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St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

January 17, 2021 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Knights of
Columbus



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814-653-8586
Email: stmaryschurch2@verizon.net

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
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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

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

Fax number: 814-653-2769

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 18 — St. Mary's	5:00pm
Helen Pegnetter By Jim & Darla Shaffer	
Tuesday, January 19 — Assumption	5:00pm
Larry Serafin By Anita Serafin	
Wednesday, January 20 — Assumption	5:00pm
Joanie Harvey By Tom & Gina Knarr	
Thursday, January 21 — St. Mary's	5:00pm
John Kutoloski By St. Martin of Tours	
Friday, January 22 - No Mass	
Saturday, January 23 — Assumption***	4:30pm
William & Helen Gudalis By Russ & Mary Withrow & Family	
Sunday, January 24 — Assumption	8:30am
All Parishioners of both Parishes	
Sunday, January 24 — St. Mary's	10:30am
Geraldine Deemer By Louie Caltagarone Family	

Sacrificial Giving

<u>Jan. 10</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Collection	\$3,009.00	\$1,467.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 285.00	\$ 176.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

<u>2020</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Pledged	\$24,668	\$19,926
Paid to Date	\$23,083	\$19,930

Thank you for your generosity!

2021 CSA Goal	\$20,301	\$19,312
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Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of:

Crementine DeLarme	By: Max & Betsy Rugh
Evelyn Hoare	By: Max & Betsy Rugh
William Leiberton	By: Max & Betsy Rugh
Dr. Samuel Earley	By: Max & Betsy Rugh
Doug Smelko	By: Mom & Dad

Ministers Schedule for January 16-17, 2021

	4:30pm (ABVM)	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
Altar Servers			M. Hannah
Lector	F. Rosana		D. Bowley

Information

Prayer Chain

St Mary 653-2752
Assumption 661-3894

Anointing of the Sick :

Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

Parish Spotlight ~ Knight of Columbus #935

From the moment of their founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. They are Catholic men of faith and men of charitable action.

Ron Hannah, Deputy Grand Knight, provided the following updates for the Knights of Columbus #935:

Despite the COVID-19 viral pandemic, the Knights of Columbus were still very active. Facing the new statewide restrictions regarding gatherings, they went to work creating a new fundraiser to temporarily replace the Breakfast fundraisers. This fundraiser was a Chicken & Biscuit take-out dinner that proved to be very successful and with these proceeds, they were able to donate to the Coats for Kids program at C. G. Johnson Elementary School for the underprivileged students.

Their annual Baby Bottle Campaign was an obstacle when restrictions were placed on Masses and parishioners were unable to attend Mass for this campaign that typically begins on Mother's Day and concludes on Father's Day. The Knights once again put on their thinking caps and decided to run this fundraiser via U. S. Mail. They sent letters to all parishioners of the partnered parishes asking them to mail in their donation this year to allow them to continue their pro-life efforts in the area. This new design allowed for these funds to be collected and to continue to provide assistance to Catholic Charities in DuBois; Young People Who Care in Frenchville; DuBois Central Catholic School's Pro-Life group.

Ron also talked about their annual Football ticket raffle, Chance of a Lifetime (COAL) raffle tickets, and the Christmas and Candy Sales collectively providing the additional funds necessary to facilitate the mailing of the Dynamic Catholic program book – 'I heard God laugh' by Matthew Kelly to all parishioners of the partnered parishes. This provided a book to all who couldn't attend Mass and reached all registered parishioners. He reported that they also were able to mail 'The Little Blue Book' Advent devotional to all parishioners as well in a separate mailing.

Mike Fye, Grand Knight, along with the other Knights, would like to extend their sincere appreciation to all parishioners who continue to support their various fundraisers throughout the year which allows them to provide parish and community support.

If you'd like to be a part of an international organization of nearly 2 million Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you and invite you to join us. You may contact any member of the Knights for information regarding joining our Council.

Men's Conference to be held at St. Mary's Reynoldsville on February 27, 2021:

The 8th Annual 2232 Men's Conference will be held 'Live Streamed' from the host site in Erie to the social hall at St. Mary's Parish on Saturday, February 27th. 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 14th. The registration forms and payment will be mailed on February 15th. If we meet the number of registrations for the reduced rate, then each adult will be reimbursed the difference.

- Mary Carlson

ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, JANUARY 17, 2021

PARTNER PARISH NEWS

ASH WEDNESDAY: This year's Ash Wednesday will be on Wednesday, February 17th. We will have masses at 7 a.m. (Assumption) and 7 p.m. (St. Mary's). Distribution of Ashes will take place in a different format than you are used to - the ashes will be sprinkled on the top of your head. This is the predominant way that ashes are distributed in Europe, as opposed to the American custom of a cross on the forehead. This will eliminate personal contact during Ash distribution. All will wear masks as they come forward to receive ashes this year. Fr. Barron

HOLY TRIDUUM 2021: We will observe the regular order for the sharing of the Triduum services between St. Mary's and Assumption. This means that, in 2021, it will be St. Mary's turn to host Holy Thursday Mass and the Easter Vigil, and Assumption's turn to host Good Friday services.

2021 MEN'S CONFERENCE: Gentlemen, important information regarding this year's conference. Conference will be streamed Live. Please save the date: Date: Feb 27th 2021. Time: 9:00a-12:00 Noon Place: St. Marys Reynoldsville Social Hall. Event coordinators are Ron Hannah from St. Marys & Tim Carlson from ABVM. Light Breakfast /coffee and snacks as well as a light lunch will be included. More information forthcoming.

THANK YOU: I thank so many of you for sending Christmas Cards and various types of gifts for me during the Christmas season. It is humbling to receive all the well wishes. Thank you for keeping both the priesthood and myself in mind during this holy time of the year. Fr. Bill

ACTIVITIES: I do not anticipate a ramping up of parish activities during the month of January, given COVID, bad weather, dark evenings, etc. I hope that we can begin some of the normal parish activities again in the month of February, but we will see how it goes. We will definitely have the Assumption Fish Frys- likely take out only. Stay tuned for more information about that. Fr. Bill Barron

PPP LOANS: Please be aware that St. Mary's and Assumption Parishes have received notification of forgiveness of \$20,000 of Paycheck Protection Program loans. This is the full amount that we borrowed from the Small Business Administration to cover payroll and health care costs last spring. I thank all those who helped us to obtain these loans during a time of uncertainty last spring. Fr. Barron

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

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 Assumption after Saturday 4:30 Mass and Sunday 10:30 Mass at St. Mary's, 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.

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

PARISH APPRECIATION DINNER: The annual Parish Appreciation dinner will be held at a later date due to COVID. It was discussed to have take-outs but was decided that when it's safe to be together hopefully in the spring or summer we will schedule it. The fellowship and being together safe will be something we will all look forward to!

*****CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES:** Any child who would like to continue to use envelopes, there are boxes on the green table as you enter the church. Please take one and make sure you put your name on each envelope as you use them.

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP DUES – Rosary Society Membership Dues for 2021 will be due in January. In your packet of contribution envelopes for January you will find an envelope designated for that purpose. Please use this envelope to pay your dues and place it in the basket at the entrance of the church or put it in the mail slot at the Rectory Office. The drive will take place the month of January. New members are welcome!!