FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners.

Following foolishly after the things of this world leads us in the wrong direction. We know that temptation is all around us. It is tempting to get ahead at the expense of others and we are tempting to put material wealth ahead of spiritual wealth. The following Christian virtues require grace and it takes practice and hard work. So let us pray for that grace. For as we heard in the first reading this Sunday in the Book of Ecclesiastes, "What profit comes to a man from all the toil and anxiety of the heart if we are not rich in what matters to God?

Yours in Christ,

Father Dave

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 5 - 9:00 a.m.

FRANCIS & VERNA SAUERS

Tuesday, August 6 - 9:00 a.m.

CLAIR & MARGARET FRY

Wednesday, August 7 – 9:00 a.m.

JOSEPHINE KOCHOL (Conceda Krell)

Thursday – August 8 – 9:00 a.m.

ANNA CONNIFF (Staff & Residents of York Terrace)

Friday, August 9 – 9:00 a.m.

NANCY CONNORS (Ron & Pat Lombel)

Saturday, August 10 - 5:00 p.m.

SCOTT BOWERS (Scott Williams)

Sunday, August 11 – 8:15 a.m.

JOSEPHINE BROZANA (Ron & Pat Lombel)

Sunday, August 11 – 10:30 a.m.

DOROTHY BLUM (Kathy Vicic)

PRAY FOR OUR SICK / DECEASED



We remember in prayer those who are ill. We commend to our Divine Lord all of our aged people and those residing in nursing homes.

Sick: Tom Jefferson, Rachel Kujat, Paul Burns, Lorelei Oswald, Jean Hill, Sue Klem

Moore, Rebecca Weiss, Pat Thomas, Mildred Ditzler.

Deceased: Carol Heacock

CANDLE DONATIONS

BVM - IMO Catherine Smith by Linda & Martin Smith St. Joseph - IMO Catherine Smith

by Linda & Martin Smith

Tabernacle – IMO George Klassen Sr. by Family **Sanctuary**

1.IMO Mary Hahner by Hahner Family

2,3,4. – IMO Bill Flynn by Marie Flynn

Guardian Angels

1&2. IMO Bill Flynn by Marie Flynn

SCHEDULE

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5 p.m. – Saturday – August 10th

Reader: Heidi Gorski

Euch.Min.: Gerry Schwartz, Dominic Chiplonia

Servers: Cooper Chiplonia, Riley Doyle, Alyssa Sheriff

Cantor: Lucilla Kochol

8:15 a.m. - Sunday - August 11th

Reader: Michelle Ambrose

Euch.Min.: John Corbacio, Jeff Naffin

Servers: Ryan & Emma Seiger, Michael Prestileo

Cantor: Debbie Purcell

10:30 a.m. – Sunday – August 11th

Reader: Carol Lasco

Euch.Min.: Joyce Gerace, Justina Majestic Servers: Mark Disabella, Ava Orlowsky,

Dylan Bohorad

Cantor: Marianne Wollyung

ATTENTION - SCHEDULE

All Readers, Servers, and Eucharistic Ministers ... your help is needed ... please let us know your plans for September & October so that we can get started on the schedule for those months. Please call or email the Rectory by Monday, August 12th to let us know when you are **NOT** available during these months. Thank you.

MEN'S GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP

Men's Gospel Reflection Group meeting will take place on Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Rectory Fellowship Room. This group is open to any men interested in reflecting on how the Gospel impacts their lives. All are welcome! Please call Michael Scheidel 739-1808 or Bill Gianfagna 573-0105 with any questions.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Describe the spiritual inheritance you hope to leave to your family and friends.

Next Week's Readings

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (August 10/11)

Reading I: Wisdom 18:6-9 **Reading II:** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 **Gospel:** Luke 12:32-48

FLOWER DONATIONS

If anyone wishes to memorialize flowers in the sanctuary for the weekend Masses for a living or deceased intention, please call the Rectory 622-5470.

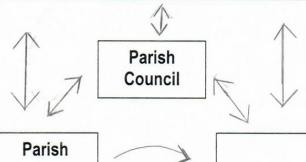


But his delight is in the law of the Lord ... Ps. 1:2

THE AMAZING PARISH

THE FLOW OF COMMUNICATION DIAGRAM

PARISH FAMILY



Leadership
Team





GOALS:

- 1.Better serve the needs of the parish.
- 2.Increased lay participation in decision making.
- 3. More openness to the ideas of the parish family.
- 4.Better communication between Pastor/Parish Leadership Team and the Parish Family.
- 5. More focus on the parish's unique mission.

PRAYER GROUP

Our parish Prayer Group will continue to meet on the second Sunday every month after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. We will meet in front of the Blessed Sacrament making it more convenient for all to participate. Please join us and if you can't, please place your prayer requests in the box on the side of the confessional in the rear of church. (There is paper available on the shelf)

For questions or prayer concerns, please contact one of the following parishioners:

John Corbacio	570-640-5038
Sandy Frinzi	570-739-1630
Bob Hahner	570-640-4448
Rosie Kenderes	570-628-4945
Miriam Tirjan	570-739-4221

DIVINE MERCY PERPETUAL ADORATION

We need adorers for the following hours:
Tuesday 2 p.m.; Wednesday 12 a.m., 1 a.m.
Thursday 3 a.m., 4 a.m.; Friday 6 a.m.; 3 p.m.
Saturday 4 a.m. & 12 p.m.; Sunday 12 a.m., 4 a.m.
Whenever you are unable to cover your Holy Hour, for whatever reason, we are always able to get a sub.

Call or text Aleece for information 570-449-7678.

EVENING OF PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS



Join us here at St. John's on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 4</u> <u>from 7 to 8 p.m.</u> for a *Eucharistic Holy Hour* to pray for our priests serving in the Diocese of Allentown. This evening of prayer will include a Rosary for priests and litany prayer for the

intercession of Saint John Marie Vianney, Patron Saint of Parish Priests. We hope you can join us!

R. C. I. A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is for anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic or in updating and deepening their understanding of the Catholic Faith. Are you interested in deepening your own faith? Or do you know anyone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Please invite them to join us. Have them call St. John's Rectory, **622-5470**, to register for the RCIA sessions. All are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions!

CCD Registration

Please make sure your child is enrolled in a Religious Education Program.

\$60.00 – First Child \$55.00 – additional Child <u>Please register ASAP</u>

Registration forms are available at the rectory during the week or at the church exits on weekends.

CCD PROGRAM

Our CCD Program is in need of a <u>First Grade Teacher</u> for the 2019-2020 school year. Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9 to 10:15 a.m. in our



school building. No experience necessary, just a desire to pass on our faith to our youth. All volunteers must have all required clearances including Protecting God's Children. For more information, call Lucilla Kochol at the rectory 570-622-5470 ext. 5.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

... will be held at Nativity BVM High School <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 6th from 6 to 9 p.m.</u> Please call 570-622-8110 to register ...

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Eligibility ... male or female, 4th grade (in Fall) to 12th grade ... if interested, please call the Rectory 622-5470.

Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Genesis 18:4

Mid-Summer Festival

Dear Parishioners,

Even though we had two days of hot and humid weather, our Mid-Summer Festival was still a success! Friday and Saturday evenings drew smaller crowds but at least we didn't have any rain and we still sold the bean soup despite 95 degree evenings.

I would like to thank our Festival Committee, especially Jason Prestileo, Ric Jochems, George Zwiebel, the Derbes Family, Michelle Ambrose, Joe Burns, Sandy Frinzi and Maeve Ketner, for their work on the committee. They made sure everything was ready in a timely manner to make the Festival run smoothly. Also, a special thank you to Ann Marie DeFrank and our great Festival Food Committee for stepping up. They made sure the food was well prepared and ready for both nights. They also sold food Sunday morning.

Thank you to all those who volunteered to set up and clean up, work at the stands, prepare the food, make desserts, or anything that needed to be done for our Festival. It is the hard work of many that makes the Festival so successful.

And, of course, what would our Festival be without the famous Pugh Family Bean Soup. Even with the heat, they made the kettles of their delicious soup. I thank them sincerely for all their donations and hard work. It's definitely one of the favorite things people look forward to each year at the Festival.

The Festival would not be successful, however, without the sponsors, patrons, and donated prizes for various stands as well as all those who patronize the Festival itself. All your donations make a difference and we thank you for them.

The final profit for the Festival will be forthcoming within the next few weeks after all the bills are paid.

.... And now for some ... "not so good news"

Over the last few years our Festival help has been dwindling and we need someone to actually be "in charge" of the Festival. I have been doing this for about fifteen years and its time now for me to step down. So if the Festival is to continue next year, someone will need to be "in charge" of the committee and run the Festival lock, stock, and barrel. It mostly requires organizational work, but it is a task that requires commitment. I will be more than willing to make sure that you know what needs to be done, but I will not be "in charge" of the Festival next year. So in order for the Festival to continue, someone needs to step up to the plate! We would need to have someone in place by the beginning of 2020. So please let me know if you are interested.

Again a very big thank you to all who made this year's Festival a great success!

Yours in Christ, Father Dave

Mid-Summer Festival

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(\$200.00 plus) CACL

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Steve & Jan Kurtek	\$ 25.00 – Ice Cream
Erika Montalvan	\$ 25.00 – Ice Cream
Z & M Painting & Papering	(2) \$ 50.00 – Clown
Bob & Mary Porter	\$100.00 – Coke
Robert & Marie Doyle	\$ 40.00 – Bleenie Mix
Barbara Krupa	\$ 40.00 – Bleenie Mix
Rick & Kelly Painter	\$ 40.00 – Bleenie Mix
Mary Lou Roeder	\$ 40.00 – Bleenie Mix
Theresa Skrobak	(2) \$ 80.00 – Bleenie Mix
John & Bernice Petock	\$ 50.00 – Pizza
St. John's CYO Program	\$ 50.00 – Pizza

CHANCE BOOK - PRIZE WINNERS

\$1,000 - John Kutch

\$ 500 - Barb & Al Munster

\$ 250 - Fran Mickey

\$ 100 - Maria McMurtrie

5 50 - Tony Gaburick

\$ 50 - R. Tyson

\$ 50 - Vince Baiocco



<u>Thank You</u> to the following who donated items or baskets for our Specials Table ...

Chris Black Patty & John O'Neill
Nora Chiplonia Eleanor & Joe Orzechowski

Tammy & Ken Cooper Pod & Petal Shanna Deibert Prezelski's

Sue & Brian Eckley Carole & Ed Quirin Sandy & Joe Frinzi Rosann Sitkus

Lorraine Gurlavage Linda & Martin Smith

Frances Lorenz Chris Zanis

Murphy Jewelers Kathleen & George Zwiebel

Patriotic Basket – (donor unknown) Knoebel's Basket – (donor unknown)



Mid-Summer Festival

FESTIVAL PATRONS

\$150.00Laurita Buehler Friends of St. John's \$100.00 Gorski Family Green Wave Assoc. Sharon & Larry Lonergan **Neil & Frances Manus**

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Alice & Dave Bechtel The Blankenhorn's

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Robert Burns Masonry

Martha Golden Grabowski Family

Jerry & Diane Hudock Herm Minnig

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Bill & Michelle Lescavage Dorothy & Leo Lotz

PUGH FAMILY BEAN SOUP

Thank You -- A very special and deserving Thank You to the Pugh Family and their relatives for preparing that delicious Pugh Family Bean Soup recipe and for donating everything needed for the stand. This was their best



SET-UP / TAKE-DOWN

As in all we do at St. John's, things don't "just happen" without the involvement of many people. We especially thank the following who helped to set-up and/or cleanup for our Festival. We had fun and it went very quickly.

Set-Up / Take-Down

Michelle Ambrose Jerry Hudock John Bosche Ric & Sue Jochems Ed Brahler Pat Klassen Bob, Braden, Brent Burns Rachael Kubick Joe Burns Joe Kurtek Sandy Clauser Ed Leffler Michelle & Ally Darhun Charlene Lesher Ann Marie DeFrank Annie & Frank Murphy Joan Deiter Al Norkus Derbes Family Patty & John O'Neill Bill DeWald Prestileo Family Tom Flynn Nick Quinn Sandy Frinzi Scheidel Family Noel Glunz Dave & Josh Steffan

BAKED GOODS / DESSERTS

Once again our Baked Goods Stand was a success! A very special "thank you" to all of our wonderful bakers and our stand workers. We couldn't have done it without all of your hard work and delicious desserts.

Sincerely,

Larry Steficek

Luis R. Visot

George Zwiebel

Michelle Darhun & Joan Deiter

Our Bakers

Bob Hahner

Bill Hauptly

Paul Herb

Maggie & Rhyan Brennan Christine Maccarone Ally & Michelle Darhun Hilda Malev Joan Deiter Marie McMurtrie Mary Ann Filiac Carole Quirin Barb Munster Millie Fredericks Sonya Halsey Natalie Setlock Sue Jochems Rosann Sitkus Bernie Lecher Judy Williams

Frances Lorenz

Special Thank You -- to Carl & Toni Wiest for donating the White Cake & Chocolate Cake which were chanced off and also thank you for selling chances.

Winner of Cakes: Zane's and Olivia Eagan

FAMILY MATTERS

Youth. It might be hard for you to imagine ... but, the teens of our parish today are the future of our church. We pray this week that the Lord guide them during their years of change and growth.

You pray for my family and I'll pray for yours.

Mid-Summer Festival

POT LUCK STAND

Once again, your generosity was overwhelming! We greatly appreciate all the donations made to the Pot Luck Stand. THANK YOU to all of our generous parishioners and to all the local businesses who so kindly contributed great prizes this year. We could not do the stand without you help.

Maureen Derbes

Potluck Volunteers: Alice Bechtel, Kelly Derbes, Laura & Kate Kramer, Joe & Maureen Kurtek, , Pat Zaharis

Zanaris.

KITCHEN COMMITTEE

Special thank you to **Ann Marie DeFrank.**

who did a great job overseeing the kitchen, making sure everything ran smoothly.

Also, thank you, Ann Marie, for making the Halushki again this year --- great job!

"Thank You" to all those dedicated volunteers who helped prepare the food, served at the stand and helped with the clean-up.

Sarah DeArment Ann Marie DeFrank Susan Hahner Pat Kutch Judy Meseravage Patty Miller Barb Munster Joe & Eleanor Orzechowski Barb Schoenauer Theresa Skrobak Linda Smith Dianne Stoudt Joanne Wood

THANK YOU

<u>Thank You</u> to *Tony & Anne Gaburick* for donating the Hot Dogs and Hot Dog Rolls.

Thank You to Tim Coyle for donating the Pierogies.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Maeve Ketner* who made all the great signs for the Festival.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Don & Joanne Doyne, Kathy & Bill Gianfagna* for donating the ketchup and mustard.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Dave Derbes, Dave & Cindy Smith* for donating their time in providing the great music entertainment.

<u>Thank You</u> to *St. Patrick's* for the use of their canopies.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Sandy Clauser, Rachael Kubick* for setting up the prizes for the various stands.

<u>Thank You</u> to *David & Lori Miller & Family* for their donation of paper products and supplies for our Festival.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Ric Jochems* for donating all the supplies for the new Paint Ball Game.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Sandy Frinzi* for donating all the supplies for the Children's Spin Art & Sand Art.

<u>Thank You</u> to *Mary Jean Morgalis* for selling chances at Boyer's.

Mid-Summer Festival

DESPITE OUR VERY BEST EFFORTS, WE INVARIABLY MISSPELL, MISPLACE, OR OMIT THE NAME OF AN IMPORTANT PERSON YOU! WE APOLOGIZE IF WE HAVE DONE THIS.

NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL ···

by Nativity BVM Green & Gold Boosters on <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 9th & Saturday</u>, <u>August 10th</u> at Nativity High School. Live bands, Homemade Food & Games, Mini Auction. Questions - please call Diane at 570-294-0551.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED Hosting an international student is an incredibly rewarding experience! Families who open their hearts and homes to international students create lifelong bonds and gain a better understanding of the world around them. Host Family reimbursement paid monthly. For more information contact Allyson Seibert 484-223-9797 or Stephanie Burleson 407-404-3311.

SCIENCE TEACHER - FULL/PART-TIME

Bachelor's Degree in Science is required. Science certification is preferred. Interested candidates for either position, please send résumé, clearances and references by August 8th.

CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE Part-Time- 25 hours per week, flexible hours. Interested candidates should send résumé, certifications and all clearances.

Mrs. Lynn Sabol
Nativity BVM High School
One Lawton's Hill
Pottsville, Pa. 17901
or Email: lsabol@nativitybvm.net

ASSUMPTION BVM SCHOOL ···

TEACHER OPENING Assumption BVM School is interviewing for a qualified educator with active teaching credentials for a 5th grade position.

COOK POSITION Assumption BVM School is accepting applications for a part time cook for the school cafeteria.

If interested in either position listed above, please submit letter of interest, résumé, and PA Background clearances to Mrs. Teresa Keating, Assumption BVM School, 112 South 7th St., Pottsville, Pa. 17901

DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS

INDEPENDENT RECONCILIATION

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COMPENSATION PROGRAM As a reminder to victims of clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Allentown, the deadline to apply for compensation as one aspect of your healing is **Sept. 30, 2019**. To learn more about the Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program, visit www.allentowndioceseIRCP.com, or call 1-833-267-6389.

DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY MASS will be held on Sunday, September 15th at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, 1825 West Turner St. in Allentown at 3:00 PM. We cordially invite couples celebrating 1-5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or 60 plus years of marriage to this special event. Please refer to the A.D. Times for a registration form or request a form by email at MFLF@allentowndiocese.org or register at www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass. The form must be completed and returned to the Office of Marriage & Natural Family Planning, 2121 Madison Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18017. The registration deadline is September 9, 2019. Questions, call 610-289-8900 ext. 2021.

Monocacy Farm Food Festival. The School Sisters of St. Francis will host the 4th Annual Monocacy Farm Food Festival on Sunday, September 19th from 11 a.m. til 4 p.m. at 395 Bridle Path Road in Bethlehem. This is a family-friendly event for the whole community. Live music, local food & craft artisans, fun children's activities, farm tours, chef and farm demos, petting zoo, raffles and more. The first 100 individuals/families will receive a free bag filled with goodies. All proceeds benefit The Monocacy Farm Project. Suggested donation is \$5 pp, or \$10 per family. Find us on Facebook!

St. Patrick Pre-School ···

St. Patrick Preschool at Assumption BVM is accepting registrations for the 2019-2020 school year! We offer 2, 3, and 5 day classes - both full and half day. Please email us at saintpatricks.prek@gmail.com or contact us at the school office 570-622-0106.

WEEKLY COLLECTION July 27/28: 3,845.20

We thank our parishioners for their sacrificial giving.

2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL- UPDATE

Total Goal: \$31,744.76 Amount Collected: \$10,646.00 Number of Donors: 8; Participation: 12.74%

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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FROM OUR PARISH NURSE ... Nearly half of all deaths from heart disease, strokes, and type 2 diabetes in the U.S. are associated with 10 dietary factors, according to estimates in a recent NIH-funded study in the *Journal of the American Medical Assoc*. The factors include low intakes of fruits, vegetables, nuts/seeds, seafood, and whole grains, along with excessive intakes of sodium, processed meats (like bacon), and sugary beverages. More deaths among men (49 %) than women (42%) were linked to these factors, primarily because of men's "generally unhealthier dietary habits," the researchers suggested.

NEIGHBORING EVENTS

SUMMER FOODFEST at St. Matthew's parish center, 120 Oak St., Minersville on **Sunday, August 11th** from noon to 4 p.m. Homemade ethnic foods ... pierogi, bleenies, haluski, halupki, bean soup, kielbasa, baked good and more! Mark your calendars NOW!

STEWARDSHIP LIBRARY

Stewardship Displays are located at the church

exits. There are many items available including CD's, Rosaries, Self-help and Informational Booklets, etc. **New Items include**: Music (lower door); Divine Mercy (main church), in addition to other great CD's or books.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS AROUND THE WORLD

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior."