



ASSUMPTION

 of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

 To Know Jesus, to Love Jesus, to Serve Jesus



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 12, 2021

Church and Parish Office:
 300 State Road • West Grove, PA 19390
 Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 am-12 pm, 1-4 pm
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Weekend Mass Times
 Saturday: 4:30 pm
 Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm Masses

Daily Mass Schedule
 6:30 am - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
 8:15 am - Tuesday, Friday

Eucharistic Adoration
 After morning Mass, Monday through Friday, until 7 pm
 ABVM Adoration Chapel
 No Adoration on public holidays or snow days.

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Sacraments and Devotions

Baptism: Sundays at 1:15 pm in Church (bimonthly)

Matrimony: Engaged couples are asked to meet with the parish priest at least six months prior to the wedding and enroll in a marriage-prep program.

Reconciliation: (Church) Saturdays, 11:00 am-12:15 pm

Rosary: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Patriotic Rosary: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm

Flame of Love Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet:
 Thursdays, 6:00 pm -7:00 pm

Bulletin: Submit articles by 8:00 am on Thursday for publication the following week. Submit to the Parish Office or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

Hearing Assist Devices are available for use at Mass. Please see an usher for details.

WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM THE SINS OF BIBLICAL HEROES



Often these days the sins of prominent clergy are made known publicly. Men who were thought to be true and holy are revealed as false and corrupt. For the cause of reform and healing for victims it is good that these things be brought into the light of public scrutiny. Such scandals, however, cause great pain in those who love and believe in the Church, and worse, leads some to question the credibility of the Church's teaching and her Sacraments. These I would hope to help by pointing to the sins of Biblical heroes. They reveal that human weakness is not to be unexpected, even in servants of God. Here are some examples:

Noah enjoyed the fruits of the newly recovered earth after the Flood a little too much, got drunk, passed out and exposed himself naked in his tent, to the shame of his sons.

Out of fear Abraham lied about his relationship with his wife Sarah twice, and doubted that God would fulfill his promise of a son by her.

Moses lost patience with the Israelites and dishonored God by crediting a miracle to himself and his brother Aaron rather than to God.

David committed adultery with Bathsheba and then had her husband murdered to cover it up. He also disobeyed God by taking a census of Israel, which had tragic results for the population.

Peter tried to turn Jesus away from embracing his Passion. After Pentecost, as leader of the Church in Antioch, he was remonstrated by Paul for treating Gentile converts differently from Jewish converts.

Thomas doubted the Resurrection of Jesus.

Paul and Barnabas split up after a heated argument because Paul was unwilling to allow Mark, a cousin of Barnabas, to join them on a second missionary journey since he had abandoned them half way through the first one.

Why would the Holy Spirit, who inspired Sacred Scripture, make the weaknesses of God's servants known? Because the Scriptures are not fables but recount salvation history. This history is not a perfect trajectory because human beings are major players in it. The salvation of the human race is a divine and human project. The realistic approach which the various books of the Bible take to this history is a sign of their authenticity, for the authors do not attempt to hide the shortcomings of their heroes. Scripture makes it clear that God, by his Divine Providence, uses imperfect human beings to accomplish great things.

Only the Founder of our faith and his Blessed Mother were absolutely perfect. Everyone else falls short. The existence of concupiscence – the inclination to sin with which we are born – does not excuse bad behavior, but it explains the reason for its possibility even in those whom God has consecrated for His purposes, in biblical times and in all ages. They are not robots. Like every human being, they are endowed with free will and require continual conversion.

Surely, we should be scandalized by moral failure in Church leaders, and it is proper to hold them to account. We have a right to expect that they live the exhortation they heard from the bishop when he handed them the Book of the Gospels on the day of their ordination: "Believe what you read. Teach what you believe. Practice what you teach." But the Gospels and the rest of the Bible signal that there will be scandals. The biggest one was Judas Iscariot. This honest acknowledgement is meant to keep us from losing faith when scandals happen. Our trust is in the Lord, not in human beings, and the unworthiness of his ministers does not negate the efficacy of the grace for salvation which God continues to communicate through his Church.

Saint Paul recommends that evil be made known: "Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light" (Ephesians 5:11-13). When he learns of sexual immorality being tolerated in one of the churches, he urges that the transgressor be excommunicated for the sake of integrity and truth, and in hope that the guilty man might turn and be saved (cf. 1 Corinthians 5).



ORDER of WORSHIP

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 12, 2021

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

ENTRANCE
HYMN

CRUCIFER



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim till all the world a-dore



his sa - cred name. 1. Led on their way by this tri - um-phant
2. Each new-born ser - vant of the Cru - ci -
3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious
4. So shall our song of tri-umph ev - er



to Refrain
1. sign, The hosts of God in con- quering ranks com- bine.
2. fied Bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
3. tree, As thou hast prom- ised, draw the world to thee.
4. be: Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: 10 10 with refrain; 1 Corinthians 1:18; George Kitchin, 1827-1912;
alt., by Michael R. Newboldt, 1874-1956. Music: Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 1875-1947.
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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING [ISAIAH 50:4C-9A](#)

The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. He is near who upholds my right; if anyone wishes to oppose me, let us appear together. Who disputes my right? Let that man confront me. See, the Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong?

**RESPONSORIAL
PSALM**

PSALM 116: 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B



℟. I will walk be - fore the Lord, in the land of the liv - ing.

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SECOND READING JAMES 2:14-18

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well, " but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. Indeed someone might say, "You have faith and I have works." Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.

**GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA NO. IV



℟. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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GOSPEL MARK 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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, 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 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.

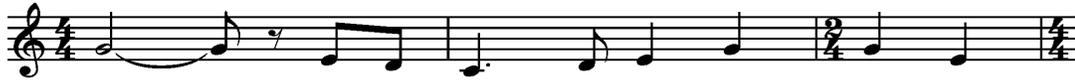
Offertory
Hymn

THESE ALONE ARE ENOUGH

Dan Schutte



1. Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and
2. Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my mem - o -
3. I sur - ren - der, Lord, all I have and
4. When the dark - ness falls on my fi - nal



1. dreams. Take my mind with all its plans and
2. ry. Take my tears, my joys, my lib - er -
3. hold. I re - turn to you your gifts un -
4. days, take the ver - y breath that sang your



1. schemes.
 2. ty.
 3. told.
 4. praise.
- } Give me noth - ing more than your love and



- 1-4. grace. These a-lone, O God, are e-nough for me.

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Communion
Hymn

ONE LOVE RELEASED

Bob Frenzel and Kevin Keil



1. Is not this bread we share, the bod - y of our Lord?
2. I am the bread of life, eat and you shall live.
3. I am the liv - ing bread, as man - na from the sky.
4. No one will come to me, un - less our God has led.



1. Is not this wine we drink, the blood of Christ out-poured?
2. To those who share this meal, my strength I'll al - ways give.
3. This bread I give to you, that you may nev - er die.
4. And I shall raise them up, — raise them from the dead!

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GLORY IN THE CROSS

(Ordinary Time)

Dan Schutte



1. Let us ev - er glo - ry in the cross of Christ, our sal -
2. Let us bring our bur - dens to the cross of Christ who has
3. Let us raise our voic - es to the cross of Christ where the



1. va - tion and our hope. Let us bow in hom - age to the
2. known our sor - row and tears. In the great com - pas - sion of the
3. earth and heav - en u - nite. God has wed cre - a - tion on the



1. Lord of Life, who was bro - ken to make us whole. There is
2. heart of Christ, God has walked in our hopes and fears. He was
3. tree of hope where the dark - ness be - comes our light. Let us



1. no great - er love, as bless - ed as this: to lay down one's
2. mocked and be - trayed, de - sert - ed by friends, and ban - ished to
3. join in the dance of heav - en and earth, give thanks for the



1. life for a friend. } Let us ev - er glo - ry in the
2. die a - mong thieves. }
3. good - ness of God. }



1-3. cross of Christ and the tri - umph of God's great love.

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Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares
of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits who prowl about
the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 11, 2021

4:30 pm Mass - Toshiko Nagaura Bunting, req. by Joe Bunting
Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: L. Lanciano, M. Petrarca, R. Schill
Readers: D. Buoni, E. Sigda Servers: 3 servers needed
Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

Sunday, September 12, 2021

8 am Mass - Anthony Caruso, req. by Ann & Abby Caruso
Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: M. Bruecks, P. Wengloski,
1 minister needed Readers: J. Battinieri, M. Losito
Servers: A., L., & R. Hamilton
Sacristan: K. Kelleher Music: A. Wengloski, M. Lundy

10 am Mass - Brian Erling, req. by The Erling Family

Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: J. Chapman, D. Lauletta,
T. Powell Readers: A. Pfaff, G. Charlton
Servers: J. & S. Calabretta, J. Stumpf
Sacristan: S. Gempp Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Intentions of Sister Mary of the Holy Face, req. by ABVM Parish Friends

Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: T.F. Caruso, S. Hannan,
D. Shannon Readers: K. Hamill-Clark, J. Colgan
Servers: K. & N. O'Donnell, 1 server needed
Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: G. Kull, M.Lundy

Monday, September 13, 2021, 6:30 am Mass Thomas Crivaro, req. by The Riordan Family

Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 8:15 am Mass Brian Erling, req. by The Family

Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 6:30 am Mass Gilbert Furniss, Sr., req. by G. and Nancy Furniss

Thursday, September 16, 2021, 6:30 am Mass People of the Parish

Friday, September 17, 2021, 8:15 am Mass Paul Fouts, Jr., req. by The Leinhauser Family

Saturday, September 18, 2021

**4:30 pm Mass - Warren Devonshire, req. by The Devonshire
and DeCamillo Families**
Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: S. Hannan, L. Lanciano,
M. Petrarca Readers: N. Coyne, D. Buoni
Servers: E. & M. Stemerman, 1 server needed
Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

Sunday, September 19, 2021

8 am Mass - Frederick Atkinson, req. by The Atkinson Family
Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: M. Bruecks, B. Michalski, P.
Wengloski Readers: M. Debes, C. Foy
Servers: K. & N. O'Donnell, 1 server needed
Sacristan: K. Kelleher Music: A. Wengloski, M. Lundy

10 am Mass - Greta Morgan, req. by The Schill Family

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: J. Chapman, T. Powell, R. Schill
Readers: M. A. Schill, T. Harrison Servers: E. & H. Char, J. Stumpf
Sacristan: sacristan needed Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Living and Deceased Members of the Hall and Teuchert Families, req. by The Family

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: A. Barr, L. Goldstein, D. Shannon
Readers: J. Battinieri, K. Hamill-Clark
Servers: E. & N. Goldstein, 1 server needed
Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: G. Kull, M.Lundy

PRAYER REQUESTS



Mary Lou Fieni, Ryan Coyle, Hazel Owens, Dorothy Verna, Karen & Wayne Powell, Larry Spencer, Judy Geller, Ruth Louf, Pam Davidson, Dan Miller, Sharon Kraynak, Brent & Stephanie Starkey, Sharon DeNapoli, Marilyn DePhillips, Dawn Farrugia, Coz Daiello, Bill Sauerwine, Stephen Felicetti, Frankie Knowles, Jose Gonzalez, Cheryl Sedlak, Victor & Dee Beirger, Joseph & Philip Caruso, D'Ambrosia Family, Peter Haggerty, Hilde Varglien, Marianne Boyd, McFillin Family, Logan Moyer, Terry Pia, Kathy & Michele Moro, Lori Gaffney, Lorraine Moulder, Daniel Hill, Cathy McKeaney, Virginia Morneau, Marie & Carl Nardi, Mary Martini, George Timer, Aimee Gallick, Bishop Francis Malooly, Joe Bruecks, Lauren G., Reynolds Family, Jose Gonzalez, Robert DiStefano, Visitation Prayer Intentions

Requests will be printed in the bulletin for one month and military prayers for six months. You may renew as often as you wish by calling the Assumption BVM Parish Office at 610-869-2722 or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Let us continue to pray for our Armed Forces. We thank God for their sacrifices they make to ensure our freedom.

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| ◆2 LT Emily Fanning | ◆SGT Andrew Wolfe |
| ◆LT Ryan Hoffman | ◆AB Michael Connelly & FLT277, Lackland AFB |
| ◆HM1 Matthew Rosenberg | ◆SPC Thomas Wolfe |
| ◆SGT Meghan Guerrero | ◆SGM Nicolas Relacion |
| ◆SGT Michael Guerrero | ◆Service Members & Coalition |
| ◆SGT James Francis | |
| ◆2 LT Nicholas J. Caruso | |
| ◆SSGT James McWilliams | |

Military Plaque to honor those who are currently serving in the U.S. Military is on display in the Church Vestibule. If you would like to have your loved one's picture displayed, contact Dave Besselman at 484-667-0267 or dbesselman1@gmail.com.



We would like to welcome the following new members to our Parish Family:

**Charles and Amanda Dougherty Family
Nicole LoFurno**

Are you new to our Parish and would like to register? We would love to have you!! Please call the ABVM Parish Office, weekdays, at 610-869-2722, or visit our parish website for a registration form.

Parish Finances

Thank you for your support and generosity!

Collection for September 5, 2021	\$14,470
Includes \$6,500 estimated E-Giving	
-47% participation	
Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$13,846
Actual Average Weekly Collection	\$12,352

We have budgeted \$720,000 for our Offertory income, which is less than what we need to balance the overall parish budget. We will make up this deficit from the Annual Parish Appeal. This week about seventy-seven percent of our regular weekly donors contributed. The Offertory financial support for September 5 was \$524 more than the budgeted Offertory income. Please keep up your good work until all our weekly donors return to Mass.

Parish Appeal Update

The 2021 Parish Appeal is doing well thanks to you. In the first forty-four weeks of the campaign, we have commitments from two hundred eight-three families for more than \$165,900 with \$159,724 received. We have met our goal. The first \$125,000 will go toward parish expenses; the remainder will go to the emergency fund for unbudgeted, major expenses for the church; e.g., the ultimate replacement of the church roof. Please continue to fulfill your commitments.



The Finance Council and Father Scott thank you for your generosity to the parish. There are multiple ways to donate to the Offertory and Parish Appeal:

- *Place your Offertory and/or Parish Appeal envelope in the collection basket
- *Mail the Offertory and/or Parish Appeal envelope to the Parish Office
- *Text 610-810-5080 from your smart phone or click on this link: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/PA832>.



My Catholic Will

Consider a gift to ABVM Parish in your will, estate plan or life insurance. Your gift ensures the vitality of the parish for years to come.



Wednesday, September 15th

If you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic or someone who was baptized as a child but has not yet celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist, have them contact Deacon Ron by phone or e-mail.

This Fall, the RCIA program will be offered here at Assumption BVM. Join Deacon Ron Lewis for a **Meet and Greet** on Wednesday, September 15th at 7 pm in the Parish Life Center (Church lower level). The RCIA program will begin late September and, God willing, will culminate on the Easter Vigil next year with the welcoming of several new Catholics to our Parish! So, get the word out! It may result in the greatest journey someone you know will take...the journey to our Catholic Faith in Jesus Christ. Please contact Deacon Ron Lewis at RCIA@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org or call 302-547-8586.

Rest in Peace

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

*Emma Lattanzio
Monsignor Bernard Trinity
Mary Zunino*

He Waits for You!

Make a visit to our Lord.

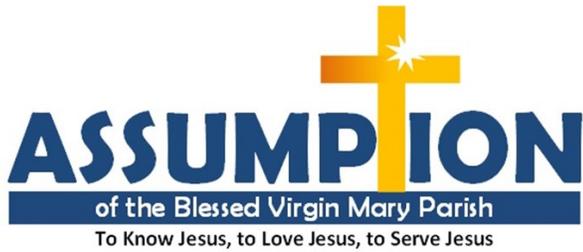
Eucharistic Adoration is held in our Adoration Chapel, Monday-Friday, after morning Mass until 7 pm. For questions, contact Mary at 302-388-3752; hartown@verizon.net



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH (DEC. 8, 2020 - DEC. 8, 2021)

***"All for Jesus, all for Mary, all to imitate you, O patriarch St. Joseph.
This shall be my motto for life and eternity."***

—Saint Pope Pius X



Join us for our ABVM Community Picnic!

Saturday, September 18th from 12-4pm

Grab your family, friends, community members and come to ABVM to have some fun. Picnic details and schedule below:

Food & Refreshments:

- BBQ Lunch & Refreshments - 12:00-2:00
- Desserts & Refreshments - 2:00-4:00
- Kona Shaved Ice - 3:00-4:00

Adult and Kids Activities:

- Music 12:00-1:00 / Live music (Zip Line Lily) - 1:00-3:00 / Music - 3:00-4:00
- Moon Bounces - 12:00-4:00
- Games/Activities - 12:00-4:00
- All ages wiffle ball game - 12:30-1:00
- Pony Rides - 1:00-3:00
- Shoeless Potato Sack Races - 1:45-2:00
- Shepherd and Staff Relay for young kids - 2:00-2:30
- Hula-Hoop Contest and 3-Legged Race - 3:00-3:30

*Picnic location: ABVM Parish – 300 State Road, West Grove, PA 19390

Join us for this rain or shine community event!



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Resumes Next Sunday, Sept. 19
at the 10:00 am Mass

Bring your child to the Chapel prior to the start of Mass.

This is an opportunity for young children, ages 4 to 7, who have not yet made the Sacrament of Holy Communion, to listen to, discuss, and understand the Mass Readings on an age-appropriate level, so that they too may *Know Jesus, Love Jesus, and Serve Jesus*. No registration is required. For participation in this program, please bring your children or grandchildren to the Chapel prior to the start of Mass. As the Entrance Hymn begins, the Children's Liturgy of the Word leaders will walk your children downstairs to the St. Cecilia Room, where they will gather to hear God's Word. For questions, contact Lisa Goldstein at KidsMass@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org



School Calendar:

- Sept. 17th: 8:15 am Mass (1st & 7th Grades)
- Sept. 18th: ABVM Community Picnic-All are invited and welcome to attend
- Sept. 23rd: Virtual NED Show Assembly Positive Mindset Mission
- Sept. 24th: 8:15 am Mass - Student Council Installation Mass - Class Representatives
- Oct. 1st: All School First Friday Mass at 8:15 am

Save the Date:

3rd Annual ABVM School Golf Outing

Monday, October 11, 2021

Deerfield Golf Club, Newark, DE

For information, email golfouting@abvmschoolwg.us.



INTRODUCING
THE NEW SOUTHERN CHESTER COUNTY
Catholic Youth Group

SOUTHERN CHESTER COUNTY
Catholic Youth Group

One Youth group with participating parishes:

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, West Grove
Sacred Heart Parish, Oxford
St. Patrick's, Kennett Square

SERVING 7TH GRADE -HIGH SCHOOL

LOCATION: ABVM Parish

TIME: Sundays 6:30-8:00 pm

First Meeting is Sunday, September 26th
More information to follow!



Catholic Youth Faith Formation (CYFF)

First Day of In-Person Classes:

Tuesday, September 28, 4:30-6:00 pm

Wednesday, September 29, 4:30-6:00 pm

Registration 2021-22:

We welcome all children, levels 1-7, to grow closer to Christ and journey in faith and Sacramental preparation with us! If you have not yet registered your children for Faith Formation Classes for the Fall, please contact Janine Kramer at 610-869-8575, email abvmfaithformation@gmail.com, or visit <https://assumptionbvmwestgrove.org/catholic-youth-faith-formation>.



Make A Joyful Noise Campaign

MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE THE SOUND QUALITY OF THE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE AT ABVM.

Gifts will be used to improve the quality of our Church sound system and Allen Renaissance Organ. All Memorial Gifts will be doubled thanks to the generosity of a single donor family who has agreed to match donations from parishioners up to \$25,000.

Memorial Gifts (donations) would be from a family or organization for \$500 or more, in memory of a relative or loved one.

Our campaign goal is \$50,000 for the project. A plaque will be hung near the entrance of the chapel acknowledging your memorial gift. For more information and a donor form, email development@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org.



CYO Sports News

Our Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) has long offered the youth of our communities the opportunity to participate in faith based sports activities. To enhance the experience for all, we are pleased to announce a partnership between *Assumption BVM, Sacred Heart* and *Saint Patrick's* to form one regional CYO program.

Regional CYO (*Archdiocese of Philadelphia Region 17*)

This new program will expand access to more kids from the parishes and allow us to offer new sports.

We are seeking volunteers to help us construct the framework for this new program.

If you want to be a coach or director of a sport, help with equipment or finances, would like to be a part of creating the best CYO program in the area, and have kids that can now or will soon be able to participate in CYO sports, please consider joining us on this journey!!!

If you are interested, please contact:

Neil O'Donnell: (cyo@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org)

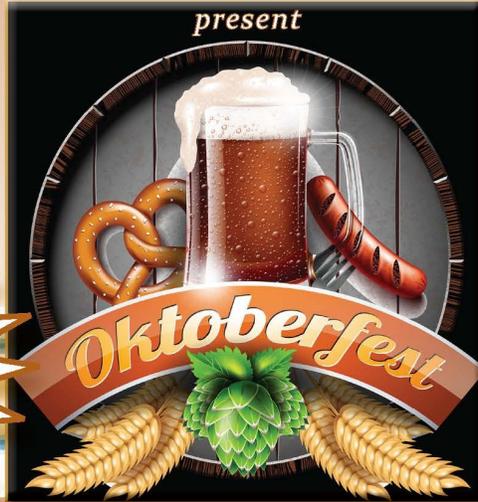
Bill Dobbins: (bdobbins@visa.com)

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**Knights of Columbus
Meeting**

Thursday, Sept. 16th

6 pm Social, 6:30 pm Meeting
ABVM Parish Life Center (lower level)
All members are welcome to attend
the meeting. For those who are
unable, the meeting will also be
available on Zoom. For information
or questions, contact Grand Knight,
Bernie Hughes, at 484-467-9778.

GrandKnight@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org



**LADIES
AUXILIARY**

St. Pius X Council #3858

MEETING: The next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be
on **Monday, September 13th** at 7:00 PM in the ABVM Par-
ish Life Center. All members are encouraged to attend as
we plan for upcoming events.

NEW MEMBERS: If you are interested in learning more
about the Ladies Auxiliary and would like to become a
member, contact Jen Hoffman at stpiusxaux@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray the Rosary for Life (9/12-9/18/21)

Sun. T. Harrison Thu. C. Bruecks
Mon. C. Sedlak/T. Harrison Fri. R. Gaffney/N. Kennard
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Wed. T. Harrison (Sign-up to pray in the vestibule.)

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***Catholic Men's Pornography Addiction Group:** Call confidentially at 215-490-4660.

* **Suicide Prevention Hotline:** 800-273-8255.

***Hope in Christ:** Spiritual Support for Addiction: visit archphila.org/hope.

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***Nourish for Caregivers Support Groups:** Visit phillyevang.org/nourish

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* **Natural Family Planning** (Creighton Model) Contact Kaitlyn at 484-889-9519

Aborted Babies Memorial Remembrance

On Saturday, September 18th, 10 am, you are invited to participate in the Aborted Babies Memorial Remembrance at the gravesite of 35 aborted babies at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Singerly Road (Rt.213) and Childs Road, Elkton, MD. The service will include Scripture readings, prayers, songs and roses placed on the gravesites. If interested in carpooling, contact Luana at 302-593-2300. Visit <https://nationaldayofremembrance.org> for more information.

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OPENING YOUR HEART (For women new to the program) This 22 week foundational course begins Wednesday, September 22nd, 9:00-10:30 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.

GROUNDED IN HOPE (For women who have already completed Opening Your Heart) This 17 week course begins Tuesday, September 21st, 9:00-10:30 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.

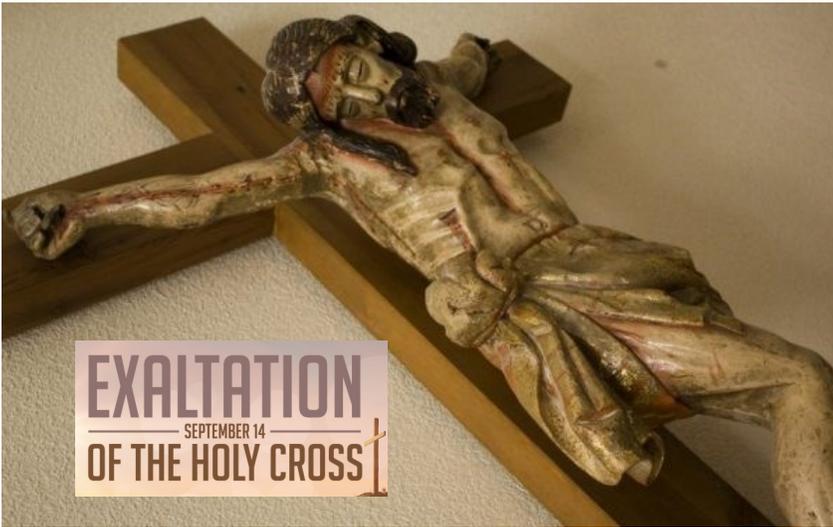
BLAZE (For 7th and 8th Grade Girls) The mission of Blaze is to use Scripture to speak truth into the hearts of young girls who are bombarded by lies about their true worth and beauty. This 20 week course begins Sunday, October 10th, 11 am-12 pm, ABVM Parish Life Center.

To register, contact Stephanie at 484-467-6675 or BibleStudy@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org.



Ministry of Consolation

Our monthly meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 16th** at 7 pm in the Assumption BVM Chapel. If you are feeling the loss of a loved one and would like to meet other parish family members who have shared this experience, please join us and see what we have to offer. The meeting lasts approximately one hour and we respect your privacy. Our small group wants to share our support. If you would like to contact a facilitator ahead of time, call Ginny Bryson at 610-322-6366 or Joan Shannon at 610-322-5792.



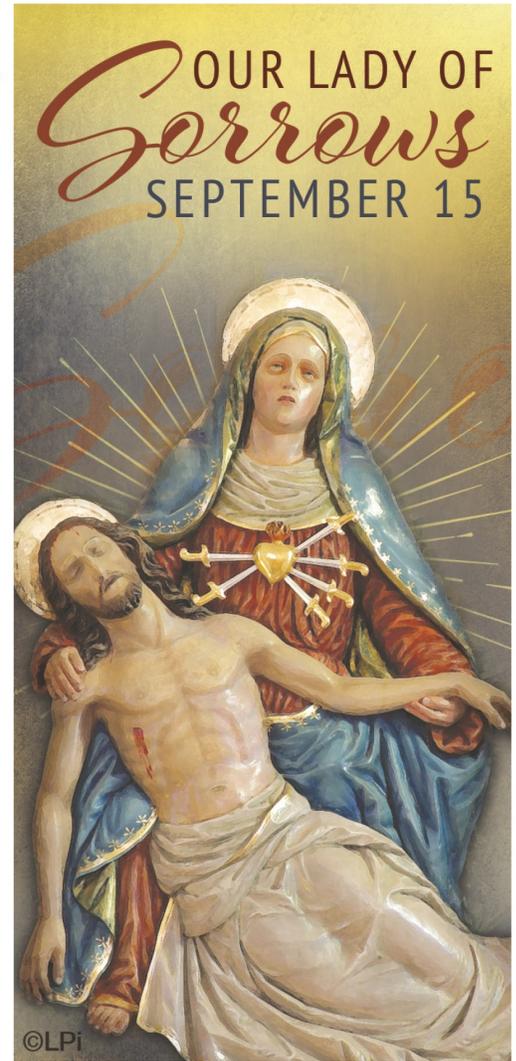
“Everything is a reminder of the Cross. We ourselves are made in the shape of a cross.” - St. John Vianney

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

- Sunday:** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents’ Day
- Monday:** St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Wednesday:** Our Lady of Sorrows
- Thursday:** Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
- Friday:** St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Saturday:** BVM
- Next Sunday:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

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Rest in the presence of God simply because God is God and you are you. This is all that is necessary. Out of this relationship will come inspiration, understanding, courage, constancy, truth, and virtues of all kind. We will find ourselves knowing the true meaning of things and developing a depth of insight that is not found following purely human venues. It is God who inspires and opens human hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, we understand all of our relationships with a richer appreciation and come to know who Jesus, who speaks of God’s kingdom, really is. The trust that is fostered from resting with the Divine One allows us to see that God’s ways are not our ways. It is not for us to cling to this world and its limitations. Our adventure is to dream bigger and brighter, realizing that it is even in suffering that the radiant light of the dawn will come. God’s ways allow for our paths to be rocky, challenging, difficult, and even crippling at times. Purely human eyes cannot understand the ‘why’ of such experiences. The eyes and mind of God, however, reveal and detail a journey that ends in glorious resurrection joy. When we lose our axis and become too human in our thinking, Jesus rebukes us and gently reminds us how to see. ©LPi



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— MATTHEW 5:8 —



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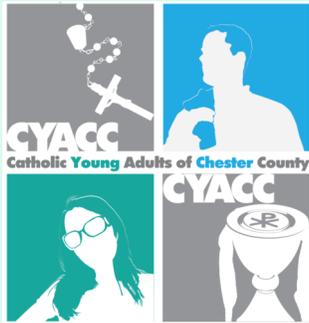
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EVENTS

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND (September 17-19, 2021, Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA) Register at wwme.org.

PADRE PIO FESTIVAL (September 18/19, 2021, St. Bede Church, Holland, PA) Events include Mass, Veneration of Padre Pio Relics, Healing Service with Confessions, live musical entertainment, food tents, craft vendors, amusements for children, and much more. Call 215-357-5720 or visit padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH OPENING MASS (September 26, 2021, 11 am Mass, Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia, PA) Join us as we unite in prayer with Archbishop Perez to uphold the sanctity of life!

PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE (September 27, 2021, Harrisburg, PA) It is a first-time event for Pennsylvania, and we hope to have many people join in prayer and witness. Visit <https://marchforlife.org/pennsylvania-march-for-life> for a list of speakers. For information about bus transportation from Exton, please contact Silvana Byrne at 610-399-4315. Bus seats are reserved on a first come basis.

SEMINARY OPEN HOUSE (October 3, 2021, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA) Celebrate the 150th anniversary of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary! Open House and Tours start at 2 pm led by seminarians. Vespers will be in St. Martin of Tours Chapel at 5 pm. Visit www.scs.edu/. Come see the Seminary before it is transferred to its new location!

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POST ABORTION HEALING RETREAT (October 22-24, 2021, Malvern-Frazer, PA) Contact Georgeann at 484-955-4278, geemcgarry@gmail.com or Susan at 610-716-4795, susiemck@comcast.net.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE (October 23, 2021, Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA) Women are invited to attend one, 2 hour, in-person mini-conference, morning or afternoon, and enjoy four video talks at home at your leisure. Carpooling available from our parish. Call Stephanie at 484-467-6675. Visit www.catholicwomensconference.org.

KENNETT AREA SENIOR CENTER GOLF OUTING (October 25, 2021, Hartefeld National, Avondale, PA) For information or to register, please visit us at www.bit.ly/3xu5F5D or call 610-444-4819.

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