

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by the Neiderer family in memory of Richard T. Neiderer
The flowers on the St. Joseph's Altar are designated in memory of Richard Sietz from Sharon & Rita

Mass Intentions

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Kathy Strausbaugh
Sun.	7:30a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10:00a.m.	John and Loretta Livelsberger
Mon.	8:00a.m.	Joan Miller
Tues.	8:00a.m.	Alice Sneeringer
Wed.	8:00a.m.	Mary E. Groft
Thurs.	8:00a.m.	Terri L. Neiderer
Fri.	8:00a.m.	Frank Hodas
Sat.	5:30p.m.	Living & deceased members of Earl & Dorothy Brady family
Sun.	7:30a.m.	James Baumgardner
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish



Offertory Procession

Sat. Aug. 5 th	5:30p.m.	Mr. and Mrs. Tom Myers
Sun. Aug. 6 th	7:30a.m.	Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hawbaker
	10:00a.m.	Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Lawrence family

We have three 13-jar holders not claimed. Serial #8348020 holder #1113, Serial #8348461 holder #1513, and Serial #355199 holder #1613. If you have any of these winning numbers please call the Parish Office at 717-637-2721.

From the Pastor: Devotion to St. Ann, the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary began in the early centuries of the Church and grew as word of the miracles attributable to her intercession spread. The following is taken from the website of St. Ann's Monastery in Scranton, PA:

Devotion to St. Ann and the Novena is truly an important part of the spiritual life of so very many people in this area and beyond. On the Feast of St. Ann, there are groups of pilgrims that come from surrounding towns on foot. A group from Dunmore leaves home at 4 A.M. and walks 3 miles to the Shrine for the 6 A.M. Mass. Groups from Pittston gather together at midnight to walk the 8 miles to the shrine and arrive around 3 A.M. That gives them ample time for making the outdoor Stations of the Cross and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation before the first Mass of the day at 4:30 A.M. These groups are predominantly young people who will tell you that their parents and grandparents began these traditions years before.

More than a century ago the Passionists arrived in Scranton to conduct missions and retreats. The people and the local clergy

loved them so much, the Fathers were invited to establish the congregation in the diocese.

A plateau of 10 acres, rather high above the city and known as "The Round Woods", was chosen by the Passionists and by Bishop Michael Hoban. Chosen on the day of the Virgin Mary's birthday, the new home of the Passionist Community was named in honor of Saint Ann, Mother of Mary. From July 17-25, the Passionists prayed a nine-day novena to St. Ann to ask her blessings, as was their custom.

On March 25, 1904 Mass was celebrated at the Monastery for the first time by Bishop Hoban. Commanding a splendid view of surrounding hills and valleys, the Round Woods became a great attraction to people near and far, and the beginnings of a strong new parish began forming.

Disaster struck on the morning of August 15, 1911 when a coal mine subsidence seriously damaged the monastery. The priests continued their ministries until two years later when another major slide caused them to evacuate. Mining experts predicted a huge collapse would carry the Monastery to the east.

On July 28, 1913, two days after the Feast of St. Ann, amid earthly grumblings and flying coal dust, the priest and laity knelt in solemn prayer throughout the night. At daybreak they were startled by a tremendous rumble, followed by deafening silence. What was supposed to have been a giant slide turned out to be two huge boulders moving into place underneath the building. Those rolling boulders closed the great fissures, making the Monastery grounds more solid than ever.

Thank you for your continued prayers and donations to the regional Gabriel Project. Your donations of clothing, hygiene items, and used furniture make a real and lasting impact. Further, it is a powerful witness to the value of life. Smaller donations can be placed in the basket in the Basilica vestibule. For larger donations or volunteer services, please call the parish representative - Rich King - at 717-688-5414. If you need help as a Gabriel Project participant, please call Rich or the regional coordinator - Dodie Funk at 717-632-2590.

Rev. John Szada, Jr. will say a Mass with prayers for healing on Tues. Aug. 8th at 7:00p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church.

Help is needed to clean the Church Thurs. Aug. 10th at 9:00a.m. Please bring a rag and bucket.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Abbottstown, is having a Parish Yard Sale Sat. Aug. 12th from 8:00a.m. – 1:00p.m. in the Social Hall. The Knights of Columbus will be selling food.

The Children's Rosary Group will gather at the Adoration Chapel in McSherrystown on Sun. Aug. 20th at 3:00p.m. Children ages 3 and older (adults too) are welcome. Rosaries and prayer books will be provided. For more information call Vicky Buntly at 717-632-3245.

Time to mark your calendars! The 10th Annual "Swing for the Sisters" Golf Tournament, to benefit the Sisters of Saint Joseph will be held on Sat. Sept. 30th at Flatbush Golf Course, Littlestown. For more information and/or to register, please call 800-482-6510 or email development@ssjphila.org

Harrisburg Diocesan Charismatic Day of Renewal, "The Holy Spirit – Fountain of Grace" will be held Sat. Sept. 16th from 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. at the Cardinal Keeler Center, 4800 Union Deposit Rd. Hbg. The speaker will be Rev. William "Bill" Cosgrove 12-year service team member for the Charismatic Renewal Liaison for the Charismatic Renewal under Cardinal Dolan in the Diocese of New York. There is a \$20 registration fee at the door and does not include lunch. To register or for more information: www.aliveinthepirit.net or www.hbsgdiocese.org/renewal or call Mary Ann at 717-564-7709.

At their recent Provincial Meeting on May 1st the Bishops of Pennsylvania voted to approve a recommendation that each Catholic diocese and eparchy in the Commonwealth be dedicated to the protection of the Blessed Mother. **So mark your calendars: The Bishops of PA will gather to celebrate Mass on Wed. Sept. 27th at 12:00Noon at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 212 State St. Hbg.** During which Archbishop Chaput will consecrate the province to Our Lady of Fatima. More information will be available in the future.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME – Travel with Father Timothy Marcoe on Proximo Travel's Rome, Assisi, Padre Pio & Shrines of Italy pilgrimage. Where: Rome, Orvieto, Assisi, Lanciano, Loreto, San Giovanni Rotondo, Pietrelcina, Monte Cassino. Trip Dates: **Sept. 9th through Sept. 19th.** Cost is \$4000.00 airfare and ALL included. To register, please contact 855-842-8001 or 508-340-9370. You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com

The Delone Class of 1965 will hold their 52nd Reunion Luncheon at 12:00Noon on Sat. Sept. 30th at Inn 94 on Carlisle Pk. New Oxford. For reservation or more information contact Judy (Bennett) Sieg at 717-632-3482 siegnalji@yahoo.com or Jean (Eline) Timmins at 717-632-6433 jeantim@embarqmail.com