

SEVEN MOUNTAINS MEDIA
BIG FOOT COUNTRY
101.3 / 102.1
POP 93.1 / 95.9
900 WCPA

Spitzer Auto World
Chevrolet Cadillac GMC Buick
DuBois, PA
814 - 371- 4444
www.spitzerduboisgm.com

**LEO NEDZA
FUNERAL HOME**
212 East Main St., Sykesville, PA 15865
814 - 894- 2230
www.nedzafamilyfuneralhomes.com

Please support our bulletin sponsors! Thank you!

Rathmel Auto Sales
80 Brick Road
Reynoldsville, PA 15851
Gary & Stella Klebacha
814-591-9201 or 814-612-2078

**SUNRISE DRILLING
SUPPLY, INC.**
814 - 894- 5005

**SILVER FRONT
RESTAURANT AND TAVERN**
Main Street, Sykesville 814 - 894-7879
*Enjoy our daily specials!
Take outs available.*

**Baronick Funeral Home
& Crematorium, Inc.**
Jeffery Baronick, Funeral Director
211 S. Main St. DuBois, PA 15801
814 - 371- 2040

**O'BRYON
EYE ASSOCIATES, LLC.
O'BRYON
FAMILY MEDICINE, INC.**
814 - 371- 3980

SYMMCO INCORPORATED
40 South Park Street
Sykesville, PA 15865
Phone: 814 - 894- 2461
www.symmco.com

Burke & Sons, Inc.
"The Window Specialists"
814-938-7303
www.burke-sons.com
Windows—Doors—Shade Products

Reynoldsville Hardware
814-653-8642
Over 40 years in the neighborhood
Friendly Service—Community Values—
Small Town Pride
349 E Main St., Reynoldsville

**FOX'S PIZZA DEN OF
SYKESVILLE**
206 East Main Street Sykesville, PA 15865
814 - 894- 7777
Like us on Facebook

DETER'S BEAUTY SALON
360 East Main Street
Sykesville, PA
814 - 894- 2770

Roy's Floor Show, LLC
203 DuBois St
Du Bois, PA 15801-1822
814-375-4450

CHRIST THE KING MANOR
"A Continuing Care Retirement Community"
1100 West Long Avenue
DuBois, PA 15801
814 - 371- 3180

Dr. Tom Petraitis
Quality Preventive Dentistry
101 Hospital Ave, DuBois
814-375-1023

CARPET SPA
Carpet Cleaning ★ Water Restoration
Upholstery Cleaning Etc.
Falls Creek, PA
814 - 371- 6708

ADVANCE DISPOSAL
Brockway, PA
814 - 265- 1975

**FARMERS NATIONAL
BANK**
Since 1893
814 - 653- 8232 814 - 894- 5033
www.cf-bank.com

**SHANKEL'S
PHARMACY**
"Caring for you is what we do"
241 W. Long Ave., DuBois, PA
814-371-9320

DUBOIS CENTRAL CATHOLIC
Learn Well...Live Well...Serve Well
High School: 371-3060
Middle School: 371-3060
Elementary: 371-2570
Pre-K: 371-2570

**Snyder-d'Argy
Funeral Home**
206 E Main St
Reynoldsville, PA 15851
814-653-8256

**Please support our
bulletin sponsors.**

If you would like to join our
Church, please call the office at
(814) 653-8586 (SM) or
(814) 894-2772 (ABVM) and
request a registration form .

St. Mary and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes

November 28, 2021 - First Sunday of Advent

DAILY

ADVENT CHALLENGE

Reflect on how you need
Jesus in all aspects of
your life. How will you
prepare yourself this
Advent for Him to meet
your needs more fully?



St. Mary Parish
607 East Main Street
Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania 15851
814-653-8586
Email: stmaryschurch2@verizon.net

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
20 Shaffer Street (P.O. Box J)
Sykesville, Pennsylvania 15865
814-894-2772 Social Hall 814-894-7981
Email: abvmchurch20@gmail.com

Pastor – Father William R. Barron

Deacon Stephen D. Rowan

Shared contact information:

Web address: www.stmarysassumption.com

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

Fax number: 814-653-2769

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 29 –St. Marys 5:00pm
 Mary Scolese
 By Mickey Rinaldi

Tuesday, November 30—Assumption 5:00pm
 Martha Petrucci
 By Bill & Pat Deter

Wednesday, December 1 –Assumption8:00am**
 Albert Canton
 By Fred & Wilma

Thursday, December 2—St. Marys 5:00pm
 Doug Smelko
 By Mom & Dad

Friday, December 3— St. Marys 5:00pm
 Rinaldi Family
 By Mary Scolese

Saturday, December 4– Assumption 8:00am
 Edna Rafferty
 By ABVM Rosary Society

Saturday, December 4- St. Marys 4:30pm
 David Rupert
 By Wannieta, Children, & Grandchildren

Sunday, December 5- Assumption 8:30am
 Mel Beimel
 By Betty

Sunday, December 5- St. Marys 10:30am
 All Parishioners of both Parishes

Sacrificial Giving

<u>Nov. 21</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Collection	\$2,988.00	\$1,597.00
Electronic Giving	680.00	332.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CSA—Catholic Services Appeal

	<u>St. Mary</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
CSA Goal	\$20,301.00	\$19,312.00
CSA Paid	\$20,355.16	\$16,796.54

Thank you for your continued support.

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of:

Betty McGreevey By: Betsy & Jeff Stover
 By: Peggy Pennington
 By: Carol Dennison
 By: Mary & Joe McCluskey
 By: Jackie & Dude Beers

Daniel Filer By: Betsy & Jeff Stover
Harry & Irene Philp By: Ann Marie & Phil
Marie Dorwarth By: Carol Dennison
Brayden Blankley By: Bill Armagost

Deceased Members of Klender Family
 By: Ann Marie & Phil

Special Intention By: Pat Gordon

Information

Prayer Chain

St Mary 653-2752
 Assumption 661-3894

Anointing of the Sick :

Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028

Parish Spotlight ~ Pastoral Planning Survey

Please return your mailed questionnaires to the parish office or the collection basket by Monday, December 6. Fr. Bill Barron

In 2020, before the Covid pandemic changed the way we work, gather, and worship, five regional churches of the DuBois Deanery began developing an action plan to fulfill Bishop Persico's charge to engage in parish planning.

Although Covid affected the timeline of the planning process, the members of all our parish councils were able to meet twice this year to review the findings of an extensive study of national, diocesan, and regional trends, including the diminishing availability of priests to meet our parish needs. The councils individually and collectively affirmed the need to plan together, and the Pastors followed by appointing three representatives from each parish to form a Steering Committee as a focal point to collect and disseminate information, assess strengths and weaknesses, and make recommendations for action plans.

As an important part of the process, parishioners are encouraged to discuss ideas and concerns with committee members. Over the next several months, you will have other opportunities to listen and make your voice heard. To start, we will be mailing questionnaires to parishioners of all five parishes this week. **We ask that you complete the form and return it to the parish office by Monday, December 6.** Your input from the questionnaires will aid us in the planning process. We will share the results of the questionnaires in January.

The outcome of the planning process will be the result of contemplation, debate, prayer, and consensus building. Please know that no plans have been made; there are many questions yet to be answered. We look forward to addressing the Bishop's challenge together while strengthening the faith of our regional Catholic Community through the process. With your participation, and the guidance of the holy spirit, we commit our efforts to this purpose, and we will be good listeners.

Moose Rosanna, Assumption Parish

Tim Carlson, Assumption Parish

Bri Laukitis, Assumption Parish

Bert Ginther, St. Bernard

Glenda Hooten, St. Bernard

George Tinnick, St. Bernard

Jason Gray, St. Catherine

Mary Ann Nicholls, St. Catherine

Bill Young, St. Catherine

Ron Hannah, St. Mary's

Lauren Yamrick, St. Mary's

Julie Smith, St. Mary's

Dom Varacallo, St. Michael

John Luchini, St. Michael,

Carl Yebernetsky, St. Michael

Ministers Schedule for December 4-5, 2021

	4:30pm (St. Mary)	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
Altar Server	M. King		S. Mullins
Eucharist Minister	L. Shaddock	Deacon Steve	C. McGranor
Lector	B. Stover	M. Carlson	C. Hannah



PARTNER PARISH NEWS NOVEMBER 28, 2021

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE: THE SCHEDULE FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY IS AS FOLLOWS: TUESDAY, DEC. 7TH - 7 P.M. AT ST. MARY'S PARISH. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8TH - 7 P.M. ASSUMPTION PARISH.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE: OUR ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT ASSUMPTION PARISH ON MONDAY, DEC. 13TH AT 7 P.M. VISITING PRIESTS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST FR. BILL IN HEARING CONFESSIONS.

FRIDAY IS THE FIRST FRIDAY IN DECEMBER. Anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion that is not already on the list, please call the office at 653-8586.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: All are welcome to join in First Friday Adoration at St. Mary's Parish on Friday, December 3rd, from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. with Mass to follow at 5 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT ST. MARYS will hold their annual Christmas Party on Monday, Dec 13 at 6:00 pm at the Bellamauro Restaurant in Reynoldsville. Cost is \$18. Please call either Pam Krajewski 591-8923 or Angela Deemer 590-4634 to make reservations by Dec 6. We will also once again this year be collecting baby items for the Catholic Charities baby closet.

PASTORAL PLANNING SURVEY: The Regional Pastoral Planning Committee is comprised of 3 members from each of the following parishes: Assumption, St. Bernard, St. Catherine, St. Mary, and St. Michael. The priests and deacons of these parishes also participate, along with the facilitator, Jenn Zaffuto. It has been charged by Bishop Persico to collect and disseminate information, assess strengths and weaknesses, and make recommendations for action plans for our 5 local parishes. All registered households of both Assumption and St. Mary's Parishes received a mailing from the committee with a survey. **Please return your survey to the parish office or collection basket by the weekend of December 4/5. Fr. Bill Barron**

POSTURE CHANGE AT MASS: As has been discussed over the past few weeks, beginning the weekend of Nov. 27/28, the people will kneel from the end of the Lamb of God until they come up to the Communion Procession Line. They will kneel (or if unable to kneel, be seated) when they return to their pew after receiving Holy Communion. They will stand when the priest says, "Let us pray". This is a liturgical change made by Bishop Persico.

MISSALS AND HYMNALS will be returned to the pews beginning the weekend of Nov. 27/28. You may discard the hymnals and missals that you currently have. Before the last weekend of the month, new hymnals and missals for 2022 will be placed in the pews.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Please note that it is changed from previous years
Friday, December 24th: 4 P.M. at St. Mary's Church; 6 P.M. at Assumption Church
Saturday, December 25th: 8:30 A.M. at St. Mary's Church. No 4:30 P.M. Mass will be offered.
Sunday, December 26th: 8:30 A.M. at Assumption Church; 10:30 A.M. at St. Mary's Church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will have their Christmas party on Friday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church Social Hall. For reservations, call Joe McCluskey at 653-2589 by December 10th.

A WALK THROUGH BETHLEHEM: The Paradise Community United Church of Christ will be having their presentation of "A Walk Through Bethlehem" on Saturday, December 4th and Sunday, December 5th from 6 to 8 p.m. You are invited to begin your 2021 Christmas celebration with a journey to the little town of Bethlehem. It will be held at the Paradise Community United Church of Christ Youth Center, 4336 Big Run Prescottville Road, Reynoldsville, PA. For more information or directions, call 814-427-2701 or 814-653-2474.

PRAYER: In preparation for All Souls Day (November 2nd) Deacon Steve would like to share a prayer from St. Gertrude the Great. She had a vision of our Lord in which He promised her that each time this prayer was said, a thousand souls would enter heaven and end their time in purgatory. The promise encourages us, then, that our prayers for the souls of the faithful departed are effective.

"Eternal Father, I offer you the Most Precious Blood of your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family. Amen. We encourage to pray this prayer daily and fill heaven with the souls of the faithful departed!"

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL: 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

VOCATIONS CROSS - 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.

CONFESSIONS: 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

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 Tom & Betty Moslak by Mary Beth & Tom Stojek.

TREASURES FOR CHILDREN: Thank you to all who took a tag. What wonderful parishioners we have!!! **Please bring the gifts, not wrapped, with the tag to the church no later than Sunday, December 12th. Thank you!**

ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY will have their Christmas party on Monday, December 6th at 6 p.m. in our Social Hall. Choice of Stuffed Chicken Breast or Stuffed Pork Chop. Cost is \$10. Please call Peggy Pennington at 371-0928 for reservations by Monday, November 29th.

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

FLOWER MEMORIALS – In your packet of contribution envelopes you will find an envelope designated for Christmas Flowers. Please use this envelope for your Christmas remembrances of Deceased Loved Ones by writing their names on the envelope and dropping it in the collection basket or the mail slot at the rectory office now through December 19th. Your remembrances of your Loved Ones will be used as an insert in the bulletin for the weekend of December 26th.

OPLATKI – Oplatki will be distributed the weekend of December 18/19th Oplatki prayer and 4 wafers will be for you to celebrate the beauty of Christmas in one of its most beautiful forms.

SYKESVILLE CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY will be holding their Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Sykesville Town Hall—Today, November 28th 8:00am-5:00pm or until sold out. Adults \$7 and Children 5-12 \$4 and under 4 are free. The \$7 menu includes Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Hash Browns, and French Toast Sticks. The Sykesville Civic Improvement Authority supports local people and projects. Your support is very much appreciated!