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October 24, 2021 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Mary Parish

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Deacon Stephen D. Rowan

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Fax number: 814-653-2769

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 25 –St. Marys
In Thanksgiving
5:00pm

By Ian & Annie Lindemuth

Tuesday, October 26—Assumption 5:00pm Rita Geist

By Tony & Patty West

Wednesday, October 27 -Assumption 5:00pm Lorraine Schewer

By Margaret Holub

Thursday, October 28—St. Marys 5:00pm

Dave Rupert

By Rick & Elaine Fike

Friday, October 29 No Mass

Saturday, October 30- St. Marys 4:30pm

Mary Scolese

By St. Mary's Rosary & Altar Society

Sunday, October 31- Assumption 8:30am

Steve Hanzely By Family

Sunday, October 31- St. Marys 10:30am

All Parishioners of both Parishes

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Ministers Schedule for October 30-31, 2021

8:30am 4:30pm 10:30am (St. Mary) (ABVM) (St Mary) Altar Server R. Whipple S. Mullins **Eucharist Minister** L. Shadduck M. Carlson C. Hannah M. McCluskey P. Roman D. Dennison Lector





Information

Prayer Chain

St Mary 653-2752 Assumption 661-3894

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Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

Parish Spotlight ~ All Saints Day & All Souls Day

From the first centuries after Christ, Christians who died a martyr's death were considered saints, those who live in God's presence forever. Every year, on the anniversary of the martyrs' deaths, Christians would visit their tombs and celebrate the Eucharist. This practice grew throughout the centuries to include remembering other outstanding Christians on the days they died. Soon the entire calendar was filled with memorials of the saints. In the ninth century, Pope Gregory IV designated November 1, Solemnity of All Saints, as the day when the Church honors every saint living in God's presence, those officially known and honored on the Church calendar, and saints known only to God. On All Saints Day, we celebrate these holy individuals, and ask for their prayers and intercessions.

All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation (except in 2021 due to it falling on a Monday), meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness. All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints. The holy day was eventually established on November 1 by Pope Gregory III in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints and their relics. The May 13 celebration was subsequently abandoned.

MASS TIMES:

All Saints Day Monday, November 1 - St. Mary's Church, 5:00pm All Souls Day Tuesday, November 2 - Assumption Church, 5:00pm

Often overshadowed by All Saints Day, All Souls Day (Nov. 2) is a solemn celebration in the Roman Catholic Church commemorating all of those who have died and are now in Purgatory. being cleansed of their venial sins and the temporal punishments for the mortal sins that they had confessed and being made pure before entering into the presence of God in Heaven. According to Catholic belief, the soul of a person who dies can go to one of three places. The first is heaven, where a person who dies in a state of perfect grace and communion with God goes. The second is hell, where those who die in a state of mortal sin are naturally condemned by their choice. The intermediate option is purgatory, which is thought to be where most people, free of mortal sin, but still in a state of lesser venial sin, must go.

On All Souls Day, we not only remember the dead, but we apply our efforts, through prayer, almsgiving, and the Mass, to their release from Purgatory. There are two plenary indulgences attached to All Souls Day, one for visiting a church and another for visiting a cemetery. The plenary indulgence for visiting a cemetery can also be obtained every day from November 1-8, and, as a partial indulgence, on any day of the year. While the actions are performed by the living, the merits of the indulgences are applicable only to the souls in Purgatory. Since a plenary indulgence removes all of the temporal punishment for sin, which is the reason why souls are in Purgatory in the first place, applying a plenary indulgence to one of the Holy Souls in Purgatory means that the Holy Soul is released from Purgatory and enters Heaven.

Praying for the dead is a Christian obligation. In the modern world, when many have come to doubt the Church's teaching on Purgatory, the need for such prayers has only increased. The Church devotes the month of November to prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, and participation in the Mass of All Souls Day is a great way to begin the month.

- Mary Carlson

PARTNER PARISH NEWS

<u>ALL SAINTS DAY:</u> This is not an obligatory mass attendance day in 2021 because it falls on a Monday. We will have one Mass on Monday, November 1st, the usual daily 5 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's Church in Reynoldsville. All are welcome to join us.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: The annual World Mission Sunday second collection will take place on the weekend of October 23/24. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe where priests, religious, and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in this collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

PASTORAL PLANNING COMMITTEE: Assumption, St. Bernard, St. Catherine, St. Mary's, and St. Michael Parishes have begun a pastoral planning committee. The committee is thinking about what we will do when the number of priests declines to the point where we will no longer have priests to serve the current number of parishes. The last meeting was on Wednesday, September 8th at St. Bernard's Parish, where the committee began to form its own vision and mission statements. The next meeting of the committee will be on Tuesday, October 19th at St. Catherine's Parish. I do not anticipate that any plan from this committee will be forthcoming before the end of 2021. Fr. Bill

ROSARY: The DuBois Knights of Columbus will be holding a public Rosary at Heindl Field on Sunday October 24 at 2:00 pm. The Rosary will be led by Deacon Dan Satterlee and the intention will be for pro-life, since October is Pro-Life Month, as well as your own private intentions. The Knights of Columbus 4th degree color guard will be on hand in full dress uniforms. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend. Please join us as we lift our minds and hearts in prayer to our God with the help of our Heavenly Mother.

<u>CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL:</u> Thank you to all who are supporting this year's Diocesan Services Appeal, the CSA. We are making good progress on receiving your pledge payments. Please note that if you made a pledge and intend to fulfill your pledge, you need to do so by the end of the calendar year 2021. Fr. Bill

<u>VOCATIONS CROSS</u> - Since 2018, we have been sending around to parish homes a Vocations Cross. This Cross comes with a binder that contains prayers to be said with the Cross. When the Cross becomes available at the beginning of every month, would you please consider taking it home with you? It is a small thing to ask, just some simple prayers that God may bless His church with more seminarians. Thanks for your consideration. Fr. Bill Barron

HOSPITAL VISITATION: The hospital has resumed the normal procedure for priests visiting patients. Fr. Matias has resumed his role as chaplain. Fr. Walk is no longer chaplain. Parish priests are now allowed to visit the hospital as well.

<u>CONFESSIONS:</u> Confessions will be available after all masses at both churches with the exception of Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass at Assumption because I need some travel time and set up time for 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's. Fr. Barron

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<u>ONLINE GIVING:</u> 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

TRUNK OR TREAT will be held at the Methodist parking lot on Sunday, October 31st from 3-6 p.m. There are various ways you can participate: decorate your trunk and pass out candy, just come and pass out candy, bring a lawn chair and watch the excitement, or donate candy. For more information, call Kristen Benson at 814-590-4610.

*** CEMETERY CLEAN UP: The final clean- up of the cemetery will be done by the Boy Scouts on October 23rd. If there is anything that you want saved, please remove it by October 22nd.

ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER will be held one day only on Tuesday, November 2nd, both eat in social hall dining and take out from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. We need your help to continue to make it the success it has always been in the past! We will be having the **Bake Sale** and **Chinese Auction** so please consider baking and/or donating a basket! It takes many people to volunteer, so please plan ahead to help as much as you can! 800 dinners will be prepared. Sign- up sheets are on the table as you enter the church for the days and times needed for volunteers.

*CHINESE AUCTION: As our Turkey Festival draws near, baskets for the Chinese Auction are needed. Please consider donating a basket of your choice and when ready, bring it to the church and place it on the long table in the back of the church. Baskets need to be here by October 31st.

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

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

<u>30TH ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER</u> will be held on Sunday, October 24th from 11:30 – 2:00 p.m. in the Assumption Social Hall. Adults: \$10 – Children (Under 12) \$4. Take-outs available or Dine In. Handicapped Accessible. Menu: Turkey & Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Coleslaw, Pie & Beverages. Cash Prize Giveaway!

A LARGE CORNUCOPIA now rests in front of the altar of sacrifice beginning the weekend of October 1/2nd The Lord and his poor need our help! Please bring non-perishable food items to weekend Mass or drop item/ items off during the week in the Parishioners Aid Center. This Zacchaeus Outreach Program will coclude the weekend before Thanksgiving. Please be generous!

<u>PARISHIONERS</u> who would like to donate Non-Perishable food items for the Cornucopia and don't attend the 8:30 a.m. Mass at Assumption may do so by dropping off your items anytime through the week in the Parishioners Aid Center. The church is opened from 8:00 - 1:00 p.m,. Thank you for your support in the Outreach Program that our Parish

<u>ALL SOULS REMEMBERANCE ENVELOPES</u> – In your envelope contibution packets there is an envelope designated for All Souls. Anyone who gives for All Souls Remembrances of your Deceased Loved Ones your envelope will be placed in front of the Sacred Heart of Jesus during the month of November, the month of Poor Souls. Loved ones will be remembered during All Masses celebrated.