEBRUARY 27 - ASSUMPTION CHURCH

MARCH 5 - ST. MARY’S CHURCH

MARCH 12 - ASSUMPTION CHURCH

MARCH 19 - ST. MARY’S CHURCH

MARCH 26 - ASSUMPTION CHURCH

APRIL 2 - ST. MARY’S CHURCH

SPAGHETTI DINNER, St. Bernard Church, Falls Creek, is today, Sunday, February 16, from 11am until 1:30pm or until sold out. Take-outs are available; please bring your own container.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP GRADES 5-8: in McGivney Hall Feb 28- 6-8pm, March 6-6-8pm, April 3-6-8pm.

SEMINARY DISCERNMENT WEEKEND: Any young man who is a high school junior or older and is seriously considering applying to seminary is encouraged to attend the Seminary Discernment Weekend [April 4-5](#) at St. Mark Seminary in Erie. The weekend is designed to assist young men to discern whether they might be called to diocesan priesthood, to familiarize them with the basic goals of seminary formation, and to help each individual determine whether he is ready to move forward with the application process. There will be presentations by seminary faculty and seminarians, informal interaction with seminarians, a tour of Gannon University in Erie, Liturgy of the Hours, Eucharistic Adoration, confession and Palm Sunday Mass. Accommodations and all meals are at no cost. For further information and/or to register for the weekend, contact Father Mike Polinek, vocations director, at [814-824-1202](tel:814-824-1202) or at mpolinek@ErieRCD.org.

YOUNG ADULT LENTEN RETREAT: The Office of Young Adult and Youth Ministry is offering a free, eight-week Lenten retreat [Feb. 20 to April 9](#). This retreat will be offered in an online, small-group option, or in person or via Skype/Facetime individually. Registration can be found at: www.ErieRCD.org/youth/. For more information, contact Jillian Zaczek, director of the Office of Young Adult and Youth Ministry, at jzaczek@eriercd.org. Feel free to use the attached flier to advertise this opportunity at your school or parish.

DCC STUDENTS LEAP FROG FOR LEAP YEAR. Leap Year 2020 is a special year. As we begin a new decade *please help us to build our tuition assistance account. All funds raised will be distributed to children enrolled at DCC in the School Year 2020-2021.* Your donation of \$29.00 on February 29th will help a child receive an education in a Christ-centered learning environment. Students are encouraged to develop their God-given talents in preparation for making their unique contributions to the world. Please visit our website to donate: www.duboiscatholic.com. Click on the donate button, fill out the form, and submit. You can also mail your donation to the school at PO Box 567, DuBois, Pa. 15801. The students will play leap frog for every \$100.00 donated. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

MADRI GRAS PARTY– The Annual Mardi Gras Party and Family Game Night will take place on Saturday, February 22nd immediately following the 4:30 pm Mass in Assumption Social Hall in Sykesville. All parishioners from both parishes are welcome to attend!! Come and join us for traditional “Madri Gras” food, King Cake and a great game of Bunco. Please bring a covered dish to share. A Sign-up sheet will be posted in February to attend the party! Hope to see you there!!

MEN’S CONFERENCE: The 7th Annual 2232 Men’s Conference will be held at Our Lady of Peace Church in Erie on Saturday, February 29th. There are posters in each parish containing more details or you can go the website www.2232Men.com. There are reduced rates available for 8 or more participants. The Knights of Columbus will facilitate registration if you choose to register as a group. Paper copies of the registration form are in each parish. Complete the registration form and place it and your payment (make check payable to K of C 935) in an envelope labeled 2232 Men’s Conference. Place your envelope in the collection basket at Mass on or before February 16th. The registration forms and payment will be mailed on February 17th. If we meet the number of registrations for the reduced rate, then each adult will be reimbursed the difference.

6TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE will be held on Saturday, March 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace Parish in Erie with check in beginning at 8 a.m. Registration is \$40 per person, \$35 for senior citizens or groups of 8, \$25 for college students, \$10 for high school students, and free for religious sisters. This includes lunch and free parking. The theme of the conference this year is “Bee the Attitude” relating to Matthew 5:12 --- “Rejoice and be glad.” There are registration forms and more info on the bulletin board in the church. Any questions, call Betsy at the office, 653-8586.

5 WEEK COURSE ON THE NEW TESTAMENT. In March, St. Catherine’s Church, through the Diocese of Erie and the University of Dayton, will offer a 5 week course on the New Testament. Classes are offered through the internet, in the comfort of your home and are available on your home computer. The cost is \$25 plus the cost of the book. For further information, contact St. Catherine’s at 371-8556.

PENN HIGHLANDS, DUBOIS is looking for Eucharistic Ministers to provide communion to our Catholic patients. Time commitment is just a couple hours each month. There will be an orientation session in the PH Dubois West Chapel (on the 2nd floor) on Tuesday, February 11th from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm for anyone interested. Contact Pastor Kevin Bockus, Director of Pastoral Care, with any questions (375-3426).

ST. MARY’S NEWS

ASSUMPTION’S NEWS

A.B.V.M. ANNUAL FISH DINNERS will take place the first six Fridays of Lent, February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27 & April 3rd.from 4:00 – 6:30 pm in Assumption Social Hall in Sykesville.

GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH in Sykesville will hold a Children’s Carnival on Saturday, February 29th from 1 – 3 pm. Bring the kids to play games! Free Admission!

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GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Sykesville will host a Vendor Craft Sale and Bake Sale on Saturday, March 7th from 9:00 to 3 pm. Go to the Grace UMC facebook page to find out more about being a vendor. For more details, call church (894-2784), or visit our facebook page!