TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD AUGUST 6, 2017

 Today's Readings
 Readings for 8/13/17

 Transfiguration of the Lord
 19th Sunday

 Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14
 1 Kgs 9:11-13

 2 Pt 1: 16-19
 Rom 9: 1-5

 Mt 17: 1-9
 Mt 14: 22-33

MASS INTENTIONS: AUG. 7 TO 13, 2017

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Gabriel & Anastasia Hunkovic
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Larry Steele
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Linda Williams
	9:30 a.m.	Barbara Hushon
	11:15 a.m.	Walter & Mary Ellen Skopinski

(SI) Special Intentions (B) Birthday (A) Anniversary (H) Health

possible. What had only seemed like a dream had become her reality. As she concludes, however, someone calls out to her, "Aldonza!" Her response comes quickly, full of dignity and pride, "My name is Dulcinea!"

This Sunday's Feast of the Transfiguration, with its opportunity to look upon the transfigured face of Jesus Christ, reminds us that each of us can also look at the transfigured Aldonza and recognize therein a reflection of our own personal experience. Moreover, the mystery that we celebrate also reminds us that each transfigured and graced believer has the power and the responsibility to afford this same experience to others!

Just imagine that everyone you meet today and every day – the sad, the lonely, the discouraged, the needy, the homeless, the hungry, the thirsty, the lost and the unloved – can be thought of as a candidate for transfiguration! Will you be the one through whom God will afford them the grace of transfiguration? Or is theirs simply an unattainable and impossible dream? Think about it!!

SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND OF 8/13/17

Ministry	Sat 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 9:30	Sun 11:15
	Aug. 12	Aug. 13	Aug. 13	Aug. 13
Priest	MS	MS	HK	HK
Lectors	B Mank	V Nowak	M Krechel	S Alasandro
EM	D Hughes	S Dieter	K Ayers	P Ear
	J Kusik	T Dieter	J Bowman	C Era
	S Pardo	F Holtz	L Hall	
	D Phillips	B Nowak	M Scarff	
	J Poole			
Server	G Arnett	O Ayd	W Desmond	E Cassidy
	H Arnett	M Rinaudo	J Devereux	W Cassidy
		L Weber	J Devereux	J Cassidy
Sacristan				

FROM FR. KUNKEL

One of the most memorable characters in the great Spanish novel "Man of La Mancha" by Cervantes was the prostitute Aldonza. Before encountering Don Quixote, she was a woman of the street and the object of scorn. However, because of Don Quixote's love and care for her, she became a person transfigured. Aldonza the worthless and ignoble became Dulcinea, that is, the Sweet One.

Ever responsive to his love, and true to the name that Don Quixote had bestowed on her, Aldonza, who had become Dulcinea, remained with him until his death. In the final scene of the play, as the old knight breathes his last, Aldonza begins to sing "The Impossible Dream."

In a true sense, this song had become Aldonza's "theme song" because Quixote's love had made the impossible truly

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT THIS WEEK TO PRAY...

"For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven..."

A time to be born...BAPTISM



Through the Holy Waters of Baptism, we welcome into St. Mary's Faith Community...

A time to be ...HEAL

Please Pray For: Annette Baxter, Betty Bennett, Donald Billings, Brent Bittner, Lewis Boone, Sr. Anthony Leo Cuneo, Susan & Amanda DiPietro, Steve Ferguson, Jo Ann Heaps, Erin Huff, Jarrett Lyons, John Ricks, Bernice Taylor, Brooke Travers, Jameson Travis, Earl Weidner, Joseph Weidner, Eliza Wilson.

A time to die...

"IN MEMORIAM" Linda Ann Webb



May our beloved deceased rest in the Lord's eternal peace.

Celebrations and Congratulations!!

Happy Birthday-80's and over

Thomas Seiter 80 August 5 Helen Howell 89 August 7

Robert Koerber	81	August 7
Barbara Burke	86	August 20
August Martin	85	August 27
Charles Guerriero	84	August 29

Happy Anniversary--25th, 50th & over 50

Gerard & Harriet Bode	58	August 1
Hank & Mary McGraw	54	August 17
Donald & Sandra		
Shumway	51	August 27
John & Donna Ricks	54	August 31

If you do not want your name(s), and/or your age in the bulletin please notify Barbara, Ext. 22



ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers were donated in memory of Diana Glos If you would like to have a loved one either remembered or honored with a donation of flowers for the altar please call

Sue Dieter at 410-937-4035

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Stewardship Update:

Wealthy Families

1 Corinthians 2: 9. "Eyes have not seen, ears have not heard nor has it so much dawned on man what God has prepared for those who love Him."

Treasure – July 2017 Offertory – EFT

\$9,681.36

Treasure – July 30, 2017

Offertory – Envelopes	\$5,605.00
PoorBox- Local Assistance	120.00
Mass Attendance	

- The message of stewardship is that God's gifts, shared, will always be enough. Thank you for continuing to share your gifts with the parish, others and the Lord. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.
- Please consider remembering St. Mary, Pylesville in your will. Catholics of generations to come will thank you for your thoughtfulness and remember you in prayer.

Summer Contributions:

Now that summer is officially here, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a happy and safe summer. Our parish is dependent on your contributions, especially during vacation season. We, as you, must still pay the utilities, salaries, etc.

If you use parish offertory envelopes and you are away for the weekend, I ask you to please make up your contribution the following weekend.

You can also consider joining ParishPay. Your contributions will always be here even if you are away having

fun in the sun. The forms can be picked up in the vestibule of the church or call the parish office, Ext. 22.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

Fr. Kunkel

**Next Weekend: August 12th & August 13th

<u>Weekly Offering:</u> - Provides a regular predictable source of funding so the Church can meet its practical responsibilities; cost of facilities, administration, worship, salaries/benefits, religious education subsidy, ministries, and miscellaneous expenses. (We encourage all envelope users to please use your envelopes. This will assist in decreasing the posting time.)

<u>Maintenance Fund: St. Mary:</u> Second Collection: Funds to provide regular maintenance for the parish buildings, grounds and equipment. This fund is not used for general operations of the parish or capital projects.

Black & Native American Mission: Archdiocese of Baltimore: The Black & Native American Mission collection exists to help diocesan communities to build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American and Alaska Native people of God. Every year, it is the amazing generosity of Catholic faithful just like you to enable the Black and Native American Mission office to support the following important priorities: Enlivening Parish Life & Catechesis, Helping Educators Reach Kids, Empowering Evangelizers and Encouraging Vocations. This "Special envelope" can be placed in the regular offertory collection along with your weekly offering envelope.

Poor Box: "<u>St. Edwards</u>": This weekend the donations to the poor box will be given to our sister parish "St. Edwards" to assist them any where their need is most important.

PARISH INFORMATION

IRISHMEN'S CHORALE "AMHRANAI NA GAEILGE"

On Saturday, August 19th the Irishmen's Chorale, will be celebrating their annual "Our Lady of Knock" Mass here at St. Mary's at 4:00 p.m.. The anniversary of the vision of Our Blessed Mother at Knock, County Mayo, Ireland in 1879. This is a



good opportunity to hear this men's chorale sing the beautiful and moving hymn, "Our Lady of Knock" at Communion time. You won't want to miss this especially if you are Irish or have a devotion to our Blessed Mother. After Mass they will give a mini concert of Irish music in the church.

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY



As part of the Church's New Evangelization, St. Mary's is starting a Hospitality Ministry. The purpose of the Ministry would be to expand the ways that we welcome new parishioners and visitors and extend practical support and assistance to members of our Parish. Examples of what the Ministry might

do include making a personal visit or providing a welcome basket for new parishioners, providing a home-cooked meal to a family in a crisis situation, or give a ride to someone who needs transportation for a specific reason. And from time to time we may just plan activities just for fun. If you are interested in being a part of this Team to help make St. Mary's even more welcome community, please contact Denise Edwards at 410-459-3383 or Nancy Novicki at 410-692-6363.

"Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing so some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it." Hebrews 13: 2

SPECIAL THANK YOU



To St. Mary's Sewing Group and Parishioners who donated material and their time

Thank you for providing beautiful dresses, dolls, and now hair ribbons for the girls of the Dominican Republic. What a joy it is to give them to those who appreciate them so much! I hope you know how this serves as an expression of God's Love to these needy children. The shorts you supplied for the boys were also much needed and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued partnership in this mission.

Dr. Linda Walsh & the Doctor Mission Team of St. John's Lutheran Church, Sweet Air, Bel Air Md.

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION UPDATE



9th Grade FF Registration forms have been mailed out to families who have incoming 9th grade students for 2017-2018 school year. They are due back before July 15th or a late fee will incur. If you have an upcoming

9th grade student and we missed you, please contact Rachel Bittner at the Parish Office ext. 23 or nbittner@hotmail.com. Please remember your student needs to be in Faith Formation 1 year prior to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

WORK CAMP UPDATE.

Thank you to all work camp Adult Team and Campers who helped those in need in Cumberland MD this summer for

Catholic Heart Work Camp. Tentatively we are planning for the Summer of 2018, we are hoping to serve *in Oil City PA July 22-27, 2018*. This will be a next Level camp for those coming into 9th grade as of Sept. 2018. So please let me know before Sept. 15th if you have an interest in joining us as I will be reserving our spot for summer 2018.

VBS UPDATE

Vacation Bible School was held July 17-21 this summer. We had 79 children in attendance and a wonderful team of Teachers, Center Helpers, young adults, and teens who made it a great success. Thank you to everyone



who volunteered for VBS!!! The children had a wonderful week. Thank you to Chick Fil A of Forest Hill for donating treat cards for the children and helpers. We even had a visit from the (Holy) Cow, Chick Fil A, mascot at our closing celebration. Tentatively for summer of 2018 we are looking at having VBS June 25-29, 2018. So parents mark your calendars as your children don't want to miss VBS.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Congratulations to our senior Peer Ministers, Yana Bowers and Emma Marley who successfully graduated from the High School Youth Leadership Institute sponsored by the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Yana and Emma spent a week at the Msgr. O'Dwyer Retreat House July 8-15, training in Missionary Discipleship. We are very proud of their accomplishments and we are looking forward to all that they have learned to share with the teens of the Parish.

9th Grade HSFF Update

Attention incoming 9th Grade HSFF Students we have rescheduled our First Fruits Farm Class Service Project has been rescheduled for <u>Saturday August 19</u>. We will meet at the lower Parking lot of Church at 8 am ready to serve. Should be



home by 1 pm. Mrs. Rachel will send email reminder.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL SPONSOR A FAMILY WEEK DONUT SOCIAL

As a part of **Family Week** and to promote our Order's belief that the family is the core of parish life, the Knights of Columbus will be handing out **Consecration to the**



Holy Family prayer cards before Mass on August 12 and 13. Please join us in saying this prayer written by Archbishop William E. Lori. After Mass, we welcome everyone to celebrate Family Week at a donut social in the hall following all masses.

ST MARY'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday August 7, 2017 7:00 p.m	
Thursday, August 10, 2017 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m	IPPMtg
Saturday, August 12, 2017	Casserole Pans Returned
S	
Sunday, August 13, 2017	
	Casserole Pans Returned
	Sign-up Chicken Dinner
6:00 p.m	

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES!



It's that time of year again when Back to School Supplies are showing up at the stores. The Belles of St. Mary's are collecting supplies for students of Harford County who are in need of a little help with their school lists.

We are in particular need of 2" and 3" three ring binders and the inexpensive pencil boxes but of course anything from pencils to filler paper and everything in between is much appreciated. If you are able to purchase some supplies please place them in the bin at the back of the church. We would like all items returned by the weekend of August 26-27 so we have time to distribute them before school starts. Thank you for you're help and generosity.



FALL FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

Our fall fried chicken dinner will be on **September 9th**, 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm. Approximately 260 **stewards** will be needed from start to finish and as always we must ask our parishioners to give of

your time, talent and treasure.

Please, check your calendar now and sign up as soon as you can; it gives the chairman and myself peace of mind, prevents a lot of headaches and keeps our stress level at ease.

Time: 4 hrs at the most but **8 hrs would be great**.

Talent: Volunteer for any of the many positions to be filled.

Treasure: Buy a dinner ticket (it helps the cause).

Sign up will be after all the Masses as follows:

August 12th & 13th / August 19th & 20th / August 26th & 27th / Sept. 2nd & 3rd

Call Barbara Ext. 22

or email -- barbara stmarys@yahoo.com.

Thank you in advance for signing up early and for your continuous support of our parish.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

ST. EDWARDS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH PRESENTS ITS 4TH ANNUAL CRAB FEAST



SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017
3:00 -7:00 P.M.
THE FORUM CATERERS
4210 PRIMROSE AVE.
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215
For Tickets and more information call 410-362-2000

EVENING OF PRAYER & MUSIC WITH AUDREY ASSAD AND HER BAND

Edge of Dawn Tour – Sunday, August 20th at 7 PM, - St. Ignatius – Hickory. Tickets are now on sale: \$20.00 per individual - \$60.00 per family of 3 or more. Available on line or in our office @ www.stignatiushickory.org or www.audreyassad.com.



NUN RUN

SATURDAY, SEPT. 9, 2017 Please join the Little Sisters of the Poor for their 4th annual NUN RUN at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles Street! Start time for the 5K and 1 mile run/walk is 8:00

www.littlesisterssofthepoorbaltimore.org for additional information. Register at

a.m. Visit

www.charmcityrun.com or Contact 410-744-9367 ext. 126 with questions. If you are "dreaming of running, but sleeping in," consider a donation to the Little Sisters or participate in a "Virtual Run" at your convenience. Encourage your friends/family to pledge their monetary support as YOU participate in the Nun Run. Forms available on our website.