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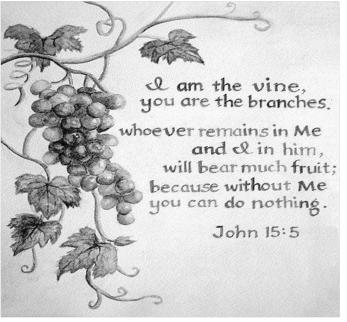
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Mass Intentions	
Monday, May 3 — St. Mary's Paul E. Snyder By: Joyce & Family	5:00pm
Tuesday, May 4- Assumption Martha Rehar By Children & Grandchildren	5:00pm
Wednesday, May 5 – Assumption John Habash By: Family	5:00pm
Thursday, May 6 - St. Mary's Roberta Kurten By McGreevey Family	5:00pm

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Friday, May 7— St. Mary's James Buzzy Buskirk By Louie Caltagarone & Family	5:00pm
Saturday, May 8– Assumption Lynn Johnson By Eleanor Haky	4:30pm
Sunday, May 9 — Assumption All Parishioners of both Parishes	8:30am
Sunday, May 9 — St. Mary's Sam Cantanese By: Paul Gileot	10:30am

Sacrificial Giving

Apr. 25	St. Mary	Assumption
Collection	\$2,887.00	\$2,307.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 281.00	\$ 399.00

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CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	St. Mary	Assumption
CSA Goal	\$20,301.00	\$19,312.00
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By: Mrs. Stover

Ministers Schedule for May 8-9, 2021

	4:30pm (ABVM)	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
Altar Server			M. King

Lectors F. Rosana C. Hannah





Information

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Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

Parish Spotlight ~ The Combined Pastoral Council

The purpose of the council is to assist the Pastor in setting a positive vision for the evangelization, teaching, and sanctification of all the people of the greater Sykesville and Reynoldsville area. Specifically, the Pastoral Council may be asked to take votes on major financial expenditures or capital projects. Reports on partner parish activities are to be given to the council on a regular basis.

The Pastoral Council (also sometimes referred to as the parish council) usually meets on a quarterly basis, or when some special reason is needed to call a meeting. The Council consists of 6 members from St. Mary's Parish and 6 members from Assumption Parish. The pastor attends meetings as well as the Deacon. Terms are three years in length, renewable once. The president and secretary are elected by the council membership.

The intention is that pastoral council members are elected by the parishioners to the position. This election would take place in April. This is only necessary, however, when more than one person is nominated to fill a vacancy. Thus far, that has not happened. Nomination of a single person has been sufficient to fill vacancies thus far. If we ever have multiple people nominated, we will have an election!

Since members are term-limited, as long as I am here, we will honor those terms. So, that means that some of you will need to step forward to fill vacancies when they arise. Please be willing to be nominated to service on the council! It is at minimum a three year commitment – usually 4 meetings a year.

Please utilize the parish council members – give them feedback about parish activities. They may be able to bring to my attention things that I cannot or do not notice.

Parish council minutes are generally made available on the parish website and in paper copy at the back of the church. COVID disrupted this process somewhat – we will re-establish it.

Fr. Bill Barron

Parish council members:

President: Ron Hannah Secretary: Barb Murray Antoinette Bonavita Tim Carlson Pat Dennison Elaine Fike Joseph McCluskey David Miknis Paul Reiter Fran (Moose) Rosana Betsy Stover Lauren Yamrick

In attendance: the pastor and deacon assigned to the parishes.



PARTNER PARISH NEWS

<u>FIRST FRIDAY:</u> is on Friday, May 7th - Adoration from 1-4:30 p.m. and Mass at 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion that is not already on the list, please call Father Bill at 653-8586 or 894-2772.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #535 will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall at St. Mary's Church. All members are urged to attend.

<u>NEW DEACON FOR ASSUMPTION & ST. MARY'S PARISHES:</u> Bishop Persico has appointed Deacon Steven Rowan as Deacon Assistant to our two parishes, effective immediately. His term is a three year term, which expires in June, 2024. We welcome Deacon Rowan! He will be a great addition to our pastoral team. I will be sharing more about his role with us in the near future.

EMERGENCY PARKING SPACE: Please be aware that there is an emergency parking space in front of the St. Mary's Church and Rectory. There is a sign to indicate this. There were white lines painted on the road to indicate this spot, but they need to be repainted. This spot is reserved for police, fire, and ambulance service. Please do not park in this space. 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>FUNERAL DINNERS:</u> Effective immediately, both the Rosary Societies of St. Mary's and Assumption Parishes will be providing funeral dinners after the funeral masses, upon request. You are no longer required to get a caterier to use the hall for a funeral dinner.

44TH ANNUAL ROSARY MARCH will be held on Sunday, May 2nd at 3:00 p.m. at the Clearfield County Fair Grounds in Clearfield. The Rosary March will take place outside the Grove this year due to the current pandemic. Please feel to bring your own chair or even park in your car to participate. There is also seating available on the bleachers. The Rosary March will begin with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, immediately followed by the Rosary and Eucharistic Procession. It is not necessary that you process if you would like to remain seated or in your car. The guest speaker will be Tom Ross, custodian of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the USA, which will be there also.

LIVE STREAMING: Effective Saturday, April 10, we will no longer be live streaming the Sunday 8:30 a.m. and Sunday 10:30 a.m. Masses. We will live stream the Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass. We will continue to live stream daily masses at this time. All live streamed Masses are permanently posted on our Facebook group page and in the Facebook feed in the bottom righthand corner of our website homepage for your viewing convenience. As people continue to get vaccinated, it's time to return to the community and the sacraments.

CHILD PROTECTION & CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS: Child Abuse Prevention Month: Mandated Reporters in the Diocese of Erie are people who hold positions of trust in our schools, parishes, agencies and institutions and are mandated by Pennsylvania law and the diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children to report suspected abuse of a minor. All employees and volunteers working/serving for the Diocese of Erie, in our parishes, schools or agencies are considered mandated reporters both legally and morally obligated to report any reasonable suspected child abuse to ChildLine, the local police, or other appropriate agency. Visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to learn the specific reporting procedures required by the diocese.

CENTRAL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY is accepting applications for preschool for the 2021-2022 school year. Tuition assistance applications are available. Please call the school at 814-371-2570 for information.

<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

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.

<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. There is 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.

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.

<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

FLOWERS IN FRONT OF THE ALTAR are in memory of Tom & Betty Moslak by Mary Beth & Tom Stojek.

FIRST COMMUNION for 7 of the children in our 3rd grade CCD class will be held at a special Mass at 1:00 p.m. today, Sunday, May 2nd. Due to the pandemic with social distancing, it will enable the families to have seats to see their children receive the Eucharist for the first time. This special Mass is for the invited guests only! Please keep them in your prayers!

ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, May 3rd at <u>6:00 p.m.***</u> in the Social Hall beginning with pizza, salad, and dessert, followed by a short meeting.

***CEMETERY: PLEASE DO NOT THROW OLD FLOWERS, CONTAINERS, GARBAGE, ETC... DOWN OVER THE BANK! TAKE YOUR DISCARDED ITEMS HOME! OUR MOWERS ARE REALLY WORKING HARD TO TRY TO KEEP OUR CEMETERY LOOKING GOOD AND ITS DIFFICULT TO DO WITHOUT EVERYONE DOING THEIR PART.

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

ASSUMPTION MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR RETIRES: I thank Bob Thompson, who recently handed in his keys, for his service to Assumption Parish as maintenance coordinator. Bob continues to be active in the parish in many ways, but he will no longer be the responsible overseer of the maintenance of the parish property. Rick Fike will be the new maintenance coordinator. This is a volunteer position, so I very much appreciate the service of people such as Bob and Rick, and so many of you who volunteer selflessly of your own time. Joe McCluskey continues as St. Mary's Maintenance Coordinator. Fr. Bill Barron

SYKESVILLE CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY (formerly Sykesville Lions Club) will be having a Breakfast on Sunday, May 2nd beginning at 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Adults: \$7.00; Children 5 – 12: \$5.00, under 5 Free! The breakfast will take place at the Sykesville Town Hall. Menu: Pancakes, French Toast, Eggs, Sausage with drinks, juice & milk.

<u>CEMETERY CLEAN UP</u> – Anyone who has items on your graves that wishes to keep it, please go and take it off so the Cemetery grass cutters can weed eat and properly clean around the headstones. Anything that is up off of the ground on your graves will not be touched.

A.B.V.M ROSARY SOCIETY is having a N & N Cinnamon Co. Fundraiser. The order form is being used as an bulletin insert for this week's bulletin. Orders are due May 14th and delivery will be May 26th. Please fill out the order form and place it in the collection basket at any weekend mass or deposit it in the mail slot at the rectory office. Your support is anticipated and appreciated in this fundraiser.

ALTAR FLOWERS placed in front of the Blesssed Mother are in Memory Of: Patricia Reiter; by (Brother) Mike.