The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Jeanette Devine in memory of Pauline Devine’s birthday, and in honor of a friend’s birthday. The flowers on Mary’s Altar have been designated by Mark Pervarnik in memory of Bernadette Pervarnik. The flowers on St. Joseph’s Altar have been designated by Mark Pervarnik in memory of Joseph Pervarnik.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:30p.m. Stan and Rose Lawrence
7:30a.m. Living & deceased members of William Smith, Sr. & John Timmins family
10:00a.m. The People of the Parish

Mon. 8:00a.m. Dick Lawrence

Tues. Vigil 7:00p.m. Keith Adams
Wed. Assumption of Mary 8:30a.m. Msgr. Thomas H. Smith
7:00p.m. The People of the Parish

Thurs. 8:00a.m. Katherine Sneeringer
Fri. 8:00a.m. Charlie Klunk & deceased children Mike & Judy

Sat. 5:30p.m. Mrs. Earl T. Brady
Sun. 7:30a.m. George A. Smith
10:00a.m. The People of the Parish

Sat. Aug. 11th 5:30p.m. Volunteers requested
Sun. Aug. 12th 7:30a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Jim Hawbaker
10:00a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Tony Staub family

Next week is a Holy Day of Obligation, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please note the daily Mass times.

Everyone is invited to recite the Rosary at the Blessed Mother’s Altar beginning at 6:20 pm., on Tues. Aug.14th and Wed. Aug. 15th prior to Mass. The “Glorious Mysteries” will be recited.

From the Pastor: On August 14, the Church celebrates the feast day of St. Maximilian Kolbe. The following is adapted from Franciscan Media:

“I don’t know what’s going to become of you!” How many parents have said that? Maximilian Mary Kolbe’s reaction was, “I prayed very hard to Our Lady to tell me what would happen to me. She appeared, holding in her hands two crowns, one white, one red. She asked if I would like to have them—one for purity, the other for martyrdom. I said, ‘I choose both.’ She smiled and disappeared.” After that he was not the same.

Ordained at 24, Maximilian saw religious indifference as the deadliest poison of the day. His mission was to combat it. He had already founded the Militia of the Immaculata, whose aim was to fight evil with the witness of the good life, prayer, work, and suffering. He dreamed of and then founded Knight of the Immaculata, a religious magazine.

Arrested and imprisoned in Auschwitz, a Nazi concentration camp, he volunteered to take the place of a prisoner with a wife and children who had been selected for execution in reprisal for an escape.

The commandant ordered Fr. Kolbe to go with the nine other prisoners selected. In the “block of death” they were ordered to strip naked, and their slow starvation began in darkness. By the eve of the Assumption, four were left alive. The jailer came to finish Kolbe off as he sat in a corner praying. He lifted his fleshless arm to receive the bite of the hypodermic needle. It was filled with carbolic acid. They burned his body with all the others. Fr. Kolbe was beatified in 1971 and canonized in 1982. He is the patron saint of drug addiction and drug addicts.

There was one 13-jar unclaimed from the Picnic. Serial #3841309 winning number 213. If you have the winning ticket please call the Parish Office at 717-637-2721.

The Lector Workbooks for 2019 are available at the Parish Office for those who pre-ordered them.

Calling all Singers! We are currently seeking individuals to serve as cantors to lead our assembly in song at our Liturgies. We are also looking to add a few new voices to our Choirs and/or Choral Ensemble. If you are interested in sharing your gift of song in any of our vocal groups please contact Jody Richter at (717) 524-8684 or songbird62@embarqmail.com

Direction for Our Times: All are welcome come join our Parishioner Wendy McColl in Our Lady’s Chapel on Sat. Aug. 18th at 10:00am to pray the rosary and read the monthly message from Jesus, as given to Anne, a lay Apostle. For more information, call Wendy at 717-476-6435. Check out the website: www.directionforourtimes.org

Our Parishioner Liz Yealy, as part of her Girl Scout Gold Award, will be doing a recycling event in the AIBM Church parking lot Aug. 18th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone who brings their aluminum cans to recycle will be entered into a drawing for a $30 gift card. The recycling proceeds benefit Cub Scout Pack 107.

A Cub Scout Pack 107 Kick-Off Picnic will be held Sun. Aug. 26th from 11:00a.m. – 2:00p.m. at our Picnic Woods on Centennial Rd. Hanover. All boys entering Kindergarten through 5th grade are encouraged to attend! Bring a friend. Please bring a covered dish to share, other food and drink will be provided.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Abbottstown is sponsoring a bus trip to see “Jesus” at Sight and Sound in Lancaster on Tues. Oct. 2nd at 9:30a.m. in the IHM parking lot. Afterwards the bus will stop at the Shady Maple Buffet and return home around 7:30p.m. Cost is $110.00 per person plus bus driver tip. Deadline for reservation is Aug. 31st.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash Balance at 6/30/17 $154,944.73
Parish Collections (offertory) July – June 487,010.81
Individual Contributions July – June 300,262.03
Elective annual distribution from Diocesan FOCUS acct. (limited to 5% of the balance Calendar Year 2017 and 2018 distributions) 49,858.99
Recording of fundraising (inc. 2017 Picnic) by Diocese 27,910.19
Other Parish Income July – June 110,397.52
Remainder of contractual obligation to former Sacred Heart School employees (July & August salary and benefits) (112,075.00)
School Assessment July-June: St. Teresa of Calcutta monthly (9,029.10) (108,349.20)
Delone Catholic (3,086.50) (45,678.00)
Operating expenses July – June (Church, Parish Office, Rectory & Convent) (474,766.59)
Transfer of cash to the building savings fund (59,377.67)
Transfer of cash to restricted fund – scholarships (75,000.00)
Transfer of cash to other building savings fund (200,000.00)
Cash Balance as of 6/30/18 (fiscal year end) $ 55,137.81

Thank you for your continued support!

“Craft Beer and Wine in the Woods Festival” will be held on Sat. Sept. 15th at the Parish Picnic Woods from 11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. this event features wineries, breweries, vendors, and live music. Advance tickets are $13 and $15 the day of the event. Non-tasting tickets are also available for $5. For tickets paid with cash or check contact Mrs. Frizzell at the Conewango Campus 717-632-8715 or with credit card online at www.stck8school.org