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Mass Intentions Sacrificial Giving Monday, June 8—St. Mary's 5:00pm **May 31** St. Mary **Assumption** Maxine Nava \$1,196.00 Collection \$1,825.00 By Monica Bobal Electronic Giving \$ 265.00 \$ 336.00 **Tuesday, June 9— Assumption** 5:00pm Lorraine Yorko Schewer Thank you for your generosity! By Maragaret Holub Wednesday, June 10— Assumption 5:00pm John Webb Family CSA—Catholic Services Appeal By Maxine Nava Estate St. Mary **Assumption** Thursday, June 11—St. Mary's 5:00pm \$22,238 \$19,926 Pledged Priscilla Stahlman By Snyder-D'Argy Funeral Home \$14,978 \$ 6,335 Paid to Date Friday, June 12—No Mass Thank you for your generosity! Saturday, June 13—St. Mary's 4:30pm Bernie Snyder Sanctuary Candles By Joyce Snyder In Memory of: Sunday, June 14— Assumption 8:30am Lillian Skraba By: Jim & Darla Shaffer Helen Eisman By Jaynie Doug Smelko By: Mom & Dad Sunday, June 14—St. Mary's 10:30am

Ministers Schedule for June 13-14, 2020			
	4:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
	(St. Mary)	(ABVM)	(St Mary)
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From the Pastor's Desk

Please note that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is NOT in effect at this time. This gives us an opportunity to reflect on the question "why is their an obligation to attend these masses under pain of mortal sin in the first place?" A friend who lives in Missouri shared on Facebook a wonderful letter that his Bishop, Jeffery Johnson of Kansas City, wrote about the Sunday obligation and why we have it. I'd like to share part of it with you. Have a blessed week. Fr Bill

From a pastoral letter of Bishop Jeffery Johnson of the Diocese of Kansas City/St Joseph on keeping the Lord's Day:

A word about "Sunday Obligation"

Most of us learned along the way that there is a grave obligation attached to participating in Sunday Mass (and Holy Days of Obligation). This stems in part from the 3rd Commandment. When God commands something, we should take it seriously. If he gives us the road map to the Father's house, we do well to follow it! God does not want to lose any of his children.

But the obligation is also from our Mother, the Church, who wants to keep all her children safe and sound and on the road to heaven too. Not long ago I observed an exchange within a family who went to the lake for a getaway. Many of the children, good swimmers, wanted to go out on the lake without a life jacket. The mother insisted—no life jacket, no lake! It was an obligation she imposed to keep them safe. The Sunday obligation imposed upon us by God our Father and the Church our Mother is not given as a burden, but as a blessing, something to help keep us from drifting away from the One who is our salvation and our life. One of the tendencies of our fallen human nature is to become half-hearted about important things. That is why we attach vows, promises and obligations to the most important things in life, to make sure we do not neglect them.

Pope Saint John Paul II observed that, "The pressures of today can make it harder to fulfill the Sunday obligation; and, with a mother's sensitivity, the Church looks to the circumstances of each of her children." Of course, many Catholics work on Sundays. Our society depends upon medical professionals, first responders, and so many others to labor on Sunday. Some who work on the Sabbath day are able to participate in Mass (Saturday Vigil or late Sunday) even amid a demanding schedule, and some find it impossible. There is no sin in cases where one is truly unable to participate in Mass. In her pastoral concern, the Church commits to ensuring, "that, in the normal course of life, none of her children are deprived of the rich outpouring of grace which the celebration of the Lord's Day brings."

I wholeheartedly extend a special invitation to those who may have been away from Mass for some time. Come home. Return to the family of families that is your parish church. You are missed and you have a place among us.

ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, June 7, 2020 PARTNER PARISH NEWS

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</u> will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 10th at 7:00pm in the St. Mary's Church Social Hall. Social distancing will be observed during the meeting. Members are encouraged to wear masks as well.

LIVESTREAMING OF MASS - Mass will continue to be livestreamed daily.

<u>SUNDAY & HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</u> - The obligation to attend these Masses is not in effect. No one is required to attend mass in person at this time.

<u>CONFESSIONS-</u> 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 ushers 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.

<u>MEETINGS WITH FOOD</u> - 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.

<u>WE CONGRATULATE</u> Lily Palmer and Douglas Stewart on their wedding this Saturday, June 6th, at 2 p.m. at Assumption Church. The officiant will be Fr. Mark Mastrian.

<u>CHURCH CLEANING:</u> 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.

<u>BULLETINS</u> 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.

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #935</u> would like to welcome their newest member, Cameron B. Enseki. If anyone is interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, now is the easiest time to do so. It will take about 1 hour of your time on the computer from the convenience of your own home. If you are interested, please contact Joe McCluskey, Financial Secretary, at 814-653-2589.

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY REGULATIONS: As we move into planting season, please be mindful of the new cemetery guidelines that were published last fall. If you do not follow the rules for planting, vigil lamps, etc. please note that the cemetery board will remove those items from your grave.

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.

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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

<u>CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING CLASS OF 2020!</u> Nicholas Cebulskie, Michael Eisman, <u>Gavin Frantz</u>, and <u>Lindsey Reiter</u>. May God bless you and keep you in His care as you begin this new chapter of your life!

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY MARIANNA ORDERS will be delivered Thursday, June 11th at Assumption Social Hall. Orders can be picked up from 11:30 – 1:30 p.m. If you need to make different arrangements, please call Josephine (371-0725). Thank you once again for your patience and delay with your orders.

ASSUMPTION PICK OF THE WEEK RIGATONI & MEATBALL DINNER will take place Wednesday, June 17th from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Curbside Pick up Only!! Adults: \$8.00; Children 12 and under: \$4.00. Dinner Includes: Rigatoni and Meatballs, Salad, Roll & Dessert. You may call the Rectory Office to reserved 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 17th 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 will be doing a Cash raffle in place of the the Annual Golf Tournament that was to take place in July. Every Parishioner will be receiving ten \$5.00 tickets to sell in the mail as soon as the tickets are printed. 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 replinish 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. 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!!