

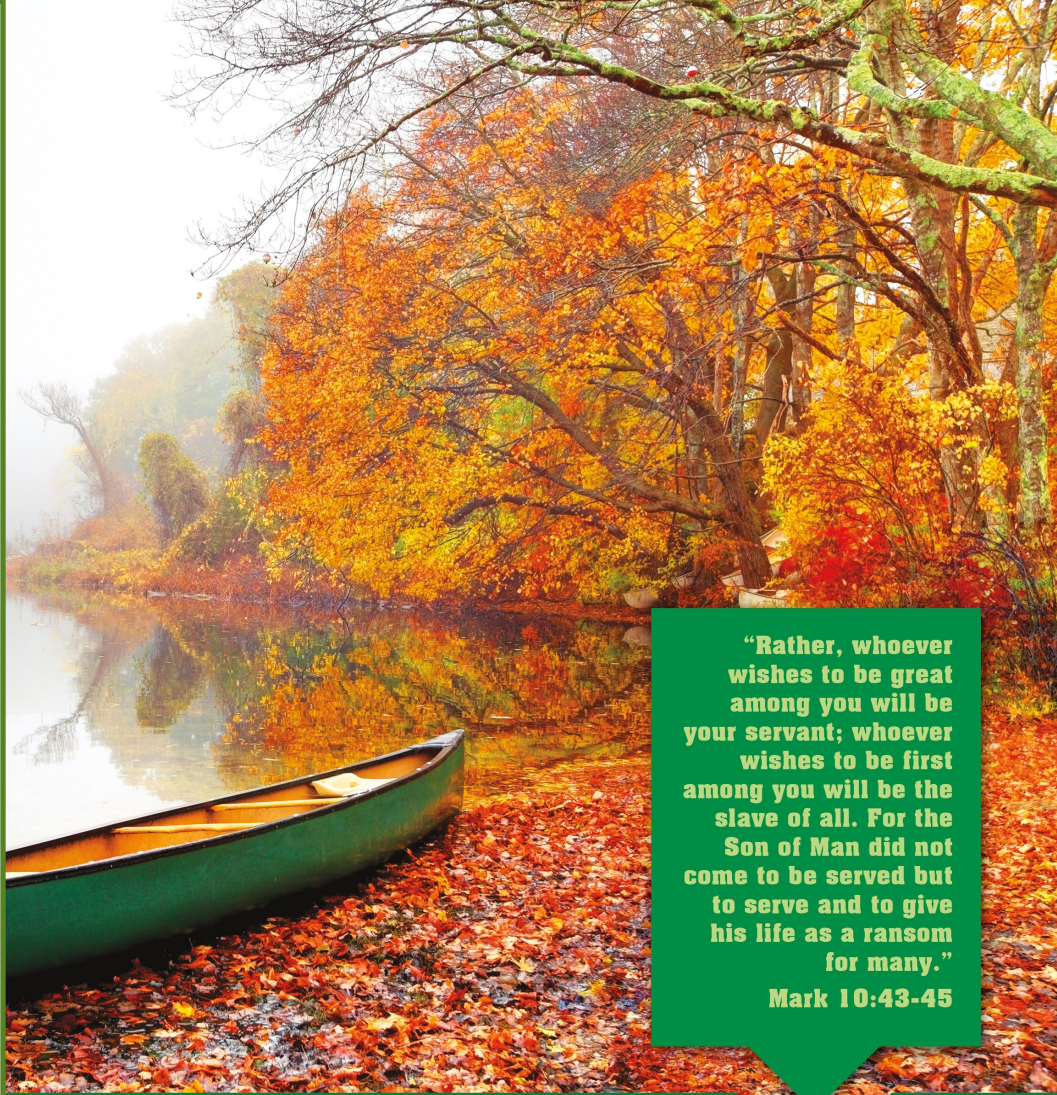
Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 5 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)



“Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:43-45

Rosary:

Tuesday—Friday 8:00am

Morning Prayer:

Wednesday..... 8:30am

Adoration of the Most

Blessed Sacrament:

1st Fri. 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: Mon. 8:30 - 8:50PM & every Sat. 8-8:50AM)

LORD, LET YOUR MERCY
BE ON US, AS WE
PLACE OUR TRUST
IN YOU.



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Purifying the Sacred Vessels After Communion –

Taking Care of Christ's Body

Once the distribution of Holy Communion is over, you will notice that the priest combines the remaining hosts (the bread that has become the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus) into a golden [or silver] looking container, which is called a ciborium (si--bohr--ee--uhm). The ciborium is placed in the tabernacle, and every Catholic church will always have a candle burning (commonly red in color) to signify and remind us that Jesus is present there and waiting for us inside of every Catholic Church around the entire world.

At most Sunday Masses, there are often still a few other empty ciboria and one or more chalices that need to be purified or ritually cleansed before Mass is over. This sacred action is very practical, but we shouldn't miss the deeply spiritual meaning to what is happening on the altar. Purifying or cleaning the sacred vessels is one beautiful way that we as Catholics are enacting our faith in Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist. It will always be either a Catholic Priest or a Catholic Deacon, but he should be carefully using water and little cloths called *purificators* to move any tiny fragments of the hosts into the chalice as well as dry off the water that is used to cleanse these vessels as much as possible. When the priest or deacon drinks the remaining water from the chalice (which during purification will usually contain both fragments of the Eucharist and any drops of the wine that has become the precious blood still left in the chalice), he will say a very beautiful prayer during that moment in the Mass:

***“What has passed our lips as food, O Lord, may we possess in purity of heart,
that what has been given to us in time may be our healing for eternity.”***

This prayer is beautiful for many reasons, but there are a couple images that I think can help really pray through this moment and the importance of it at Mass. First of all, I think about the real power of even the tiniest fragment or drop of the Eucharist for our spiritual good. There have been many Christians over the last 2,000 years that were willing to die for the sake of attending a Catholic Mass and just partaking of the bread of life, Jesus' very self, given to us in communion, one last time. We could picture it as a tiny ball of energy or fire, almost like a nuclear reaction of spiritual power. If that type of power really was laying as a fragment on the altar or in a sacred vessel, we wouldn't just discard it without any care. Of course, the power of a nuclear reaction is actually reduced to nothing when compared to the true spiritual power of God's love and His very life. This is what is given to us in communion, and this is what we are taking care not to discard or throw away without a second thought. His burning love for us is present in even small little fragments or droplets of the Eucharist, so we rightly take care to preserve or purify them in a dignified manner.

Finally, the last image I sometimes think of during purification would be Jesus' body after he has died on the cross and as they are getting Him ready for burial. Some of his closest followers and disciples were present during these moments, the Apostle John, the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mary Magdalene, and a few others. How much love and care did they take in wrapping his body in a linen cloth and making during lay him gently in that new tomb. Of course, we are not just taking care of Jesus' dead body during this moment in the Mass, but instead, we are taking care of Jesus' resurrected and alive body, blood, soul, and divinity, which is given for our sake to heal, transform, purify, and raise us up for eternal life! May we thank God for this great gift once again, and may we ask Him to help remind us of His burning love for us in Holy Communion, which is true even in the tiniest fragment of the host.

Oct. 12-13 2024 (in pew)

Weekend Collection:	\$3,349.75
Building Improvements:	\$131.00
Parish Youth Education:	\$12.00
Social Outreach:	\$96.00
Propagation of Faith:	\$40.00
All Souls:	\$35.00
All Saints:	\$35.00
Hurricane Relief:	\$3,530.00
Votives/Donut Hour	\$30.50
TOTAL INCOME:	\$7,259.25



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 olvship-pensburg.weshareonline.org

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For the word of God is alive and active.



The Word of God Alive: Discussing the Readings with your children

If you could ask Jesus one thing, what would it be?

In today's gospel, James and John ask Jesus for something, and Jesus' reply takes them by surprise.

Do you try to best at anything?

In Mark's Gospel, we get some insight into the disciples' desire to be recognized as the best. They have given up everything to follow Jesus. Now they want to be recognized as Jesus' favorite for their commitment to Jesus. First, James and John boldly ask Jesus to do something special for them. They ask Jesus to reserve the two highest places in heaven for them. Then when the other disciples hear what James and John want, they get furious. At this point, Jesus gathers all the disciples together. He explains what is more important than power and fame. Jesus says, "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant." Jesus wants them to understand that the greatest of his followers will live lives of service to others. So, if the disciples want to be the best disciples, they need to follow Jesus' example and care for and serve others as Jesus does.

When we use our unique gifts and talent in loving service to others, we are living as disciples of Jesus.

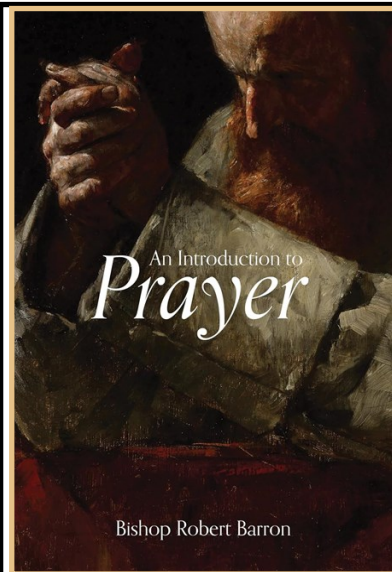


Living our Faith: What ways can you be of service to others this week? Do something nice for others each day this week.



Please submit a couple of your family favorite recipes for the 75th anniversary cookbook please put the category, your name and phone number. You can put the recipe in the box in the back of the church or submit to tipreceipe@yahoo.com.

Please contact Tammy Polifka at polifka.t@yahoo.com if you have any questions. Thank you!



Book of the Month September & October 2024

The Book of the Month for both September and October of 2024 will be *An Introduction to Prayer* written by Bishop Robert Barron and published by Word on Fire. I personally love talking to people about prayer. For example, engaging some very important questions such as: How much should I pray every day? When I try to pray, what kind of things do I try to say to God? How do I hear

God's voice? Are there different types of prayer, and if so, why does that matter for my life?

The problem is that I only have so many hours in each day to talk to people one on one about prayer. One really helpful solution to this problem is to read a solid Catholic book on the topic, and Bishop Barron just came out with this gem at the perfect time! He does a wonderful job of hitting on so many of the essential topics when it comes to prayer like – how to deal with distractions or different approaches and mindsets to take when you try to pray. Prayer can seem intimidating, but I promise you that if you continue trying your best to pray and learn about prayer (for example, by reading this book or just coming to the discussion of it!), you will grow in your ability to encounter Christ in your heart and soul when you are praying.

We will get together to discuss this book on Wednesday, November 6th from 7:30 – 8:30 pm, and this book is only about 125 pages long, so it is very readable even if it takes you some time to snag a copy! Even if you don't have time to read this book, please consider **coming to meeting in the social hall on Nov. 6th**, and I will do my best to summarize my favorite parts and bring some good discussion into the room as well. Thank you again, and God Bless you.

Called
for
More



New Parish Survey: For Each & Every Person!!

Disciple Maker Index (FOR BOTH ADULTS AND YOUTH)

You are Called for More! The Disciple Maker Index (DMI) is open and we need to hear from you! Complete the 10-to-15-minute survey as soon as possible in one of the following ways:

1. **Online** - go to <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/b7p6t5>
Select our parish name from the list.



2. **Paper** - Obtain a paper copy by contacting the parish office at 717-532-2912. Please return the paper copy to the parish office by November 24, 2024.

3. **At the Potluck on October 20th** - There will be a few computers available at the Parish Potluck on Sunday Oct. 20th for anyone who would like to submit their survey online.

The DMI will only be available until November 24. As part of the Diocesan Called for More initiative, the survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and on our parish's efforts to help you become the best disciple you can be. The information gathered will be used to plan for the future so we can become a more faith-filled, vibrant community. The greater the participation, the more reliable the information will be for effective decision-making. All responses will be confidential. Thanks for your help with this important request!



The event will be in the OLV parking lot starting at sunset. With the change in daylight savings time the same weekend the start time will be around 5 pm until 7 pm. There will be contests for best pumpkin carving, best costume and best trunk decoration, voted on by the participants. There is no sign up for this event necessary, but plan to have treats for approximately 100 treaters. Any questions, please contact Brian Van Scyoc at 717-658-3767."



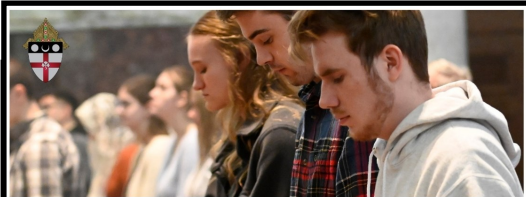
MASS SCHEDULE:

ALL SAINT'S DAY
Thurs. Oct. 31st at 6:30pm
Friday, November 1st at
8:30am & 6:30pm

ALL SOULS' DAY
Saturday, November 2nd
Noon Mass in memory of all deceased members of OLV



It is time again for Box of Joy. The goal this year is 100 boxes. \$9.00 is still the shipping cost per box. A reminder that things don't have to be brand new but not heavily used. This year I discovered that old Magnificat's, prayer cards, etc. can be used. Thanks for supporting the children. The boxes will be available soon. If you have any questions please contact Heather Kauffman at 223-220-6913



The Diocese of Harrisburg cordially invites you to

Notes of Generosity

an afternoon of fellowship and entertainment to benefit Catholic Campus Ministry in the Diocese of Harrisburg.

Ticketed reception includes a selection of beer and wine, hors d'oeuvres, and live music with Bishop Timothy Senior.

Sunday, October 27

4:00 - 6:00 PM

WEST SHORE COUNTRY CLUB
CAMP HILL, PA

Tickets may be purchased at
www.hbgdiocese.org/notesofgenerosity

**Limited
tickets available!**

Tickets and/or gifts may be made online at www.hbgdiocese.org/notesofgenerosity, by scanning the QR code, or by completing & returning the form below:



Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Tickets: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Checks should be payable to the Diocese of Harrisburg, with CCM noted in the memo line. Please return to the Diocese of Harrisburg, Notes of Generosity, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



"The next KofC meeting is Thursday, Nov. 7 at 7 pm in the parish hall. This will be a joint meeting with the Ladies Auxiliary. Please bring a snack and beverage to share."

Please see Pat Shay at 732--319-6132 for more information on the KOC. For more info. on the Ladies Aux. please contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.

CHURCH

Potluck

The next potluck will be Sun. Oct. 20th

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, Nov. 9th from 6-8pm** in the social hall. **Feel free to invite your friends!!**

Youth Group field trip *Friday, October 25th* (permission slip required) Please contact *Jessica Reinsfelder* for more information at *jessreins@yahoo.com*



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 Nov. 2nd**



Knitting Group

All are welcome to join us in Mary's Kitchen after the **6:30pm Mass on Wednesday evenings** and in the social hall after the **8:30am Mass on Thursday mornings**.



Interested in Becoming Catholic ?

Please join us for the next RCIA meeting on **Tuesday, October 22nd** from 7pm-8:15pm in the social hall. All are welcome to attend!

Host Coffee Hour

Please join us for **Coffee Hour on October 20th** following the 8am Mass in Mary's Kitchen. **All are welcome!** If you would like to host coffee hour please sign up in the lobby of the church.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 9:00am 5:00pm	October 19 Intentions of Edna Redding People of the Parish
Sunday, 8:00am 11:00am	October 20 In Memory of Bud & Marie Miller In Memory of Cliff Prue
Monday, 9:00pm	October 21 Private Intentions
Tuesday, 8:30am	October 22 Intentions of Mary Watson
Wednesday, 6:30pm	October 23 In Memory of James Doyle
Thursday, 8:30am	October 24 In Memory of Rindy Hrad
Friday, 8:30am	October 25 In Memory of Marie Matteucci
Saturday, 9:00am 5:00pm	October 26 Intentions of the Fitzgerald Family People of the Parish
Sunday, 8:00am 11:00am	October 27 In Memory of Thomas Sutch In Memory of Gregory A. Klimek



The flowers at the tabernacle are placed in Memory of **Auralia Ryder Finkenbinder**



The next choir practice will be **Wednesday, October 23rd** from 7:15pm-8:30pm.



If you would like to be part of a prayer group to help the Poor Souls in Purgatory through prayer, please call Michelle at 717-552-7252.

Ladies, mark your calendars now for



Advent By Candlelight
Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024
5 to 7 pm.
For more information and/or to volunteer as a hostess contact Mary Poffenbarger 301-639-3297 or missmary@lockfarm.net

For All Men 18 Years or Older

Next meeting will be **Saturday, October 26th** in the social hall Please Come & See!



SCHEDULE:

7:00am Breakfast
7:30am Presentation (Video)
8:00am Small Group
8:30am Closing Prayer and Dismissal