The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Michelle Kopp and Missy Zinn in honor of their parents', Jim and Linda Masenheimer's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary! Congratulations!

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:30p.m. Jim & Linda Masenheimer's 50th Wedding

Anniversary

Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish

10:00a.m. Sister Mary Paula Aumen

Mon. 7:00p.m. Debbie Hockensmith Tues. 8:00a.m. Edith Gredd

Wed. 8:30a.m. Margaret Shrader Thurs. 8:00a.m. Gary F. Adams

First Friday 7:00p.m. Earl "Wayne" Gamble

Sat. 5:30p.m. Charlie Hertz Sun. 7:30a.m. Ellen Lee

10:00a.m. The People of the Parish

The Readings for this weekend are:

First Reading: Acts 9:26~31 Second Reading: 1 John 3:18~24

The Gospel: John 15:1~8

Congratulations to our Eighth Grade Parishioners who received the Sacrament of Confirmation here yesterday! May they realize the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives! God bless them!

All are invited to attend the May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sun. May  $2^{nd}$  at 7:00p.m.

Marian Devotions will be held the following Sundays in May at 7:00p.m.

## Parish History Spotlight

This Thursday May 6 is the 181st anniversary of the death of Reverend Demetrius Augustin Gallitzin. He served here at Conewago for a time. In 1799, he was sent to "McGuire's Settlement" (now Loretto, PA)- where he spent the rest of his life serving as a parish priest. Gallitzin's coat of arms are in the back of the church along the wall near the entrance to the Daily Mass Chapel. For more information, check out the 1999 book: *Apostle of the Alleghenies, Reverend Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin* by Margaret and Matthew Bunson. Gallitzin has been declared a "Servant of God" and is buried at St. Michael's Church in Loretto, PA. May he continue to pray for our community before the majesty of Almighty God!

\*Fifth Sunday of Easter\*

The book to order Altar Flowers is back in Church. We are asking for donations of flowers for Mary's Altar for Her month of May. If you would like to order flowers for this special month, please use the blue pages in the Flower Book or call the Parish Office 717-637-2721 for more information. When signing up please make sure to put your address and phone number in as you will be billed at the end of the month from the florist. All arrangements are larger than usual for the Altar. The cost is \$30.00

The month of May is dedicated to the honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Holy Rosary is one of the most popular devotional prayers among Roman Catholics worldwide. For the past year the Hbg. Diocesan Council of Catholic Women has led the Rosary (virtually) every Wed. evening at 7:00p.m. As an expression of our faith and deep devotion to our Blessed Mother, we warmly extend an invitation for all to join us as we come together to pray the Rosary. There will be special guests who will lead a decade of the Rosary. If you have a Marian Shrine in your home, perhaps you would like to share pictures during the May calls. For more information to log-in, please email:

ccwexecutivesecretary@gmail.com to be added to the group list.

The Vatican has announced a Rosary initiative dedicating the month of May to prayer for an end to the coronavirus pandemic. The council said that the world's Catholic shrines would be involved in a special way as promoters of the rosary among Catholic individuals, families, and communities. Thirty of the shrines will take turns leading a daily live-streamed rosary at 12 p.m. Eastern time, the council said. You can find the live stream by going to the Vatican website. The Pope said that he prays for the millions of people who have died from COVID-19 or who are suffering from the illness, as well as their families. "The pandemic has made no distinctions and has hit people of all cultures, creeds, social and economic strata," he said. He emphasized the importance of considering anti-COVID vaccination as a "universal common good."

A Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament First Friday May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m. Mass will follow at 7:00p.m.

Church cleaning will be resuming May 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30a.m. after the Ascension Day 8:30a.m. Mass, and continue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. of every month. Just bring a rag and bucket, cleaning supplies will be available.

The Prayer Group Movement for Youth and Children will gather at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 220 Third St. Hanover on Sun. May  $16^{th}$  at 2:00p.m. A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament will be held from 1:00-2:00 with the recitation of the Rosary.

Please enter the Church on the ramp by the Courtyard. Prayer books and Rosaries will be provided. For more information call Vicky Bunty at 717-632-3245.

Stay at the top of your game this summer by attending a Delone Catholic HS sports camp. The high school coaches, assistant coaches and players provide skills instruction at an age-appropriate level combined with lots of fun and games! Each camper gets a free T-shirt. Camps and dates are as follows: Boys' Basketball (Boys entering grades 4-9) June 7-10 from 1 to 4 p.m.; Cheer Camp (girls entering grades 3-8) July 12-14 from 6-8 pm.; Girls' Basketball (girls entering grades 3-9) June 7-10 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and Soccer (boys and girls entering grades 5-9) June 1-4 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For registration forms, visit: www.delonecatholic.org or call 717-637-5969 Ext. 213.

The Young Adult Day of Reflection is June 12<sup>th</sup> at St. John Neumann Parish, Lancaster. If you are a Catholic Young Adult, or a non-Catholic who has some interest in the Catholic Church, and are 18-39 years old, this day is for you! The theme is: *To Jesus through Mary*. Father Benjamin Dunkelberger, Pastor of Our Lady of the Visitation Church, Shippensburg, and the Catholic Center Chaplain at Shippensburg University will be the Retreat Leader. There will be two spiritual talks by Fr. Dunkelberger, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, recitation of the Rosary, opportunity for Confession, and the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There will also be some time for solitude and quiet reflection. Light breakfast fare and a catered lunch are included in the registration cost, which is \$15 per person. To register, see the following link:

https://hbgdiocese.formstack.com/forms/young\_adult\_day\_of\_reflect ion. Registration Deadline is June 8 at 4 pm.

## PRAYER TO OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Mary, powerful Virgin,
You are the mighty
and glorious protector of the Church.
You are the marvelous help of Christians.
You are awe inspiring as an army in battle array.
In the midst of our anguish,
struggle, and distress,
defend us from the power of the enemy,
and at the hour of our death,
receive our soul in Heaven.