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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

Sixteenth 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



Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said,
"Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to
do the serving? Tell her to help me." - Lk 10:40

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

July 21, 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 1st and 3rd 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.

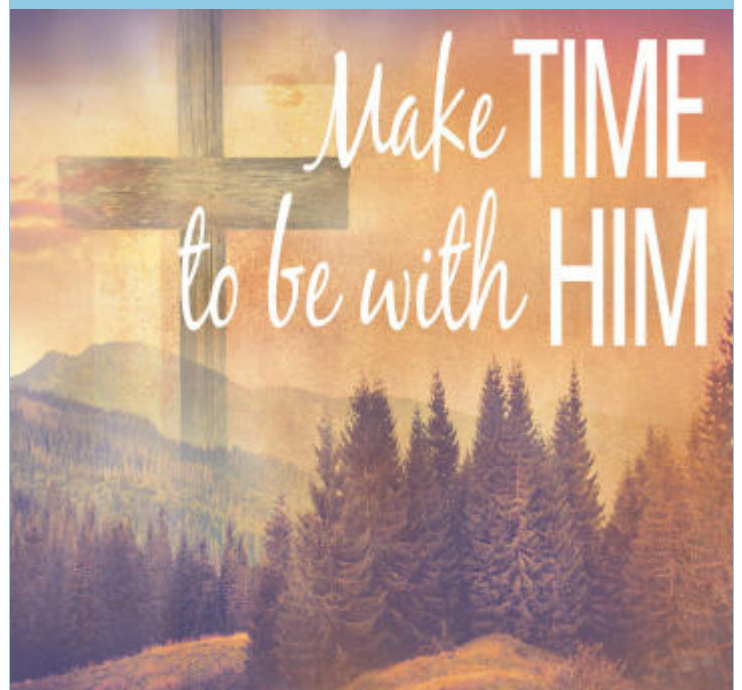
Pure Virgin, full of grace then and now, your whole being was raised Heavenly in full glory, to be elevated above all the hosts within the Kingdom of God.

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 Genesis (18:1-10a). Abraham entertains three strangers and is promised a son.

The **Responsorial Psalm** (15:2-5) Those who do justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

The **Second Reading** is from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians (1:24-28). The mystery hidden from ages past has now been revealed in Christ.

The **Gospel Reading** is from the Gospel of Luke (10:38-42). Active and contemplative. At work and at rest. These are dynamics we all face in our lives, and if we're honest, we might not always balance perfectly! In this Sunday's Gospel, our daily tensions play out in two sisters. Mary "sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak." Martha, on the other hand, is "burdened with much serving." This, as it turns out, is not necessarily "the better part."

All of us reading this have some sort of labor we engage in. We have different trades or careers. We have responsibilities as family members, some of which may take up most of our time. In the time of Scripture, showing hospitality to guests was one of the most important values in society. Our work is important. Jesus himself spent decades as a carpenter. So what's the problem with Martha? Martha is burdened, anxious, and worried. Not only that, but she resents her sister's choice. "Tell her to help me," she demands of Jesus.

How easy it is to get very busy doing good things. We need to provide for our families and plan for retirement. We need to make sure children are clothed, fed, and educated. Our committees, ministries, and sports schedules need to stay on track. However, without a balance of work with rest, without contemplation in the midst of our action, we will miss the point. While many parts are required for our life in the world to function, the better part is our relationship with God. This week, make time in your busy schedule to sit at Jesus' feet. Maybe this is 20 minutes with Scripture, participating in a daily Mass, or a quiet walk alone in the park. Receive what Christ wants to speak to you.

Readings

Monday ~ ST. MARY MAGDALENE

Sg 3:1-4a or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday ~ St. Bridget, Religious

Ex 14:21—15:1; (Ps) Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday ~ St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday ~ ST. JAMES, APOSTLE

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1b-6; Mt 20:20-28

Friday ~ Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23 see 606: Sir 44:1, 10-15; Mt 13:16-17

Saturday

Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

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 20

3:15 - 3:45 PM **Dushore** Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 PM **Dushore** *Dave & Beverly Getz (50th
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*

Monday, July 22

9:00 AM **Mildred** *Theresa M. Walsh by Ronda
Farrell*

Tuesday, July 23

9:00 AM **Dushore** *Deceased members of Gerald
& Alice Taylor by Alice Carey*

Wednesday, July 24

9:00 AM **Dushore** *Beatrice Lang by Lorraine
Wanagitis & Family*

Thursday, July 25

9:00 AM **Dushore** *Stefana Shoemaker by Mr. &
Mrs. Timothy Dailey & Family*

Friday, July 26

5:00 PM Sugar Ridge *Joe Cullen by Original
Eight Hunting Club*

Saturday, July 27

3:15 - 3:45 PM **Dushore** Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 PM **Dushore** *Jack & Jim McMahon by
family*

Sunday, July 28

7:00 - 7:15 AM **Mildred** Sacrament of Reconciliation
7:30 AM **Mildred** *Deceased members of the
Bohensky family by family*
9:30 AM **Dushore** *Myrtle Kramer by McDonough
family*
11:00 AM **Eagles Mere** *Mass for the People*

Our Weekly Parish Offertory Collection

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

July 13 & 14, 2019

\$5,188.46

Storm Damage

\$4,865.35

July Second Collections

July 21 ~ Storm Damage

July 28 ~ Storm Damage

Thank you for your generosity!

Storm Damage Fund Total

\$72,309.59

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

Total Offertory

\$12,619.21

Total Expenses

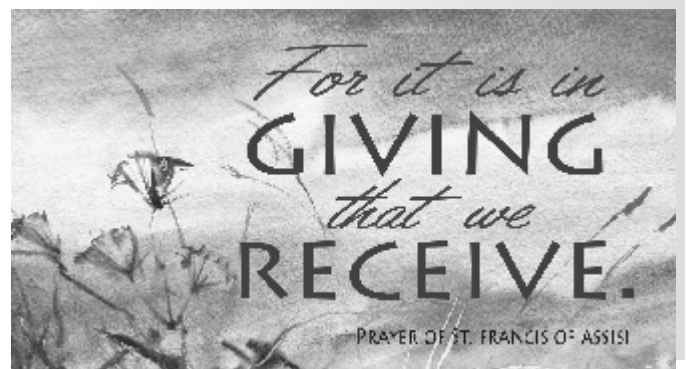
\$603.00

Storm Damage

\$19,091.35

Arrears (Debt)

\$20,164.00



Liturgical Ministers for July 27-28

Special Ministers of Communion

4:00 PM Dushore J. & G. Donahue, R. Finan-Borsa
7:30 AM Mildred K. Bohensky, J. Walsh, P. Minnier
9:30 AM Dushore D. Fite, J. Krakoski, T. Hembury

Lectors

4:00 PM Dushore A. Hudzinski, J.A. Shoemaker
7:30 AM Mildred R. Gumble, S. Moyer
9:30 AM Dushore J. Fite, P. Ferrulli

Altar Servers

4:00 PM Dushore
7:30 AM Mildred H. Clark
9:30 AM Dushore C. Minier, C. Werner

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 began June 10th. 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

God created work for each of us to do, and it is important to do it. But Martha was upset because she forgot to stop and make time for Jesus. Mary had the right idea. She took a break from her work to listen to Jesus. Time with Jesus is precious, so we need to make time to rest and enjoy his love.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for reminding me to stop and enjoy time with you.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself sitting next to Jesus in your favorite chair.

Mission for the Week

Ask your family to join you in reading the Bible or praying at meal time.

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Puzzle

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

journey	woman	listening	Martha	chosen
village	Mary	serving	anxious	better

jnreyou	<u>j</u> <u>o</u> <u>u</u> <u>r</u> <u>n</u> <u>e</u> <u>y</u>
vagelli	— — — — —
wamno	— — — — —
rayM	— — — — —
lentsingi	— — — — —
sigvern	— — — — —
hartMa	— — — — —
axinosu	— — — — —
ceshon	— — — — —
bretet	— — — — —

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:

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Steve and Natalie Dymond Caezza

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Stafford, VA 22556

SSG Adam J. Ritinski

HHT TF2 3/278th ACR

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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 29th-August 2nd 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 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 20th and 21st 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

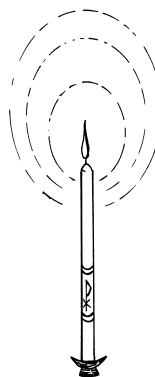
Sunday

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 August 4th, and September 1st 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 29 - August 2: VBS at St. Basil's Hall

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

Please bring a dish to pass!

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

Please bring a dish to pass!

Patron of the Week

Bear Fuel

Please support our patrons!

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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