

5th Sunday
of Easter

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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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 6:30pm, Holy Day 8:30 am

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 church lobby)



Please join us as we celebrate our

May Crowning

Sunday May 14th
Following the 11am Mass




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. **Deadline to register is Sunday May 28th.** For more information, please contact Travis Detwiler at 717-809-0672 or travisedetwiler@gmail.com.

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.



SHIPPENSBURG MEMORIAL PARK
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7TH AT 6PM
SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH LOBBY BEGINNING THE WEEKEND OF MAY 20-21



Every 3rd Sunday
Immediately following the 11am Mass. Please bring a dish to share. Water, juice & coffee will be provided.



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. The social hall will be open for water.



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

Ascension of the Lord Mass Schedule

Wednesday, May 17th:
Vigil Mass 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, May 18th:
Mass 8:30 A.M.
Mass 6:30 P. M.





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 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 or (508) 868-5640 We would LOVE to have you become part of this very important and fun ministry. as a FAMILY or individual.

Contact Us for More Information

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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.



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: 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 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

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION

40 HOURS OF ADORATION

MAY 7—MAY 9

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

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 tote 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, 9:00am	May 6 Intentions of Susan Clanton
Sunday, 8:00am	May 7 People of the Parish
Sunday, 11:00am	May 7 In Memory of Trudy Ensminger
Tuesday, 8:30am	May 9 In Memory of Dwayne Burt
Wednesday, 6:30pm	May 10 In Memory of Carola Wendeln
Thursday, 8:30am	May 11 In Memory of Dawn Busey
Friday, 8:30am	May 12 Intentions of Eleonora Wendeln
Saturday, 5:00pm	May 13 In Memory of Berthold Wendeln
Sunday, 8:00am	May 14 Intentions of Lauren Bonitz Stump
Sunday, 11:00am	May 14 People of the Parish
	May 14 In Memory of Sarah Hubert

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday May 7--Tuesday May 9— Forty Hours of Adoration
(sign up in church lobby)

Sunday, May 7— Coffee Hour (In Mary's Kitchen after the 8:30am Mass).

Wednesday, May 10— Morning Prayer 8:30am

Friday, May 12—Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-7:00pm

Saturday, May 13—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, May 14— Coffee Hour (In Mary's Kitchen after the 8:30am Mass).

Sunday, May 14—May Crowning following 11am 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)



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

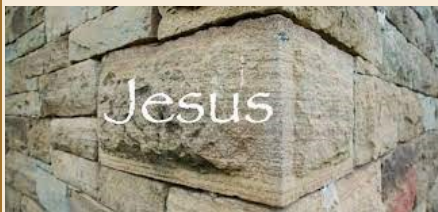
The Word of God Alive:

Discussing the Readings w/your children

Today's second reading from Peter gives us the image of a stone. **How can a stone help us think about who Jesus is in our lives? How would you describe a stone?**

In Jesus' time a stone was used to make buildings and walls to protect the cities. Stones are cold and unmoving. The letter of Peter describes the stone in an unusual way. It says, "Come to him, a living stone..." . Might we think of Jesus in this way, as someone strong, everlasting, protective, but also someone who loves, who moves in us?

The letter of Peter tells us that Christ is a particular kind of stone: our cornerstone. He is our foundation. If a house does not have a



good, strong foundation, the house will fall. If our foundation, trust in God, is not strong, we can falter or fall apart. We need to be people that obey the Word of God. The most important first step in obeying God is

knowing and keeping close to the Word of God. We have to read and study the Bible. We build up our lives and ourselves in our relationship with Jesus through the good choices we make. What we are building is a temple and we know that temples are where God dwells. If God dwells in us, we show God's love to others.

Living our Faith:

Spend time this week in prayer and reading the Bible to strengthen your cornerstone in Christ.



Ordination



With praise and gratitude to Almighty God, the Diocese of Harrisburg invites you to attend the Ordination to the Diaconate on May 20 and the Ordination to the Priesthood on June 3. Both ordinations are at 10 a.m. at Saint Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg. Free parking will be available in the South Street

Parking Garage (220 South Street, Harrisburg). Not able to attend in person? Join us via livestream at www.YouTube.com/hbgdiocese. Visit the Diocesan website for more details.



Tickets are here!

You may pick up your tickets M-Th from 9-4 in the parish office.

Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary

2023 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 or by downloading from the parish website. 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 submitted to the parish by 4pm on May 31st.**

QUO VADIS DAYS

"Behold the Lamb of God!" (John 1:29)

A discernment retreat for young Catholic men

June 25-29, 2023

Mount St. Mary's Seminary

www.hbgdiocese.org/vocations



Calling all young Catholic men – are you wondering what God's plan is for your life? Do you need guidance in your discernment? Join us for Quo Vadis Days for a time of recreation, fellowship, prayer and guidance as you explore God's call for your life. 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 for men ages 15-25 and will be June 25 - 29 at Mount Saint Mary's University and Seminary. Cost is \$100 per person. Register by June 16 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.

Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



The next KOC meeting will be Thursday, June 1st at 7:00pm in the social hall. For more information regarding the Knights please contact Travis Detwiler at

717-809-0672 or travisedetwiler@gmail.com

For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbbonitz@gmail.com.



Save the Date!

We are having an **Open House** in our social hall to discuss potential building projects at Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church. It will take

place on **Sunday, May 21st at 1:30 pm** (probably about an hour in length from 1:30 – 2:30 pm), so please mark your calendars. We have not committed to doing anything yet, and this is simply a brainstorming meeting where Father Ben will present a few ideas for building projects. Parishioners will be asked for both open discussion during the meeting, but especially, they will be asked to fill out a short survey. This survey will ask questions about these building project ideas and other suggestions as well as general parish questions such as what can our parish do better spiritually or what would YOU like to see in the parish overall as we move forward. This is a very exciting moment to potentially invest in our future, and I hope you will consider being present for this meeting if at all possible!

Thank you, and God Bless you

April 22-23 & 29-30, 2023 (In Pew)

Weekend Collection:	\$6,705.00
Building Improvements:	145.00
Social Outreach:	40.00
Parish Youth Education:	190.00
Votives/Donuts	80.83
Easter:	130.00
Catholic Home Missions:	442.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$7,757.83

Online giving made easy!

Please visit the following link:

<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>

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/>

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