Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

Shippensburg, PA 17257

Pastor and Campus Minister-Rev. Ben Dunkelberger—frbdunkelberger@hbgdiocese.org

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20, 2025



"There is need of only one thing.

Mary has chosen the better

part and it will not be taken

from her."

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Daily Mass:

Tuesday, Thurs.,& Friday 8:30 am, Wednesday 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...9:00—7:00pm Wednesdays..5:30-6:20pm

Website-olvshippensburg.org

You Tube- Shippensburg Catholic

Church (717) 532-2912 Campus(717) 477-1244 Emergency(717) 323-2679

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm Closed Holy Days & Holidays

Parish Staff Contact Information:

Associate Director of CCM	John Klarmann
jtklarmann@ship.edu	(717) 477-1244
Parish Office Manager:	Tracy Plotner
tplotner@hbgdiocese.org	(717) 532-2912
Religious Ed. Coordinator	Jolene Cramm
jcramm@hbgdiocese.org	(717) 532-2912
Music Ministry	Michael Adams
madams@hbgdiocese.org	

Parish Ministry Contact Information:

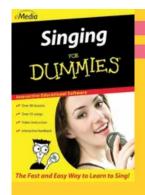
Homebound Coordinator	John S. Bonitz
jsbonitz@comcast.net	(717) 262-3614
Greeter Ministry	
johnnie7746@gmail.com	(508) 868-5640
Usher Ministry	Joe Cretella
pjcretella1@gmail.com	. 717) 377-1480



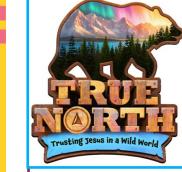


Take a walk through OLU history in celebration of our 75th Anniversary

JULY 19 - 27 in the Social Hall



Ginging for DUMMIES & DONUTS



Register Now for Vacation Bible School!!!

There is NO COST, but spaces are limited—so don't wait!

VBS is for students

in pre-k (4 & 5 years old) through 5th grade.

VBS is August 4-8 this year from 6-8pm in the social hall with some outside activities, as weather permits.

Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board outside of the Religious Education office. You may email, mail, or slide completed forms under my door! Let me know if you have any questions!

Jolene Cramm jcramm@hbgdiocese.org

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!

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



July 12-132025 (in pew)

Weekend Collection: \$3,609.15 Building Improvements: \$80.00 Social Outreach: \$130.00 Parish Youth: \$65.00 Votives/Donut Hour \$48.05 Catholic Relief: \$250.00

TOTAL INCOME: \$4,182.20



If you would like to give to the Sunday collection online either with an individual gift or with a recurring donation of your choice,

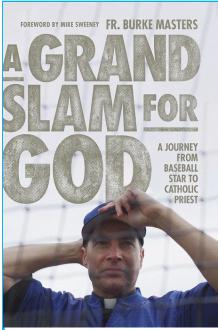
please visit olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org.



Holy
Baptism
Please welcome Grace Claire
Mazenko (daughter of Benjamin
& Hannah) & Luke Matthew
Hoover (son of Greg & Alyson)
into our Catholic family.

Grace and Luke received the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday July 13, 2025

May they both continue to grow in God's love and grace.



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 <u>A Grand Slam for God: A Journey from Baseball Star to Catholic Priest</u> 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!

The Word of God Alive:

Discussing the Readings with your children

How do you get ready to welcome a friend or a guest who is visiting your home?

In today's Gospel we hear about two sisters named Martha and Mary who welcome Jesus as a guest to their home. Mary sits at Jesus' feet and listens to him. At that time in history, women would not have been allowed to sit and listen to a rabbi or teacher. The women were in another room and only allowed in to serve the men.



Why does Martha get upset with Mary?

Martha is busy serving the group. When she welcomed Jesus into her home, she would welcome the others with Jesus. Martha may feel burdened or overwhelmed with the task of serving the guests. She is angry because she believes

Mary should be helping her with the tasks of serving others.

Jesus tells Martha she is worried about many things and that Mary has "chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." Martha nor Mary had done anything wrong. Jesus does not want Martha to miss out on his teaching.

Martha welcomes Jesus and the disciples in the same



way you welcome your friend who visits. Mary welcomes Jesus into her home by giving him her full attention.

Living our Faith: This week, tell Jesus what's in your heart and listen for his response in your heart.



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!



Saturday, July 19	5:00 pm	In Memory of Patricia Kubiak
Sunday, July 20	8:00 am	In Memory of Joshua Everett
Sunday, July 20	11:00 am	People of the Parish
Tuesday, July 22	8:30 am	In Memory of Michael Best
Wednesday, July 23	No Mass	(Intention celebrated by Fr. Ben while away) Private Intentions
Thursday, July 24	No Mass	(Intention celebrated by Fr. Ben while away) In Memory of Raymond James Kress
Friday, July 25	8:30 am	In Memory of Daniel Barnett
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

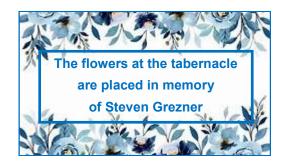


Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary



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 please Ladies Auxiliary contact 717-860-4909 Donna Bonitz at 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, July 26th 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!"



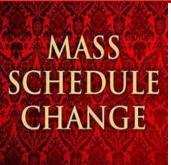
The next potluck will be Sunday, July 20th following the 11am Mass.

Please bring own place settings and a dish to share.

Water, juice & coffee will be provided.



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



Due to Father Ben being on vacation July 21-25 and unfortunately the lack of available priests to cover Masses the only daily Masses that will be celebrated will be on Tuesday July 22nd at 8:30am and Friday July 25th

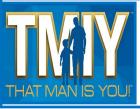
at 8:30am. There will be no Mass or Confession on Wednesday July 23rd. Please join us for Morning Prayer on Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30am.



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, July 23rd from 7:30pm-8:30pm



All men 18 & older are invited to attend! The next meeting is Saturday July 26th 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.