

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

305 North Prince Street, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Our Mission:

To Proclaim the Kingdom of God for the Salvation of Souls

“Do to others
as you would
have them
do to you.”

Luke 6:31



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“Be merciful,
just as your
Father is
merciful.”

Sunday, February 20, 2022



Weekend Masses

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

Daily Mass

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday...8:30 am
 Wednesday.....6:30 pm
 First Saturday of the Month... :9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturdays..... 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
 Wednesdays.....5:30 pm – 6:20 pm
 First Friday of the Month.....7:30 am – 8:20 am
 First Saturday of the Month...8:00 am – 8:45 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month.....7:30 am – 8:20 am

Religious Education

Sundays9:30 am – 10:45am

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THIS IS THE LAST WEEKEND TO ORDER CRAB CAKES

The Knights of Columbus are taking orders for homemade Crab Cake sale. **The signup sheet will be in the back of the church until the weekend of February 19th and 20th.** The cost is \$6.00 per crab cake. They will be available for pick up after mass on February 26th and 27th, in the social hall kitchen.



Saturday, February 19

5:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, February 20

8:00am In Memory of the Stewart-Gelas Family
 11:00am Intentions of Christine Bondi

Tuesday, February 22

8:30am In Memory of Berkley Laite

Wednesday, February 23

6:30pm In Memory of Jorge Perez Sanchez

Thursday, February 24

8:30am Intentions of Frank & Georgette Rice

Friday, February 25

8:30am Intentions of Marcia Gauvin

Saturday, February 26

5:00pm In Memory of James Johnson

Sunday, February 27

8:00am People of the Parish
 11:00am In Memory of Steven P. Grezner



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary

The next meeting of the K of C will be on Thursday March 3rd at 7 pm in the Parish Hall. For more information contact Mike Connor at mconnor2001@gmail.com or 717-530-5165.

The next Ladies Aux. meeting will be Tuesday, March 1st at 7pm in the parish hall. For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.



**Mass Times:
 March 2nd
 8:30am &
 6:30pm**

What's Happening This Week

Saturday, Feb. 19th
— **Run with a Priest**
(or bike, or walk).
Meet outside of the
social hall entrance at
10am.

Sunday, Feb. 20th — **“Pot Luck Sunday”** Please bring a dish to share. The parish will provide drinks. Please bring your own place settings. This begins after the 11am Mass!

Tuesday, Feb. 22nd — **Women’s Bible Study**, 7-8:30 pm in Mary’s Kitchen. Reclaiming Friendship!

Wednesday, Feb. 23rd — **Morning Prayer 8:30am & Book of the Month** discussion group meeting 7-8pm in the social hall.

Saturday, Feb. 26th — **Youth Group** 6-8pm (Grade 6-12) Please meet in the social hall. Please bring a friend!

February 12-13 2022

Weekend Collection:	\$3,500.00
Building Improvements:	300.00
Social Outreach:	185.00
Parish Youth Education:	105.00
Votives/Donuts	67.13
Propagation of the Faith:	190.00
Poor Missions:	633.00
Eastern Church:	5.00
Matthew 25:	20.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$5,005.13

Online giving made easy!

Please visit the following link:

<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>



BECOMING CHAMPIONS FOR CHRIST

2022 Diocesan Men’s Conference

Saturday, April 2, 2022

Mark your calendars for the Diocese of Harrisburg’s Men’s Conference, *Becoming Champions for Christ*, on April 2 at in the Diocesan Center, Harrisburg. Keynote speaker Adam Janke headlines a panel of excellent speakers that will focus on standing firm as men of faith among the challenges of today’s faith-less society. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, Confession, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer are also part of this annual event. Registration is \$35 for in-person (includes light breakfast fare and lunch) and \$20 for virtual. Register today or learn more at www.hbgdiocese.org/men.



Please help support the Ladies Auxiliary by purchasing some homemade soup! Pints or quarts of soup may be purchased in the social hall after all masses on February 19th and February 20th.

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.

Thank you for your generosity!

SAVE THE DATE! - New Parish Directory Coming in May 2022!

We have signed up with Re:Member Church Directories for at least three days in mid-May to have pictures taken and a new directory created for our parish. Please put May 16th-18th from 2-8:30 pm on your calendars! **Sign ups will not occur until around Easter**, and we will let you know how to sign up.

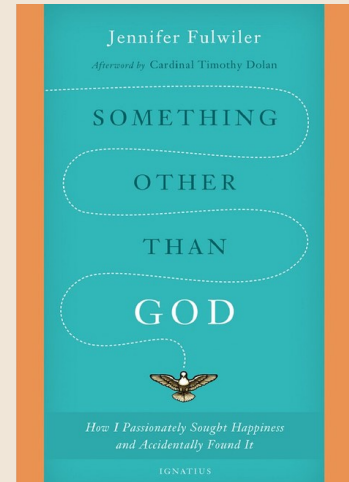


BOOK OF THE MONTH JANUARY & FEBRUARY

For the months of Jan. and Feb., we will be reading a book called ***Something Other Than God*** by Jennifer Fulwiler. When you hear the story of someone converting to the Catholic Faith, it is always very moving and powerful to see how God works in someone's life. Jennifer Fulwiler was raised without any faith or religion, and lucky for us, God has blessed her both with skill as a great writer and also with a beautiful, honest, riveting, and grace-filled journey into

the Catholic Church. We will be meeting on Wednesday, February 23rd from 7-8 pm in the social hall for the short summary by Fr. Ben and then the small group discussion of this book. Just a reminder that you don't need to read the whole thing or even any of the book to attend this meeting! We are asking parishioners (or visitors) to purchase this book themselves, but if you really need help financially or practically purchasing it, please let me know! This book is a bit longer than our other books (250 pgs), but it is a definite page-turner and invigorating to read. Please

consider checking this book out, and especially considering joining us on February 23rd if you are able to attend!



Run with a Priest! (...or walk or bike!)
Every 1st & 3rd Saturday we will meet outside the social hall around 9:45am where we will say a prayer at 10am, then go for a short run (walk or bike) on the Rails to Trails. The social hall will be open for water.



Church Potluck
Join us for a Potluck Sunday Lunch every 3rd Sunday immediately following the 11am Mass (so around noon or 12:15pm). Please bring a dish to share. The parish will supply water, juice & coffee.

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SCHEDULE

Grades 6-12 will meet every 2nd & 4th Saturday evening from 6-8pm in the social hall. Feel free to invite your friends.

Families Invited!!

We are expanding our Greeter Ministry starting in Lent. The Catholic Church is community. With this teaching in mind, we are inviting families to join our greeter team. Having a family at the social hall door to greet our children coming to CCD is a wonderful way to show we are a welcoming family oriented community. We often enjoy the presence of Mary's grandchildren at the 5 PM Mass on Saturdays. They always add spirit to the welcoming process. We are planning to expand the number of greeters; so families and any other interested parishioners are encouraged to contact John Thornton: (508) 868-5640, johnnie7746@gmail.com. We would LOVE to have you become part of this very important and fun ministry. Lent is only 4 ½ weeks away, so think, discuss, and pray about it as a FAMILY or individual.

Works of Mercy - Volunteer Information List

There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church for anyone who is interested in being contacted by our parish about service opportunities in this local area. There is no official commitment when you sign up on this sheet, but you will get specific emails or calls in the future about optional opportunities to serve the poor or disadvantaged. We will still post these opportunities in our bulletin, but more detailed information will be sent to those who sign up, and specific invitations

are helpful in these situations. Thank you! For more information please contact Bobbi Staver at 717-816-5309.





"On February 17, 1950, Bishop George L. Leech of Harrisburg made Shippensburg a parish in its own right. This church would also be responsible for the mission chapel of Doyleburg. Doyleburg was part of the parish until 1965. On February 18th, Father Norman Koller took up residence at the Hotel Shippens. Fr. Koller was a native of Buffalo, New York. Daily Mass was started on February 19, 1950.

In 1950 the Hosfeld property, 4.5 acres and buildings was purchased for the parish. A large house was remodeled to include the rectory and small meeting rooms. A former stable was made into a chapel. This was a time of anti-Catholic feelings in the general area populace. On Sunday December 3, 1950, the Holy Mass was offered for the first time on the new site."

Mike Bannon

Archivist for the Parish.

Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition

Volunteer Opportunities

HOUND PACKS

We have been doing very well supplying the soups. We pack 147 bags each week but only when school is in session. Each bag gets 10 items and 2 of those items are soup each week. We pack the bags on Wednesday at 5:30 and it takes about 30 minutes. Please consider volunteering to help. We pack at the warehouse that houses the Shoe Box Ministry on Marden Ave. We will start again in January. Questions call Bobbi Staver 717-816-5309

One Faith One Family
2022 Diocesan Annual Campaign

The 2022 Diocesan Annual Campaign, One Faith, One Family, has begun. Because of the generosity of the faithful throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg, our 2021 effort was remarkable with 72 parishes reaching and exceeding their goals. The many ministries and programs which received funding are humbled by the interest in and support of their efforts. From Evangelization efforts, to the many social service programs offered by Catholic Charities, to ongoing education and formation for our seminarians, clergy and ordained deacons, to support for Catholic education, your gift does make a difference. Please prayerfully consider your gift this year to ensure that the mission of the Church is fulfilled. To learn more about the Diocesan Annual Campaign, please visit <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/diocesan-annual-campaign/>

Beginning Experience
listen. accompany. heal

The ecumenical Beginning Experience weekends are an approved program designed for those suffering the loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation. Hundreds of persons have been helped to move towards successful, productive, happy lives by attending one of these weekends.

The weekend is led by persons who have lost a spouse through death or divorce and are trained in facilitating a weekend. Each Beginning Experience Team is certified by the International Beginning Experience Organization.

Beginning Experience is your Church at work to provide help, healing and spiritual restoration. Check the Harrisburg Diocesan WEB SITE: <http://www.hbgdiocese.org/> and go to marriage and family or check www.beginningexperience.org. Information can also be obtained by contacting the Harrisburg Beginning Experience Team at phone 717-379-0800 or jpen-nat_58@comcast.net.

Ushers Needed!

Serving others at Mass

As we are getting more and more back to normal here at Our Lady of the Visitation, many of our ministries are returning little by little. One great example of this is our need for more ushers and to help out at the Mass in a variety of ways. Please consider being an usher and signing up in the back of the Church over the next few weekends. We will have a very short but informative training on **Saturday, March 12th at 9:00 am**, and there will be coffee and some light food as well. 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. Thank you for considering this, and God Bless you!