

Assumption Catholic Church

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 18, 2021

They were like
Sheep
without a shepherd

MARK 6:34



Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today, the Gospel invites us to discover the importance of resting in the Lord. The Apostles were returning from the mission on which Jesus had sent them. They had expelled demons, cured the sick and preached the Gospel. They were tired and Jesus told them to “Come away by yourself to a deserted place and rest a while.” (Mk 6:31).

One of the temptations to which any Christian can succumb is that of wanting to do too many things and thus leaving the Lord a little to the side. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that, when it comes to prayer, one of the biggest dangers is that we can easily think that there are bigger, more important and more urgent things to be done, leading to a lack of care for the things of God. For this reason, Jesus tells the Apostles, who have worked hard, are exhausted though overjoyed, because everything has gone so well, that they must rest. The Gospel says, “they went off by themselves to a deserted place.” (Mk 6:33). To be able to pray properly we need at least two things: the first is to be with Jesus as He is the person with whom we are going to talk. We must make ourselves conscious of the fact that we are truly with Him. The second thing is that we must be alone. If we really want to talk with someone, to have an intimate and profound conversation, we normally choose to be alone with them. Be alone with the Lord, at least in our hearts, while we pray.

Readings for Sunday,

July 25, 2021

2 Kings 4:42-44

Ephesians 4:1-6

John 6:1-15



Saint of the Week ... St. Mary Magdalene

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection.

Mary Magdalene has long been regarded as a prostitute in western Christianity, but this is not supported in the scriptures.

It is believed she was a Jewish woman who lived among Gentiles, living as they did.

The Gospels agree that Mary was originally a great sinner. Jesus cast seven demons out of her when he met her. After this, she told several women she associated with and these women also became followers. During Jesus' ministry, it is believed that Mary Magdalene followed him, part of a semi-permanent entourage who served Jesus and his Disciples.

Mary likely watched the crucifixion from a distance along with the other women who followed Christ during His ministry. Mary was present when Christ rose from the dead, visiting his tomb to anoint his body only to find the stone rolled away and Christ, very much alive, sitting at the place they laid Him. She was the first witness to His resurrection.

After the death of Christ, a legend states that she remained among the early Christians. After fourteen years, she was allegedly put into a boat by Jews, along with several other saints of the early Church, and set adrift without sails or oars. The boat landed in southern France, where she spent the remaining years of her life living in solitude, in a cave.



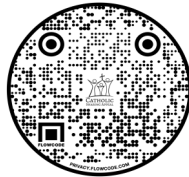


The 2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) continues, with our parish more than halfway to reaching our goal of \$15,835. Being past the halfway point is important because that means that all dollars donated now come back to our parish.

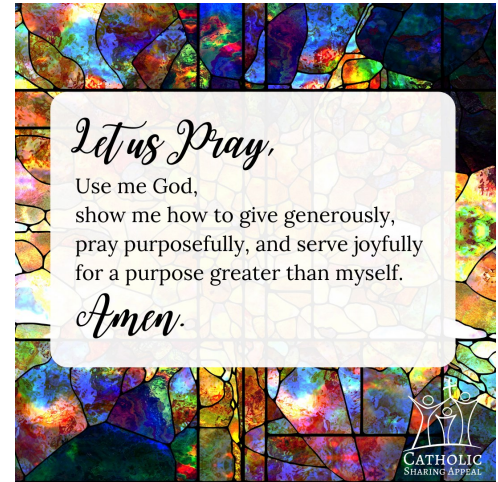
As you know, money raised through the CSA will be used to replace the roofs on the rectory and garage and to replace the gutters on St. Mary's Hall.

There are many ways to donate:

- Return the pledge card you received in the mail
- Visit dwc.org/csa
- Scan the QR code shown here



Aim your camera at the flowcode.



Our sincere thanks to all of you who have already supported our 2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal effort, and our gratitude in advance to those of you who are considering a pledge now. Together we can accomplish so very much!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, July 17	4:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Harber Family.....	The Harber Family
Sunday, July 18	8:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Daskal Family	Jim Daskal
Monday, July 19	No Mass		
Tuesday, July 20	No Mass		
Wednesday, July 21	6:00 p.m.	Soul of Ethel Ann (Guy) Pooler.....	Pam Williams
Thursday, July 22	12 noon	Soul of Rose White	Anita Tetreault
Friday, July 23	9:00 a.m.	Soul of Bonnie Whetzel.....	Puff & Ann Marie DeMasi
Saturday, July 24	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Bob Myers.....	Kelli & Harry Wittman
Sunday, July 25	8:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Alt, Cobb & Kuh families.....	Dean Alt

Spiritual Direction Training Class Forming

An Associate Spiritual Direction Training Program class is forming now. The new semester begins September 10, 2021 and will be available via Zoom.

The class is offered by the West Virginia Institute for Spirituality (WVIS) which is an ecumenical center for prayer and spiritual growth, located in the heart of the city of Charleston, West Virginia. Their ministry promotes spiritual life through silence, prayer, retreats, education, spiritual direction and inter-faith dialogue.

For more information, visit wvis.org/whats-happening-at-wvis/. Click on Spiritual Direction Certification Program to download the brochure for the upcoming class schedule.

Collections & Attendance July 10-11, 2021

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,690
Loose Donations.....	\$909
Total	\$3,599

Attendance

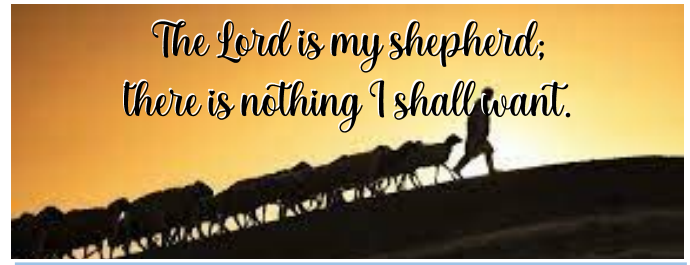
Saturday 7/10	71
Sunday 7/11	81
Total	152

June 2021 Balance Sheet

June Income.....	\$20,070
June Expenses.....	\$11,658
Balance.....	\$8,412

Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan appeal is taking place this weekend to benefit the Catholic Communications Campaign which works to bring truth and hope to people across the U.S. and around world through the media and effective communication.



Prayer List

Patricia Ansel	Helen Holder*
Jennifer Boling	Mary Kirchner
Bobby Dorsey	Aaron Martin
Barbara Gratto	Paul Miller
Beth Grayson	Esther Shockey
Sue Greco	Sue Spotts
Barbara Grubbs*	Bill Stine
Eddie Halterman	Maleigha Taylor

To have a name added to the prayer list, please call or email the Parish Office, or drop a note in the offertory basket.

*Resident of Stonerise of Keyser (135 Southern Drive, Keyser, WV 26726)

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, July 24

Lector:	Doug Minnich
Servers:	Howard, Ava & Jude Barrick
EM:	Meredythe Barrick
Cantor:	Linda Marsh
Greeters:	Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Sunday, July 25

Lector:	John Bogdan
Servers:	Beverly Iser, Abby DelSignore, Nick McKenzie, Micah Alt
EM:	Tina Stephen
Cantor:	Patrick George
Greeters:	Mike & Rosie Landis

Saturday, July 31

Lector:	Sue Harber
Servers:	Alan Taylor, James & Tess Maybury
EM:	Jean Harber
Cantor:	<i>to be named</i>
Greeters:	Sue & Jean Harber

Sunday, August 1

Lector:	Geoff Newlin
Servers:	Rosie Landis, Tucker Newlin, Pippa Dolechek
EM:	Pam Williams
Cantor:	<i>to be named</i>
Greeters:	Jeff & Kelley Kuhn