

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Daily Mass: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 am, Wednesday 6:30 pm, First Saturday of the Month 9:00 am

Holy Days: Vigil Mass 6:30 pm, Holy Day 8:30 am & 6:30 pm



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

At once they left their nets and followed him.

Matthew 4:19-20

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Calling Of Saint Peter And Saint Andrew, 17th century by Michel Corneille the Younger

Reconciliation:

Saturday:

3:30pm – 4:30 pm

Wednesday:

5:30pm – 6:20 pm

1st Fri. of the Month

7:30 am – 8:20 am

1st Sat. of the Month

8:00 am – 8:45 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

1st Friday of the Month

7:30 am – 8:20 am



Isaiah 8:22-9:3

In Galilee of the Gentiles, the
people have seen a great light.

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday

9:00am-4:00pm

Closed Fridays

Church (717) 532-2912

Campus (717) 477-1244

Emergency (717) 323-2679



Our Mission: To Proclaim the Kingdom of God for the Salvation of Souls

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00pm	January 21 In Memory of Harry & Mildred Henninger
Sunday, 8:00am	January 22 People of the Parish
11:00am	In Memory of Frank Prestileo
Tuesday, 8:30am	January 24 Intentions of Michelle Jones
Wednesday, 6:30pm	January 25 Intentions of Brian Jones
Thursday, 8:30am	January 26 Intentions of Dolores Davies
Friday, 8:30am	January 27 Intentions of Cathy Hoffman
Saturday, 5:00pm	January 28 People of the Parish
Sunday, 8:00am	January 29 In Memory of the Stewart-Gelas Family
11:00am	In Memory of Bob Bagley

Upcoming Events & Calendar

Saturday, Jan. 21— Run with a Priest (or bike, or walk). Meet at the social hall entrance at 10am

Sunday, Jan. 22—Coffee Hour (in Mary's Kitchen) after the 8am Mass

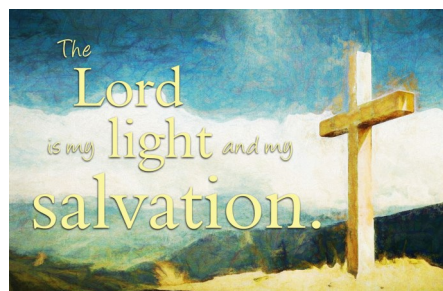
Tuesday, Jan. 24 — Ladies Bible Study 7-8:30pm (social hall)

Tuesday, Jan. 24 — RCIA Class 7:00-8:00pm in the basement of the Social Hall

Wednesday, Jan. 25— Morning Prayer 8:30am

Friday, Jan. 27— Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-7:00pm

Sunday, Jan. 29—Coffee Hour (in Mary's Kitchen) after the 8am Mass



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The Beginning Experience Team for the Harrisburg Diocese announces that they have booked Camp Kirchenwald, Lebanon, PA, for a Beginning Experience Weekend, May 5-7th, 2023.

The ecumenical Beginning Experience weekends are an approved program designed for those suffering the loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation. Hundreds of persons have been helped to move towards successful, productive, happy lives by attending one of these weekends.

The weekend is led by persons who have lost a spouse through death or divorce and are trained in facilitating a weekend. Each Beginning Experience Team is certified by the International Beginning Experience Organization.

The following is a testimonial of a person who attended the Beginning Experience Weekend:

"I can tell you that my encounter with the Beginning Experience weekend has brought me greater peace and given me an extended family of lifelong friends who I quickly grew to love and lean on. If you or someone you know is suffering the isolation and pain that can accompany the loss of a spouse or marriage, I encourage you to seriously consider attending the Beginning Experience weekend."

Beginning Experience is your Church at work to provide help, healing and spiritual restoration. Check the Harrisburg Diocesan WEB SITE: <http://www.hbgdiocese.org/> and go to marriage and family or check www.beginningexperience.org. Information can also be obtained by contacting the Harrisburg Beginning Experience Team at phone 717-379-0800 or jpennat_58@comcast.net.

All CDC recommendations will be followed. Anyone sick will have to leave the weekend. The number of attendees for the weekend may be limited due to current COVID regulations. As with all Diocesan sponsored events, this program could be cancelled pending changing pandemic circumstances.



Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition

Our Purpose and Objectives

- To increase access to social services and counseling services.
- To increase access to youth programming.
- To partner with existing stakeholders such as the school district and Shippensburg University to meet educational and community needs.

The SCRC was started in 2010 in response to the growing need to help residents find and utilize social services. Shippensburg falls between the counties of Franklin and Cumberland which means that services can be difficult for community members to access if the services extend to Shippensburg at all. The Resource Coalition has brought service providers and community members together since this time, with the aim of connecting clients with resources as well as developing programs to meet needs.

The SCRC is a Shippensburg University Center For Excellence and serves as a "learning lab" for the university. Students, Faculty, and staff are involved in our work and have initiated many of our programs and services. We also provide a bridge for building community-university relationships. Whether you are on or off campus, contact us with your questions and ideas! You may call 717-477-1961 or email sp-scrcc@shipresources.org

Christ Among Neighbors (CAN): CAN has been helping Shippensburg residents with emergency financial needs for over 20 years. Volunteers are needed on Wednesday afternoon or Saturday morning. Visit our website or call us to learn more. Suzanne Hildabrand 717-377-8316; www.christamongneighbors.com.

Hound Packs: Hound Packs are put together every Wednesday at 5:30 pm. Please sign up in the lobby of the church if you are able to volunteer. We pack them in the back of the industrial building on Marden Ave. which is off of Lurgan Ave. If we have enough help, it usually takes about 30 minutes. **Please place the soup only in the food bank container outside of the confessional.**

Shippensburg Produce Outreach (SPO): SPO is in need of helpers on Tuesdays. **We are no longer collecting egg cartons.** SPO is located on South Penn St in building next to the Lutheran Church. Thanks for your support in these missions for the community.

Any questions call or text Bobbi Staver 717-816-5309

Ash Wednesday February 22

Mass times:

8:30am & 6:30pm



The Word of God Alive:

Discussing the Readings w/your children

Here at our parish, we are transitioning away from Children's Liturgy of the Word during the Mass, and instead, we would like to encourage parents to discuss the weekly readings or homily with their children either before or after Mass occurs. This spiritual conversation, even if it is simple or a bit scattered, can be very powerful, and it is a way for God's word to come alive in our hearts. We will provide questions and discussion points to help parents start this conversation with their children, and please consider doing this with your family each week!

What is it like to be in darkness? Close your eyes and imagine having to get around without seeing anything.

What does it mean to be in gloom? We sometimes describe weather as gloomy when it is cold, wet and the clouds cover the sun. In the Gospel we hear that Jesus himself experienced darkness and gloom when he learned that John the Baptist had been taken away.

We know what it is like to come into darkness. We can't see where we are going. We know what coming into light means. We can see and we are not afraid. The psalm today tells us where true light comes from, not only the light we see with our eyes, but also the light we feel in our hearts and souls, the light we know with our minds. It is from the Lord. Because Jesus was human like us, he experienced sadness, hurt and fear.

When Jesus heard John had been taken, he withdrew. He went to Capernaum. It was here that he knew his mission of teaching about The Kingdom of God was to begin. Jesus invited others to share in this work. It is here that Jesus called his first apostles. They were fisherman. **What did Jesus tell them they would be catching when they followed him?** Jesus invites us to share in his work. He wants us to be part of this new way of life, living for and with God.

Living our Faith: Imagine Jesus coming today to ask you to follow him as he did those first few apostles. How would you respond? How can you be a "fisher of men"?

Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) @ Shippensburg University



You are invited to come to our many events, especially the weekly dinner and weekly co-ed Bible Study on Thursday nights in the Spiritual Center on campus [google it, if you're not sure where it's located!], but there will be so much more as well! We would love to get you into our GroupMe for CCM to keep you up-to-date on all our different events, including but not limited to, fun and fellowship events, service opportunities, prayer/retreats, and lots more too!

Weekly events: Located at the Spiritual Center right off campus on Thursday evenings. Includes two things, ·CCM Weekly Dinner = 5:00 pm ·Big Group Bible Study = 6:15 - 7:15 pm. For more information please contact Joseph at jmgonzalez@ship.edu or call the CCM office at 717-477-1244.

If you would like to provide a meal for our Catholic Campus Ministry students, please contact Joseph at jmgonzalez@ship.edu or call the CCM office at 717-477-1244. The dinners are held every Thursday at 5pm (except during breaks) at the Spiritual Center on Campus.



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary

The next KOC meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 7th at 7:00pm in the social hall. This is a joint meeting with the Ladies. For more information regarding the Knights please contact Travis Detwiler at 717-809-0672 or travisedetwiler@gmail.com

The next Ladies Aux. meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 7th at 7:00pm in the social hall. For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18-39!

PLEASE JOIN FRANKLIN COUNTY YOUNG
ADULT CATHOLICS
AT THE 11:00 MASS AT
OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION
ON FEBRUARY 12, 2023!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

MASS
11.00 am

SUNDAY POTLUCK

Join us for a Potluck Sunday Lunch every 3rd Sunday immediately following the 11am Mass (so around noon or 12:15pm).

Please bring a dish to share.

The parish will supply water, juice & coffee.

MEN'S CONFERENCE | MARCH 18, 2023

Diocesan Center, Harrisburg

The Keynote Address will be given by Marcel LeJeune, President and Founder of Catholic Missionary Disciples. As a Catholic evangelist, international speaker, and award-winning author, Marcel loves to share his greatest passion - helping others come to know the love of Jesus and how to share that love with others.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us for our Youth Group meeting on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 6-8pm in the social hall.

Feel free to invite your friends!

Mardi Gras Tea All women of the parish are invited to attend Sunday, February 19, 2023 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm This is an afternoon of sharing and fun to celebrate before the beginning of Lent. Ladies are asked to bring: your tea cup or mug some finger food to share a happy and joyful spirit a friend Questions or for more information contact Mary Poffenbarger - 301-639-3297 email - missmary@lockfarm.net

The Catechism in a Year!



Join Father Ben and a big group of parishioners at Our Lady of the Visitation as we learn and grow in understanding about our Catholic Faith by listening to a podcast for about 15-20 minutes a day (that equals only about 2-3 pages of the Catechism, which is not much!).

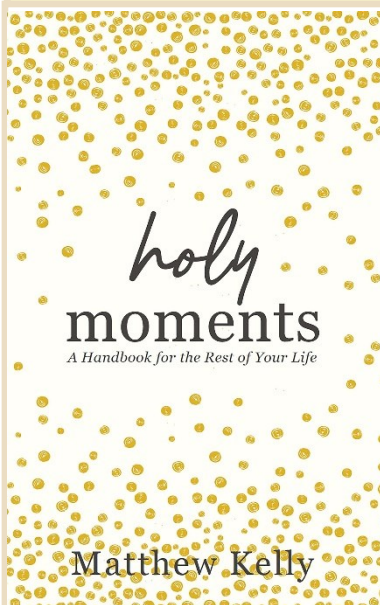
Father Mike Schmitz, who led a podcast two years ago that was beautiful and still free for everyone – *The Bible in a Year* – has decided to help everyone go a little deeper in our understanding of what the Catholic Church teaches by reading a tiny bit of the Catechism every day. Father Mike is very enjoyable to listen to because of his authenticity, his humor, his knowledge of the faith, and also his profound insights and application of the faith to every day life. Please consider checking out the QR code and/or website below, and we will be meeting as a parish as well to check in and see how everyone is doing.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday night, February 15th from 7:15 pm – 8:15 pm in our church's social hall. The event will be mostly a Q&A event for Fr. Ben, and anyone can certainly show up even if they have not kept up with this podcast or read any of the Catechism in their lives! Please come, and we will be in touch about future events as well.

Father Ben Dunkelberger

Book of Month: January & February 2023

Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life, by Matthew Kelly



The Book of the Month for the first two months of 2023 will be the free book that we gave away to everyone this Christmas! ***Holy Moments*** is a book by Matthew Kelly that will fill your heart with hope, peace, and joy as you renew your perspective and then your efforts in living out God's will every single day. Matthew Kelly is one of the best story tellers I've ever read, and he also combines this skill with the depth of his Catholic faith in this book. He encourages you to live your faith in practical yet challenging ways while also helping you to be at peace based on Christ's mercy and love for you specifically.

Please consider joining us when we have our Book of the Month summary and discussion, and we will meet on **Wednesday, March 1st from 7:30 – 8:30 pm** in the social hall of the church. **You do not need to finish the entire book or even read any of it to attend!** However, I really think you will enjoy this book if you give it a chance. May God Bless you and help you grow closer to Christ this New Year. – Fr. Ben