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“All **LIFE** has inestimable value, even the **weakest** and most **vulnerable**, the **sick**, the **old**, the **unborn** and the **poor** are masterpieces of God’s creation.”

Pope Francis

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to [this] mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”

- Luke 17:6

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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 and 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

Reconciliation:

Saturdays... 3:30pm – 4:30 pm

Wednesdays...5:30pm – 6:20 pm

1st Friday of the Month..7:30 am – 8:20 am

1st Saturday 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

Masses For The Week



Saturday, October 1

9:00am In Memory of Sharon Parson
5:00pm In Memory of Bob & Freda Babel

Sunday, October 2

8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am In Memory of Anne Klimek

Tuesday, October 4

8:30am In Memory of Coralie Osman

Wednesday, October 5

6:30pm Intentions of Robert Solder Jr.

Thursday, October 6

8:30am In Memory of Charles Wentzel

Friday, October 7

8:30am In Memory of Mike Miller

Saturday, October 8

5:00pm In Memory of Gertrude Greey

Sunday, October 9

8:00am In Memory of Bud & Marie Miller
11:00am People of the Parish

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Walking With Purpose Ladies Bible



There will be no Ladies Bible Study this Tuesday, October 5th

Please join us on Tuesday October 11 from 7-8:30pm in the social hall. For more information please contact Mary Geesaman at 717-552-7487



Donations Needed for Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families
Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (a Catholic Charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of laundry detergent, disposable masks, body/hand lotion, conditioner, and copy paper. Donations can be placed in the box in the back of the church.

Church Announcements

Saturday, October 1 — Run with a Priest (or bike, or walk). Meet outside of the social hall entrance at 10am

Sunday, October 2 — Coffee & Donut Hour (in Mary's Kitchen) after the 8am Mass

Sunday, October 3 — Religious Education Class, 9:30am—10:45am

Tuesday, October 4 — RCIA Class 7:00-8:00pm in the basement of the Social Hall

Wednesday, October 5— Morning Prayer 8:30am

Friday, October 7—Adoration & Confession 7:30am-8:20am

Saturday, October 8 — Youth Group 6-8 pm (Grade 6-12), Saturday evening from 6-8 pm in the social hall. Feel free to invite your friends

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Please visit the following link:

<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>



THE BIBLE
and the
VIRGIN MARY
JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

Parish Bible Study Wednesdays from 7:15pm-8:15pm in the social hall.

The Bible and the Virgin Mary is based on the work of Dr. Scott Hahn. Dr. Hahn, an exceptionally popular speaker and teacher. Please join us Wednesday evenings! Matthew Leonard, the presenter, is an internationally known speaker, and author. A convert to Catholicism and former missionary to Latin America, he is a frequent guest on radio and television programs, and hosts a podcast on iTunes titled The Art of Catholic. Please join us anytime! (this Bible Study is also digitally available on FORMED.ORG!) You can attend all or even just one!

Next Bible Study will be Wednesday, Oct. 19th at 7:30 pm in the social hall (no Bible Study Oct. 5th or 12th).

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

My name is Rachel and I am a co-leader for the Franklin County Young Adult Catholics group.

Please join us for an event with the Harrisburg Young Adult Catholics group to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg on 10/23/22. We will be attending the Back from the Dead tour at the Basilica of St Elizabeth Ann Seton.

More information can be found at our Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/568131137998438/>.



Harrisburg Young Adult Catholics

You're invited to the biggest Catholic young adult social of the year! Get Connected is back for 2022 and all young adults in the Diocese of Harrisburg, aged 20 to 39, are invited to join us for an afternoon of fun, food, and fellowship. The day begins with Sunday Mass at 11:30 a.m., followed by a potluck lunch and games. During lunch, leaders from regional Catholic young adult groups will talk briefly about their groups and upcoming events. **Get Connected is scheduled for Sunday, October 9** at Saint Margaret Mary Church, 2800 Paxton Church Road, Harrisburg. To RSVP and for more details, please visit the event on Facebook at <https://fb.me/e/2WCRKP065>.

Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



The next KOC meeting will be Thursday Oct. 6th at 7pm in the Social Hall. For more information contact Travis Detwiler at 717-809-0672 or travisedetwiler@gmail.com

The next Ladies Aux. meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 4th at 7pm in the Social Hall. For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbbonitz@gmail.com.



Coffee Hour

Please join us in Mary's Kitchen following the 8am Mass for coffee, donuts and fellowship on Sunday October 2nd. **Because of the Parish Pancake Breakfast there will be no Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 9th.**

If you would like to volunteer to host coffee hour, please sign up in the church lobby. Thank you!



Our Church's History

This is an excerpt from the Shippensburg Chronicle, November 7, 1941 (during World War II).

“Catholics to have use of School Unit. Exclusive use of the Burd street school building was granted to the Shippensburg Catholic congregation Monday evening by the borough board of school directors.

The Reverend Thomas O'Connor of Chambersburg, who presented the request to the board, said that plans for the erection of a church on the West end have been given up temporarily and that the congregation desires exclusive use of the school building. For several years the building has been used for Sundays by the group..... “



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

I'm very excited to invite any of our students, 3rd grade - 12th grade, to become a new altar server for our Church! We are having altar server training on **Saturday, October 8th from 11 am - 12:00 pm** in the main church. There will be plenty of pizza to eat right after the training concludes at noon. We have been getting more altar servers little by little, but we still definitely need your help to serve Christ well at every Mass! Please consider joining, and also let me know if you have any questions. - Fr. Ben

Hound Packs: Hound Packs are put together every **Wednesday at 5:30 pm**. 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 for the summer only.**

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

You won't want to miss it! **Tues. Dec. 6, 2022 THE STAR BARN 4:30 pm ~ 9:30 pm**

4:30pm to 6:00pm: Registration, Tours, Cocktail Hour/VIP Reception, Silent Auction & Basket Raffle

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Catholic Campus Ministry

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! May God Bless you as you start your semester here at Shippensburg, and let's pray for each other as we journey through this life towards God.

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.

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!

Jesus spent a lot of time teaching about the Kingdom of God. It was his favorite topic when teaching.



INCREASE OUR FAITH! Seeds for plants and trees come in all different sizes.

Have you ever

planted a seed and watched it grow? What happens?

Have you ever seen a tree pull itself out of the ground and move?

Jesus talks about the mulberry tree not just moving itself, but moving into the sea. Trees usually need fresh water to live, but this tree chooses salt water for its new home.

What power could have made this happen?

Jesus tells us faith has power. Our faith is in a God who can do amazing things. Every day we need to work to cultivate and help our faith grow. Even the apostles asked Jesus to make their faith stronger.

Living our Faith: How can you cultivate your faith to make it stronger each day?



Join us for the 2022 Diocesan Women's Conference, *The Eucharist: Jesus in Our Midst*, on Saturday, October 15 at the Diocesan Center in Harrisburg. Speakers include Barbara McGuigan, Meg Hunter-Kilmer, Most Rev. Ronald W. Gainer, Bishop of Harrisburg and Katherine Phenicie. In person and virtual attendance options are available. Registration and full conference schedule can be found at www.hbgdiocese.org/women. **Registration deadline is Sunday, October 9.** Make plans now to join your sisters in Christ as we rediscover the Real Presence of the Eucharist during the 2022 Women's Conference,

The Eucharist: Jesus in Our Midst.



Mark August 4, 5, and 6, 2023 on your calendar for the 45th Corpus Christi Men's Retreat.

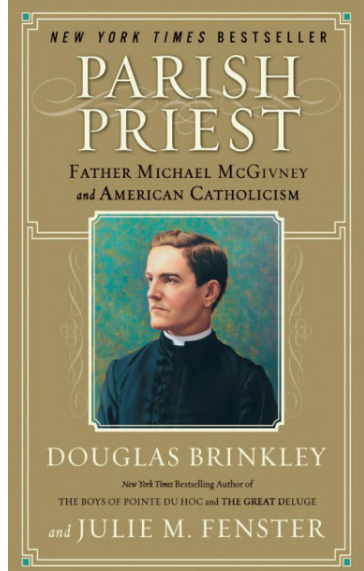
During the retreat, many things stood out to me and inspired me. The biggest thing was being able to spend time in quiet with Jesus consistently for the weekend as I feel that is something that is very important. The other thing that stuck out to me was when Father Larry had us sit in silence, write a note to God, and really just think for a while. This is something that I really hadn't done much before but it was a significant part of the retreat for me. I hope to join you in future years, as I really had a good time!



Brandon Reinsfelder

Book of the Month

September & October



Fr. Michael McGivney and American Catholicism
By Douglas Brinkley

The founder of the Knights of Columbus, follow Fr. Michael McGivney's amazing story as well as dive into some American history during that time period! The meeting will be **Wed., Oct. 26th at 7:30 pm in the social hall!** Each parishioner will be asked to purchase the book themselves online or in a bookstore, but please let us know if you have any financial difficulties with this, and we will find a way to help you out and get the book. Just one last reminder, that this Book of the Month is not a book group or book club. It is truly just a monthly or bi-monthly gathering where everyone is welcome. After a summary of the book by Fr. Ben, there is some very relaxed small group discussion. Please join us! God Bless you.— Fr. Ben

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