

# THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH



St. Basil the Great Church  
Dushore, PA



St. Francis of Assisi Church  
Mildred, PA



St. John Neumann Shrine  
Sugar Ridge, PA



St. Francis of Assisi Chapel  
Eagles Mere, PA

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday

4:00 PM St. Basil's Church, Dushore

#### Sunday

7:30 AM St. Francis of Assisi Church,  
Mildred

9:30 AM St. Basil's Church, Dushore

11:00 AM St. Francis of Assisi Chapel,  
Eagles Mere

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays - 3:15 - 3:45 PM

St. Basil's Church, Dushore

Sundays - 7:00 - 7:15 AM

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Mildred

Or by appointment



"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved  
with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:33

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July 14, 2019

## A WELCOMING COMMUNITY

You enter this Church ... not as stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise. Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both in your going out and your coming in.

### Parish Registration:

You must be a registered member of The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish to receive Baptism, Confirmation, First Penance, First Holy Communion, Marriage and to receive sponsor letters from the pastor.

**New Members:** Please stop by or call the parish office and register. (If you are relocating to a new parish, please notify the office before you move.) Thank you.

**Change of Address:** Please notify the parish office as soon as possible if you have had a change of address.

**Inactive Catholics:** As a welcoming parish, we ask every parishioner to ask God to put in your heart people whose hearts we need to reach out and touch with God's love. "Before you talk to men about God, you talk to God about men." Please, call, write, leave in an envelope in the collection the name, address and phone number of the person. Father would be delighted to meet with them.

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process to bring non-Catholics into the faith. Anyone seeking information or interested in becoming a part of this community of faith can call the parish office.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptisms are scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month following the 9:30 AM Mass. In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents are required to attend the Pre-Baptismal Program, which is held on the last Saturday of each month at 7:00 PM in St. Basil's Rectory. Please contact the rectory to schedule your child's baptism.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples contemplating marriage should notify the rectory at least six months prior to the date to allow necessary time for proper preparation.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night.

**Visitation of the Sick:** Please call the parish for visitation of the sick at home, in the hospital, or health care facility.

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

We, the Catholic faithful of The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, in union with our Holy Father, the Pope, and our Bishop, are called through Baptism to share in the ministry which Jesus Christ has entrusted to the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. As priest and lay faithful in a rural area, we utilize our energy to serve the spiritual needs of the Kingdom of God to promote a culture of life, justice, and peace to this generation and the generations that follow us.

### PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Heavenly beauty and splendor of the Father, you are the most valued Heavenly treasure.

New Eve, immaculate in soul, spirit and body, created of the godly seed by the Spirit of God, you are the spiritual Mother of mankind.

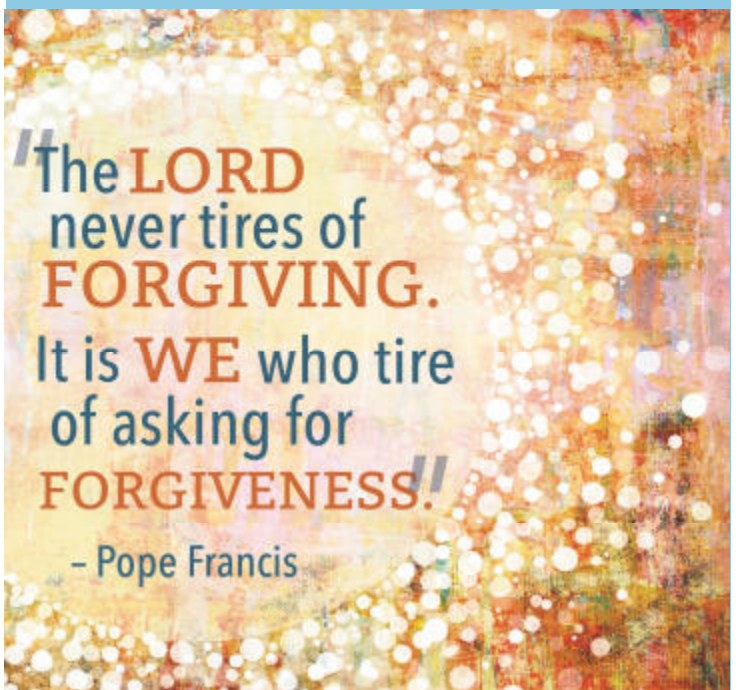
Pure Virgin, full of grace then and now, your whole being was raised Heavenly in full glory, to be elevated above all the hosts within the Kingdom of God.

O Heavenly Mother, Queen of Heaven and earth, I recognize the glory of your highest title, the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

Loving Mother, dispenser of endless blessings, you who continually intercede on our behalf, please present my need before your loving Son, Jesus.  
(Mention your request)

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, I know that you are now presenting my need before Jesus, for you have never turned away those in dire need.

Mother dearest, I await your favorable answer, submitting myself to the Divine will of the Lord, for all glories are His for ever and ever. Amen.



## Reflection

The **First Reading** is from the Book of Deuteronomy (30:10-14). Moses reminds the people that God's commandments are not remote but are already in their hearts.

The **Responsorial Psalm** (69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 or 19:8-11) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

The **Second Reading** is from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians (1:15-20). Jesus is the head of the body, the Church.

The **Gospel Reading** is from the Gospel of Luke (10:25-37). Loving isn't too difficult, right? Many of us are surrounded by kind, lovely people trying to do the right thing. Indeed, to "love ? your neighbor as yourself" seems like it should be easy enough. Treat people like you would like to be treated. Bring the new neighbors some baked goods (normal and gluten-free, just in case). Chat with the bank teller about his holiday weekend. Write an occasional card to your sister "just because." There were probably varieties of these acts of kindness in Jesus' day. Perhaps substituting figs for cookies. But "exchange pleasantries with the traveling cloth merchant" isn't the example Jesus gives.

"A man fell victim to robbers... they stripped him and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead." The righteous pass by the scene of the dying man. The hero of the story is the one on the margins of Jewish society, who perhaps would not have been welcomed, in other circumstances, by the man now in the ditch. His neighborly love causes him to halt his journey, to tend wounds, and to pay for the man's care out of his own savings. Are we interruptible? Are we attentive to the hurts of others? Are we generous with our money and possessions?

In the past few weeks, who has crossed your mind as someone in need of help? Perhaps it's an acquaintance suffering from cancer. Maybe you were invited to donate or volunteer to a local social cause, but it just won't stick in your mind (or schedule) to make it happen. The needs of people are many and varied. We can't help everyone, but God does place opportunities in our path for compassion and courageous love. This week, be "the one who treated him with mercy."

## Readings

**Monday ~ St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34-11:1 see 600:  
*Eph 3:14-19; Mt 23:8-12*

**Tuesday ~ Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday**

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday ~ St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest**

Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

**Friday**

Ex 11:10—12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday ~ St. Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr**

Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Please read the insert in this week's bulletin regarding the return of Habitat for Divinity this summer.

## Volunteers Needed

The parish is looking for volunteers to take care of our beautiful landscaping at St. Basil's Church again this year. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the parish office at 570-928-8865.

We also need someone to assume the responsibilities of leading the Art and Environment liturgy at St. Basil's Church. Please prayerfully consider volunteering.

Your assistance in either one of these opportunities is greatly needed and would be graciously appreciated! Please call the parish office at 570-928-8865, if you have any questions or would like to volunteer your time and talents!

Thank you!

## Weekly Liturgical Celebrations

### **Saturday, July 13**

3:15 - 3:45 PM **Dushore** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
4:00 PM **Dushore** *Rick Potter by Hayes & Kat Clark*

### **Sunday, July 14**

7:00 - 7:15 AM **Mildred** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
7:30 AM **Mildred** *John W. Evangelisti by Jerry & Dolly Sick & family*  
9:30 AM **Dushore** *Katie Christini by Ron & Tish Hembury & family*  
11:00 AM **Eagles Mere** *Mass for the People*  
2:30 PM **Sugar Ridge** *Joe, Kathleen, & Francis Cullen by Patrick & Karen Cullen*

### **Monday, July 15**

9:00 AM **Mildred** *Francis Pastusic by John, John Jr., Dawn, & Sharon Moyer*

### **Tuesday, July 16**

9:00 AM **Dushore** *Dale C. Fitzgerald by Linda & Dan Schaad & Family*

### **Wednesday, July 17**

9:00 AM **Dushore** *Rita Rohe by Jerry & Dolly Sick*

### **Thursday, July 18**

9:00 AM **Dushore** *James "Spade" Lang by Leonard Kratcoski*  
10:30 AM **Darway**

### **Friday, July 19**

9:00 AM **Mildred** *Catherine "Kitty" Maximiak by Mary Ann Hobbs*

### **Saturday, July 20**

3:15 - 3:45 PM **Dushore** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
4:00 PM **Dushore** *Dave & Beverly Getz (50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary) by Lee Ann Wolfe*

### **Sunday, July 21**

7:00 - 7:15 AM **Mildred** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
7:30 AM **Mildred** *Justin Louis Soden by Jane Freiler*  
9:30 AM **Dushore** *Pat Hallam by husband, Dick*  
11:00 AM **Eagles Mere** *Mass for the People*

## Our Weekly Parish Offertory Collection

### **The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish**

**June 29 & 30, 2019**

**\$8,692.30**

**Peter's Pence**

**\$504.00**

**July 6 & 7, 2019**

**\$6,930.75**

**Care & Education of Priests**

**\$503.00**

*July Second Collections*

*July 14 ~ Storm Damage*

*July 21 ~ Storm Damage*

*July 28 ~ Storm Damage*

***Thank you for your generosity!***

**Storm Damage Fund Total**

**\$53,191.25**

**Fiscal Year (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019)**

**Total Offertory**

**\$268,308.21**

**Total Expenses**

**\$408,742.78**

**Fiscal Year (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020)**

**Total Offertory**

**\$6,930.75**

**Care & Education of Priests**

**\$503.00**

**Total Expenses**

**\$0.00**

**Arrears (Debt)**

**\$20,164.00**

## Liturgical Ministers for July 20-21

### Special Ministers of Communion

4:00 PM Dushore T. Karaban, J. Lambert, R. Tourscher  
7:30 AM Mildred J. Doyle, K. Bohensky, J. Walsh  
9:30 AM Dushore J. Tourscher, J. & D. McDonough

### Lectors

4:00 PM Dushore K. Homer, D. Lambert  
7:30 AM Mildred R. Gumble, S. Moyer  
9:30 AM Dushore S. Wilcox, J. Lambert

### Altar Servers

4:00 PM Dushore  
7:30 AM Mildred H. Clark  
9:30 AM Dushore W. Bogart, L. Price

## STORM DAMAGE FUND DRIVE

Dear Friends,

As you know, we have incurred some extra expenses from the storm and still have the furnace in St. Basil's Hall to deal with. The furnace contract has been awarded and work will begin June 10<sup>th</sup>. The cost is approximately \$50,000.

Our insurance deductible is \$1,000. We have to replace the roof on the church. Insurance covers half of the project with the parish picking up the other half. The diocese is looking at contractors and bids for this project. Parts of the rectory roof need to be repaired and rain gutters need to be replaced. The cemetery is not covered by our insurance. Trees fell and tombstones were damaged.

To this end, the parish has much to be grateful for that no one was injured. But there remains a great deal of out of pocket expenses. I would like to start a fund drive for \$110,000. \$50,000 for the furnace and \$60,000 towards the other expenses.

Please prayerfully consider donating to this fund.

Blessings,  
Father Thom Major

## Kid's Corner

### Sharing the Gospel

Jesus wants you to love your neighbors. He wants you to help your neighbors. You could help the people who live next door, or the people that go to your church. But Jesus wants you to think bigger than that. Jesus wants you to help people all around the world - no matter where they live, and no matter what they believe.

### Prayer

Dear God, show me how to help others around the world.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of people holding hands all around the world. They are all our neighbors.

### Mission for the Week

Ask your parents if your family could give money to help the missions in another country.

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## Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

CARE  
ROBBERS  
ATTACKED

LEAVING  
PRIEST  
WALKED

SAMARIA  
TREATED  
NEIGHBOR

M	N	S	W	G	O	I	N	W	F	R
A	T	T	A	C	K	E	D	O	N	M
J	R	U	L	E	T	J	C	H	E	R
O	E	B	K	S	A	M	A	R	I	A
R	A	S	E	T	C	K	E	D	G	M
I	T	M	D	A	N	G	R	A	H	E
V	E	R	P	R	I	E	S	T	B	Y
H	D	C	I	N	G	H	A	D	O	E
T	Y	A	E	R	O	B	B	E	R	S
B	H	R	M	U	P	A	R	A	O	F
I	L	E	A	V	I	N	G	H	E	A

### **A Prayer for our Military**

God our Father, walk through my house and take away all my worries; and please watch over and heal my family. Heavenly Father, 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 this, our time of need. These things I humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Please pray for:

**Darrin J. Denmon**

PMB 155; P O Box 30800, Honolulu, HI 96820

**LtG Matthew C. McCandless**

MH 605 Sea Hawk Combat Squadron  
USS Abraham Lincoln (Carrier)

**Steve and Natalie Dymond Caezza**

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**SSG Adam J. Ritinski**

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### **Do You Want to Know More About the Annulment Process?:**

In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact your pastor or the Diocesan Tribunal Office (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

## **Vacation Bible School**

The camp runs from July 29<sup>th</sup>-August 2<sup>nd</sup> at

St. Basil's Hall for preschool-junior high. The theme this year is Roar! Life is Wild, God is Good. Registration forms are in the back of St. Basil's Church in Dushore and St. Francis of Assisi Church in Mildred.

Contact information for questions would be Megan Bohensky [meggetz@epix.net](mailto:meggetz@epix.net) or 570-220-9198.

### **Attention, Parishioners!**

Christians suffer in many parts of the world, but one group stands out by their significance for the family of faith. The Christians of the Middle East live in the land where Jesus walked, taught, suffered and died. Today their numbers are greatly reduced, and they do struggle to survive in the land made holy by Christ. Little Bethlehem will be with us on July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> trying to offer religious items, carved from olive wood, after all the Masses. By purchasing these items, you are helping your brothers and sisters stay attached to their roots and keep their churches open.

### **Summer Mass Schedule**

The Summer Mass schedule will run from June 30—September 1 and will be as follows:

#### **Saturday**

4:00 PM ~ St. Basil's Church, Dushore

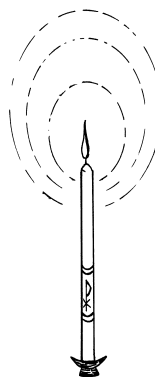
#### **Sunday**

7:30 AM ~ St. Francis of Assisi Church, Mildred

9:30 AM ~ St. Basil's Church, Dushore

11:00 AM ~ St. Francis of Assisi Chapel, Eagles Mere

**St. John Neumann Shrine, Sugar Ridge**  
Masses will be held on July 14<sup>th</sup>, August 4<sup>th</sup>, and September 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:30 PM.



The altar candles in St. Francis of Assisi Church are burning in loving memory of Rita Krowiak by Chester & Rose Gumble.

The altar candles in St. Basil's Church are burning in memory of Dennis "Denny" Fries by Mike & Nancy McMahon.

## Upcoming Events

**June 30—September 1:** Summer Mass Schedule

**July 14:** Mass at St. John Neumann Shrine at 2:30 PM

**July 29 - August 2:** VBS at St. Basil's Hall

**August 4:** Mass at St. John Neumann Shrine at 2:30 PM

**September 1:** Mass at St. John Neumann Shrine at 2:30 PM

## Patron of the Week

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## Thank you!

We would like to thank the picnic chairs; Jeanne Choplick, Rosemary Finan Borsa, Peter Ferrulli, John & Donna Fite, John & Rachael Saxe, Mark & Karen Evangelisti, John & Dawn Lambert, Elaine Richlin, Jackie Battin, Ellen Chase, Dolly & Jerry Sick, Tom Karaban, Donn & Randi Tourscher, Germaine Donahue, and John Krakowski for generously giving of their time and talents to help make our parish picnic a success!

We would also like to thank all of the volunteers who donated their time and abilities to assist with the set up, take down, and during the picnic itself. Your help was greatly needed and appreciated!

Another thank you goes out to all who attended our parish picnic. Thank you for celebrating with us on such a beautiful day!

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Jeremiah 1:5



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