



Community of Faith
August 2 – August 15, 2021
M: St Mary • J: St Joseph

+ Liturgy & Worship +

Tuesday, 8/3 *Weekday*

8:00am J † Judy O'Donnell r/o Mike & Judy Dziak
 9:00am M † Priest Intention

Wednesday, 8/4 *St. John Vianney*

8:00am J † Priest Intention
 9:00am M Special Intention

Thursday, 8/5 *Weekday*

8:00am J St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners
 9:00am M † Priest Intention

Friday, 8/6 *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

8:00am J † Jackie Stish r/o Mike & Judy Dziak
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration following 8:00am Mass
 9:00am M † Priest Intention

Saturday, 8/7 *St. Sixtus II & Companions; St. Cajetan*

8:00am J † Priest Intention

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

4:00pm J † Irene M. Fuehrer r/o Ceci-Fuehrer family
 5:30pm M † John & Frances Lorah
 r/o Charlie & Kathy Lorah

Sunday, 8/8 **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B**

8:30am J † William & Anna Fellin
 r/o children & their families
 10:00am M † Stephanie Delese r/o John J. Washko

Tuesday, 8/10 *St. Lawrence*

8:00am J † Priest Intention
 9:00am M For the Unborn

Wednesday, 8/11 *St. Clare*

8:00am J † Will D'Arcy r/o parents
 9:00am M † Claire Angelotti r/o grand-daughter, Lisa

Thursday, 8/12 *St. Jane Frances de Chantal*

8:00am J † Eugene Ray r/o Alice Valanty
 9:00am M † Priest Intention

Friday, 8/13 *Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus*

8:00am J † Thomas Gulash r/o Donna & Jessica Gulash
 9:00am M St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

Saturday, 8/14 *St. Maximilian Kolbe*

8:00am J † Judy O'Donnell r/o The Sledjeski family

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
• Year B

4:00pm J † Joe Schneider r/o Al & Joanne Michalik
 5:30pm M † Irene Cicioni r/o Ray & Arlene Sachleben

Sunday, 8/15 **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary • Year B**

8:30am J † Sam Sposato r/o Jane & Mike Reese
 10:00am M † Betty Lou Torpey r/o K of C Council 16072

What is the Holy Eucharist?

The Holy Eucharist is a sacrament and a sacrifice. In the Holy Eucharist under the appearance of bread and wine, the Lord Christ is contained, offered and received.

The night before He died, while men were plotting to betray Him, He gathered His Apostles together for a sublime love feast. At that Last Supper He instituted the sacrament which is the greatest gift of His most loving heart.

Christ instituted the Holy Eucharist in this way: He took bread, blessed and broke it, and giving it to His Apostles said: "Take and eat; this is my Body". Then He took up the cup of wine, blessed it and giving it to them said: "This is my Blood, the Blood of the new covenant which is being shed for many unto the forgiveness of sins". Finally He gave His Apostles the commission: "Do this in remember of me." (Mt. 26:26; Lk. 22:19).

In today's reading Jesus declares that He himself is the true bread from heaven of which the manna provided by Moses was a foreshadowing. He came to give a heavenly bread that people will eat and never become hungry.

To us, pilgrims on the streets of time but driven by an irrepressible desire for immortality, Jesus comes with promise: "I am the bread of Life. If anyone eat of this bread he shall live forever and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the Life of the World." (Jn 6:48-52).

Who would not want to eat of this bread?

† **Mass Obligation:** The Bishops of Pennsylvania restored the obligation to attend Mass on weekends and holy days as of August 15, 2021.

* *As always, Catholics are not obligated to attend Mass if they are ill, if they believe they have been exposed to a contagious illness, if they have serious underlying health conditions, or if they are confined to their home, to the hospital, or to a nursing facility.*

❖ **LAST 2 SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: M: \$2468 J: \$2254**

Upcoming Collections - August:

Weekly, Dues, Bldg. Fund, Assumption



Jaden Leiby • J.P. • J.A • Dorothy & Frank Hovanec
 Mark & Andrea & Baby Everett Miles

❖ **Confession:** Since the COVID restrictions have lifted, confessions will return to normal and be offered before Mass.

❖ **Ministry:** If you are interested in volunteering your time as a Lector, Server or EM please contact the parish office or Fr. Dominic.

† If you know someone that is ill or homebound and can't make it to church, and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick and/or Holy Communion. Please call the parish office, Nancy Krajnikovich (215)801-5797 or text/call Father Dominic with the name, phone # and address of the person(s) in need of this ministry. *Please see the front of the bulletin for phone numbers.*

❖ **First Friday/Eucharistic Adoration:** Please prayerfully consider signing up to spend an hour with the Lord on Friday, August 6th following the 8am Mass @ St. Joseph; sign-up sheets are at the entrance to both churches.



to the family of **(M)** Mary Ann Savitsky
Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord...

❖ **Memorials:** **(M) Edward Beninsky:** George Motil & family, Motil family, Stephen & Bradley Oravitz, Helen, Tony & Melissa Vislosky: \$530; **Mary Ann Savitsky:** Frank & Lisa Kalinowski, Sandy & Jim, Joe & Linda Morgovnik, Mary Balkiewicz, Stephen & Bradley Oravitz, Catizone family, Robert & Eileen Hopkins, Dolly Zakavage, Rose Mary & Ron Bzdil "Dutzer": \$135

❖ **K of C Happenings:** Council 16072



- ▶ 8/2 @ **J** Rosary prior to Mass
- ▶ 8/15 @ **M** Rosary prior to Mass - meeting following Mass
- ▶ 4th Degree meeting in St Clair August 5th (carpooling from St. Mary's leaving by 6:10P)



❖ **St. Joseph GRAND RAFFLE** The Grand Raffle drawing was held after the 4:00 Mass on July 31. Prize winners and the profit will be announced in the next bulletin. *THANK YOU to the prize donors and buyers and sellers of tickets!*

❖ **Second Collection: August 21st & August 22nd.** Due to COVID, missionaries will not be invited to visit our parishes for this year's Mission Co-op, but it was decided that each parish would take up a collection for the missions. For our Missionary Co-Op we will be collecting monetary donations for **Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara located in Tanzania.** Their mission is to prepare individuals to serve God's people, provide medical equipment & medications in high demand, help with construction of libraries, labs & dormitories in secondary schools, provide clean safe water, feed hungry and malnourished children, educate women in various age groups & provide food, clothing and shelter for the homeless. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.

❖ **Landscaping & Maintenance** is needed for St. Mary's. Sponsors are being sought. The cost is approximately \$1,500.

It's not too late if you would still like to donate!

Thank you to all who have donated, thus far!

IMO: Bill Lorah donated by Marjorie Lorah & family	\$200
Brooke Balkiewicz (college student)	\$7.50
Jake Balkiewicz	\$10
Vincent Pham	\$10
Rick Roulin	\$250
Frank & Rosemary Malocu	\$50
Louise Tomtishen	\$25
IMO: Mary Osilka donated by Bear Ridge Machine & Lubrication	\$60
IMO: Bernie & Mary Osilka Love from family	\$50
Linda Morgovnik	\$100
John Washko	\$100

Total donated to date: **\$862.50**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Assumption means that after her physical death, Mary's body was not allowed to remain on earth to corrupt, but was caused by God to transform into its transfigured state. Mary has passed beyond death, and the glory she now shares is the same glory we hope to enjoy also.

By declaring that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven, the Church is declaring that the whole person will be saved, and affirms the goodness of all material reality. The bodily glorification of Mary is the anticipation of the glorification that is the destiny of all. We can look at her now in glory and say that is how we will be one day.

Diocesan Pilgrimage

National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

On Thursday, October 7th, 2021, Bishop Alfred A. Schlert will lead a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C., to celebrate the **60th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Diocese of Allentown and in conjunction with the Year of the Real Presence.** As with previous pilgrimages all parishioners, parish organizations, high school students, grade school students, and PREP/ CCD students are invited and encouraged to attend. For this pilgrimage to be a success we will need and depend upon your cooperation and support and especially your encouragement of the faithful to participate. Since this is a Diocesan event, we hope to have representation from all areas of the Diocese. Participation in this pilgrimage will have a great impact on parishioners and students as we rejoice in the sixty years the Diocese of Allentown has promoted the gospel and as we recall Our Lord's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist that has been the foundation of those sixty years and the special focus of this year. There will be a keynote speaker.

▶ **Parishioners of St. Mary & St. Joseph:**

To make this pilgrimage a possibility for us to attend, we would need to be able to fill 50 seats on a coach bus. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for anyone interested in going. One name per line when signing up please! The bus will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Any names beyond capacity of 50 will be put on a waiting list in the event of any cancellations. We will need to know a headcount by Sept 5th as prices may vary based on amount of people attending. As of now, the cafeteria at the Basilica is closed due to COVID so the plan is to stop on the way home to eat. Currently the estimated cost is \$75/person. Payment will be due by Sept 12th. More details to come in future bulletins.

Community events: • **Sheppton-Oneida Volunteer Fire Company**

Monthly Bingo. Sunday, August 8th. Doors open 12 noon Call 570-384-4746 for information • **St. Paul's UCC Church: Free Concert "In the Lot"** Presents Catawissa Military Band, Aug 29th 5-7:30pm. Bring a chair or blanket, purchase food and drinks. Relax & Enjoy! • **St. John's: Beef Braciolo Food Sale:** Wed, Sept 1st from 4-6pm. Take out only. \$10 meal includes, stuffing wrapped in beef, baked potato, veggie, coleslaw, roll & butter and dessert. Deadline to purchase tickets 8/22 see any committee member or call the church @ 570-889-5203. • **Our Lady of Mercy Parish Picnic:** 304 Slabtown Rd, Catawissa: Aug. 6-7 from 3-7pm. Limited seating available. Take-Out food, Theme Baskets, Raffles, 50/50.

• **Twin Country Lions** will hold their annual Chicken BBQ. August 15th. Rain or shine at the C.Y.C. in Weston, PA. 11:00-4:00pm or until sold out. Tickets available at the door. Dinner will be take-out only.