



Community of Faith

June 27th – July 10th, 2022

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph

Tuesday, 6/28

St. Irenaeus

8:00am J Living & dec'd of the Dainauski family

r/o Mike & Jane Reese

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Wednesday, 6/29

Sts. Peter & Paul

8:00am J St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Thursday, 6/30

Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Friday, 7/1

St. Junipero Serra

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Saturday, 7/2

Weekday

8:00am J † Will D'Arcy r/o Bill & Ginette D'Arcy

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year C

4:00pm J † Mary Kiernan r/o Kiernan family

5:30pm M † Raymond T. Nestor

r/o wife, Victoria Nestor

Sunday, 7/3 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year C

8:30am J † James Currie r/o Currie family

10:00am M Paul & Marie Pustorino & family

r/o Mary Kubicki

Tuesday, 7/5

St. Anthony Zaccaria

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

Wednesday, 7/6

St. Maria Goretti

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Thursday, 7/7

Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Friday, 7/8

Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Saturday, 7/9

St. Augustine Zhao Rong

8:00am J † Priest Intention

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year C

4:00pm J Belfiore family r/o Theresa Novak

5:30pm M † John Karpovich r/o Stan & Marie Paskowski

Sunday, 7/10 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year C

8:30am J † George Kakalecik r/o family

10:00am M † Jeanine Cleveland

r/o daughter Sherry & Gene Rejent

+ Liturgy & Word +

God and His Perfections

The proofs of God's existence can predispose one to faith and help one to see that faith is not opposed to reason.

God is above all creatures. He does not owe His existence or life to any other being. He has all perfections or good qualities without limit. God always was and always will be. He always remains the same. He is also all good, all knowing, all present and almighty. He is all wise, all holy, all merciful and all just.

We know that there is a God because our "reason" tells us so. We know that the world we see could have been made only by a being who is all wise, almighty, and needs no one else's help to exist or live. We also know that there is a God from the truths which God Himself has revealed to us: "...man can come to know that there exists a reality which is the first cause and final end of all things, a reality that everyone calls God." (St. Thomas Aquinas.)

These truths are found in the Bible and in the writings of the Fathers of the Church and put into writing the truths taught by Christ and His Apostles which were not in the Bible. Saint Augustine issues this challenge: "Question the beauty of the earth, question the beauty of the sea, question the beauty of the air distending and diffusing itself, question the beauty of the sky... question all these realities. All respond: see, we are beautiful. Their beauty is a profession. These beauties are subject to change. Who made them if not the Beautiful One who is not subject to change?"

God never had a beginning; He always was. He will never have an end. He is the highest Being. God made all things. They did not make themselves. Think of God as we look at the sky, the stars, the sun, trees, flowers, and the created things. If they are so beautiful and wonderful, how beautiful and wonderful must God be who made them.

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Marian Catholic High School: Congrats to the graduates!
John Milosh (M); Ryllynn Hall & Logan Fritz (J)

Upcoming Collections July:

Weekly, Dues, Bldg, Cemetery, Mission Appeal

❖ Last 2 Sunday collections:

	St. Mary	St. Joseph
LAST 2 SUNDAY COLLECTIONS	\$1,999	\$2,417



❖ **Pray for:** Jaden Leiby • J.A • Mark & Andrea & Baby Everett Miles • Ava Fritz • Dolly Zakavage • Jim Spudis • Anthony Clatch



❖ K of C Happenings:

- ▶ June Meeting held on 6/26
- ▶ No meeting to be held in July
- ▶ 7/3 Rosary @ J prior to Mass
- ▶ 7/7 & 7/14 Rosary @ M prior to Mass
- ▶ 7/7 - 4th Degree Meeting in Mahanoy City @ 7:00pm
- ▶ 7/16 KofC will be selling **Bleenies @ SM Parish** for the annual Ringtown Yard Sale event.

‡ **Know someone interested in our Catholic faith?**

Ask, encourage, invite! Share the gift of faith! ‡



❖ **St. Joseph Grand Raffle:** Our Grand Raffle ticket sale is now in progress. *This is the major fundraiser for St. Joseph parish.* We have 1,000 tickets; our goal is to sell all of them resulting in a profit of \$10,000! 70 prizes, 70 chances to win with each ticket. To meet this goal, we need your help. Please buy or sell the 2 tickets that you received and sell additional tickets to family, friends, or coworkers. Extra tickets are available in church or by contacting Donna G. (570-401-8917) or Bob/Jeanette F. (570-384-4431). Tickets returns can be dropped in the basket, mailed to the parish office, or given to Donna, Bob, or Jeanette.



Thank you! to all that came out to support St. Mary's Church with the Block Party and to all the cooks, helpers, bakers for making this possible. We estimate a profit of **\$18,330** for all your hard work and dedication to the Church.

❖ **St. Mary's: ***Winners of the cash prize drawing:** (\$300) Matt Roulin, (\$200) Joanne Zogby, (\$50) Mike Wasko, (\$50) Gayle Malick, (\$50) Cheryl Ambrose, (\$50) Megan Murray

Congratulations to all the winners!

▶ **2023 Block Party:** We have set a date for Friday, June 9th & Saturday, June 10th. We would like to get a jump on things for next year. When you see one or more of those "deals" pick one up for the parish block party! Bring them to us, we'll store 'em!

❖ **Cemetery Care:** As we are into the grass cutting season, we are asking you to keep in mind some **Rules & Regulations of the Diocese.** **No** coping, curbing, fencing, hedging, borders, or enclosures of any kind shall be allowed around the plot. The Cemetery Authorities reserve the right without prior notice to remove same if so erected, planted, or placed, or anything the cemetery care-taker can't mow around.

‡ As of this posting, our parishioners have contributed **(M)\$1855 (J)\$3560** to the 2022 Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal. This represents **(M)12.74% (J)12.40%** of our total number of registered families. With 100% participation, we can make a major impact on the lives of friends, families, and neighbors in need. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.

❖ **Parish Cemeteries:** Your care for your loved one's grave is inspiring! Please, as we move into a new season, *remove old decorations;* otherwise, they'll be disposed of.

❖ **Redner's Save-A-Tape:** Save your receipts, put them in Sunday Stewardship. (M) benefit 1%. ***For your receipts to count toward the church you must sign up at Redners service desk!***

❖ **Cards:** Birthday, get well, anniversary, sympathy, etc. are available for **\$2.00 each.**
Place your offering in an envelope marked: Cards.

‡ **Assumption BVM School** is seeking a full-time Middle School Math Teacher. Please send application, resume, certification and clearances to Assumption BVM School to the attention of Mrs. Teresa Keating, 112 South 7th Street, Pottsville, PA 17901

‡ **Retrouvaille:** Rediscover the Love in your Marriage
Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. Upcoming weekend programs will be held August 19 - 21 and October 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

‡ **Quo Vadis and Fiat Days**
The Office of Vocations in the Diocese of Allentown is pleased to present *Quo Vadis* and *Fiat* retreats on July 17-22, 2022 at DeSales University! All high-school aged young men and women (14-18 years of age, including newly-graduated seniors) are invited to attend a retreat centered on Padre Pio's reflection to "pray, hope, and don't worry!" Retreat activities will reflect on the life and legacy of Padre Pio, the first Priest in history to bear the stigmata, with activities each day rooted in prayer for the discernment of their vocations. The retreat will include Eucharistic Adoration, Outdoor Rosary Procession, daily sports and games, field trips, and meeting new friends and fellowship! For more information: allentowndiocese.org/vocations/

‡ **Because We Are Catholic Mass with Bishop Schlert - Various Dates**

Bishop Schlert will be celebrating Mass throughout the Diocese in gratitude for the support of all who embody the spirit of generosity. All are invited to attend Mass at one of the upcoming dates and times:

August 24, 2022 | 8:00 AM - St. Peter the Apostle, Reading
September 15, 2022 | 8:00 AM - St. Peter, Coplay

‡ **Catholic Engaged / Married Couple Date Night - Wednesday, June 29th**

6:30pm – 8:00pm at Roman Delight, 1240 Centre Tpke, Orwigsburg. Evening will include a free dinner buffet, cash bar and table conversations. Come out to meet other Catholic Couples!
This is an all-ages event! RSVP Required.



Community Events: Frackville Library: Community

Cookbook: Submit your new, old, and generational recipe to the library. Once finished the cookbooks will be sold at the library as a fundraiser. Money will go towards keeping the doors open and serving the community. Recipes due by 11/7. Email: libinfo39@frackville.com or @ 56 N. Lehigh Ave. Frackville, PA 17931

Valley General Shops, Ringtown. Located in the old Ringtown Elementary School. Open Fri, Sat, Sun. from 10am-4pm. We have a bit of everything! From Spring Street Bakery, Can-dee from Frackville, Beth Ann B homemade items, Pine Hollow soap's, personal touch shirts, cat crafts, coffee, Stoney Lane candles and Redding draft soda. Come check it out!

