

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Joy Trimmer for the living and deceased members of the Trimmer/Bradner families.

Mass Intentions

Sat.	5:30p.m.	All Picnic volunteers
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Thelma Zeigler
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish
Mon.	8:00a.m.	Joan E. Minsinger
Tues.	8:00a.m.	Dolores M. Kuhn
Wed.	8:00a.m.	William J. Laughlin, Sr.
Thurs.	8:00a.m.	Anna Louise Sentz
Fri.	8:00a.m.	Richard Timmins
Sat.	5:30p.m.	Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Timmins
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Mark and Shellie Pevarnik family
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish



Offertory Procession

Sat. July 22 nd	5:30p.m.	Mr. and Mrs. Mike Seymore family
Sun. July 23 rd	7:30a.m.	Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hallowell
	10:00a.m.	Kim and Bethany Staub

From the Pastor: Third and final part of Pope Francis' Homily from the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul:

The third word is *prayer*. The life of an apostle, which flows from confession and becomes self-offering, is one of constant prayer. Prayer is the water needed to nurture hope and increase fidelity. Prayer makes us feel loved and it enables us to love in turn. It makes us press forward in moments of darkness because it brings God's light. In the Church, it is prayer that sustains us and helps us to overcome difficulties. We see this too in the first reading: "Peter was kept in prison; but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the Church" (*Acts 12:5*). A Church that prays is watched over and cared for by the Lord. When we pray, we entrust our lives to him and to his loving care. Prayer is the power and strength that unite and sustain us, the remedy for the isolation and self-sufficiency that lead to spiritual death. The Spirit of life does not breathe unless we pray; without prayer, the interior prisons that hold us captive cannot be unlocked.

May the blessed Apostles obtain for us a heart like theirs, *wearied* yet *at peace*, thanks to prayer. *Wearied*, because constantly asking, knocking and interceding, weighed down by so many people and situations needing to be handed over to the Lord; yet also *at peace*, because the Holy Spirit brings consolation and strength when we pray. How urgent it is for the Church to have teachers of prayer, but even more so for us to be men and women of prayer, whose entire life is prayer!

The Lord answers our prayers. He is faithful to the love we have professed for him, and he stands beside us at times of trial. He

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

accompanied the journey of the Apostles, and he will do the same for you, dear brother Cardinals, gathered here in the charity of the Apostles who confessed their faith by the shedding of their blood. He will remain close to you too, dear brother Archbishops who, in receiving the pallium, will be strengthened to spend your lives for the flock, imitating the Good Shepherd who bears you on his shoulders. May the same Lord, who longs to see his flock gathered together, also bless and protect the Delegation of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, together with my dear brother Bartholomew, who has sent them here as a sign of our apostolic communion. [Original text: Italian] [Vatican-provided translation]

The Children's Rosary Group will gather at the Adoration Chapel in McSherrystown Sun. July 16th at 3:00p.m. rosaries and prayer books will be provided. Children ages 3 and older (adults too) are welcome to attend. For more information contact Vicky Bunty at 717-632-3245.

Mass Times for Traveling Catholics at www.MassTimes.org Don't forget to include Mass in your travel plans. Weekend, week day and Holy Day Mass times for virtually all U.S. parishes and those in many other countries are listed. When you are planning your travels go to www.MassTimes.org and enter a zip code, city, state, country or area code for Catholic Church locations and Mass times.

The Immaculate Conception Thrift Shop 5 Carlisle St., New Oxford is holding a clothing sale, buy two items and get the third one free. Third item must be equal to or less in value. Shop hours are Monday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3p.m. For more information call 624-1272.

We have finalized plans with Hoss's Restaurant to continue Sacred Heart Day on the last Tues. of each month, as before. The percentage from each patron's check will now go to the Church. We will continue to place cards at the doors of the Church, however the coupon will also be scanned directly onto the Bulletin, all you have to do is cut it out and present it to them with your meal.

Sister Anne Leonard, SSJ will be teaching a 3 year old Pre-K Program at St. Joseph Academy for the 2017-18 year only. The class will be on Tuesday's and Thursday's from 8:30 – 11:30a.m. with an early drop off time at 8:00a.m. If you are interested in enrolling your child who will be 3 years old by Sept. 1st kindly call Sister Kathleen White, SSJ at 717-451-7736.

The Adams Deanery Perpetual Adoration Chapel 9 N. Third St, McSherrystown is in desperate need of adorers for the following hours: Monday at 1am, 8am and 6pm; Tuesday at 10am; Wednesday at 12am, 1am, and 10am; Thursday at 8am; Friday at

1am, 7pm and 8pm; Saturday at 5pm, 6pm, 7pm, & 9pm. **"Can you spend just one hour with our Lord."** Contact: Gloria Murren at 637-8635 or 479-1071.

Direction for Our Times: come join our Parishioner Wendy McCall in Our Lady's Chapel on Sat. July 22nd at 10:00am to pray the rosary and read the monthly message from Jesus, as given to Anne, a lay Apostle. For more information, call Wendy at 717-969-2452. All are welcome. Check out the website: www.directionforourtimes.org.

All are welcome to attend a Commemorative Mass on the Gettysburg Battlefield on Hancock Ave. near the PA Memorial on Sat. July 22nd at 5:00p.m. It will be next to the statue of Fr. William Corby, CSC giving absolution to the soldiers at Gettysburg.

Join Rev. John M. Kuchinski, Parochial Vicar at St. Francis Xavier Parish Gettysburg, who will be the Pilgrimage leader for the 30th Annual Pilgrimage for World Peace Through Conversion of Heart, at the National Shrine Grotto of Lourdes, Mt. St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD Thurs. Aug. 3rd. The day runs from 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. You do not need to register. There is no transportation provided and bring your own lunch. For more information email: dtland@hbgdiocese.org the schedule can be found in the events calendar section of www.hbgdiocese.org

An exciting new 7 session series, "Discovering Christ" will be presented on Tues. evenings beginning Aug. 22nd – Oct. 3rd from 6:30 – 8:30p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Abbottstown. This is a dynamic teaching to explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God, while finding ultimate meaning and purpose in life. Childcare is provided as needed for children 3 years of age or older. For more information call Sister Rosanne at 717-259-0611.

This fall, turn over a beautiful new leaf with your spouse by attending Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WME)! WME is a weekend dedicated to your marriage, helping husbands and wives to communicate more fully, renew your romance, and bring yourselves closer to God and to each other. The weekend provides a conducive environment for couples to spend time together away from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, while encouraging you to focus on each other and your relationship. Rediscover the best friend that you had on your wedding day! **It will be held Fri. Sept. 29th – Sun. morning, Oct. 1st** at the Hampton Inn, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Please go to the website: www.yourmarriageisworthit.org for more information or to register, or call 412-635-7775.