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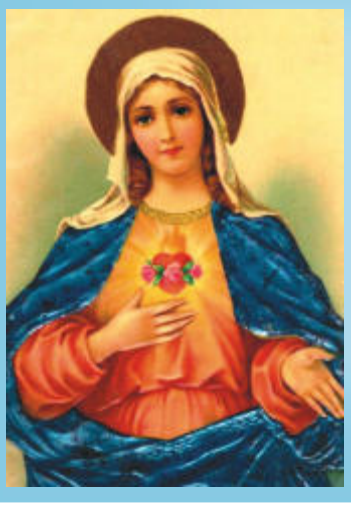

St. Basil the Great Church
Dushore, PA

St. Francis of Assisi Church
Mildred, PA

St. John Neumann Shrine
Sugar Ridge, PA

St. Francis of Assisi Chapel
Eagles Mere, PA

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Reverend Thomas J. Major ~ Pastor

Office Hours
Monday—Friday: 9 AM-3 PM

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:15 PM
or by appointment

St. Basil's Church will be open during daylight hours for people to pray individually.

June 13, 2021

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The parish has an account with Formed. Formed is a website that contains a variety of religious materials. It has books that can be downloaded, videos and documentaries, Bible studies, information on Sacraments, and much more. Parishioners can access this vast amount of information and entertainment by going to formed.org, select sign up, click sign up as a parishioner, type in Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish (make sure it is the Dushore location) underneath Find your Parish, click Next, type in your name and email address. You should then have access to the Formed website!

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1. Visit https://formed.org/signup
2. In the search field type "Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish" Dushore
3. Enter your name and email, and click "Sign Up"

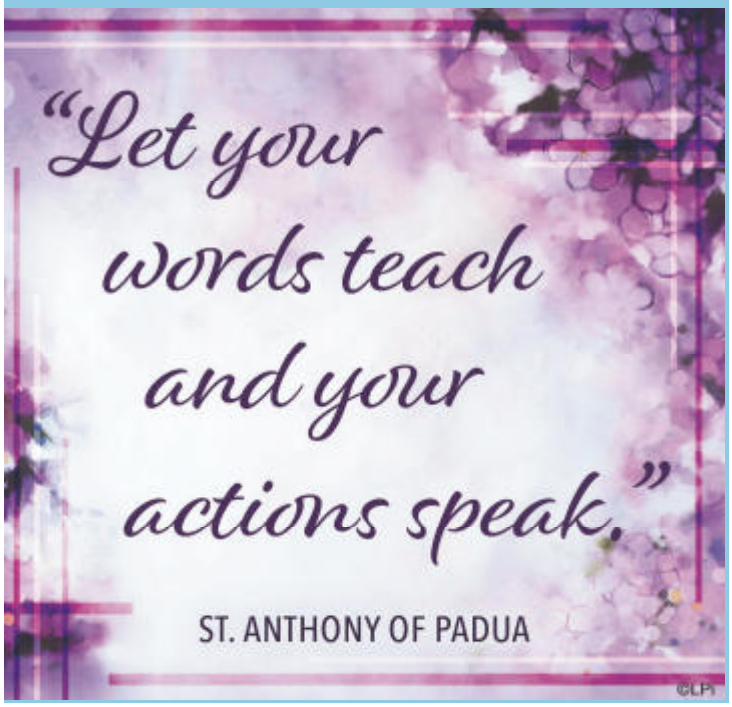
That's it, you're all set to start watching!

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 elevate-d 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 the Prophet Ezekiel (17:22-24). I, the Lord, bring low the high tree and lift high the lowly tree.

The **Responsorial Psalm** (92:2-3, 13-16) They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

The **Second Reading** is from the second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (5:6-10). The lives of all are to be revealed before the tribunal of Christ.

The **Gospel Reading** is from the Gospel of Mark (4:26-34). A favorite motto of St. Teresa of Calcutta was, "do small things with great love." This is how it works in the kingdom of God. God can do tremendous things with the smallest gesture, especially when it is done in love. We can clearly see that our world is suffering greatly. People are struggling to find peace, navigate through conflicts, earn a sustainable living, find security and enough food to eat, and work through political tensions and conflicts. In the light of the magnitude of the difficulties that exist around us and even within us, we can find ourselves floundering to discover practical, effective solutions. How can something so large be helped by someone as small and seemingly insignificant as me? While whole systems and structures may be out of the league of our personal influence, are we really that helpless in the midst of all of the turmoil, sadness, and suffering?

If we believe that God is with us and that God is still working to bring about the glory of God's kingdom, then the answer is no. We are never helpless or without hope. Armed with a strong life of prayer, we can always flee to God and ask for inspiration, wisdom, and especially love. We are all blessed with unique gifts and talents and it often seems that considering all that the world lacks, love and charity remain at the top of the list. Life can easily become a battleground of hostility. Because life is challenging and difficult, anger is not far away. We see it on people's faces and hear it in their voices. There is a measure of frustration that permeates all avenues of life. It is even felt in the air.
As people of faith, we know that what we see here is not the end but only a part of something far greater to come. We know that God's kingdom is where we are ultimately meant to be, and the Gospel is the way to get there. If love and charity can prevail in us, then God will be able to do what God does best. God will use us to scatter the seeds of his kingdom. Through our small gestures, those seeds can receive the nurturing attention that is necessary for them to bear great fruit. We cannot fall victim to the strife that is around us. We have to keep ourselves refreshed and focused so that even in small ways, we can become part of the solution, not the problem. Love and charity, which come from God, can help to heal the ills of the world. May we bring these simple gifts to the everyday simple tasks of our lives! Watch how big the plant grows!

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Readings

Monday
2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday
2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday
2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday
2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
Friday
2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday ~ St. Romuald, Abbot
2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34
TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

Appeal Update:

Our Parish Goal: $38,000
Total Raised: $26,291
Percentage of Goal Pledged
69.19%(130 out of 416 families pledged)

Congratulations to Jenna Eberlin, Emmalyn White, Jordan Gowin, Layne Price, and Corbin Romano who received the sacrament of Confirmation on May 22 at St. Basil's Church! May the Holy Spirit always be their guide.

Weekly Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday, June 12
4:00 PM **Dushore** *Elaine & Leo Karge by Pat & Karen Cullen*

Sunday, June 13
7:30 AM **Mildred** *Mass for the People*
9:30 AM **Dushore** *Kurt Richard Rexer by Tim & Marge Dailey & Family*

Monday, June 14
NO MASS

Tuesday, June 15
9:00 AM **Dushore** *Mike Woodruff by Woodruff family*

Wednesday, June 16
9:00 AM **Dushore** *Linda Tourscher by Joe & Diane McDonough*

Thursday, June 17
9:00 AM **Dushore** *Tony Waldron by Barbara & Ron Calaman*

Friday, June 18
9:00 AM **Dushore** *Mary "Mae" Barnosky by Mary Moll*

Saturday, June 19
4:00 PM **Dushore** *Thomas McDaniel by Adelene*

Sunday, June 20
7:30 AM **Mildred** *Father's Day Mass Intentions*
9:30 AM **Dushore** *Father's Day Mass Intentions*

Our Weekly Parish Offertory Collection

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

May 29 & 30, 2021
$4,230.00

June 5 & 6, 2021
$6,276.00

Please mail your offering to the parish office if possible.
Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity!

Storm Damage Fund Total
$189,837.15

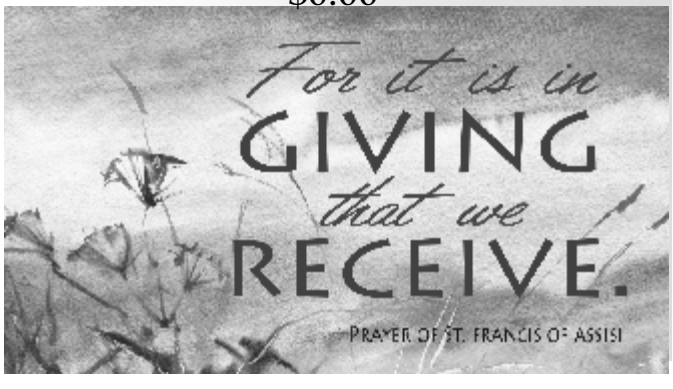
Fiscal Year (July 1, 2020—June 30, 2021)

Total Offertory
$274,159.92

Total Expenses
$338,083.42

Storm Damage
$57,846.74

Arrears (Debt)
$0.00



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

St. Anthony Can Find Anything — Even You

"Tony, Tony, come around! Something is lost and it must be found."

Did you learn this one when you were a kid? In my experience there are even a lot of lapsed Catholics — or people who were never Catholic at all — who know that when you lose something, St. Anthony becomes your best friend. Missing keys? Pray to St. Anthony. Can't find your favorite sweater? St. Anthony. Forget where you parked your car in the mall lot? St. Anth— okay, you get the idea. Whatever it is, large or small, important or trivial, Tony has a reputation for finding the lost things.

It's a devotion that can seem a little like superstition — witchcraft, even? — if you don't really understand it. Mumble an incantation to a dead guy and you're guaranteed to find your sunglasses. But as with most traditions that are old, beloved and effective, looking a little closer reveals the truth of the matter.

When we lose something really important, what do we do? We make the whole household stop what they're doing to join the search. Having St. Anthony as a friend means you ask him to stop what he's doing to help, too. And how he helps is by taking the matter exactly where all matters need to go — straight to the feet of Christ.

Here's the real genius of St Anthony: he takes the most mundane, commonplace occurrence — misplacing socks — into an encounter with the divine and truly all things great and small are gifts from God. He grabs our hand and points to the cross. "That's what you're looking for," he tells us.

In the end, Tony doesn't really find the lost things. He finds the lost people.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Summer Festival
Sunday, July 4th, 2021

Plans are underway for our Summer Festival, which will be held on **Sunday, July 4th from 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM at the St. Basil's Picnic Grounds across from St. Basil's Rectory in Dushore.** We are counting on our chair people to join in the planning and looking for new ones to help as well! If you'd like to volunteer please contact the parish office. Our dinner will be served from 12:00 noon to 5 pm. Our dinner this year will be delicious BBQ chicken again. **Desserts are needed for the dinner please!**

The **Theme Baskets** are available in the back of each church! In past years, we have received many creative ideas, such as a homemade wooden clock, lottery tickets, items for the home, movie night, kid's toys for fun in the sun, car care, sports items and much, much more! As before, a list of contents is needed with each Theme Basket (an index card has been attached for this purpose). Baskets may be returned to either church or the parish office. Baskets should be returned by June 26th.

Back again this year are the Whiskey Crate raffle and the Cash Raffle!
We will mail out the raffle tickets as soon as we have them. Thank you!

If you would like to be a patron for the Ad Book or place an ad in the Ad Book, please contact the office ASAP!!

More information about the picnic will be following in upcoming bulletins, so please keep an eye out!

We are looking forward to celebrating with everyone again!

For the Fruits of This Creation

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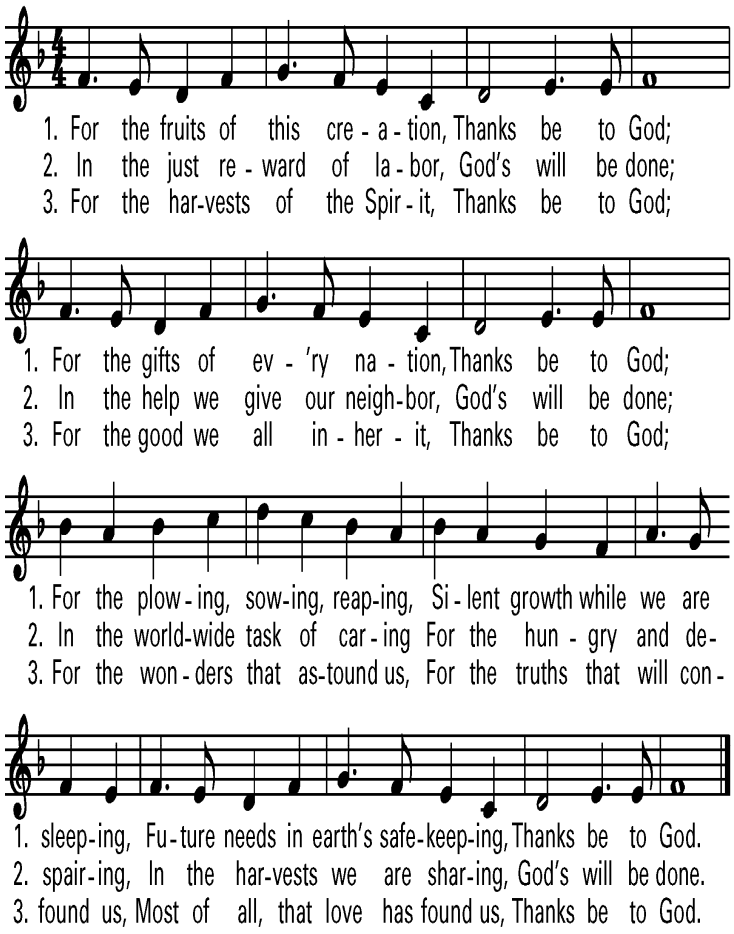

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Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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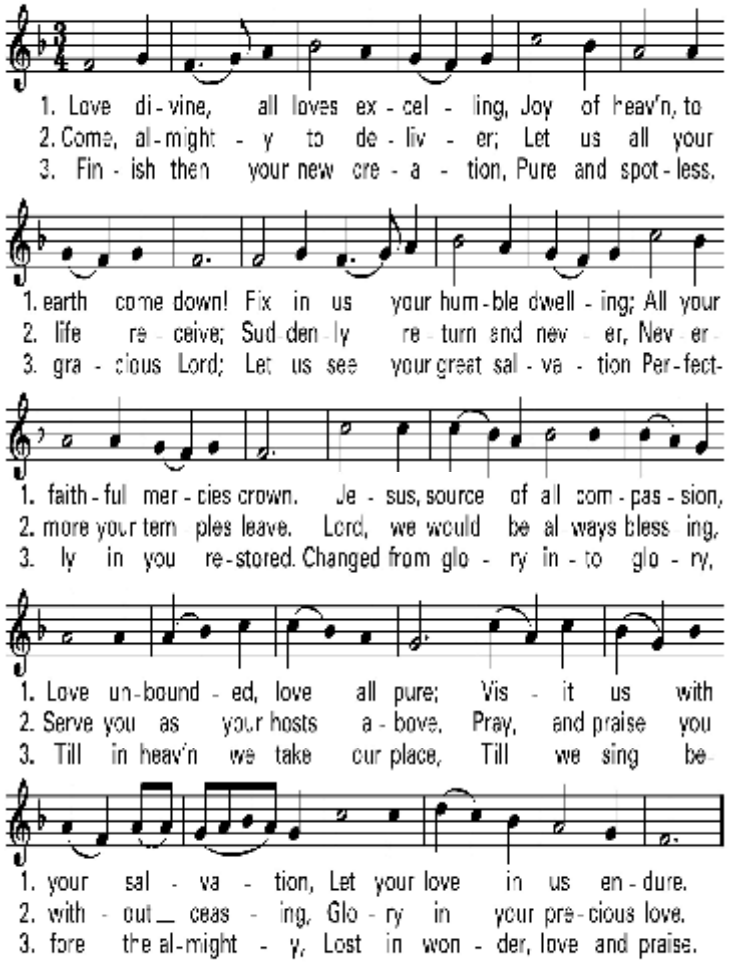

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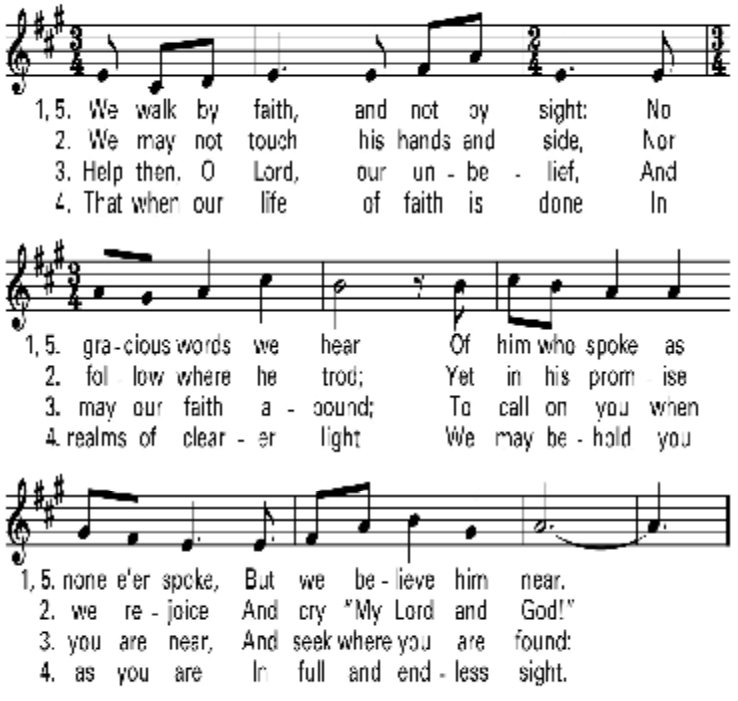
We Walk by Faith

Marty Haugen



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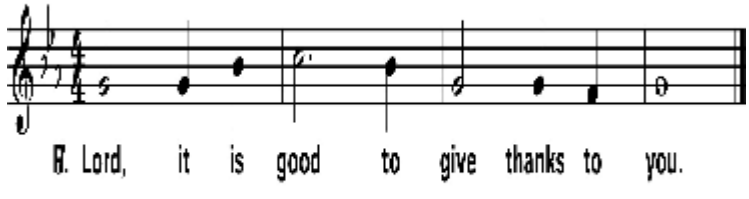

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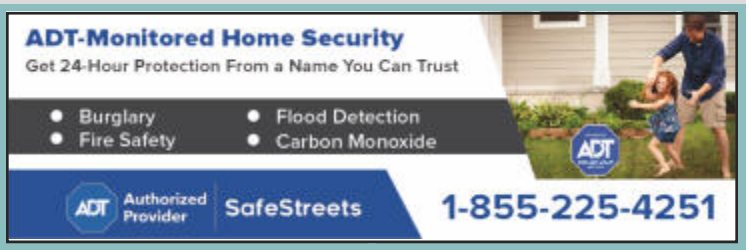
The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in the glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



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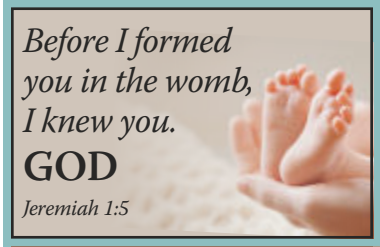

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