

18th Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

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Shippensburg, PA 17257

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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

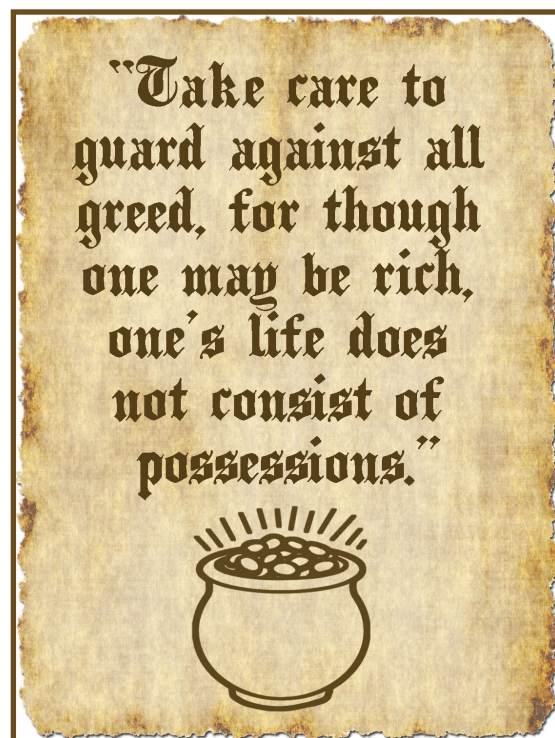
*(Only During the College Fall & Spring
semesters the Sacrament of Penance
will be Mondays 8:30pm- 8:50pm
& every Saturday 8-8:50am)*



The Rosary
Tuesday—Friday
at 8:00am.



Morning Prayer
every Wednesday—
8:30am



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You Tube- Shippensburg Catholic

Church (717) 532-2912

Campus(717) 477-1244

Emergency(717) 323-2679

Office Hours :

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

Closed Holy Days & Holidays

Come meet other faithful young adults from all across south central PA. Are you part of a young adult group? Come share what your group has been up to (and maybe gain some new members). Not part of a young adult group yet? Come see what event options and awesome communities are out there (there are more than you think). Mass will begin at 11:30 a.m. at St Margaret Mary Church in Harrisburg. Cookout to follow in the pavilion area right next door. There is no payment required (though we encourage you to bring a potluck dish to share). Hope to see you there!

Diocese of Harrisburg

GET CONNECTED

Young Adult Mass and Cookout

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 | 11:30 AM

FOOD | FELLOWSHIP | FUN

St Margaret Mary Church
2800 Paxton Church Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17110

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For More Info Contact zhaney@hbgdiocese.org

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

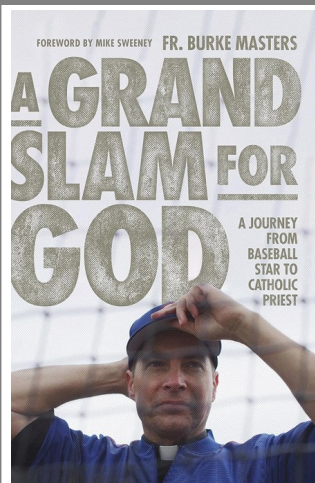
Night At The Ballpark



Holy Family Radio Night at the Ballpark with the Harrisburg Senators Baseball Team is Saturday, August 9th. Gates open at 5:00 pm and the first pitch is at 6:00 pm. This event benefits WHYF. Support Central PA's only Catholic Radio Station! The link to order tickets is on the station website: 720WHYF.com.

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

Singing for DUMMIES

Singing for DUMMIES & DONUTS

In the social hall after the 8am Mass on August 17th

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!





MASS SCHEDULE

The Assumption
Of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THURSDAY AUGUST 14TH
VIGIL MASS— 6:30PM

FRIDAY AUGUST 15TH
HOLY DAY MASS—8:30AM AND 6:30PM



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

The Word of God Alive:

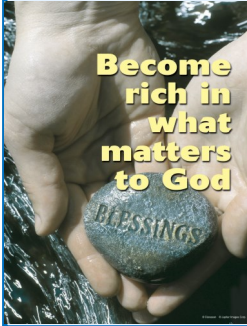
Discussing the Readings with your children

Have you ever felt like you wanted something another person had? Have you ever felt jealous over what someone else had?

When we want more than what we have, or more than what we need, that is called greed. Today's Gospel begins with Jesus warning us about greed. Jesus says, "Guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

The parable is about a rich man whose land produced so much more at harvest time that it would not fit into his barns. He tears down his barns to build bigger ones. He will store his overabundance and rest easy knowing he has enough stored up for years to come.

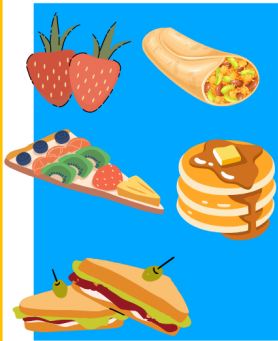
God calls the man a fool. He asks the man what good full barns will be if he should die tonight. God says, "Thus it will be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."



How can you grow rich in God's sight?

You can be nice to your brothers and sisters. Do what your parents ask you to do the first time they ask. Be nice to the children in your neighborhood. The more we use the gifts from our heart to help others, the more our gifts will grow. Since we are all connected to one another, the love and care we show others can change the world.

Living our Faith: This week, honor and thank God for all he has given to you and ask the Holy Spirit to help you focus on what matters to God.



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 2 6-27 2025 (in pew)

Weekend Collection:	\$3,931.00	Building Improvements:	\$5.00
Social Outreach:	\$45.00	Parish Youth Education:	\$188.00
Votives/Donut Hour:	\$38.00	TOTAL INCOME:	\$4,207.00



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, 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.
Tuesday, August 5	8:30 am	Intentions of Bruce & Carol Otruba
Wednesday, August 6	6:30pm	Private Intentions
Thursday, August 7	8:30 am	In Memory of Georgette Rice
Friday, August 8	8:30 am	In Memory of Bob Babel
Saturday, August 9	5:00 pm	In Memory of Dolores Stern
Sunday, August 10	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Sunday, August 10	11:00 am	In Memory of Roger Dechene

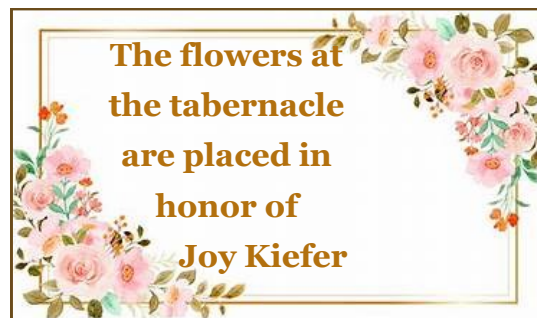


Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



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.

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!"

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!

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

All men 18 & older are invited to attend! The next meeting is Saturday August 9th 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.