

Sixth Sunday of Easter

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated in celebration of the wedding of Sarah Bowman and Ryan Haczewski here on Saturday.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:30p.m. Robert V. Myers
Sun. 7:30a.m. Burnell Lawrence
10:00a.m. The People of the Parish

Mon. NO A.M. MASS

Tues. 9:00a.m. Chris Leonard
Ascension Vigil Wed. 7:00p.m. Evie & Ranny Staub
Ascension Thursday 8:30a.m. Earl "Wayne" Gamble
7:00p.m. The People of the Parish
Fri. 8:00a.m. Marie Timmins
Sat. 5:30p.m. Leona "Pony" McIntyre
Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish
10:00a.m. For the family of Reese Bowman



Offertory Procession

Sat. May 12th 5:30p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Mark Vandergrift family
Sun. May 13th 7:30a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Don Smith
10:00a.m. Annette, Abby & Jessie Crawford

Attention Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors: we would like to get the summer schedule out so PLEASE put your serving preferences in the scheduler ASAP!

Congratulations to Sarah Bowman and Ryan Haczewski who were married here Saturday. May God bless them as they begin their new life together!



From the Pastor: This weekend on Sunday evening we will hold the Basilica May Procession and Crowning. May devotions in honor of the Blessed Mother began at the Roman College of the Society of Jesus in the late 18th Century and spread throughout the Church. By 1815, Pope Pius VII granted an indulgence for participation in devotions to Mary during May.

May devotions have been popular at Sacred Heart for a number of years. The 1921 program contained the following prayer:

O Holy Mary, my Mother and Advocate, to thy care and particular protection, and into the bosom of thy mercy, today and every day, and at the hour of my death, I commend my soul and body, all my hopes and consolations, my difficulties and afflictions, my life and the end of my life, that through thy most powerful intercession, and through thy merits, all my works and actions may be directed according to thy will and that of thy divine Son. Oh, my Mother! Oh, my Queen! I give myself entirely to thee, and as a proof of my devotion, I consecrate to thee this day, my eyes, my ears, my

hands, my heart, my entire person.

Since, therefore, I am thine, sweet Mother of my God, preserve me and defend me as thy property and possession. Amen.

We will recite this prayer at this year's May Procession. If you are unable to attend, would you please consider reciting the prayer on your own?

Congratulations to our Eighth Grade Parishioners who were Confirmed on Saturday. May the love between God the Father and God the Son as revealed by the Holy Spirit be upon them.

If you would like to put flowers on Mary's Altar for the month of May please use the blue pages in the Flower Book which is located on the table behind the last pew. Please put your name, address and most importantly your phone number as this serves as your account number with the florist. Each arrangement is \$30.00 and you will billed directly from the florist.

The Adams Deanery Perpetual Adoration Chapel is in desperate need of adorers for the following hours: Sun. at 4pm, Tues. at **3am**, & **5am** 9am, & 3pm, Wed. at **1am & 5am**, 9am, & 11pm, Thurs. at **12am**, Fri. at 3pm & 7pm, Sat. at **11pm**. **Hours that are in bold are in desperate need of coverage. Contact: Gloria Murren at 717-479-1071.**

This Sunday is our May Procession at 7:00p.m. and the beginning of weekly Marian Devotions every Sunday in May at 7:00p.m. All are welcome to attend!

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

The Health Care Ministry meeting is Thurs. May 10th at 2:00p.m. at the home of Christine Reynold.

Please come and help with the first clean-up of the year at the Picnic Woods Sat. May 12th from 8:00a.m. – 12:00p.m. Bring your rakes, string trimmers, shovels and other garden tools. Kids are welcome, we need them to pick up sticks!

The Parish Council will meet Tues. May 15th at 7:00p.m. in the school building.

The Sacred Heart Club will meet Mon. May 14th at 6:00p.m. in the Parish Hall. An ice cream social will be held and plans will be finalized for the Spring Outing. New members always welcome.

The Gettysburg Choral Society of Trinity United Church of Christ Presents "America Sings!" a concert celebrating our nations choral music. **It will be held Fri. May 18th 7:30p.m. at Trinity United Church of Christ, 60 E High St, Gettysburg.** Admission is free, all

are welcome. Donations appreciated.

The Children's Rosary Group will gather Sun. May 20th at 3:00p.m. at the Adoration Chapel, 9 N. Third St. McSherrystown. For more information call Vickie Bunty 717-632-3245.

The East Berlin Community Singers, under the direction of Jane D. Johnston, will be holding their Fifth Anniversary Concert entitled "Hallelujah", on Sun. May 20th at 4:00p.m. at Paradise Lutheran Church, 3241 Church Road, Thomasville. Bring along a canned good to donate to the Abbottstown /East Berlin Food Bank. A free will offering will be taken at Intermission. Also featured is the Bermudian Springs High School Eagle Singers.

St. Francis Xavier PCCW will hold a Rummage Sale on Sat. May 26th from 8:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. at Xavier Center, 465 Table Rock RD, Gettysburg. Bag sale from 1:00 – 3:00p.m.

Parish Financial Report

Cash Balance at 6/30/17	\$154,944.73
Parish Collections (offertory) July-March	362,678.96
Individual Contributions July-March	49,769.49
Elective annual distribution from Diocesan FOCUS account (limited to 5% of the balance)	24,648.84
Recording of fundraising (including 2017 picnic) by Diocese	27,910.19
Other Parish Income July-March	90,594.83
Remainder of contractual obligation to former Sacred Heart School employees (July & August salary and benefits paid)	(112,075.00)
School Assessment July-March:	
St. Teresa of Calcutta (monthly 9,029.10)	(81,261.90)
Delone (monthly 3,806.50)	(34,258.50)
Operating expenses July-March (church, church office, rectory & convent)	(362,189.95)
Transfer of cash to the building savings fund	(53,823.57)
Transfer of cash to restricted fund-scholarships	(25,000.00)

Cash Balance at 3/31/18 \$41,938.12

Thank you for your continued support!