

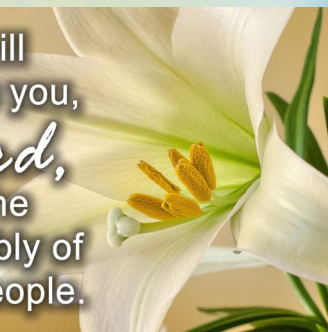
## Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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I will  
praise you,  
*Lord,*  
in the  
assembly of  
your people.



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of 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  
1st Fri. of the Month....7:30 am – 8:20 am  
1st Sat. of the Month...8:00 am – 8:45 am

### Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

1st Fri. 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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## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

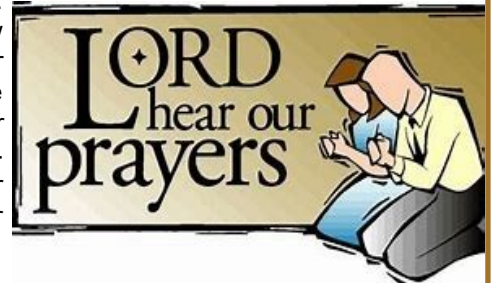
### **The Intercessions – (Part 7 of The Eucharistic Prayer) – Praying for others through Christ**

As Catholic Christians, one of our duties is to pray for other people. This is a very clear command from Jesus as well as all throughout the entire Bible (e.g. Gen. 18:20-33, 1 Tim. 2:1-2, Mt. 5:44, 2 Cor. 1:11, etc.). However, it is also important to remember that we pray through Jesus to the Father. In other words, Jesus is always interceding (praying) for us in heaven, and through His power, He is able to make our prayers spiritually fruitful by offering them to God the Father. For example, Jesus talks about His prayers for the Church and the world extensively in John 17:1-23f, and there is also a beautiful passage in Hebrews 7:25 about Jesus, the high priest, who "always lives to make intercession for them." Jesus is at the right hand of the Father in heaven, and He is the one who is both always praying for us AND always desiring us to pray for other people (so that He can make our prayers beneficial as well by offering them to the Father).

The Catholic Mass, and especially the Eucharistic Prayer is therefore the perfect time for us to reflect and meditate on this truth as well as for us to pray for people all around the world. The very last main part of the Eucharistic Prayer is called The Intercessions. There are so many beautiful prayers within this section, and they are similar yet a bit different within each variation of the Eucharistic Prayer that is being said by the Catholic Priest (one quick reminder that there are 10 different Eucharistic Prayers, and four main options that are most often used Eucharistic Prayers #1 through #4). One of the ways that can help us approach all these intercessions we make for other people during the Eucharistic Prayer is by realizing that there are at least three main types of intercessions that are said: {1} for Christians that are alive, {2} for those who have died, and {3} asking the Saints to pray for us as well.

You may have noticed that we always pray for the Pope (currently Pope Francis) as well as for our current Bishop (last year this was Bishop Ronald Gainer, and now it is Bishop Timothy Senior). In addition, there are prayers for the unity of the Church, for an increase in faith and charity among Christians, for those present at Mass, for clergy (the Catholic bishops, priests and deacons around the world), and for all the people that are members of the Church in general. It is well worth your time to turn to page 27-28 of our St. Augustine Hymnal here at OLV to look at the end of Eucharistic Prayer III (the one I currently use on most Sundays here at OLV) to see all these intercessions and to help you remember to pray for the Church here on this earth during this part of the Mass.

The next type of intercessory prayer that we say during the Eucharistic Prayer is a prayer for those who have died. We are meant to bring to mind both our friends and family who have passed away as well as all of those people who may be in purgatory and are journeying through purgatory towards heaven. It is a beautiful moment to realize that we can help be an instrument of God's grace for those we remember and those that are forgotten about by the world as Christ takes our prayers to the Father and pours out Divine Grace on those who need it in purgatory. Finally, we are actually petitioning God to encourage the Saints to pray for us from their place in heaven! Each Eucharistic Prayer usually includes a special mention of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph as well as sometimes a list of early Saints and Martyrs who we know are praying for us every day. It is such an important thing for us to remember this truth and then to be encouraged by their prayers so that we can continue offering our entire lives as a prayer through Jesus to the Father! May we enter into this part of the Eucharistic Prayer with hearts full of love to pray and intercede for the entire world. This happens through Jesus, and He brings our prayers to God the Father, and the Mass is perfect place to pray for other people as Jesus taught us.





## 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 May 19th

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

## PRAYER SHAWL RETREAT



**SATURDAY, JUNE 8th**

**9:30 AM – 2:30 PM**

**Diocesan Center**

**4800 Union Deposit Road  
Harrisburg**

Mark your calendar and plan to join women from our Harrisburg Diocese for a few hours as we pray, knit and crochet, enjoy fellowship and a catered lunch. We will again knit or crochet a special community service project while we pray the Rosary! We warmly invite you to take advantage of this opportunity to come together and share your handiwork and stories from recipients of prayer shawls. Join us even if you are a beginner. We will teach you!

Please bring any prayer shawls or projects you are working on to the Retreat. You are welcome to bring any finished prayer shawls you wish to display and any patterns you would like to share.

**Registration forms are in the lobby of the church**

Contact Kathy Kokoski at 717-448-8899 with questions.



## Register Now for Vacation Bible School!!!!

There is NO COST, but spaces are limited—so don't wait!

VBS is for students in pre-k (4 & 5 years old) through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

VBS is August 5-9 this year from 6-8pm in the social hall with some outside activities, as weather permits.

Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board outside of the Religious Education office. You may email, mail, or slide completed forms under my door! Let me know if you have any questions!

Jolene Cramm  
jcramm@hbgdiocese.org



## QUO VADIS DAYS RETREAT

Are you wondering what God's plan is for your

life? Do you need guidance in your discernment? Join us for Quo Vadis Days, a discernment retreat for men ages 15-25. Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recreation and sports, discernment talks, and great food are all included in this weeklong camp. Quo Vadis Days is June 23 - 27 at Mount Saint Mary's University and Seminary. Cost is \$100 per person. Register by June 14 to attend. Details and registration can be found at <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/event/quo-vadis-days/>. Questions? Please contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 or email [vocations@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@hbgdiocese.org).

### April 20-21, 2024 (in pew)

Weekend Collection:	\$3,563.00
Building Improvements:	\$1.00
Parish Youth Education:	\$70.00
Social Outreach:	\$80.00
Easter:	\$40.00
Catholic Home Missions:	\$20.00
Votives/Donuts:	\$69.75
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>\$3,843.75</b>

**NOURISHED**  
by **FAITH**

Thank you to all who made their pledge & donation to the Diocesan Annual Campaign. To date we have collected \$27,875.00 towards our goal of \$34,769

**GIVE ONLINE**  
with **WESHARE**

This is just a small reminder that you can give to our parish Sunday collection online either with an individual gift or with a recurring donation of your choice. Please visit [olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org](http://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org) for more information. Thank you!

**SUNDAY MAY 5 –  
TUESDAY MAY 7**



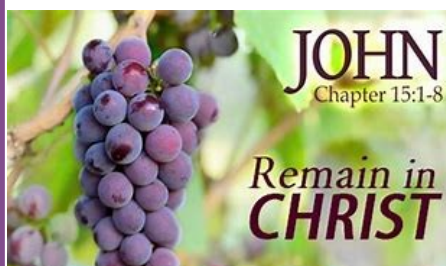
# 40 Hours Devotion

**Homily on Sunday, Monday & Tuesday  
Evenings at 7:00PM**

**Adoration Sunday from Noon- 7PM  
Monday & Tuesday from 9AM-7PM**

## The Word of God Alive:

**Discussing the Readings with your children**



**JOHN**  
Chapter 15:1-8

*Remain in*  
**CHRIST**

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speaking about our relationship to him. "Remain in me," he says. He says it so many times, we have an idea of how close God wants us to be.

**What does the word *remain* mean?**

To remain is to stay. God wants to be close to us and we play a part in that closeness. Our work is to "remain."

The first letter of John tells us very clearly how to do this work. "Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them." When we hear the word commandments, we might think of rules to follow. However, when the Israelites received the Ten Commandments, they received them as a gift of the Law. The very first words of this gift are, "I am the Lord your God." The gift of the commandments is a sign of a relationship between God and his people. So, to "remain" is to make choices to live in a relationship of love with God and all those God has created.

**Living our Faith:** Take time this week to pray and do good things for others so that you may "remain" in God.

### **Pentecost Collection: *Supporting Vocations to the Priesthood Today...Provide Priests for Tomorrow***

The Diocese of Harrisburg was blessed to sponsor 11 Seminarians for priestly formation this past year.

Please continue to pray for them, so that they may be formed as good and holy priests. If you are able, please also financially support their formation through the Pentecost Collection the weekend of May 19. The cost to educate one candidate for the priesthood is over \$46,000 per year. Gifts can be made using the special parish envelope or online at [www.hbgdiocese.org/pentecost-collection](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/pentecost-collection)




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, underinsured 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 Golluck at [kgolluck@cchbg.org](mailto:kgolluck@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.



**Sunday May 5th**

**Following the 11am Mass**

*Mary Crowning*



**MASS TIMES:**

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

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

*Ascension*  
OF THE LORD

## 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](http://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



**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.

**Wednesday, May 1st —Morning Prayer** 8:30am

**Wednesday, May 1st —Choir Rehearsal** 7:15-8:30pm  
All are welcome!

**Thursday, May 2nd—Knitting Group** Join us for coffee, snacks, and good conversation in the social hall after morning Mass.

**Friday, May 3rd — Confession** 7:30am-8:20am  
**Adoration** 9:00am-7:00pm

**Saturday, May 4th — Run with a Priest** (or bike, or walk). Meet at the social hall entrance at 10am

**Sunday, May 5th— May Crowning** following the 11am Mass



**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.

## CAR SEATS URGENTLY NEEDED

### Car Seats and Booster Seats Needed

Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (a Catholic Charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of new car seats and new booster seats. Please note that regulations require that the seats be new. Donations can be placed in the church lobby near the book rack. Thank you for your generosity!



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday,**  
5:00pm

**Sunday,**  
8:00am  
11:00am

**Tuesday,**  
8:30am

**Wednesday,**  
6:30pm

**Thursday,**  
8:30am

**Friday,**  
8:30am

**Saturday,**  
9:00am  
5:00pm

**Sunday,**  
8:00am  
11:00am

**April 27**

In Memory of Thomas Sutch

**April 28**

People of the Parish

In Memory of Richard Spisak

**April 30**

In Memory of Hoyt Miller

**May 1**

Intentions of Roberta Huffner

**May 2**

Intentions of Mike & Cheryl Bannon

**May 3**

Intentions of John & Andrea Thornton

**May 4**

In Memory of Robert McDonald

In Memory of Paul E. Topper

**May 5**

In Memory of Thomas Sutch

People of the Parish



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 ([harrisburgdiocesanccw.com](http://harrisburgdiocesanccw.com)) or from Jeanne Warren, Registration Chair, [warrenrjs@aol.com](mailto: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 Auxiliary 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.**