

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 13, 2022

Then from the cloud
came a voice that said,
"This is my chosen Son;
listen to him."

Lk 9:35

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

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Shippensburg Catholic

2nd Sunday
OF LENT

While he was praying his face
changed in appearance and
his clothing became
dazzling white. - Lk 9:29



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



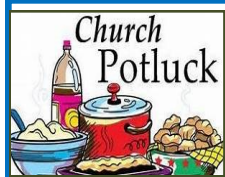
CONFESSION

Every Friday
(during Lent)
6:00-6:45pm

**In addition to the normal times"*



FRIDAYS AT 7:00pm



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.



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



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.

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We are in need of volunteers to make coffee for coffee hour on Sundays after the 8am Mass. Please contact the parish office if you are interested. Thank you!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 12

5:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, March 13

8:00am In Memory of Joyce Bright

11:00am In Memory of William S. Guzowski

Tuesday, March 15

8:30am In Memory of Heather Swartz

Wednesday, March 16

6:30pm In Memory of Patrick Gavin

Thursday, March 17

8:30am Intentions of Frank & Georgette Rice

Friday, March 18

8:30am In Memory of Tom & Joyce Bright

Saturday, March 19

5:00pm In Memory of Domenica Morreale

Sunday, March 20

8:00am In Memory of the Stewart-Gelas Family

11:00am People of the Parish



We will be having a penance service on **Wednesday, March 23rd starting at 6:30 pm**. This will be a short prayer service, and then it will be followed by opportunities to go to the Sacrament of Confession. There will be at least a few priests present to hear confessions and not only Fr. Ben. You may come after the 6:30 pm start time if you have time constraints (such as arriving at 7 pm), but confessions will end when there is no one left in line for confession. I hope this can be a powerful moment to experience God's mercy and forgiveness as we approach Easter and our celebration of Jesus rising from the dead!



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary

The next meeting of the K of C will be on Thursday March 17th 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, April 5th at 7pm in the parish hall. For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.

What's Happening This Week

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

Tuesday, March 15th — Ladies Lenten Bible Study from 7:00-8:30pm in the social hall.

Wednesday, March 16th — Morning Prayer 8:30am
Bible Study 7:15pm-8:15pm in the social hall.

Friday, March 18th — Adoration 9:00 am—7:00 pm,
Confession 6:00-6:45pm, **Stations of the Cross** 7:00pm

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

Sunday, March 20th — "Pot Luck Sunday" Please bring a dish to share. The parish will provide drinks. Please bring your own place settings.

March 5-6, 2022

Weekend Collection:	\$4,699.64
Ash Wednesday:	1,086.00
Building Improvements:	356.00
Social Outreach:	141.00
Parish Youth Education:	15.00
Votives/Donuts	62.79
Eastern Church:	20.00
Poor Missions:	10.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$6,390.43

Online giving made easy!

Please visit the following link:

<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>



2022 Diocesan Men's Conference Sat. 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.

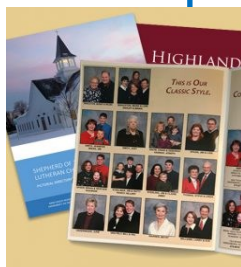
Women's Lenten Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study, Walking with Purpose, will be having a Lenten Bible Study called *Ordering Your Priorities: Building a Life Well Lived* on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. This will start on Tuesday, March 8th in the Social Hall (some future meetings may be held in Mary's Kitchen), running until April 12th, and all women are welcome and encouraged to attend and check it out! Please consider stopping by at least once if you can, and please contact Mary Geesaman at 717-552-7487 or email mgeesaman1@gmail.com for more information. Finally, If you are unable to attend any/all of these dates, **Walking With Purpose** will have LIVE sessions on Thursdays at 8pm beginning March 3rd, via Instagram, YouTube, and Facebook for self-study opportunities.

SAVE THE DATE! -

New Parish Directory Coming in May !

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.



Were you married in 1972? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 10, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation, please contact your parish office at 717-532-2912 or email Tracy at tplotner@hbgdiocese.org



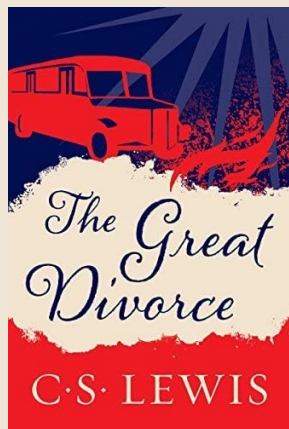
Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of the parish for **significant savings**. Gate admission for Regular is \$77.80; our price is **\$39.95** (ALL ages 3+).

***ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Meal Tickets at a savings of up to 12% off retail prices - \$13.99 each and *ADD-ON Snack Vouchers - \$4.50 each *ADD-ON Parking Pass - \$20.00 pre-ordered or**

pay \$25.00 onsite. Tickets purchased in 2022 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2022 calendar year, expiring on our final day of operation, January 1, 2023. Orders must be received at the parish by **Friday, April 29, 2022**. Parishes will receive tickets on or before the week of May 23, 2022. Order forms are in the back of the church.

MARCH & APRIL



The Great Divorce? - Divorce is about the great separation OR the difference in our the state of hearts for eternity.

The Great Divorce by

C.S. Lewis

This book is not about divorce literally, but it is a classic fictional story focused on heaven and our journey to get there through our lives on this earth. C.S. Lewis is such a well-known and well-loved author, and this book truly does immerse the reader in a tale and pulls us out of the superficial and non-essential aspects of our lives and encourages us to surge towards God and heaven with all that we are and meant to become in God's grace. This does not attempt to give a full theological treatise on the topics of heaven and hell, judgement and paradise, but it does help us lift our imaginations above the banality of this life and put

our minds on things of God. We will read this book throughout the months of March and April, and the book discussion will take place on Wednesday, May 4th from 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the Social hall of the main church. Each parishioner will be asked to purchase the book themselves online or in a bookstore, but please let us know if you have any financial difficulties with this, and we will find a way to help you out and get the book. Just one last reminder, that this Book of the Month is not a book group or book club. It is truly just a monthly or bi-monthly gathering where everyone is welcome. After a summary of the book by Fr. Ben, there is some very relaxed small group discussion. Please join us!

God Bless you.

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. as a FAMILY or individual.



The Shippensburg Students for Life Group is sponsoring a Diaper Drive from March 5th—March 20th. You may drop off items in the back of

the church. Items will be collected after the 11am Mass on Sunday, March 20th and donated to PMI Shippensburg. Thank you!



FRIDAYS During Lent

We are going to try this during Lent to see how it goes, but Adoration and silent prayer is very powerful and one of my main encouragements for all people! This Lenten season, we will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9:00 am (after morning Mass) until 7:00 pm (when Stations of the Cross begin). There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the Church for each Friday, and we do need people to sign up for these times in order for this to work out well. Trust me when I say, that if you put yourself in front of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist for an extended period of time, He will pour His grace into your heart in a powerful way to say the least. God Bless you, and please contact me with any questions frbdunkelberger@hbgdiocese.org.



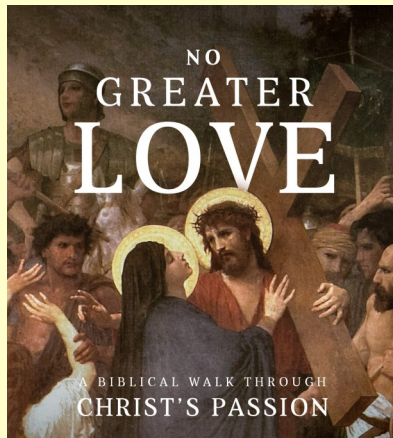
Works of Mercy - Volunteer Information List

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. For more information please contact Bobbi Staver at 717-816-5309.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

No Greater Love

Fr. Ben will be hosting a Wednesday evening Bible Study starting on Wednesday, March 16th from 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the Social Hall. It will be five weeks long (ending on Wednesday, April 12th), and it will be focusing in on Jesus' Passion during what we now call Holy Week, which is the week leading up to Jesus' Resurrection and Easter Sunday! We will watch 25 - 30 min videos, and then have a big group discussion. You can purchase this book if you'd like online, but it is not required to attend. Please considering joining us for one or more evenings, and God Bless you this Lent!



Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of

Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—grow closer to Jesus than you ever have before. Authored and presented by Edward Sri, *No Greater Love* also features Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jeff Cavins, Jennifer Fulwiler, Curtis Martin, Teresa Tomeo, Fr. Josh Johnson, and Elizabeth Sri.



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 support!



A caring adult can make a lasting difference in a child's life forever. If you can provide a loving home, we will provide the support that you need. To find out how to become a foster parent, please contact Catholic Charities Specialized Foster Care at (717) 564-7115 or gpfeifer@cchbg.org.

Classes start soon!



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



The 2022 Diocesan Annual Campaign, One Faith, One Family, has begun. Hopefully everyone has taken time to re-

reflect upon all the information that has been shared. I ask that all parishioners prayerfully consider the opportunity today to offer a gift to the Diocesan Annual Campaign. We would like everyone to participate and help our parish reach its financial goal of **\$30,223.00**. Those who have given before know we are grateful. We need your help again this year. Those who have not given before, please make this year your first gift to the Diocesan Annual Campaign. Everyone's help is needed. Please also remember that any amount raised above our goal stays in the parish. Thank you for being a part of the Diocesan Annual Campaign. Thank you to all who have pledged to this year's campaign. To date, we have received **\$3,010.00** in-pew gifts/pledges totaling towards this year's goal of **\$30,223.00** for the Diocesan Annual Campaign.



Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend scheduled for April 2, 2022

The Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend is a group experience designed to give couples private time to plan their future together. The weekend gives couples who are planning to marry the opportunity to communicate with each other—individually, honestly, and intensively—about their prospective lives together: their strengths and weaknesses; desires, ambitions, and goals; their attitudes about money, sex, children, and family; and their roles in the Church and in society.