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St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

September 6, 2020 ~ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Deacon Dan,

God bless you for your
devoted service as
Deacon, and for all you
have done to faithfully
serve our partnered
parishes. Praying for
God's love and peace to
surround you and Janet
as you go on to your
next assignment.

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Pastor - Father William R. Barron

Deacon – Daniel Satterlee

Shared contact information:

Web address: www.stmarysassumption.com

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Mass Intentions

Monday, September 7— No Mass

Tuesday, September 8— Assumption 5:00pm Edward Felix, Sr. By Gerard Bauer

Wednesday, September 9 - Assumption 5:00pm Ann Bonavita By Antoinette

Thursday, September 10 -St. Mary's 5:00pm Mary Snyder By Joyce Snyder

Friday, September 11 - No Mass

Saturday, September 12—St. Mary's 4:30pm Rose August By Joyce Snyder

Sunday, September 13— Assumption 8:30am Gloria Bowers By Rosary Society

Sunday, September 13— St. Mary's
All Parishioners of both Parishes

Sacrificial Giving

Aug. 30	St.	. Mary	Assumption
Collection	\$1	,365.00	\$2,021.00
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Paid to Date	\$18,043	\$10,860

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Ministers Schedule for September 12-13, 2020

	4:30pm	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
	(St. Mary)		
Altar Servers	A. Reiter		D. Mullins
Lector	B. Stover		D. Bowley

Information

Prayer Chain

St Mary 653-2752 Assumption 661-3894 Anointing of the Sick:

Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

Parish Spotlight ~ From the Pastor's Desk

What is a Pope? What is a Cardinal? What is a Monsignor? I get these types of questions sometimes. These are only titles bestowed upon certain clerics. Popes are bishops elected to the Papal role. Cardinals are bishops appointed by Popes to special responsibilities to the Church in Rome and worldwide. Monsignors are priests bestowed a title of honor by the Pope for special services rendered to the Church.

What is a monk? A brother? A sister? A nun? These are different titles for men and women in religious life. In other words, they take a vow, just as you who are married take a vow. But their vow is professed to God, and not to another person. Religious live in community and the community has a common way of life they follow. For example, Franciscans follow the way of St. Francis of Assisi.

This brings us to Holy Orders. Holy Orders is a Sacrament. We remember that a Sacrament is a visible sign instituted by Christ that gives us grace. So, the man who receives Holy Orders receives special grace – to be conformed to Jesus Christ for ministry to the Church. Their life is not their own – they have been crucified with Christ and serve in the power of the Holy Spirit.

There are only 3 levels to Holy Orders. The uppermost level and the mid-level are familiar to you in practice – the Bishop and the Priest. The Deacon is not familiar to you in practice, although you have seen Deacon Dan fulfill this office admirably in the past 3 years. A Deacon is not a glorified lay minister or a mini-priest. A Deacon is its own ministry in the Church. The first deacons were called and ordained in the Acts of the Apostles to attend to the needs of the wider community while the Apostles attended to the ministry of God's word and prayer.

Since the 1960's, the Roman Church has opened up this level of Holy Orders to married men. Most deacons are married. All priests must be ordained a deacon before priest ordination. I was ordained a deacon April 29,2006. For over 1000 years, Deacon was a stepping stone to priesthood. Now, Diaconate is called to flourish in its own right. This is a new thing, and it is still being figured out in the Church.

You know Deacon Dan from his ministry on the altar and the pulpit at weekend masses. Deacons do much more for people than just their liturgical role. God is working out a flourishing of Deacon Dan's ministry in the Church. This is shared with his wonderful wife, Janet, and his larger family of children and grandchildren. This growth in his ministry has led to a transfer to the parishes of St. Catherine and St. Michael's in Dubois. This transfer takes effect next weekend, the 12th/13th of September. While we are sad to see Deacon Dan and Jan go, we are glad for God continuing to place a call on their lives, and we are grateful for all the things they have done in our partner parish community. They leave us with our heartfelt thanks and many prayers.

Fr. Bill Barron

ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020 PARTNER PARISH NEWS



Rejoicing in God's gracious and faithful Love,
Sister Margaret Park will celebrate her
50 years of Consecrated Life within the Sisters of Mercy
by renewing her vows
at the 10:00 am Sunday Mass
at Saint Catherine of Siena Church in DuBois PA
on September 6, 2020.

Glad to be a native daughter of Immaculate Conception Parish, Brookville, Sr. Margie entered religious life from that parish on September 6, 1970. Through the Sisters of Mercy's Rural House of Mercy, she ministers currently to the People of God throughout the DuBois Deanery. With gratitude to God, please join her for the live-streamed Mass via St. Catherine of Siena's Facebook link: https://www.facebook.com/StCatherineOfSienaRomanCatholicChurch/?ref=page_internal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST. MARY'S: The first day of classes will begin with an informational meeting on Sunday, Sept. 13th, at 9:30 A.M. All parents are required to attend, regardless of whether your children are doing instructions in person or online. Many of the children are doing religious education over the internet this fall. Some are coming in person. Please be mindful of the children as they return to instructions in our church building. Fr. Barron

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION can be done by picking up a form in the sacristy after any Mass or by calling Barb Murray at 653-8648.

ST. BERNARD CHURCH, FALLS CREEK, Famous Spaghetti Dinner will resume on Sunday, September 20, from 10am until sold out. Only meatballs and sauce are available and the format will be take-outs only; please bring your own container.

HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES: If you need visitation by a priest at the Dubois Hospital, the priest to call is Fr. Ed Walk at St. Bernard's Parish. If you need visitation by a priest at Christ the King Manor, the priest to call is Fr. Matias. They will not allow the pastors to go into either facility to see their parishioners. Also, Fr. Matias is not allowed to travel between the hospital and the Manor.

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 altar servers' room.

<u>FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS</u> - 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.

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.

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

FLOWERS IN FRONT OF THE ALTAR are in memory of Doug Smelko by Mom, Dad, & Sisters.

BAKED STEAK TAKEOUT DINNER will take place here at St. Mary's on Thursday, September 24th from 4-6 p.m. Only 125 meals will be sold. Call Mike at 590-4637 to reserve your dinner. See insert for more details.

<u>ST. MARY'S BINGO</u> - We are currently reviewing the governor's latest pronouncements to see if it is possible to operate bingo. As of August, it appears that it is not possible to do so at this time. It would be good to be able to bring Bingo back in some form this fall, but only if it is possible to do so within government and church COVID directives. This is proving to be difficult. More to come in future weeks.

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

ASSUMPTION ROSARY SOCIETY FALL BAZAAR - A.B.V.M. Rosary Society will not be having their fall bazaar in October due to the Pandemic we are still facing. Raffle tickets have been mailed to all members of the Rosary Society. If you have not received your tickets, please call Josephine (371-0725) The prizes on the ticket are as follows: Expert 4 burner grill, 50 inch flat screen T.V. & Hp Laptop Computer. The prizes were already donated so we need to give them away! Also, anyone who is not a member of the Rosary Society and would like to help out this fundraiser by selling a book of tickets, please call Josephine (371-0725) or the Parish Office (894-2772) to get a book of tickets!

N&N CINNAMON ROLL FUNDRAISER – Order forms are being used as an insert in the bulletins every other week for you to place your order: Orders are due September 6th and Delivery will be Tuesday, September 22nd

Pick up will be at the church Social Hall. Social distancing will take place to pick up your order and a mask must be worn. You may place your order in the basket at the entrance of the church or put it in the mail slot at the church office. If you have any questions, please call Josephine (371-0725). Thank you in advance for your support in these fundraiser!

<u>FAITH FORMATION</u> – Faith Formation will begin on Sunday, September 13th at DuBois Central Catholic. You will be receiving a letter and schedule by mail with more details. Any questions, please call Rita (371-4082).

ROSARY SOCIETY Spaghetti Dinner was a great success. Thank you to all Parishioners and Friends who participated in the spaghetti dinner that was held on August 26th for the Rosary Society. 137 dinners were sold!! Financial Report is as follows. **Income:** \$1208.00

Expenses: \$325.16

Profit: \$882.84

Donations: \$15.00

Total Profit: \$897.84