St. Mary of the Assumption

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Celebration of Mass

Monday – Friday: 8:30 AM • Saturday: 5:00 PM • Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Live streamed Mass Sunday at 9:30 AM on
St. Mary's website: www.smachurch.com

Pastor: Rev. Charles C. Dillingham

Associate Pastor: Rev. David F. Murphy
Weekend Assistant: Rev. James B. Smith
Deacons: John Giacci, Larry Brecht, Joseph Jackson, Joseph LoPorto, Larry Morris

Parish Office Staff

Daniel DiGiacobbe, Business Manager	ext. 11
Annette Fad, Parish Secretary	ext. 33
Sandy Fiscella, PREP Coordinator	ext. 18
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Parish Religious Education Program

PREP: Grades 1 through 8 • Confirmation: Grade 9
Mrs. Cindy Krebs, DRE (302) 239-7100, ext. 17.

St. Mary's Preschool

Ages 2 through Pre-K.
Mrs. Cindy Krebs, Director (302) 239-7100, ext. 34.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 PM or by appointment.

Baptism

During a Mass or Sunday afternoon at 1:00 PM.
Baptisms are scheduled the second and fourth Sundays of the month.
Baptism classes are every other month.
Please call Parish Secretary for details
(302) 239-7100 ext. 33.

Marriage

Contact Parish Secretary before a wedding date is finalized.
The diocese requires one year of preparation.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office, (302) 239-7100.

St. Patrick's Cemetery

Contact Daniel DiGiacobbe (302) 239-7100, ext. 11.

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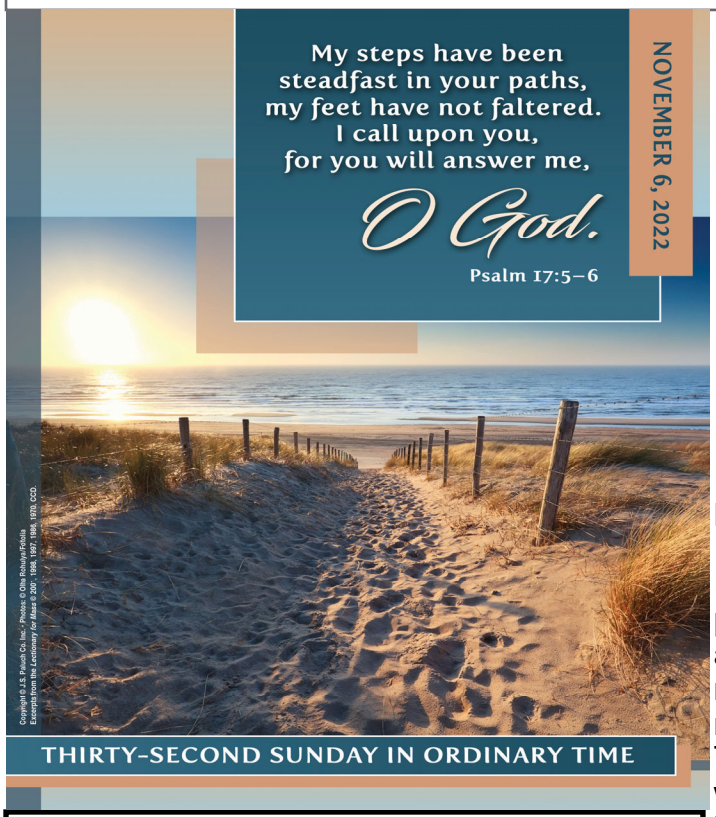

Mass Intentions

Monday	November 7, 2022
8:30 am	All Soul's Novena
	Assunta Di Benedetto
	Barbara Roman
Tuesday	November 8, 2022
8:30 am	Anne Barbieri
	All Soul's Novena
Wednesday	November 9, 2022
8:30 am	Pietro & Lucia Angelini
	All Soul's Novena
Thursday	November 10, 2022
8:30 am	Bruce Kirk
	All Soul's Novena
Friday	November 11, 2022
8:30 am	Grace Corba
Saturday	November 12, 2022
5:00 pm	Parishioners
Sunday	November 13, 2022
7:30 am	Living Intentions of Alice Radziewicz
9:30 am	Joseph DiMaio
11:30 am	Vivian Josephs

PRAYER OF THE WEEK
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty and merciful God,
graciously keep from us all adversity,
so that, unhindered in mind and body alike,
we may pursue in freedom of heart
the things that are yours.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

ETERNAL LIFE

What happens after we die? Most religions and philosophies provide some notion of this, but we are confounded by the mystery of it all. Today's readings give us a glimpse through the faith of martyrs and in the words of Jesus. In the Old Testament reading, the Maccabee brothers assert with total confidence that the God who gave them life would also raise them to eternal life. This was not universally accepted in ancient Israel. The Sadducees, who denied any resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus with a hypothetical riddle. Jesus, known for turning such things around, dismisses their unbelief, noting that even Moses knew that all are alive in God. Saint Paul tells the Thessalonians that we live in everlasting encouragement and hope, and Psalm 17 echoes this with words of faith that we will see God's face, waking in God's loving presence.

In your charity, please pray for all who have gone before us and all the deceased of Saint Mary of the Assumption.

+Kenneth E. Mersman, husband of parishioner Ann Marie Mersman

+Judith Klepper, mother of parishioner Jill Crouse

St. Mary's Outreach Thanksgiving Food Donation

Sign up at SMAChurch.com/Outreach

Deliver food to the Church Hall

Saturday 11/19/22 8:00 am - Noon

- ☐ Frozen Turkey, or Frozen Turkey Breast, or Whole Chicken
- ☐ Rice, bag or box
- ☐ Canned Fruit
- ☐ Canned Vegetables
- ☐ Gravy
- ☐ Pillsbury Rolls
- ☐ Instant Mashed Potatoes
- ☐ Eggs
- ☐ Butter
- ☐ Pie/Cookies

You may sign up to provide a complete dinner or a portion as you are able. If you are unable to access a computer to sign up, call Flora at the church office (302)239-7100 ext. 10, Monday-Friday between 9:00 am and 12:30 pm, and she will take your information and sign up for you. Questions, please contact Jennifer LaFrankie at jenlafrankie@yahoo.com.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK IS NOVEMBER 6 - 12

Legion of Mary

"Children ages 7 thru 17 are invited to join the Junior praesidium of the Legion of Mary, where they will be encouraged to become instruments of the Holy Spirit through a balanced program of prayer and works. They meet every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in the Coffee Run room.

For more information, the Senior legionaries will be available before the meetings."

HINDRANCES AND PITFALLS ON THE WAY –
When Discontent is Banished

Those who have always been in the close friendship of God cannot fully value the greatness of this treasure - peace of mind -- which they have always possessed. But to those who have known the opposite, this feeling, as it develops, carries a plain message of the presence of the Holy Spirit in the soul. One is on the way to that tranquility which was a
notable feature in the lives of the Saints. For instance, it is written of St. Vincent Ferrer:

"Whether in the streets, or the choir, or his own cell, or preaching, or on a journey, or whatever he did, he was always tranquil because he made an oratory in his heart, and there conversed uninterruptedly with God without any
outward thing disturbing him."

In today's Gospel we find that God is a God of the living, and this is indeed the core of our hope. Jesus has risen and is with us, therefore, at no time should we be without hope for the future.

When you give the furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you give hope to your neighbors who have nothing.

St. Mary of the Assumption's Saint Vincent De Paul Society is having its annual Christmas greens and Poinsettia sale through November 20. For your holiday decorating you can order decorated wreaths, swags, grave blankets and poinsettias. Orders will be taken through email or text up to November 20th (smadesvdp@gmail.com or 302-354-3722). Payment and delivery will be on December 10/11 at all Masses. Home delivery is also available, if requested. This is a fund raiser to help our SVDP Society assist families in financial need. Thank you for your generous support.

SAVE THE DATES!

St. Mary's Outreach wants to remind you to save the dates for the upcoming holiday programs. Thanksgiving Food collection is on Saturday, November 19th from 8am-noon. All donated food items are to be delivered to the church hall (back of St Mary's). The list of requested items is posted on the SMA web page (smachurch.com) under the Outreach tab. Please sign up online. Christmas Adopt a Family collection is on Saturday, December 17th from 8am-noon. Sign ups for adopting a family begin in early November.

These annual Outreach events continue to grow and serve so many in our community. Thank you in advance for your continued support. Contact Jennifer LaFrankie with any questions. (jenlafrankie@yahoo.com)

Super 50-50 Raffle

Thank you if you have already sent in your raffle tickets. If you have not, please consider doing it soon. The annual chili cook-off will be on Saturday, January 21st in the church hall after 5:00PM Mass, and the 50 winning tickets will be drawn at the event.

If you have misplaced your tickets or need more, they are available weekdays when the Parish office is open.

The Knights of Columbus and the Parish Pro-Life committee thank you for your support.

The next Sages Luncheon will be on Wednesday, November 9th in the Church Hall at 12:30 pm.

The Sages luncheon is open to all adults over the age of 50.

Donations to help support the luncheon are

UPDATE REGARDING JANUARY 21, 2023 WOMEN'S RETREAT:

Due to an illness in the family, our original presenter, Sarah Christmyer, has deferred her presentation until our 2024 retreat. Please pray for Sarah and her family for healing. We are happy to report that we have engaged a new presenter--Kristi Bushner--who will present "Pray then like this..." (Deepening Our Relationship with God Through Prayer). Registration for the retreat will begin in November by visiting smachurch.com/retreat

Parenting Pointers:

Nov. 6th: November is Adoption month. Have you ever considered adopting or becoming a foster parent? This may not be your call but you might still mentor a child who needs a little more attention. Remember, Jesus was a foster child.

Marriage Moments:

Nov. 6th: "That the dead will rise…for to God all are alive." (Luke 20: 38) Thinking of your own or your beloved's death can be scary and depressing – but nobody gets out of this life alive! Take a sacred moment to share with each other your fears and hopes for your own deaths.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:
Learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage! Get away for an intimate weekend; no group sharing required. The next weekend is November 11-13 at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For info or to register visit http://www.wwme.org or call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-648-2228.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!!!
SOCK-TOBER IS HERE!

Please bring newly purchased men's, women's and children's socks to provide to shelters this fall/winter.

Our SOCK-TOBER bin will be located in the church's gathering space through November 13th. Drop offs can be made before or after all Masses. An additional bin will be located in the Parish office entrance for drops offs other than Mass times. All donations need to be new. Athletic and winter weight socks are preferable.

PWYCM - PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN MINISTRY is offering a date night out! We will have dance instructors teaching the Waltz and Swing from 3 to 5 PM on Sunday, December 4th at St. Mary's of the Assumption Church, 7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Potluck style appetizers, drinks and desserts. Free event, casual social and dancing, adults only. RSVP to Ruthie @ slrcordero@aol.com or text/call 484-554-5618. Please ask to join our email list for further Catholic family events, women's faith sharing, men's group and more! We are a community of Catholic families in DE/MD/PA striving to raise joyful, faithful children as we seek to transform our culture, one soul at a time.

Come meet other likeminded parents.

Need a Ride???
Fellow Parishioners!!! Do you occasionally need a ride to Church for Mass or perhaps elsewhere? As one of the service organizations of our parish, The Knights of Columbus may be able to help. Contact, John Ryan, Community Director for the council. You may contact him at, 302-507-7915.

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St. Mary's Calendar

Monday, November 7, 2022
8:30 am Mass
9:00 am Exposition, Adoration, Benediction (C)
6:00 pm Monday Evening PREP
6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop 803 (H)
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Planning meeting (J)
7:00 pm Men's Bible Study Group meeting (CF)

Tuesday, November 8, 2022
8:30 am Mass
9:00 am Adult Formation: OREMUS
6:30 pm Adult Formation: OREMUS
7:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal (C)

Wednesday, November 9, 2022
8:30 am Mass
10:00 am Ladies Guild meeting (M)
12:30 pm Sages Luncheon (H)
2:00 pm Legion of Mary–33 Day Consecration (CF)
5:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting Rosary (CF)
6:00 pm Knights of Columbus business meeting (M)
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary meeting (J)

Thursday, November 10, 2022
8:30 am Mass
9:00 am 2023 Women's Retreat meeting (M)
6:00 pm RCIA Session 2022 (J)
6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop 803 meeting (H)
7:00 pm Pre-Jordan Baptismal class (CF)

Friday, November 11, 2022
8:30 am Mass
9:15 am Legion of Mary (CF)
9:15 am Mothers Prayer Group (CP)

Saturday, November 12, 2022
3:30 pm Confession (CP)
5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, November 13, 2022
7:30 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
Children's Liturgy of the Word (CF)
10:30 am Confirmation 2023 Sessions (H)
11:30 am
12:30 pm Legion of Mary Junior Praesidium (CF)

CF-Coffee Run, M-St. Mary, H-Hall
SJ-St. John, CP-Chapel, C-Church

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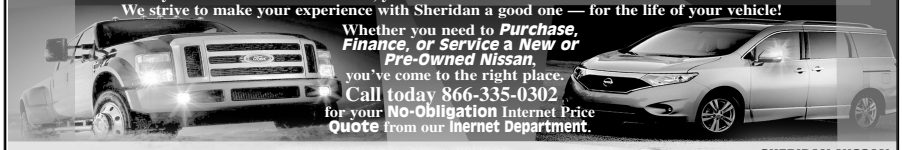

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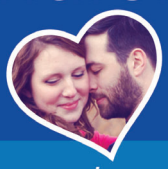

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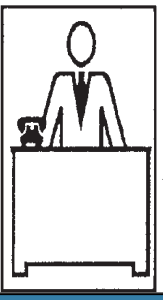

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