

# Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### MASS SCHEDULE:

#### Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm,  
Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am

#### Daily Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday &  
Friday 8:30 am,  
Wednesday 6:30 pm,

First Saturday of the Month: 9:00 am

#### Holy Days:

Vigil Mass 6:30 pm, Holy Day 8:30 am

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm  
Closed Holy Days & Holidays

Church (717) 532-2912  
Campus (717) 477-1244  
Emergency (717)323-2679

### CONFESSION TIMES:

#### Saturday:

3:30pm – 4:30 pm

#### Wednesday:

5:30pm – 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:

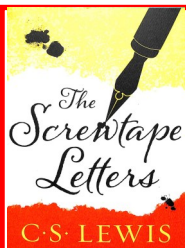
1st Friday of the Month:  
7:30 am – 8:20 am

Fridays; 9:00am—7:00pm  
sign up in the church lobby

### Our Mission:

*To Proclaim the Kingdom  
of God for the Salvation of Souls*

# CHURCH EVENTS



## Book of the Month March & April

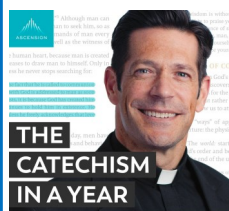
**The Screwtape Letters,**  
by C.S. Lewis

The Book of the Month for the March and April of 2023 is a classic by C.S. Lewis, who is also very well known for his other books like *The Chronicles of Narnia* and *Mere Christianity*! In this case, *The Screwtape Letters* is a masterful piece of fiction writing that brings the reader into a variety of 'letters' that are written from a senior evil spirit (or demon) to a new or younger evil spirit, with the goal of teaching how to properly tempt and distract human beings from the good things of the spiritual life and lead them into despair or grave sin. It is certainly an accessible book, and it is perfect for Lent to open our minds to the different temptations and false mindsets or distractions we can fall into during our journey towards heaven (as well as being perfect for Easter in the 'complaints and frustrations' of the evil spirits as to what good things we are doing in our lives to grow closer to Christ!).

Please consider joining us when we have our Book of the Month summary and discussion, and we will meet on **Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 – 8:30 pm** in the social hall of the church. **You do not need to finish the entire book or even read any of it to attend!** However, I do really think you will enjoy this book if you give it a chance. May God Bless you and help you grow closer to Christ this Lent and Easter! – Fr. Ben

## THE CATECHISM IN A YEAR!

Join Father Ben and a big group of parishioners at Our Lady of the Visitation as we learn and grow in understanding about our Catholic Faith by listening to a podcast for about 15-20 minutes a day (that equals only about 2-3 pages of the Catechism, which is not much!).



Father Mike Schmitz, who led a podcast two years ago that was beautiful and still free for everyone – *The Bible in a Year* – has decided to help everyone go a little deeper in our understanding of what the Catholic Church teaches by reading a tiny bit of the Catechism every day. Father Mike is very enjoyable to listen to because of his authenticity, his humor, his knowledge of the faith, and also his profound insights and application of the faith to every day life. **Our next meeting will be Wednesday night, May 17th from 7:15 pm – 8:15 pm** in our church's social hall. The event will be mostly a Q&A event for Fr. Ben, and anyone can certainly show up even if they have not kept up with this podcast or read any of the Catechism in their lives! Please come, and we will be in touch about future events as well.

Father Ben Dunkelberger



## Every 3rd Sunday

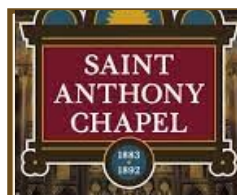
Immediately following the 11am Mass. Please bring a dish to share. Water, juice & coffee will be provided.

# PARISH PICNIC

SHIPPENSBURG MEMORIAL PARK

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7TH AT 6PM

WATCH FUTURE BULLETINS FOR MORE INFO



**Join us on Saturday, July 8 for the parish bus trip to Pittsburgh.** We will be visiting Saint Anthony's Chapel, home of the largest collection of relics outside of the Vatican, and the Vanka Murals of Saint Nicholas Croatian Catholic Church. Registration forms are in the back of the church. Cost is \$100 per person. For more information, please contact Travis Detwiler at 717-809-0672 or [travisedetwiler@gmail.com](mailto:travisedetwiler@gmail.com).

## OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION

### 40 HOURS OF ADORATION

**MAY 7—MAY 9**

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



**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 social hall will be open for water.



**Grades 6-12 will meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday evening (unless otherwise noted in the church calendar bulletin ad) from 6-8pm in the social hall. Feel free to invite your friends.**



# USHERS & GREETERS

Please consider being an usher. Duties will involve recruiting a family to bring up the gifts, securing the collection, and helping others get to their seats (especially elderly or handicapped individuals) among other things. Please contact Joe Cretella at [pjcretella1@gmail.com](mailto:pjcretella1@gmail.com) or (717) 377-1480 for more information.



The Catholic Church is community. With this teaching in mind, we are inviting families to join our greeter team. We are planning to expand the number of greeters; so families and any other interested parishioners are encouraged to contact John Thornton: [johnnie7746@gmail.com](mailto:johnnie7746@gmail.com) or (508) 868-5640 We would LOVE to have you become part of this very important and fun ministry. as a FAMILY or individual.

Called to *Serve*

## Contact Us for More Information

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**Music Ministry**.....Michael Adams  
[MAdams@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:MAdams@hbgdiocese.org)

## MEN'S RETREAT

**"A Roadmap for Better Living" August 4, 5, and 6, 2023!!**

This year's Corpus Christi Men's Retreat will again be held at beautiful, reflective Mt. St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, MD. You have had the opportunity to read reflections from attendees of last year's Retreat. Don't let another year go by without attending this wonderful opportunity to meet with other men of all ages, listen to inspiring sessions from our retreat leader, and grow in your faith journey. Our retreat leader this year is Monsignor William King. Msgr. King is Seminary Vice Rector at "The Mount". His theme can be subtitled "A Fresh Look at the Beatitudes". Watch your bulletin for more about the retreat and Msgr. King. And, of course, consider attending the retreat with over 250 other like-minded men.

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH



## Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition

industrial building on Marden Ave. which is off of Lurgan Ave. If we have enough help, it usually takes about 30 minutes. **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

**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:** Hound Packs are put together every Wednesday at 5:30 pm. Please sign up in the lobby of the church if you are able to volunteer. We pack them in the back of the

PLEASE DONATE



## Donations Needed for Lourdeshouse Maternity Home

Lourdeshouse Maternity Home (a Catholic Charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of: toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates/cups/bowls, plastic utensils, cleaning supplies (bleach, toilet bowl cleaner, multi-purpose cleaner, dish soap, wipes, disinfectant spray), regular laundry detergent and baby detergent. Donations can be placed in the box in the back of the church.

**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 laundry detergent, disposable masks, body/hand lotion, conditioner, and copy paper. Donations can be placed in the box in the back of the church.

# MASS Intentions

**Saturday, April 22**  
5:00pm Intentions of Cardinal Chito Tagle

**Sunday, April 23**  
8:00am In Memory of the Stewart-Gelas Family  
11:00am People of the Parish

**Tuesday, April 25**  
8:30am In Memory of Trudy Ensminger

**Wednesday, April 26**  
6:30pm In Memory of Alberto Marasigan

**Thursday, April 27**  
8:30am In Memory of Ed Huffner

**Friday, April 28**  
8:30am In Memory of Ed Huffner

**Saturday, April 29**  
5:00pm People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 30**  
8:00am In Memory of Doug Kauffman  
11:00am In Memory of Catherine Karvois

## CHURCH CALENDAR

**Sunday, April 23— Coffee Hour** (In Mary's Kitchen after the 8:30am Mass).

**Wednesday, April 19— Morning Prayer** 8:30am

**Friday, April 28—Eucharistic Adoration** 9:00am-7:00pm

**Saturday, April 29—Youth Group** 6-8 pm (Grade 6-12), Saturday evening from 6-8 pm in the social hall. Feel free to invite your friends!

**Sunday, April 30— Coffee Hour** (In Mary's Kitchen after the 8:30am Mass).



### ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

1st Friday of the Month:  
7:30 am – 8:20 am

Fridays; 9:00am—7:00pm (sign up in the church lobby)



This year marks the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, a yearly observance instituted by Pope St. Paul VI to encourage the faithful to pray for and promote vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

**Friday Adoration on April 28th will be dedicated for vocations.**

## The Word of God Alive:

Discussing the Readings w/your children

Third Sunday of



Today we listen again to the Gospel about that first Easter.

**What happened on that morning at Jesus' tomb?**

We heard that the women found the tomb empty, but they didn't understand what happened to Jesus. Jesus' friends were upset that he had died a horrible death. Since they did not understand that Jesus had risen, they could only wonder what had happened to his body. **Had someone stolen it?** When they met a person on the road, they did not recognize that this stranger was the risen Lord. But they recognized that this person knew the Word of God. The stranger helped them remember the particular ways that God had shown and told that the Messiah would



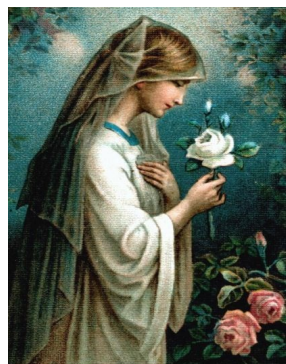
suffer and would enter into glory. He helped them understand the words of the Bible. The travelers felt something as they were walking that they only later realized: they felt their hearts burning.

**What might it be like to feel your heart burn with desire? How does it feel to have so much love for your mom or dad?**

They stopped for the night and had a meal. **What did the stranger do and say to make the travelers understand that it was Jesus who was with them? Where do you hear these words?**

The travelers, or disciples, asked, "Were not our hearts burning?" Even without knowing in their minds or their eyes, they recognized Jesus in their hearts.

**Living our Faith:** During this Easter Season, as you listen to the First Reading which is from the Acts of the Apostles, about the early Church and the Gospel, let your heart be on fire for the Lord. Ask Jesus to increase your faith in him each day.



Please join us as  
we celebrate our  
**May Crowning**  
**Sunday May 14th**

Following the  
11am Mass



Please join us for the Weekday Rosary. It is recited at 8am Tuesday – Friday, with Mass following at 8:30am on Tues, Thurs. and Friday and Morning Prayer on Wednesday at 8:30am

● 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER—APRIL 23, 2023

**MEN'S**

Mark your 2023 calendar for the 45th Men's Retreat sponsored by Corpus





## Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) @ Shippensburg University

You are invited to come to our many events, especially the weekly dinner and weekly co-ed Bible Study on Thursday nights in the Spiritual Center on campus [google it, if you're not sure where it's located!], but there will be so much more as well! We would love to get you into our GroupMe for CCM to keep you up-to-date on all our different events, including but not limited to, fun and fellowship events, service opportunities, prayer/retreats, and lots more too!

**Weekly events:** Located at the Spiritual Center right off campus on Thursday evenings. Includes two things, ·CCM Weekly Dinner = 5:00 pm ·Big Group Bible Study = 6:15 - 7:15 pm. For more information please contact Joseph at [jmgonzalez@ship.edu](mailto:jmgonzalez@ship.edu) or call the CCM office at 717-477-1244.

**If you would like to provide a meal for our Catholic Campus Ministry students, please contact Joseph at [jmgonzalez@ship.edu](mailto:jmgonzalez@ship.edu) or call the CCM office at 717-477-1244. The dinners are held every Thursday at 5pm (except during breaks) at the Spiritual Center on Campus.**



# JOB OPENING

## Associate Director of Catholic Campus Ministry Shippensburg University

*Help College Students live their Catholic Faith*

Catholic Campus Ministry at Shippensburg University is seeking an **Associate Director of Catholic Campus Ministry**, a full-time, ten-month (equivalent) professional position. Needed to assist the Director of Catholic Campus Ministry in leading our Christ-centered Catholic Campus Ministry. Responsibilities include: creating innovative ways to bring people together; responding to inquiries about the Catholic faith; providing opportunities for young adult faith formation; attending weekly CCM Mass; providing pastoral care to students; coordinating retreats; mentoring individual students; overseeing organizational and financial responsibilities; and guiding the student Leadership Team. We offer competitive salary and benefits. You must be a practicing Roman Catholic possessing the ability to respect, promote, accommodate, and not be in conflict with the mission, moral and social teachings, doctrines, and laws of the Roman Catholic faith and must be a Catholic in good standing with the Church. Preferred candidates will have previous experience in youth/young adult ministry and a strong academic background in a related field. **All interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter by to:** [FrBDunkelberger@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:FrBDunkelberger@hbgdiocese.org)

### April 15-16 2023 (In Pew)

Weekend Collection:	\$3,416.00
Building Improvements:	110.00
Social Outreach:	205.00
Votives/Donuts	59.00
Easter:	225.00
Holy Land:	50.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>\$4,075.00</b>
<b>March online giving total:</b>	<b>\$2,207.52</b>

**Online giving made easy!**

**Please visit the following link:**

**<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>**



As of date we have received \$29,248.00 in pledges & gifts towards our goal of \$31,608.00

To learn more about the Diocesan Annual Campaign, please visit <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/diocesan-annual-campaign/> Thank you in advance for your gift.

## COME ALIVE

**THE DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG**

**YOUNG ADULT CATHOLICS**

Friday, May 26—Sunday May, 28

Christian Retreat Center: 369 CRC Dr. East Waterford, PA

A Catholic retreat for all young adults (20s & 30s) married or single. Registration: <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/event/come-alive-young-adult-retreat/>

**DAILY MASS | ADORATION | CONFESSION | SPEAKERS**

**SMALL GROUPS | FELLOWSHIP**



## Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



**The next KOC meeting will be Thursday, May 4th at 7:00pm in the social hall.** For more information regarding the Knights please contact Travis Detwiler at 717-809-0672 or [travise-detwiler@gmail.com](mailto:travise-detwiler@gmail.com)

**The next Ladies Aux. meeting will be Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:00pm in the social hall.** For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or [ddbbonitz@gmail.com](mailto:ddbbonitz@gmail.com).