



# OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

SHIPPENSBURG, PA

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

March 1, 2020



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Next Weekend's Scripture Readings will be:

Genesis 12:1-4a

2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Matthew 17:1-9

### Our Mission

To Proclaim the Kingdom of God  
for the Salvation of Souls

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**Weekend Masses** - Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:30AM & 11:00AM

**Daily Mass** - 8:30 AM Monday - Saturday

**Holy Day Mass** - Check [www.olvshippensburg.org](http://www.olvshippensburg.org) click on "Liturgical Schedule."

**Reconciliation** - Saturdays, 3:30PM-4:30PM; First Fridays of the Month, 7:30AM-8:20AM and upon request

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament** - 7:30AM - 8:30AM First Friday of the Month

**Bible Study** - Wednesdays at 6:30PM

**Religious Education**- Sundays 9:45AM-11:00AM

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday 9:00AM. Email proposed bulletin and pulpit announcements to the Office Manager at [tplotner@hbgiocese.org](mailto:tplotner@hbgiocese.org)

*Stations of the Cross*

FRIDAYS OF LENT 6PM

**PRO-LIFE GROUP:**

The next Pro-Life meeting will be **Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>** at **6:30PM** in Mary's Kitchen.



**Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary**

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The next Knight's meeting will be on **Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM**. For more information about the Knights contact Mike Connor at 717-377-4042 or [mconnor2001@gmail.com](mailto:mconnor2001@gmail.com)

The next Ladies meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00PM**. For more information about the Ladies Auxiliary please contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or [ddbonitz@gmail.com](mailto:ddbonitz@gmail.com)

**! SAFETY FIRST !**

**Health, Safety, and Security Committee**

The next Health, Safety, and Security Committee meeting will be **Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM**. All are invited to attend. The committee now has a page on the **Parish Website** – and there is information on it to provide transparency about the committee's activities

**A Prayer For**



**Father Dave Hillier**

Who Died March 5, 2014.

*Thursday is the Sixth Anniversary of His Death.*

Leader: Eternal rest grant unto Father Dave, O Lord.

Response: And let perpetual light shine upon him.

Leader: May he rest in peace.

Response: Amen.

Leader: May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Response: Amen.



**Holy Week Services**

Holy Thursday -- April 9, 2020

7:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday-- April 10, 2020

3:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday-- April 11, 2020

8:00 PM Easter Vigil of the Resurrection

**COFFEE HOUR**

**NO Coffee Hour from March 1<sup>st</sup> thru March 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of Lent.** If anyone is interested in helping with Coffee Hour please call the parish office at 717-532-2912 or email Tracy Plotner at [tplotner@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:tplotner@hbgdiocese.org)



**Lent Bible Study - Conversions**

This Lent we will be looking at calls to conversion in the Bible. Join us **March 4<sup>th</sup> through March 25<sup>th</sup>**, every **Wednesday at 6:30pm** to take a closer look at the stories about conversion in the gospel readings that we will hear throughout the Lenten season. We will watch a short video each week by Bishop Barron, and then work through the accompanying discussion questions as a full group. If you have any questions, contact Jev Voight at [JevVoight@gmail.com](mailto:JevVoight@gmail.com).

**Contributions for Feb. 22-23, 2020**

<b>Ordinary Income</b>	
Weekend Collection	\$3,831.46
Votives	63.25
Coffee Hour	9.00
Social Outreach	81.00
Parish Youth Education	206.00
Building Improvements	227.00
Ash Wednesday	25.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$4,442.71</b>

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday Feb. 29	8:30AM Mass 3:30PM-4:30PM 5:00PM Mass	For the Big Spring School District community Confession In Memory of Joseph & Annabelle Cretella
Sunday March 1	8:30AM Mass 9:45-11:00AM 11:00AM Mass	In Memory of the Stewart-Gelas Family Religious Education Class In Memory of J.T. Kuhn
Monday March 2	8:30AM Mass	In Memory of Charles Wentzel
Tuesday March 3	8:30AM Mass 7:00 PM	In Memory of Msgr. Vincent Smith Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday March 4	8:30AM Mass 6:30 PM	Intentions of Pam Snyder Lent Bible Study
Thursday March 5	8:30AM Mass 7:00 PM	In Memory of Fr. Dave Hillier Knights of Columbus Meeting
Friday March 6	7:30 AM 8:30AM Mass 6:00 PM	Adoration & Confession In Memory of Josephine Majewski Stations of the Cross
Saturday March 7	8:30AM Mass 3:30PM-4:30PM 5:00PM Mass	Intentions of Karen Collard Confession In Memory of Rene Lavoie
Sunday March 8	8:30AM Mass 9:45-11:00AM 11:00AM Mass	In Memory of Marian Sanford Religious Education Class People of the Parish

### Liturgical Ministers

Feb. 29-March 1	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Lectors:</b>	Mary Braun	Sheryl Rose	Matt Courson
<b>Ushers:</b>	Dan Marshall	Randy Prue	Leonard Joy
	Volunteer	Bob & Sue Kiley	Ed Kutlik
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Mary Lindsey & Matthew Lindsey	Micheal Righter & Volunteer	Garrett Courson & Volunteer
March 7-8	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Lectors:</b>	Mike Hess	Cheryl Bannon	Tom Feeney
<b>Ushers:</b>	Volunteer	Tom Wright	Leonard Joy
	Volunteer	Brian VanScyoc	Ed Kutlik
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Travis Detwiler & Volunteer	Sean Meehan & Volunteer	Kaz Predecki & Volunteer



**Our Lenten Parish Penance Service is on Wednesday April 1, 2020 at 6:30 PM.** Several priests will be available to hear confessions that evening. Let us humble ourselves before the Lord who suffered and died for us in order to save us from our sins.



On Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:30pm the Ladies Auxiliary will host speaker, Ayla Braley, nurse practitioner from Wellspan, on **"Keeping Yourself Healthy As You Age."** All members of the parish are invited to attend.



As we began Lent this past Wednesday, we ask to be mindful of the many gifts and blessings which have been bestowed on us by our loving Father. We are reminded that in giving to others, our lives are greatly enriched. May our Lent be one of reflection and inspiration, service and generosity to others, going beyond rather than doing without. As we are asked to support the Diocese Annual Campaign during **our in-pew commitment weekend next weekend**, may God guide us toward a successful Campaign

### THANK YOU VERY MUCH from the Ladies

**Auxiliary !** We appreciate all the greeters, cooks, sellers and purchasers who participated in our soup sale. We made \$300 for our work with the parish.

### Diocese of Harrisburg Men's Conference - Online Registration Now Open

Register now for the 2020 Diocese of Harrisburg Men's Conference, being held Saturday, March 28 at Bishop McDevitt High School, Harrisburg. The theme is: Catholic Men: Defenders of the Faith. To register, go to [www.hbgdiocese.org/men](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/men) and click 'Register Online'. Early-Bird price is \$35 per man. Our keynote speaker, Dr. William Donohue, President of the Catholic League, is an internationally known TV and radio personality, as well as an author. The title of his keynote is The Catholic Advantage. Donohue shows up on all the major news networks, FOX, CNN, MSNBC, etc. and is a fighter for the truth and a true, blue defender of the Faith. He is also a frequent guest on EWTN. In addition to the keynote speaker, the conference includes 46 workshops, Priests hearing Confessions, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, many Catholic vendors and time for food and fellowship. Bishop Gainer will be celebrating Mass as well as presenting a workshop. The conference is open to any man, Catholic or non-Catholic. Be one of 1,000 or more men to register for this fantastic conference!



STATIONS of the CROSS

**Fridays of Lent**

**6:00 PM**

### Corpus Christi Pro-Life Ministry



11:00 a.m. Rally at the State Capitol, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania  
12:00 p.m. March for Life

**Monday, May 18, 2020**

**11:00 AM Rally at the State Capitol, Harrisburg Pa**

**12:00 PM March begins**

If there is enough interest for the 1<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania March for Life in Harrisburg, a coach bus will:

9:00AM - Leave Corpus Christi

9:30AM - Leave Our Lady of the Visitation

10:30AM - Arrive at Capitol steps

2:00PM - Return to Our Lady of the Visitation

2:30PM - Return to Corpus Christi

If interested in attending, and to reserve a seat, please text Jean at 717-360-6620 with your name/s, # attending, and e-mail address. You will receive a confirmation back and any further information.

### Bankruptcy

*Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." (John 15:1-2)*

As was announced recently, our diocesan church will begin a process of chapter 11 bankruptcy. As I preached on Saturday February 15, the 70th anniversary of the founding of our parish, the pruning of our local church continues. Every branch that bears no fruit must be cut away. Every branch that does bear fruit must be pruned. A particular time of pruning is upon our local church. I look forward to the eventual results of the pruning because it tends to make a tree healthier and better. In the same way, our local church will be made healthier and better as the Lord does his pruning work.

**Remember: the parish is NOT bankrupt. We are still going strong! Praise the Lord!**















