

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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World Day of Prayer *for the* **Care** **of Creation**

*Praised be my Lord God with all creatures;
and especially our brother the sun,
which brings us the day, and the light;
fair is he, and shining with a very great splendor:
O Lord, he signifies you to us!*

~ St. Francis's Canticle of the Sun

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

Daily Mass:
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 am,
Wednesday 6:30 pm
First Saturday of the Month..9:00 am
*(Only During the College Fall and Spring semesters:
Weekday Mass: Mon. 9PM & every Sat. 9AM)*

Rosary:
Tuesday—Friday 8:00am

Morning Prayer:
Wednesday..... 8:30am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:
1st Friday of the Month.....7:30am –8:20 am
Fridays.....9:00am—7:00 pm
Wednesdays.....5:30pm-6:20pm

Reconciliation
Saturdays.....3:30– 4:30 pm
Wednesdays.....5:30- 6:20 pm
1st Fri. of the Month.....7:30–8:20 am
1st Sat. of the Month....8:00–8:45 am

*(Only During the College Fall and Spring semesters:
Sacrament of Penance:
Monday 8:30 - 8:50PM & every Sat. 8-8:50AM)*

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The parish office will be closed on Mon. Sept. 2nd Happy Labor Day!

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August 24-25, 2024 (in pew)

Weekend Collection: \$3,588.00
 Building Improvements: \$80.00
 Parish Youth Education: \$102.00
 Social Outreach: \$5.00
 Assumption: \$10.00
 Peter Pence: \$30.00
 Votives: \$42.00
TOTAL INCOME: \$3,857.00



Sign up now for Celebrating Life, a texting campaign hosted by the Diocese of Harrisburg for Respect Life Month. You will receive a daily text during the month of October, including a few videos from Bishop Senior, that will challenge you to reflect and pray more deeply for a greater respect for all human life. Campaign participants will only be texted for the Respect Life campaign unless you'd like additional Diocesan communications. To join, text LifeHBG to 84576.



If you would like to give to the Sunday collection online either with an individual gift or with a recurring donation of your choice, please visit olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org



Diocesan Archives Volunteers

The Diocesan Archives is looking for individuals to join the archives team as volunteers. If you have a passion for history, books, the Catholic Church and its history as well as our diverse diocesan family and an interest in preserving its history, please send your letter of interest to Alberto Rodriguez at arodriguez@hbgdiocese.org.



Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) is a Christian community rooted in the belief that Jesus Christ is the way to fullness of life. Catholic Campus Ministers and students join together to learn about their faith, grow in relationship with Jesus Christ, and have fun with friends!

Welcome to all students! Fr. Ben & I (John Klarmann Associate Director of Catholic Campus Ministry) are pumped for this year of Catholic Campus Ministry here at Shippensburg University and we can't wait to share it with you. Our goal here at CCM is to love God, love our neighbors, and make disciples and we do all three in a variety of ways. To grow our love of God we always participate in the weekend liturgy at Our Lady of the Visitation, but we also join the parish for daily Mass and weekly adoration. To love our neighbor, we will grow in friendship through super fun events especially our weekly FREE Thursday night dinner (5pm at the Spiritual Center on campus) and we will also serve our community through different service opportunities. Finally, as we strive to make disciples, we invite everyone to participate in a small group bible study and we look forward to providing opportunities for retreats, conferences, mission trips, and pilgrimages. Contact info: jtklarmann@ship.edu 7174771244



Be Connected

EMAIL/CAMPUS GROUPS: Contact catholic@ship.edu.
 Join our https://groupme.com/join_group/101072875/FBq1gfNB
 INSTAGRAM: Follow us on Instagram: [@ccm_ship](https://www.instagram.com/ccm_ship)



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



The next Knights meeting will be **Thursday, September 5th** at 7:00 pm in the social hall. Please see Pat Shay for more information.

The next Ladies meeting will be **Wednesday, September 4th** at 2:00 pm in the social hall. For more info, please contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.

The Word of God Alive:

Discussing the Readings with your children

What are some rules that you need to follow at Home? Why do you think your parent or parents have these rules?

In Jesus' time, Pharisees and scribes were leaders in the Jewish synagogue, a place where the people gathered to pray. In today's Gospel, some Pharisees and scribes question Jesus because the disciples were eating without first completing the Jewish purification rituals. The Pharisees and scribes believe that Jesus' disciples cannot be considered holy or religious if they do not follow the Jewish traditions.

Jesus defends his friends. He explains to the Pharisees and scribes that it is not the food you put in your mouth that makes someone unholy. It is the words that come out of our mouths and our actions that show whether we live as children of God. Jesus is trying to help them understand that following the rules is just the first step. The rules should also guide our hearts, and the change of heart should show in our words and actions.

What are the Commandments? Can you name some? Why do you think God gives us the Commandments?

Just as our parents give us rules to follow out of love, God gives us the Ten Commandments because he loves us. When we follow the Ten Commandments, we behave or act in a way that shows our love for God and others. We grow in holiness. Our attitudes and actions change, and we follow God's laws with our heart. We become more loving, more generous, more like Christ.

SHARE

GOD'S

LOVE



Living our Faith:

Think of how you share God's love with your family, your friends, and those at school? Can you be more loving in your words and actions?



The flowers at the tabernacle are placed in memory of Dolores Stern

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 9:00am 5:00pm	August 31 For Catholic Campus Ministry People of the Parish
Sunday, 8:00am 11:00am	September 1 In Memory of the Stewart-Gelas Family Intentions of Louise Bonnie
Monday, 9:00pm	September 2 Private Intentions
Tuesday, 8:30am	September 3 Special Intentions
Wednesday, 6:30pm	September 4 In Memory of Levi Maciejewski
Thursday, 8:30am	September 5 Intentions of Marie Hubert
Friday, 8:30am	September 6 In Memory of Neil Thompson
Saturday, 9:00am 5:00pm	September 7 In Memory of Levi Maciejewski People of the Parish
Sunday, 8:00am 11:00am	September 8 In Memory of Marcus & Margaret Steinour In Memory of Tara Porter

Religious Education Registration



Religious Education News

Religious Education classes for students will begin on Sunday, September 15th. Registration forms are located on the

bulletin board outside the Religious Education Office and on our website www.olvshippensburg.org. A reminder that the Diocese of Harrisburg requires a two year sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Class time for grades kindergarten through 8th grade is from 9:30 AM to 10:45 AM on most Sunday mornings during the school year.

The preschool class meets on Sundays from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM in the church basement (across from Mary's Kitchen). The children are taught Catholic prayers, traditions, and Bible stories—along with crafts and activities. (In a fun and nurturing setting!)

I am very happy to announce that we will be offering a high school class during our religious education time on Sundays this year! Mrs. JoAnn Garman will be the catechist for the high schoolers. As you may know, JoAnn has been the catechist in 7th/8th grade, preparing our students for Confirmation for the past several years. The new class is for mixed grades, 9th through 12th. Please, share the news so that we reach everyone that may want to register. Thank you and let me know if you have any questions

Sunday, September 15, 2024—First day of Religious Education classes and Catechetical Sunday. All catechists and students are invited to attend the 11:00 Mass.

Now is the time to register for all grades! For more information contact Jolene Cramm at 717-532-2912 or jcramm@hbgdiocese.org

Host Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour will begin on **Sun. Sept. 15th** following the 8am Mass. If you would like to host coffee hour please sign up in the lobby of the church.

CHURCH

Potluck

The next potluck will be Sun. Sept. 15th

Immediately following the 11am Mass. Please bring a dish to share.

Water, juice & coffee will be provided

YOUTH GROUP News

All students in grades 6-12 are invited to our next **Youth Group Meeting on Saturday, September 14th from 6-8pm** in the social hall. **Feel free to invite your friends!!**



Run with a Priest! (...or walk or bike!)

Every 1st & 3rd Saturday we will meet outside the social hall around 9:45am. Take a short run (walk or bike) on the Rails to Trails.

The next run will be Saturday Sept. 7th



Join us for coffee, snacks, and good conversation in the social hall after the 8:30am morning Mass on Thursdays. Everyone is welcome!



Interested in Becoming Catholic ?

RCIA classes will begin on **Tuesday, September 24th** from 7pm-8:15pm in the social hall.

All are welcome to attend!



Choir Rehearsal

The next choir practice will be **Wednesday, September 4th** from 7:15pm-8:30pm.



New

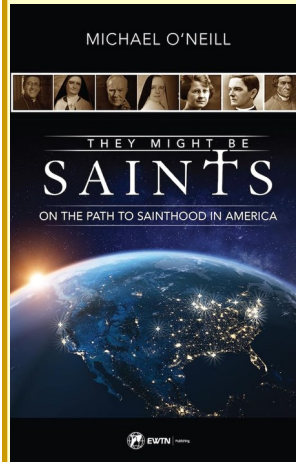


Choir Members Welcome!

Do you like to sing? Were you in choir in high school or college and miss singing in one? Well, I am looking for new singers to join the OLV choir. So, if you are at least high school age (9th grade) and up and interested in joining the choir, please come out **Wednesday, September**

4th after the daily Mass in the evening (around 7:15PM) as we will start our new wrap around season. We usually sing at the 11AM Mass on Sundays as well as Christmas Eve, Holy Week, Easter, and other Masses that we are needed. We rehearse once a week (usually Wednesday evenings) from 7:15PM or so till about 8:30PM. We will usually go over music for Sunday and any other special occasions that might be coming up. We also look at Christmas and Easter music during the appropriate season we are in. We are a small group, but we have fun learning and singing. Hopefully if you join with us we can make this group bigger and stronger. If you have any questions about the group or interest, please see me after Mass (if I play) or contact me at Madams@hbgdiocese.org.

Book of the Month July and August 2024



The Book of the Month for both July and August will be ***They Might Be Saints: On the Path To Sainthood in America*** written by Michael O'Neil and published by EWTN. This might be our biggest book we have ever had at just under 300 pages, however, it also might be my favorite book so far in this series! This book is written based off of research for a TV series on EWTN that tried to study and compile the stories of dozens of potential Catholic Saints

that lived in America (both before it was the U.S.A. and since then in our very modern world as well!). The chapters are only about 7-10 pages each, and it covers the stories of at least 24 different holy individuals who are currently in the process of potentially becoming a future Saint in the Catholic Church. Also, this book begins with an incredibly detailed explanation of how the official process currently works (and some past history of the process of becoming a Saint as well), which I guarantee will surprise you in beautiful ways! There are so many miracle stories and stories of authentic holiness, heroic virtue, and determined faith that if you give this book a chance, you will be inspired and consoled at God's activity within human souls as well as His great plan for your life.

We will get together to discuss this book on **Wednesday, September 4th from 7:30 – 8:30 pm**, which gives you a solid two months to get this book and read it in that time! Even if you don't have time to read this book, please consider coming to meeting in the social hall on Sept. 4th, and I will do my best to summarize my favorite stories and bring some good discussion into the room as well. Thank you again, and God Bless you.

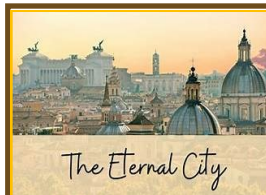


PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE

The annual Pennsylvania March for Life is Monday, September 23rd in Harrisburg.

11:00 AM - RALLY 501 N 3rd St
12:00 PM - MARCH FOR LIFE

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
VISIT: PA.MARCHFORLIFE.ORG



Join Bishop Timothy Senior in a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage to the Eternal City – Rome. In honor of the 2025 Jubilee Year for the Church, this 10-day pilgrimage from April 22 – May 1, 2025, will visit sites throughout Italy, including Rome, Assisi and Siena. Find full details online at <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/jubilee>.

MINISTRY FAIR

& Sign-up weekend

After ALL MASSES on Sat. September 7th and Sun. September 8th

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We need you involved!

Connect, Serve, and/or Grow

✓ *Enjoy Free Snacks*

✓ *Meet New People*

✓ *Learn About Parish Needs and Opportunities to Grow in your faith!*

Some examples include:

- *Youth Group (6th – 12th grade)*
- *Gardening Committee/Group*
- *Service to the needy*
- *Liturgical Ministries*
- *Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary*
- *Our New Men's Faith Discussion Group on Saturday mornings – That Man is You!*
- *Young Family Group*
- *Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament*
- *RCIA – (Becoming Catholic; Process/Classes)*
- *Religious Ed. Classes - And so, so much more!!*

Located: In the Church Social Hall Upstairs
When: Immediately After Mass Sept. 7th & 8th
How Long: As short or long as you can stay!