## Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

305 N. Prince St. Shippensburg, PA 17257-1321

h Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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)

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

## John 6:51

Rosary: Tuesday—Friday.....8:00 am

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

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: 1st Fri. of the Month.....7:30–8:20 am Fridays......9:00—7:00 pm



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)

# SSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGING

## MASS SCHEDULE

Wed. August 14th 6:30pm Thurs. August 15th 8:30am & 6:30pm



The 2024 Charismatic Day of Renewal is September 14th from 8am to 3:30pm. This year's theme is "The

Battle Belongs to the LORD" and will be hosted at the Diocesan Center. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Timothy C. Senior. Presenters include Fr. Timothy Marcoe & Bernice White. To register online, go to www.aliveinthespirit.net. The cost is \$25 which includes lunch. Registration deadline is September 3rd. Please be prepared to pay by credit card only.





All are invited to attend a **"Catholic** Approach to Maternal Care," a panel discussion on maternal care on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (2427 Marietta Ave., Lancaster).

Panelists include the Most Reverend Timothy C. Senior, Bishop of Harrisburg; Eric Failing, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference; Jill Hartman, Pregnancy Medical & Resource Center Representative; Marianne Weltmer, Diocesan Director for Life & Dignity; Dr. Matthew Weitzel, Medical Doctor; and Kyra Scalea, Rachel's Vineyard (abortion recovery) representative. A welcome reception will be offered from 6-6:30 pm, with the panel discussion starting at 6:30 pm. Various topics related to maternal care from the Catholic perspective will be discussed by the panelists. Registration is required.

Please email tinar@pregnancylancaster.com by August 21, 2024, including full names of attendees.



Beginning Experience is hosting its next retreat weekend on Experience Nov. 8-10, 2024. 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. For more information, please go to https://www.hbgdiocese.org/catholic-life-andevangelization/navigating-marriage-difficulties/ or contact Beginning Experience team member Julie at 717-379-0800.



Please visit our parish website (click on FORMED.ORG) and check out what is on FORMED this week.



#### Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



The next Knights meeting will be Thursday, August 22nd 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.



Thank you to everyone who has donated tabernacle flowers for 2024. A 2025 sign up sheet will be placed in the lobby of the church in the fall.

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. For more information please contact the parish office.



Host

Coffee

Hour

### **<u>Religious Education News</u>**

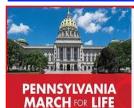
Religious Education classes for students in grades pre-k through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will begin on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are located

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 8<sup>th</sup> 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!)

**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.



Save the date! Pennsylvania March for Life is Monday, Sept. 23rd in Harrisburg.

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: PA.MARCHFORLIFE.ORG



6:30pmPeople of the ParishThursday,August 15 (Holy Day of the Assumption)8:30amIntentions of Lisa Bennett6:30pmIntentions of Bishop Ronald GainerFriday,August 168:30amSpecial IntentionsSaturday,August 175:00pmIn Memory of Kathy NezatSunday,August 188:00amPeople of the Parish11:00amIn Memory of Mr. & Mrs. James A. Butler
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The flowers at the tabernacle are placed in honor of Bruce Otruba

SCHEDULE CHANGE

Starting on Monday August 26th we will add a 9pm daily Mass with confessions from 8:30-8:50pm. Starting on Saturday August 31st

we will begin to have daily Mass every Saturday (during the College school year) at 9am with confessions from 8-8:50am. Please make note that the addition of these Mass times and confession times are only during the College school year. Please pay close attention to the Mass Intentions Schedule in the bulletin incase a change is made.

The following is an example of what the College school year Mass schedule will look like:

Weekend Mass Vigil: 5:00PM Weekend Mass Sunday: 8:00AM & 11:00AM

Weekday Mass: T, Th, & F 8:30AM; Wed. 6:30PM (First Saturday 9AM)

(Only During the College Fall and Spring semesters: **Weekday Mass**: Mon. 9PM & every Sat. 9AM)

**Sacrament of Penance:** Wednesday 5:30-6:20PM, Saturday 3:30-4:30PM; (First Fridays 7:30-8:20AM, First Saturday 8-8:50AM)

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CHURCH

YOUTH

The next choir practice will be **Tuesday, August 13th** from 7:15pm-8:30pm.

The next potluck will be Sun. Aug. 18th

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

Water, juice & coffee will be provided

All students in grades 6-12 are invited to our next Youth Group Meeting on Saturday, August 10th from 6-8pm in the social hall. Feel free to invite your friends!!



**Run with a Priest! (...or walk or bike!)** Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 August 17th.** 

Knitting Group

*Knitting Group* Versation in the social hall after the 8:30am morning Mass on Thursdays. Everyone is welcome!



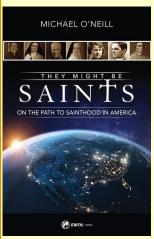
Interested in Becoming Catholic ? RCIA classes will begin on Tuesday, September 17th from 7pm-8:15pm in the social hall. All are welcome to attend!



Join Bishop Timothy Senior in a once-in-alifetime 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

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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. 4<sup>th</sup>, 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.



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

In today's first reading, we hear that the prophet Elijah received a gift of very special bread. It was called a hearth cake, a kind of bread that could be baked on a big, flat hearth stone in front of a cooking fire. Elijah was given this bread at a very difficult moment in his life. Many of the people of Israel had forgotten God, forgotten who they belonged to. Even the king had turned away from God. Because the people had turned away from God, the word Elijah shared was not what they wanted to hear. The people were so angry they wanted to kill Elijah. He had to flee for his life. While he was

asleep, an angel brought him a hearth cake and told him to eat it. It was food for the journey. This bread would give him strength to get him where he was going, to Mount Horeb. It was on Mount Horeb that Elijah met God. We are also on a journey. We are traveling on a path toward God, the path of our whole lives. At the end of our journey, we hope and pray that we will meet God face to face. We know we need strength and nourishment to get where we want to go.

We have been given bread for our journey. **What is this bread?** It is the bread of life, Jesus himself. Jesus is our strength and nourishment for our long journey.

When we imitate Jesus, when we live in love, we can help others to experience they strength that comes from him. We gather around the table as one community to see and know the One who gives himself completely to us at Mass as Bread.

Living our Faith: Be loving, king and helpful so that others may see that you love Jesus.

#### **HOW TO GIVE &** RAISE THE SAILS **BRING FOCUS TO** SHIPPENSBURG UNIV. Checks can be addressed to \$70,000 Diocese of Harrisburg with "Shippensburg FOCUS" in memo\*: Office of CLEV \$60,000 Diocese of Harrisburg 4800 Union Deposit Rd. Harrisburg, PA 17111-3710 \$50,000 Give online using QR code AS OF 7/31/24 OR use the link below: PLEDGED 24-25 \$40.000 \$35,495 linktr.ee/ccm\_ship EVERY GIFT HELPS US "RAISE THE SAILS" \$30,000 SO WE CAN SEND FOCUS ON MISSION AT SHIPPENSBURG What is FOCUS? \$20,000 UNIVERSITY FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) is the leading global Catholic outreach organization for college students. FOCUS was founded in 1998 at Benedictine College \$10,000 by Curtis Martin. Through bible studies, mentorships, conferences, mission \$0 trips, and partnerships with priests, bishops, and parishes, FOCUS missionaries walk alongside students in their faith journey, inspiring and equipping them for a lifetime of Christtocus centered evangelization and discipleship. THE DIOCESE FOCUS sends teams of missionaries (four on average) to OF HARRISBURG encounter people in friendship, inviting them into a personal relationship with Christ and accompanying them as they pursue lives of virtue and excellence. Please utilize the forms in the back of Church to submit your check. Checks with forms can be mailed to the diocese or dropped in the collection box at OLV.\* 2024 Diocesan Annual Campaign updates as of August 3-4, 2024 (in pew) If you would July 31, 2024: like to give to Weekend Collection: \$4,466.00 Parish Goal: \$34,769.30 the Sunday Building Improvements: \$466.00 collection Gifts Received: \$39.220.94 Social Outreach: \$116.00 online either Outstanding Pledges: \$2,979.70 with an individual gift or with a recurring Parish Youth Education: \$106.00 donation of your choice, please visit Assumption: \$75.00 Over/(under) goal in cash: \$4,451.64 olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org Votives: \$61.00 Total Committed: \$42,200.64 TOTAL INCOME: \$5,290.00 Parish Ministry Contact Info. Parish Staff Contact Info. Homebound Minister Coordinator.....John S. Bonitz Associate Director of CCM.... jsbonitz@comcast.net.....(717) 262-3614 John Klarmann... jtklarmann@ship.edu......(717) 477-1244 Finance Chairperson.....Charlie Albright Parish Office Manager..... charltonalbright1@gmail.com Tracy Plotner.....tplotner@hbgdiocese.org...(717) 532-2912 Parish Council Chairperson.....Lyn Solder Religious Ed. Coordinator..... lyndasolder@gmail.com ......(410) 259-8954 Jolene Cramm.....jcramm@hbgdiocese.org...(717) 532-2912 Greeter Ministry.....John Thornton Music Ministry ..... johnnie7746@gmail.com...... (508) 868-5640 Michael Adams...madams@hbgdiocese.org Usher Ministry.....Joe Cretella pjcretella1@gmail.com.....(717) 377-1480