

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Jeanette Devine for a Special Intention.
 The flowers on St. Joseph Altar have been designated in honor of Mark and Christine Yealy's 20th Wedding Anniversary!
 Congratulations!

Mass Intentions

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Keith A. Adams
Sun.	7:30a.m.	William and Mildred Adams family
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish
Mon.	8:00a.m.	Deceased members of Wm. F. Nicholson family
Tues.	8:00a.m.	Margaret Shrader
Wed.	8:00a.m.	Rev. Msgr. Vincent Topper
Thurs.	8:00a.m.	John W. Murren
Fri.	8:00a.m.	Special Intention
Sat.	5:30p.m.	Kathy Strausbaugh
Sun.	7:30a.m.	James Small, Sr.
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish



come true.
 The Miracle of the Sun occurred on October 13, 1917. The sun seemed to dance in the sky and then rush toward the earth. The sun then returned to its place. This event was reported in newspapers across the world including the *New York Times*. The message of Fatima is very simple. God desires prayer and penance as a means of our growing closer to Him and offered for those who do not believe in Him. Many souls are lost because they have no one to pray for them. If we do as Mary requested, we will make our lives more acceptable to God and we will help others to stop offending Him. If we do as she asks, then God will grant us peace. If we do not, God will continue to punish the world through wars and disasters. God has offered us a choice. What will we decide?

The Children's Rosary Group will meet this Sun. Oct. 15th at 3:00p.m. at the Adoration Chapel in McSherrystown. Children ages 3 and older (adults too) are welcome. Rosaries and prayer books will be available.

The St. Michael's Guard is open to Catholic men 18 years and older with a desire to serve our Lord in the liturgy. No prior experience as an altar server is required. **An information session will be held on Thurs. Oct. 19th at 6:30 pm. in Church.** Handouts are available in the vestibule of the Church. Informational forms in vestibule.

St. Aloysius Parish Retreat: "33 Days of Morning Glory". On Thurs. evenings from 7:00 until 8:30, beginning on Oct. 19th through Nov. 21st. The Retreat will follow Father Michael Gaitley's *33 Days of Morning Glory* in preparation for total consecration to Jesus through Mary. Cost for the retreat is \$25.00 which includes the materials for the six sessions. Plan to meet in the Church Office Meeting Room behind the Parish Hall. Further information is available by calling Sandy Sneeringer at 717-359-5555.

The Conewago District Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the Diocese to join them as they host the Annual Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Marian Day to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. **It will be held Sat. Oct. 21st at St. Joseph's Parish, Grandview Rd. Hanover.** Registration begins at 9:00a.m. A Spiritual Rosary begins at 10:00 followed by Mass at 10:30. Rev. Joseph Gotwalt is the Celebrant and Homilist. Cost of the day is \$10.00 which includes lunch. Contact Harriet Glass at 717-677-4303 or email: hrglass@embarqmail.com for more information.

Directions for Our Times: All are welcome to join our Parishioner Wendy McCall in Our Lady's Chapel on Sat. Oct. 21st at 10:15a.m. 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. Check out the website: www.directionsfourtimes.org

Our Sisters of St. Joseph will be selling their annual Chances the weekend of Oct. 21st and 22nd before and after weekend Masses. Please help support our Sisters here and at the Villa.

The Health Care Ministry will host a Healing Mass Sat. Oct. 28th here at the Basilica at 11:00a.m. Light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall immediately following Mass. All are welcome.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish will hold an Autumn Harvest Dance Sat. Oct. 28th from 6:30 – 10:30p.m. in the Gymnasium, 65 South St. Hanover. Tickets are \$15.00 each and the music will be supplied by "This We Dance" DJ. For more information call Joyce Smith at 717-637-0366 or Pat Hubbard 717-637-0121.

Junior Choir will begin on Sun. Oct. 29th. Rehearsals are held on Sundays from 8:45-9:30a.m. Children in grades 2 through 8 are welcome. Registration forms are available on our Music Ministry page under Liturgy on our Parish website:

www.sacredheartbasilica.com For more information please contact Jody Richter at (717) 524-8684 or by email: songbird62@embarqmail.com

Annunciation Christmas Bazaar will be held Sat. Nov. 4th from 8:00a.m. – 2:00p.m. Fall items, outside decorations, gift baskets, chance items, handcrafted items, 50/50, & silent auction. Breakfast and Lunch available for purchase.

A "Beginning Experience" weekend provides a place to work through the loss of one's spouse because of death, divorce or separation. Trained persons who have been through the death of a spouse or a divorce facilitate the weekend. **The next weekend will be Nov. 10th – 12th at Camp Hebron in Halifax.** Contact Julie at 717-379-0800 or Eva at 717-495-9586 for more information.

St. Francis Xavier, Gift Fair and Holiday Bazaar will be held Nov. 11th 8:00a.m. to 2:30p.m. at the Xavier Center, 465 Table Rock Road, Gettysburg. Local vendors, Fair trade items, holiday gifts, timeless treasures, baked goods. Café offering breakfast and lunch items. Free drawing for veterans, children's activities, door prizes, raffles and more. For more information: www.sfxpccw.org

Join St. Vincent's Thrift Shop Volunteers for a Bus Trip to Rainbow Dinner Theatre to see "Guess Who's Coming to Christmas" on Tues. Nov. 14th. The cost is \$75.00 per person which includes Bus, dinner, Show, tax and gratuity. The bus will depart from St. Vincent's at 10:00a.m. For reservations or more information call Caroline Murren at 717-637-8878.

Please remember in your prayers one of our local vocations, Sister Margaret Mary Smith, Adorer of the Precious Blood, who went home to be with the Lord Mon. Oct. 9th. Pray for her family too as they deal with their loss.

This weekend we welcome the newest member into our Parish family



Elliot John Smith,
 son of Blake and Rachel (Johns) Smith.
 Congratulations to the new family!

From the Pastor: Friday was the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. The Blessed Mother had been appearing to the three shepherd children since May on the 13th of the month except for August when government authorities prevented them from going to the Cova de Ira. She promised that there would be a sign so that others might believe. She gave the children three secrets: 1) a vision of hell, 2) the promise that there would be another war greater than WWI if people did not convert from sin and that Russia would spread her errors throughout the world; and, that there would be an assassination attempt made on the Pope. The prophecies have