



# OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION

SHIPPENSBURG, PA

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior."*



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"I am the vine, you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit,  
because without me you can do nothing."  
*John 15:5*

*May 1-2, 2021*

Our Mission:

To Proclaim the Kingdom of God for the Salvation of Souls

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**Weekend Masses** - Saturday 5:00 PM Sundays: 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM  
**Daily Mass** - 8:30 AM Tuesday - Friday; First Saturday of the Month at 9:00am  
**Reconciliation** - Saturdays, 3:30PM-4:30PM; First Friday of the Month 7:30am-8:20am; First Saturday of the Month 8:00am-8:45am  
**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament** - 7:30AM - 8:30AM First Friday of the Month

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Saturday May 1	8:00 AM - 8:45 AM 9:00 AM Mass 5:00 PM Mass	Confession In Memory of Gloria Sullivan Intentions of Tracy Plotner
Sunday May 2	8:00 AM Mass 9:30-10:45 AM 11:00 AM Mass	Intentions of the Stewart Family Religious Education Class People of the Parish
Tuesday May 4	8:30 AM Mass 6:15 PM	In Memory of Martin & Theresa Thornton Adoration
Wednesday May 5	8:30 AM Mass	Intentions of the Hrad Family
Thursday May 6	8:30 AM Mass	Intentions of the Heroux Family
Friday May 7	7:30-8:20 AM 8:30 AM Mass	Confession & Adoration Intentions of Marian Hoover
Saturday May 8	3:30- 4:30PM 5:00 PM Mass	Confession In Memory of Gloria Sullivan
Sunday May 9	8:00 AM Mass 11:00 AM Mass	Intentions of the Fitzgerald Family People of the Parish (May Crowning)

April 24-25, 2021	Collection
Weekend Collection	\$3,300.00
Parish Youth Education	177.00
Building Improvements	5.00
Easter	200.00
Catholic Relief	143.00
Catholic Home Missions	342.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$4,167.00</b>

*Liturgical Minister*



### SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>5:00PM</b>
Lector:	Andrea Thornton
Eucharistic Minister:	Geri Bazner
<b>Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
Lector:	Travis Detwiler
Eucharistic Minister:	Mike Bannon
	<b>11:00AM</b>
Lector:	Matt Courson
Eucharistic Minister:	Magali Silva



The First Communion  
Mass will at 3:00pm on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>



The Confirmation Mass  
will be at 3pm on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Online giving made easy!**



**Please visit the following link**

<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>

#### Donations Needed for Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families

Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (a Catholic charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of the following donations: powdered drink mixes, gravy mixes (chicken, turkey, pork, beef), pancake mix, and Season-All Seasoned Salt. **Donations may be placed in the box in the lobby of the church.**

Thank you for your generosity!



Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at Memorial Park in Shippensburg. More information to come!



## Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> May Crowning

As the month of May is a traditional month to honor Mary, we will be having a short May Crowning ceremony to put a crown on the statue of Mary at the end of the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, May 9th. It will be right at the end of the Mass, and this year we are keeping it simple and therefore keeping the ceremony inside the church as well. Mary will then stay crowned with flowers throughout the Month of May, and it is great opportunity to ask for her prayers from heaven and follow her example of holiness. May she always leads us closer to her son Jesus, and may we thank God for the gift of His Mother Mary to the Church!



## Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary

For more information about the **Knights of Columbus** contact Mike Connor at [mjc@wclawoffice.com](mailto:mjc@wclawoffice.com) or 717-530-5165

**Ladies Auxiliary:** Our last meeting of the year will be held **Tuesday, May 4 at 6:00** on the patio of Donna Bonitz at 110 Park Place West, Shippensburg. A light dinner will be provided by the officers. In case of rain, the meeting will be held the following Tuesday, May 11 at 6:00. **Please rsvp to [ddbbonitz@gmail.com](mailto:ddbbonitz@gmail.com) or 717 860-4909.**

## *40 Hours Retreat and Adoration*

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



This year we will be having our 40 hours retreat for the parish on Sunday, May 30th through Tuesday, June 1st. The Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist is the very source and summit of our faith because it is Jesus himself, His body, blood, soul, and divinity. The 40 hours retreat is a powerful opportunity for us as a parish to first pray and encounter this reality in silent prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as well as in the evening retreat reflections throughout these three days. Our retreat master for this year will be Fr. Matthew Cannon, who is the parochial vicar of Holy Name of Jesus parish in Harrisburg! Fr. Matt served here as a seminarian a number of years ago, so we are very excited to have him return to lead us in reflections of our

faith during this parish retreat. Therefore, please consider signing up for a half hour or an hour of silent prayer in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, which is necessary if we are going to have adoration throughout the day for this retreat. Here is the following schedule of events:

Silent prayer with Adoration begins with Exposition on Sunday, May 30th immediately following the 11:00 am Mass, and all events will take place in the Main Church.

### **40 Hours Retreat - Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church**

We will need people to sign up to pray for these time slots (the sign-up sheet will be in the back of the church)

Sunday, May 30th --- 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm ---> **Silent prayer with Adoration**

Monday, May 31st --- 9:00 am - 7:00 pm ---> **Silent prayer with Adoration**

Tuesday, June 1st --- 9:00 am - 7:00 pm ---> **Silent prayer with Adoration**

(You may attend one or more of these Masses or Services, but no need to sign up for these)

Sunday, May 30th at 7:00 pm ---> **Evening Prayer and 1st Reflection by Fr. Matt Cannon**

Monday, May 31st at 8:30 am ---> **Morning Mass (Feast Day of Our Lady of the Visitation!!)**

Monday, May 31st at 7:00 pm ---> **Evening Prayer and 2nd Reflection by Fr. Matt Cannon**

Tuesday, June 1st at 8:30 am ---> **Morning Mass**

Tuesday, June 1st at 7:00 pm ---> **Evening Prayer and 3rd Reflection by Fr. Matt Cannon (Benediction to close!)**



"My Lord  
and  
my God!"  
Mt. 26:39



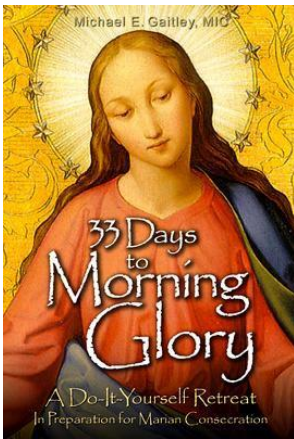
## *Spiritual Bouquet for Fr. John Schmalhofer:*

Unfortunately, Fr. John Schmalhofer passed away suddenly early this past week. He was a devoted member of our parish, and he certainly helped out so many people in so many ways both as a priest and as a good and joyful friend and man of God. We are going to be putting together a spiritual bouquet to pray for the repose of his soul as well as for the good of his family. A spiritual bouquet is simply a card that includes a list of different prayers that people are willing to offer for a particular person or intention. These prayers can include offering one or more of the following: a Rosary, a Divine Mercy Chaplet, a Holy Hour of silent prayer, a prayer intention while attending Mass, Stations of the Cross, a prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, a Novena prayer, an act of fasting or penance, or another prayer of your choosing. If you would like to offer one or more prayers for Fr. John and his family as well as be a part of the spiritual bouquet that will be sent to his family, please contact Cheryl Bannon at [peaceangel1948@gmail.com](mailto:peaceangel1948@gmail.com) or by phone at 717-300-3790.

***Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.***

### **The Book of the Month for May**

#### **33 Days to Morning Glory**



The Book of the Month series here at Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church is a faith formation opportunity for anyone at any time! The book will be selected by Fr. Ben and published about two weeks before each month begins, and this gives everyone time to purchase it if they so desire for that particular month. There is no commitment, and you may join in or choose to forego any month and at any time. With the current restrictions, there will be a Zoom meeting to hear a summary and then discuss the book towards the end of each month, and you can simply join the email list to receive this Zoom meeting information by contacting the office. You can certainly join the Zoom meeting even if you didn't read part or any of the book, and the basic summary and Q&A will be published afterwards on our Facebook and YouTube webpages. Reading books is one way God can transform our hearts! God Bless you, and let's pray for each other during this time!

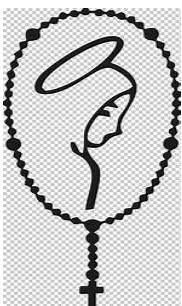
--Fr. Ben Dunkelberger

Since we are now entering into the month of May, which is traditionally a month dedicated to Mary, this month's book by Fr. Michael Gaitley is a beautiful introduction to growing in our devotion and understanding of Mary. Fr. Gaitley uses four saints and their lived relationship with Mary and life of holiness, Pope St. John Paul II, St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and St. Louis de Montfort, in order to lead us into a greater understanding of how Mary is praying for us in heaven and so deeply desires to lead us to her son, Jesus. This book is ideally meant to be read over the span of 33 days, and it ends with the encouragement to consecrate yourself to Mary. This simply means that we would entrust ourselves over to Jesus through the prayers of Mary. We will have the discussion on this book on Wednesday, June 2nd at 7:00 pm. God Bless you!

#### **Book Discussion Times and Dates:**

Please email or call the office to be put on the list and receive the Zoom meeting info towards the end of every month!

**May – 33 Days to Morning Glory** - Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm (most likely both in Zoom and in person (in the social hall))



**The month of May is dedicated to the honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.** The Holy Rosary is one of the most popular devotional prayers among Roman Catholics worldwide. For the past year the Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women has led the Rosary (virtually) every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. As an expression of our faith and deep devotion to our Blessed Mother, we warmly extend an invitation for all to join us as we come together to pray the Rosary. There will be special guests who will lead a decade of the Rosary. If you have a Marian Shrine in your home, perhaps you would like to share pictures during the May calls. For more information to log-in, please email [ccwexecutivesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:ccwexecutivesecretary@gmail.com) to be added to the group list. We look forward to praying with you."