

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

305 N. Prince St.

Shippensburg, PA 17257

Pastor and Campus Minister-

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27, 2025

*"For everyone
who asks, receives;
and the one who
seeks, finds;
and to the one who
knocks, the door
will be opened."*

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm,

Sunday 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Daily Mass:

Tues., Thurs., & Friday 8:30 am, Wed 6:30 pm

First Saturday of the Month: 9:00 am

*(Only During the College Fall & Spring
semesters there will be Mass on Mondays at
9pm & every Saturday 9am)*

Reconciliation:

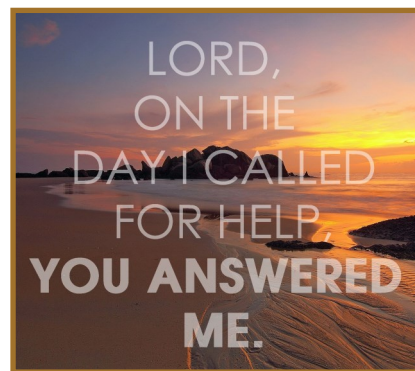
Saturdays...3:30pm—4:30pm,

Wednesdays...5:30pm—6:20 pm

1st Fri. of the Month...7:30—8:20 am

1st Sat. of the Month...8:00—8:45 am

*(Only During the College Fall & Spring
semesters the Sacrament of Penance will be
Mondays 8:30pm- 8:50pm
& every Saturday 8-8:50am)*



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

1st Friday of the Month 7:30 –8:20 am

Fridays...9:00am—7:00pm

Wednesdays..5:30pm-6:20pm

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Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:00pm

Closed Holy Days & Holidays

Our Lady of the Visitation HISTORY MUSEUM

Take a walk through OLV history
in celebration of our 75th Anniversary

JULY 19 - 27
in the Social Hall



Please pray for all the men, especially the 13 from our parish, who will be attending the 47th Corpus Christi Men's Retreat next weekend, August 1 - 3 at St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, MD.

FOREWORD BY MIKE SWEENEY FR. BURKE MASTERS

A GRAND SLAM FOR GOD

A JOURNEY FROM BASEBALL STAR TO CATHOLIC PRIEST



Book of the Month

July and August 2025

The stories that we read can often change our perspective of our day-to-day lives.

Whenever you hear about a professional baseball player who decides to become a Catholic priest, this is one of those types of stories! The

Book of the Month for both

July and August 2025 is **A Grand Slam for God: A Journey from Baseball Star to Catholic Priest** by Fr

Burke Masters. Father Burke Masters is now a Catholic priest in Illinois, but his life story has lots of ups and downs, including his conversion to the Catholic faith as well as the struggle of hearing God's call to become a Catholic priest. When we take the time to enter into some else's story and testimony of their encounter with Christ and journey of discipleship, it can change us and allow us to more fully follow Jesus in our lives as well. Please consider purchasing this book in order to read it during July and August of 2025, and we will have the Book Summary and Discussion on **Wednesday, September 3rd from 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm** in the parish social hall. You will have to purchase this book individually (*we are not able to purchase this for everyone and give it away*), but even if you don't get a chance to read it over these two months, please still come to the meeting on September 3rd!

2025 Summer Picnic

The Black Catholic Apostolate invites all the faithful in our Diocese to a picnic on August 17, from 2:00-6:00pm, at the River Front Pavilion on City Island, Harrisburg. Come and enjoy the African American Catholic Culture in a celebratory Sunday afternoon. Hotdogs, Hamburgers and drinks will be provided.

Those attending are asked to bring a favorite covered dish or dessert to share. Also, bring your favorite games to play. Everyone is welcome to join us!!! For more information, contact Angelé Mbassi at (717) 608-0718 or Deacon Armando Torres at datorres@hbgdiocese.org or call 717-657-4804 Ext. 221

MASS FOR HOPE & HEALING

to pray for the survivors
of clerical sexual abuse


Tuesday, September 9th at 7 p.m.

Mary Mother of the Church

625 Union School Road, Mount Joy, PA


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**In the social hall after the 8am Mass on the following dates:
July 27 & August 17**

Please join Father Ben in the church from 9:45-10:15 for a little singing lesson! No solo's! This will be a group event. Everyone is welcome!



The 2025 Pennsylvania March for Life will be on Monday, September 22, 2025, in Harrisburg. Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be offered prior to the March at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick starting on Sunday, September 21st at 2:00 pm, lasting overnight, and ending at 9:00 am on Monday, September 22nd.

Please commit to one hour (or more) by signing up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4BADAC29A2FECF8-57421246-pamarch#/>

9:30 A.M. - March for Life Opening Mass,
Cathedral of St. Patrick

11:00 A.M. - March for Life Rally,
State Capitol steps

12:00 Noon - March for Life March

1:30 P.M. - March for Life Closing Mass,
Cathedral of St. Patrick



Everyone in the Diocese of Harrisburg and the greater Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is invited and strongly encouraged to attend. We will unite in prayer and number to support and protect the sanctity of all human life.

For more info please contact Marianne Weltmer at mweltmer@hbgdiocese.org or 717-657-4804 ext 322.


A Prayer Service

A service for and with the sick, ailing and those suffering the aches and pains of old age will be held 9:30 am Sunday, August 3rd in the Church

Come
pray for yourself, a friend, a family member.
Come
pray for and with those physically present.
Come
pray for those present in our minds and hearts.

And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the holy Spirit to those who ask him?
- Luke 11:9-13



God wants us to pray for each other, and God desires us to experience His healing grace in a variety of ways. Please come and join us to pray in a special way for those who are sick, ailing, and anyone that we know who has aches or pains of old age or in any way. God Bless you.

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them - Mt. 18:20



Join us for the Rosary
Tuesday—Friday
at 8:00am.



Please join us for
Morning Prayer every
Wednesday—8:30am

The Word of God Alive:

Discussing the Readings with your children

In today's Gospel, the disciples ask Jesus to teach them how to pray. Jesus teaches them the Our Father. Let's reflect on one line at a time.

Our Father who art in heaven: Jesus tell the disciples to call God "Father", who is a loving and caring God.

hallowed be thy name: God and God's name are holy. We are to treat God's name with respect and reverence.

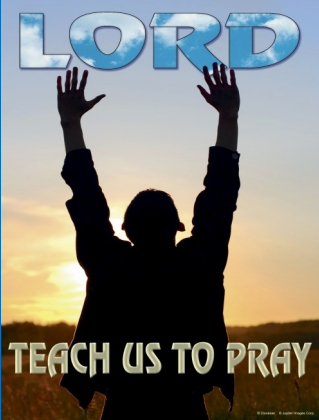
thy kingdom come: We are praying for God's kingdom of love, peace and justice on earth.

thy will be done: We pray that we will know and follow God's will for us.

on earth as it is in heaven: We ask God to help us work for God's kingdom on earth, rather than following our own wants.

Give us this day our daily bread: We ask God to provide us with our daily needs.

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us: When we do something that we shouldn't do (sin), we ask for God's forgiveness. At the same time, we are called to forgive those who have sinned against us.

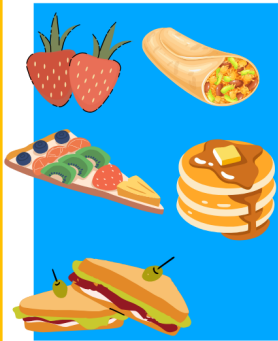


and lead us not into temptation: We ask God to keep us away from sin.

but deliver us from evil: We need God's help to keep us from sinning because none of us is perfect.

Amen: I believe

Living our Faith: This week pray the Our Father every day and think about what each line means.

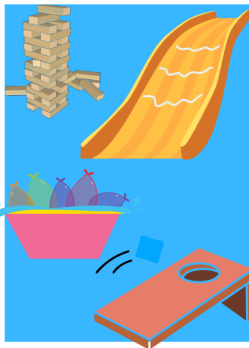


11AM

Rain or shine:
08.16.25

Please bring a dish to share. Breakfast or lunch items. Drinks and paper products will be provided.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING BRUNCH



FAMILIES RSVP TO KIM BY 8/10



(410) 310-2461



fb.me/e/3r4mzfQho

RSVP for Bundy address or look at FB event



Hound Packs is looking for a volunteer for the following:

We are looking for a two year commitment for this position:

- Creating a menu for each week during the academic school year
- Ordering food online through the Central PA Food Bank
- Attend packing on Wednesday evenings to count the bags that are packed (this takes about an hour)

If interested please call Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition (SCRC) at 717-477-1961

July 19-20 2025 (in pew)

Weekend Collection: \$4,473.00 Building Improvements: \$26.00

Social Outreach: \$55.90 Votives/Donut Hour: \$27.00

TOTAL INCOME: \$4,581.90



If you would like to give to the Sunday collection online either with an individual gift or with a recurring donation of your choice, please visit olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 26	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, July 27	8:00 am	In Memory of Thomas Sutch
Sunday, July 27	11:00 am	In Memory of Edwin McNamara
Tuesday, July 29	8:30 am	Intentions of Louise Bonnie
Wednesday, July 30	6:30pm	Private Intentions
Thursday, July 31	8:30 am	In Memory of Berthold Wendeln
Friday, August 1	8:30 am	In Memory of Payge Couch
Saturday, August 2	9:00 am	In Memory of Georgette Rice
Saturday, August 2	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, August 3	8:00 am	In Memory of Patrick Dechene
Sunday, August 3	11:00 am	In Memory of Kalman Csoppu Jr.

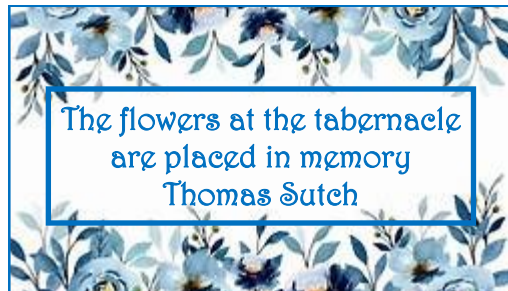


Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



The next Knights of Columbus meeting is Thursday, August 7th at 7 pm in the parish hall. Please see Pat Shay at 732-319-6132 for more information on the KOC.

The next Ladies meeting will be on Wednesday, September 3rd at 2pm in the social hall. For more information on the Ladies Auxiliary please contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.



Use this QR code to join our very own OLV Youth Group page on the "Group Me" app! This is a great way



to become more informed about the youth group—we post updates weekly on the app! Please contact Kim Bundy with any questions at 412-310-2461.

YOUTH Meeting

All students in grades 6-12 are invited to our next Youth Group Meeting on **Saturday, August 9th from 6pm –8pm** in the social hall.

We are excited for the future of youth ministry and currently discerning the volunteer structure and how we can best lead this ministry with everyone playing their own role. If you personally feel called to help out with youth ministry, please contact Father Ben to discuss any interest you may have and to begin a conversation about what this could look like for our parish!"

Volunteers needed

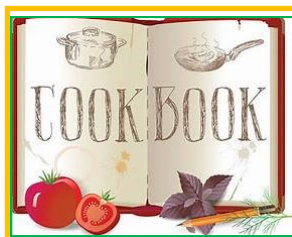
CHURCH
Potluck
JOIN US FOR FOOD
& FELLOWSHIP

The next potluck will be Sunday, August 17th following the 11am Mass.

Please bring own place settings and a dish to share.
Water, juice & coffee will be provided.



The Knitting Group meets in the social hall every Thursday after the 8:30am Mass All are welcome!



75th Anniversary Parish cookbooks are on sale for \$15.00.

Please contact Tammy Polifka at 717-404-2985 or email polifka.t@yahoo.com for more information.



Just a reminder that we are still collecting plastic bags as part of the recycling challenge. We have 2 recycle bins, one is placed in the social hall and the other bin is placed in the lobby of the church closest to the social hall entrance. We just reached our goal of 1000lbs for this year, lets reach it again next year!

**WALK
RUN
BIKE**

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.

Choir Rehearsal

The next Choir practice will be
Wednesday, August 13th
from 7:30pm-8:30pm

TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!

All men 18 & older are invited to attend! The next meeting is Saturday August 2nd 7:30am-9:00am

Join us for breakfast at 7:30am in the social hall followed by a video and discussion on the Mysteries of the Rosary.