

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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4TH SUNDAY

Easter

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

Rosary

Tuesday—Friday..... 8:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturdays..... 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Wednesdays..... 5:30 pm - 6:20 pm

First Friday of the Month 7:30 am – 8:20 am

First Saturday of the Month..... 8:00 am – 8:45 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

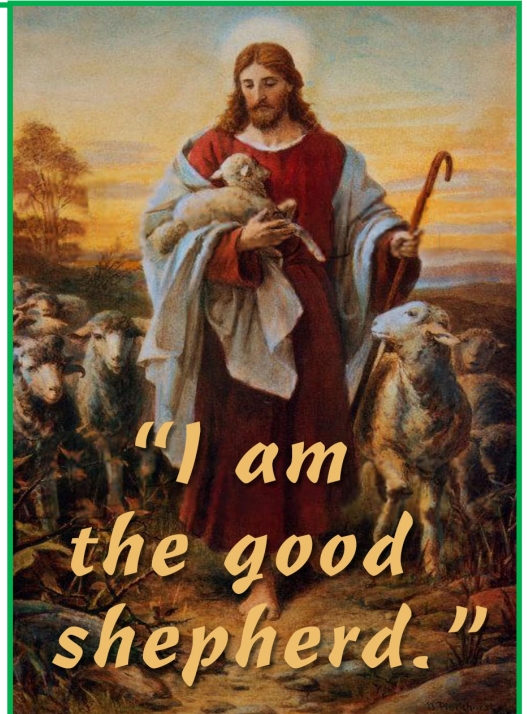
First Friday of the Month..... 7:30 am – 8:20 am

Fridays..... 9:00 am—7:00 pm

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday..... 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Closed Holy Days & Holidays



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THE GOOD SHEPHERD

GIVES HIS LIFE FOR HIS SHEEP



Eucharistic Revival in the Catholic Church:

Weekly Bulletin Articles

The Catholic Church in the United States has been on a 3-year process of Eucharistic Revival, and we are now in the 2nd year and focusing on revival at the parish level (see this website for more, <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org>). In addition to trying our best to celebrate every single Mass reverently, attentively, and prayerfully, one effort we will be making is **to write a small bulletin article every week for a year** in order to help all people understand the Catholic Mass more fully. Not only can this help us understand how each prayer and symbol and movement has deep meaning and symbolism, but all the prayers, symbols, and movements should also lead us into the reality of Christ's love on the Cross and His grace poured out from the Resurrection and how we can encounter Him present to us today throughout the entirety of the Mass! Please consider reading along each week with these bulletin articles to help you better understand the history, meaning, beauty, and reality of what we celebrate every weekend as Catholics. This can help us to have a Eucharistic Revival at our parish, and to know, love, and serve Christ more fully every time we attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass here at OLV.

The Oblation – (Part 6 of The Eucharistic Prayer) – What do YOU have to OFFER?

This part of the Eucharistic prayer is called the oblation, which means offering, and it comes right after the mystery of faith as well as the anamnesis (or remembering). As we mentioned at the beginning of our journey through the Eucharistic prayer, it is important to see each part separately in order to help us understand it as richly as possible. Here is a quick outline once again just as a reminder:

- The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)
- **The Eucharistic Prayer:** (Anaphora – “to carry back” – brings us back to the Upper Room/Cross/Resurrection and the entire paschal mystery present to us now) {10 different options, but 4 main options Eucharistic Prayers I, II, III and IV}
 - o The Epiclesis (*calling down the Holy Spirit*)
 - o The Institution Narrative and Consecration (*Transubstantiation occurs!*)
 - * The Mystery of Faith (*and response from the people*)
 - o The Anamnesis (*Remembering, but in a sacramental sense*)
 - o **The Oblation** (*The offering – prayers specific to that*)
 - o The Intercessions (*General and specific intercessions*)
 - o The Doxology and Amen (*Conclusion and THE GREAT AMEN!*)
- The Our Father, etc.....

Once we have this reminder of where we have been and where we are going, we can focus in on the purpose of the oblation prayers within the Eucharistic Prayer. The key words or phrases to pay close attention to is that you will hear is that the priest is offering the person of Jesus to God the Father. As we said before, this is the profound truth that Jesus' one sacrifice for us 2,000 years ago becomes present to us at every Mass. In addition, the other key words to look for are the words about **our sacrifice** that **we offer to God** during each Mass. Look at the words in Eucharistic Prayer III: “Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church...” or “May he make of us an eternal offering to you”.

The question is, what can YOU possibly OFFER to God the Father? Jesus offers Himself as the perfect lamb to wipe away our sins, but Jesus also invites us to be united to Himself in the Eucharist and to offer our prayers, efforts, sufferings, joys, and sacrifices so that Jesus can make them worthy to be offered to God the Father as a spiritual gift. In other words, Jesus is taking all of our weak, imperfect, human efforts, prayers, and sacrifices and uniting them to Himself in order to make everything we do a spiritually fruitful prayer! All we need to do is keep trying our best and also realize that Jesus wants us to spend time offering Him everything we strive to do throughout our entire week. At every Mass, we are meant to remember that Jesus takes all our actions, thoughts, words, successes and failures from our week, and He unites us to His suffering, death, and resurrection, so that we can become like Him more and more in perfect self-sacrificial love. Our spiritual offering to God at every Mass can be the most powerful prayer we make during our entire lives because it is truly Jesus making it spiritually fruitful through His perfect sacrifice. May we ask God to help us remember this truth at every Mass, so that we can offer our entire week to Jesus as a prayer, and He can make our offerings worthy, holy, and fruitful for our loved ones and for the salvation of the whole world. Amen.



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



The next Knights meeting will be Thursday, May 2nd at 7:00 pm in the social hall. For more info on the KOC please contact Travis Detwiler at 717-809-0672 or travisedetwiler@gmail.com

The next Ladies meeting will be Wednesday, May 1st at 2:00 pm in the social hall. For more information regarding the Ladies Auxiliary please contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.

The next potluck will be Sunday April 21st

CHURCH

Potluck

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 April 27th from 6-8pm** in the social hall.

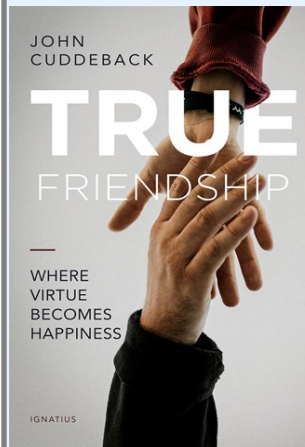
Feel free to invite your friends!!



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. **Next Run with the Priest will be Saturday, May 4th**

Book of the Month - March and April 2024



True Friendship

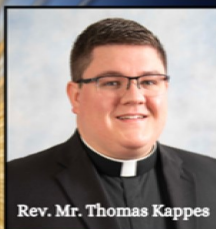
by John Cuddeback

We all realize that we are not made to live isolated from all other human beings, and as The Book of Genesis even states, "it is not good for man to be alone." In addition, the question for so many people in our modern world is – what type of relationship with other people will be most fulfilling to me during my life on this earth? Friendship is a word that is tossed around in

our modern world without too much deep thought, but it is meant to be something that not only bring us fun and excitement, but more importantly leads us to fulfillment, meaning, virtue, and God. In under 150 pages, John Cuddeback gives a remarkable summary of the Catholic perspective of friendship and its role in many various settings throughout our lives (our peers, marriage, work, etc.). If we open ourselves up to this type of friendship, we will be transformed and certainly also grow in our relationship with God. As usual, you will need to purchase this book to read it, but please also let me know if you don't have the money to purchase it and would really like to do that this time around. Please consider reading through this book, and also consider joining us either way on **Wednesday, April 24th from 7:30 – 8:30 pm** in the social hall for our book discussion. Thank you all, and God Bless you!

The Diocese of Harrisburg Joyfully Announces the 2024 Ordinations

Priesthood | Saturday, June 1, 2024 | 10 a.m.



Rev. Mr. Thomas Kappes



Rev. Mr. Richard McAlister



Rev. Mr. Michael Pray

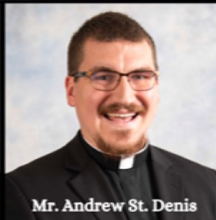


Rev. Mr. Drew Tanguay

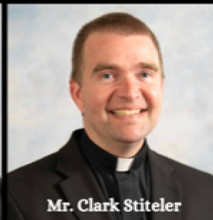
Diaconate | Saturday, May 18, 2024 | 10 a.m.



Mr. Cole Mase



Mr. Andrew St. Denis



Mr. Clark Stiteler

All are invited to attend the Ordination Masses in person at Saint Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg, or through the livestreams at www.youtube.com/hbgdiocese



**40 HOURS
DEVOTION**

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION

MAY 5—MAY 7

Sign up sheet is available in the lobby of the church.

SUNDAY MAY 5TH

**FOLLOWING THE
11AM MASS**

**MAY
CROWNING**

VOLUNTEERS
making a difference in the lives of others

Catholic Charities has exciting news for the Diocese of Harrisburg. We are opening an innovative Walk-in Mental Health Clinic in the city of Harrisburg. The goal is to offer low-barrier access to mental health services for residents who are homeless, under-insured and are afraid to seek out help. Services offered at the new clinic will include basic mental health assessments and counseling, case management assistance to access community resources, various support groups and eventually basic medical assessments for referrals to medical care.

The new clinic is called Labre Clinic, after Benedict Joseph Labre, the patron Saint of the homeless.

We need your help to make this a successful clinic. Volunteers are needed to help clients with case management and counseling, as well as greeting and registration. If you are interested, please contact Kelly Gollick at kgollick@cchbg.org or call 717-657-4804 ext 276 for more information. This is an exciting opportunity to help us start the Labre Clinic and to do God's works in our Diocese. We look forward to working with you.

HERSHEYPARK
DISCOUNT TICKETS

Orders forms are in the church lobby and must be returned to the parish by Tuesday, April 23rd. Parishes will receive tickets on or before the week of **May 20th**

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

What are some names for Jesus?

Jesus is called the Messiah, Emmanuel, Light of the World, the Bread of Life. Having so many names for him helps us to remember that no one name can contain all there is to say about Jesus.

In today's Gospel, Jesus says he is the good shepherd.

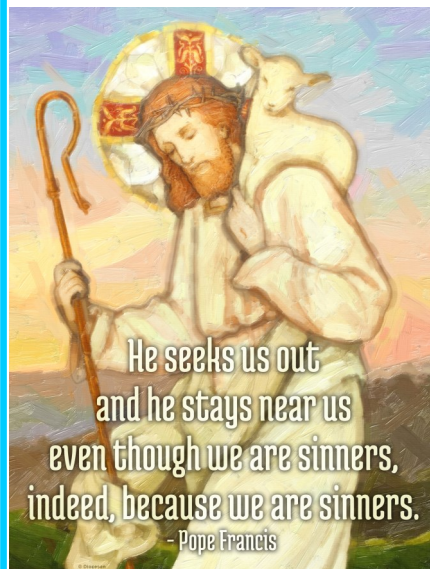
What does a shepherd do?

A good shepherd stays with the sheep. When the sheep are in danger, the shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He gives everything he has so that the sheep have life. The sheep belong to the shepherd.

Peter spoke a name of Jesus to the leaders of Jerusalem. He called him the Christ, the anointed one of God. For the people of Israel, anointing, or sealing with oil was a way to mark people as set apart for God, to do special work on God's behalf. Peter had told a man who could not walk, "get up and walk." It was not by Peter's power that the man had received healing. The power to heal had come from the name of Jesus Christ.

Jesus is more than what we can understand. All of his names can help us to recognize who Jesus is and what he can do in our lives. Jesus wants not only for us to know *about* him but to *know* him. When we call upon him in prayer, we can call on him with these names and know that he hears and answers when we call.

Living our Faith: Take time this week to think about all the good things and people God has given you and thank him for his awesome gifts.



He seeks us out
and he stays near us
even though we are sinners,
indeed, because we are sinners.
- Pope Francis



MASS TIMES:

Vigil Mass
Wed. May 8th
6:30 P.M.

Holy Day
Thur. May 9th
8:30 A.M. & 6:30 P.M.

Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition

Christ Among Neighbors (CAN): CAN has been helping Shippensburg residents with emergency financial needs for over 20 years. Volunteers are needed on Wednesday afternoon or Saturday morning. Visit our website or call us to learn more. Suzanne Hildabrand 717-377-8316; www.christamongneighbors.com.

Hound Packs: We will continue to collect only soup. **Please place the soup only in the food bank container outside of the confessional.**

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



Sunday, April 21st—Coffee Hour in Mary's kitchen after the 8am Mass.

Sunday, April 21st —Parish Potluck Following the 11am Mass (so around noon or

12:15pm). Please bring a dish to share. The parish will supply water, juice & coffee.

Wednesday, April 24th —Morning Prayer 8:30am

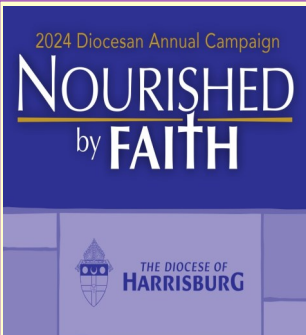
Wednesday, April 24th — Choir Rehearsal 7:15-8:30pm
All are welcome!

Wednesday, April 24th —Book of the Month discussion meeting **7:30 – 8:30 pm** in the social hall. All are welcome!

Thursday, April 25th —Knitting Group Join us for coffee, snacks, and good conversation in the social hall after morning Mass.

Saturday, April 27th —Youth Group: All students in grades 6-12 **from 6-8pm** in the social hall.

Sunday, April 28th—Coffee Hour in Mary's kitchen after the 8am Mass.



THANK YOU!

To All who made their Pledge & Donation to the Diocesan Annual Campaign. To date we have collected \$27,365.00 towards our goal of \$34,769

To learn more about the Diocesan Annual Campaign, please visit <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/diocesan-annual-campaign/>

Trinity High School Concert to Benefit Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families All are invited to a spring concert brought to you by Loyola House and the Trinity High School Music Department on **Wednesday, May 1, at 5:00 p.m. at the Trinity High School Auditorium.** The event is free, but donations will be accepted to benefit the Catholic Charities Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00pm	April 20 In Memory of Peg Cretella
Sunday, 8:00am	April 21 People of the Parish
11:00am	In Memory of Trudy Johnson
Tuesday, 8:30am	April 23 Intentions of Leo Kauffman
Wednesday, 6:30pm	April 24 In Memory of William Dechene
Thursday, 8:30am	April 25 In Memory of Mary Snyder
Friday, 8:30am	April 26 Intentions of the Plotner Family
Saturday, 5:00pm	April 27 In Memory of Thomas Sutch
Sunday, 8:00am	April 28 People of the Parish
11:00am	In Memory of Richard Spisak



The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (HDCCW) invites all women of the Diocese to join us for

the 12th Annual Weekend Retreat being held on the beautiful campus of Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, Maryland. The Retreat begins on Friday evening, June 14th until noon on Sunday, June 16, 2024. Our Retreat Master is Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, Bishop Emeritus, Diocese of Harrisburg.

The registration deadline is May 31, 2024. Registration forms and more details are available on the Diocesan website: RETREAT (harrisburgdiocesancw.com) or from Jeanne Warren, Registration Chair, warrenrjs@aol.com or 717- 367-9306 or 717-503-9429.



Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary

2024 College Scholarship

Applications for the Our Lady of the Visitation Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxil-

iary Scholarship are now available in the back of the church. Any high school senior who is an active member of OLV parish and will be attending an institution of higher learning this fall is eligible to apply. **Completed applications must be dropped off at the parish by 4pm on Wednesday, May 29th.**