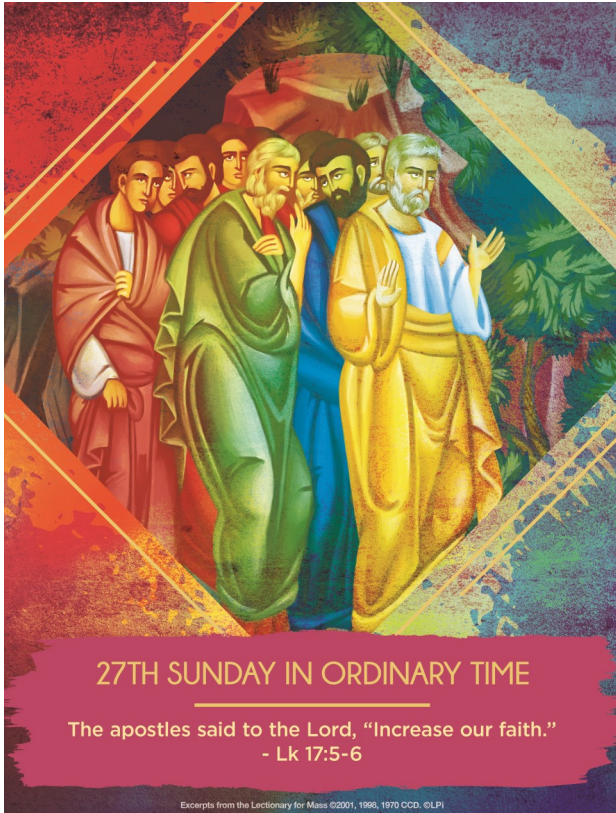



ASSUMPTION
of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
To Know Jesus, to Love Jesus, to Serve Jesus



Sunday, October 2, 2022

Church and Parish Office:

300 State Road • West Grove, PA 19390
Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 am-12 pm, 1-4 pm
Email: abvm@comcast.net
Web: assumptionbvmwestgrove.org
Facebook: *ABVM Parish Community, West Grove, PA*
Twitter: *@ABVM_WestGrove*

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.

Pastor Reverend Scott D. Brockson
padrescott96@aol.com

In Residence Rev. Msgr. Frank Depman

Deacons Deacon Thomas Hannan
Deacon Ronald Lewis

Business Manager Mary Rose Edmonds

Parish Office Staff Donna Brumbaugh
Ann Caruso

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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.



SHOULD CHRISTIANS LOVE ANIMALS?

Someone might say, “I love them on my plate.” But not all animals. We tend to be very discerning in the kind of meat we want to be served, conditioned more by the culture in which we were raised than anything else. Not many, if any, restaurants in North America serve dog or cat meat, but you can find such offerings in some Asian countries. So, when I wonder whether or not we should love animals, I don’t mean as food, but as living creatures. Christians have a moral obligation to love one another. But are we morally obligated to love animals?

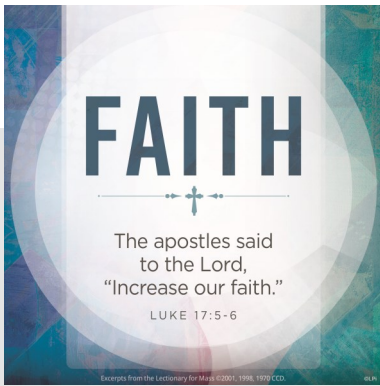
In answering the question, we ought to consider how the Bible celebrates God’s creation. “You fixed the earth on its foundation, never to be moved. The ocean covered it like a garment; above the mountains stood the waters...You made springs flow...they give drink to every beast of the field; here wild asses quench their thirst. Besides them the birds of heaven nest; among the branches they sing... You raise the grass for the cattle and plants for our beasts of burden...The high mountains are for wild goats; the rocky cliffs, a refuge for badgers...You bring darkness and night falls, then all the beasts of the forest roam abroad. Young lions roar for their prey; they seek their food from God” (Psalm 104). Creation reflects the greatness of God, who cares for all that he has created. “For you love all things that are and loathe nothing that you have made” (Wisdom 11:24). We should love the animals because they are given to us by God for our good. He said to Adam and Eve, “Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth” (Genesis 2:28). Every gift of God should be received with thanksgiving, including the animals.

Animals are living and sensate. Therefore, they should not be cruelly treated. They get hungry, and thirsty, and can feel pain. A person who cruelly treats one of God’s creatures reveals a significant flaw in his or her character. At the same time, the Church teaches that “God entrusted animals to the stewardship of those he created in his own image. Hence it is legitimate to use animals for food and clothing. They may be domesticated to help man in his work and leisure. Medical and scientific experimentation on animals is a morally acceptable practice if it remains within reasonable limits and contributes to caring for or saving human lives” (*Catechism* #2417). Animals may not be tortured or treated cruelly. “It is contrary to human dignity to cause animals to suffer or die needlessly. It is likewise unworthy to spend money on them that should as a priority go to the relief of human misery. One can love animals; one should not direct to them the affection due only to persons” (#2418).

Pets cannot replace children. Some couples selfishly choose not to have children but adopt animals, which are much less demanding to care for and do not yell back at you. (They also will not be able to care for you when you are elderly and sick.) It is wrong for a married couple to use animals to replace children, for one of the two intrinsic purposes of marriage is the bearing of children (the other is the union of husband and wife). Unless there is a physical impediment, a couple which is of the childbearing age cannot validly establish a marriage if they have the intent to never be open to having children together.

I had a dog for six years and cried terribly when I had to put her down. I loved her, but not like I loved my family and friends, or even my parishioners. The Church respects the animal kingdom, for they are God’s creatures and “By their mere existence they bless him and give him glory” (#2414). This is why the Church has provided in the Book of Blessings the option to bless animals, especially on or around the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. But animals do not approach the dignity of a human being who is created in the image and likeness of God and has an eternal soul. The animals were created for man, not man for the animals, but like all of God’s creation, they must be treated with justice and accordance with God’s plan for creation.

- Father Scott



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October 2, 2022

FIRST READING:

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

The rash one has no integrity; but the just one, because of his faith, shall live.
(Hab 2:4)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
(Ps 95)

SECOND READING:

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord.
(2 Tm 1:7-8)

GOSPEL:

Luke 17:5-10

“If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”
(Lk 17:6)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Hymn.....Glory and Praise to Our God | #552

(10:00 am Mass) We Gather Together | #204

Responsorial Psalm.....Psalm 95

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel AcclamationAlleluia

Offertory HymnPrayer of St. Francis | #528

(10:00 am Mass) Give Me Ears to Listen | #653

Communion Hymn..... Am the Bread of Life | #326

(10:00 am Mass) One Bread, One Body | #337

Recessional Hymn.....Sing a New Song | #550

(10:00 am Mass) Blest Be the Lord | #444

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, October 1, 2022

4:30 pm Vigil Mass - James Hutelmyer, req. by Marian Dwyer and the Hannan Family

Deacon: No Deacon, EM: A. Barr, J. Fredericksdorf, L. Goldstein, L. Lanciano Readers: N. Coyne, C. Foy

Servers: E. & N. Goldstein, H. Thornton

Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

Sunday, October 2, 2022

8 am Mass - Lorraine Moulder, req. by Bernadette Muto

Deacon: No Deacon, EM: M. Bruecks, D. Brumbaugh, B. Michalski, M. Petrarca Readers: M. Losito, V. Yaskoe

Servers: 3 servers needed

Sacristan: K. Kelleher Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

10 am Mass- Stephen Daverio, req. by The Harrison Family

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EM: D. Lauletta, M. Wharton, 1 minister needed Readers: T. Harrison, H. Leinhauser

Servers: A., L., & R. Hamilton

Sacristan: B. Cloud Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Dolores Camacho, req. by Arthur Camacho

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EM: E. Barron, R. Schill, D. Shannon

Readers: M.A. Schill, J. Colgan

Servers: E. Stemerman, 2 servers needed

Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: G. Kull, M. Lundy

Monday, October 3, 2022, 6:30 am Mass

John P. Howley, req. by Peter MacEwen

Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 8:15 am Mass

Gene McDonald, req. by Jeff and Caroline Lyons

Wednesday, October 5, 2022, 6:30 am Mass

Joseph Bruecks, req. by Todd Schmuker Family

Thursday, October 6, 2022, 6:30 am Mass

People of the Parish

Friday, October 7, 2022, 8:15 am Mass

Living and Deceased Benefactors of ABVM Parish and School

EM: K. Hall, M. Wharton, 1 minister needed

Saturday, October 8, 2022

4:30 pm Vigil Mass - Warren Devonshire, req. by The Devonshire and DeCamillo Families

Deacon: No Deacon, EM: J. Chapman, J. Fredericksdorf, R. Schill, 1 minister needed Readers: John Calnan, K. Hamill-Clark

Servers: C. Chapman, E. & H. Char

Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

Sunday, October 9, 2022

8 am Mass - Fred Atkinson, req. The Atkinson Family

Deacon: No Deacon, EM: A. Barr, L. Lanciano, M. Wharton, 1 minister needed Readers: M. Debes, M. Losito

Servers: J. Calabretta, 2 servers needed

Sacristan: K. Kelleher Music: C. Clancy, M. Lundy

10 am Mass - George and Harriet Zeller, req. by Dennis Shannon

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EM: B. Michalski, T. Powell, D. Shannon

Readers: J. Battinieri, G. Charlton

Servers: R. Hamilton, C. Opdenaker, H. Thornton

Sacristan: C. Foy Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Arthur and Catherine Camacho, req. by Arthur Camache, Jr.

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EM: E. Barron, L. Goldstein, 1 minister needed

Readers: John Colgan, S. Liberatore

Servers: E. & N. Goldstein, 1 server needed

Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: cantor needed, MJ Morris

PRAYER REQUESTS



Lisa Workman, Ruth Louf, Pam Davidson, Deacon Tom Hannan, Peter McGinnis, Judith Hasson, Susan Chopko, Steve Saporito, Antonette Biondi, Mary Jean McCloskey, Sharon Kraynak, Frankie Knowles, Joe Schroder, Kevin Fogarty, Justin Smith, Kate G., Marc Simmons, Scott Autenreib, Ryan Coyle, Dorothy Verna, Keri Holmboe, Earl Keller, Susan & George Smith, Irene Horten, Eugene Smith, Savannah Martin, Bill Sauerwine, Jose Gonzalez, Cheryl Sedlak, Andrew Losito, Cheryl Sumner, Beth Bierbower, Todd Dinius, Joseph & Philip Caruso, Gregory Kujala, Joseph Martinez, Jay Nardone, Sharon DeNapoli, Hannah Thompson, Gerald Doyle Sr., Mike R., Jo Manley, Thomas & Eileen Clark, Rob Rae, Bill Flickinger, Lily Steger, Shirley Lammert, Lynn Jackson, Ruth Louf, Pam Davidson, Lori Gaffney, Erin W., Dottie Duffy, 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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| ♦SGT Jason Lyons | ♦HM1 Matthew Rosenberg |
| ♦SGT Andrew Hart | ♦SGT Meghan Guerrero |
| ♦SSG Ana Brunal | ♦SGT Michael Guerrero |
| ♦TSgt Michael Kauffman | ♦SGT James Francis |
| ♦SR Charles R. Bramble | ♦2 LT Nicholas J. Caruso |
| ♦SGM Nicolas Relacion | ♦SSGT James McWilliams |
| ♦2 LT Emily Fanning | ♦Service Members & Coalition |
| ♦LT Ryan Hoffman | |

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:

**Kyle and Jillian Hoffman Family
Michael and Jacquelyn Mathias Family
Frank and Laura Williams Family**

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 generosity!

Collection for September 25, 2022	\$14,365
Includes \$6,100 estimated E-Giving	
+44% participation	
Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$13,846
Actual Average Weekly Collection	\$12,994

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-eight percent of our regular weekly donors contributed. The Offertory financial support for September 25 was \$519 more than the budgeted Offertory income. Please keep up your good work until all our weekly donors return to Mass.

Parish Appeal Update

The 2022 Parish Appeal is doing well thanks to you. In the first 47 weeks of the campaign, we have commitments from 288 families who donated \$148,488. The goal is \$175,000. The first \$150,000 will support parish operating expenses. The remaining \$25,000 will be dedicated to the Emergency Fund. The Finance Council and Father Scott thank you for your generosity.

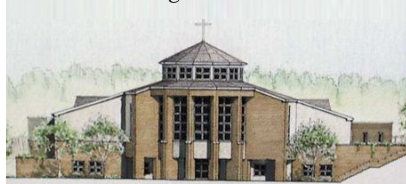
Ways to Donate to Offertory and Parish Appeal

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>.

Assumption BVM Church

*Building our Legacy;
Believing in our Future*



Make frequent
visits to Jesus
in the
Blessed Sacrament
and the devil
will be powerless
against you.
St. John Bosco

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday-Friday, After Morning Mass
until 7:00 pm



On Sunday, September 25, 2022, the following children were welcomed into the Assumption BVM Parish Family:

*Nicholas Michael Hertsenberg
Clare Maureen Mendola
George Joseph Walton*



First Friday Devotion

Join us on Friday, October 7th, as we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and pray for the Benefactors of Assumption BVM Parish and School. Father Scott will lead the Holy Rosary at 7:45 am followed by 8:15 am First Friday Mass.

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.

*Yvette Cavanagh
Monsignor Francis Dreger*

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



walking with purpose

THE MODERN WOMAN'S GUIDE TO THE BIBLE

Walking with Purpose is more than a women's Bible study. It is a faith community that supports, encourages, and challenges one another. It is a safe place where you will discover friendships and meaningful discussions as your heart is transformed by the Word of God. It is everything you need to get back to living a life that you love.



OPENING YOUR HEART (For women new to the program) This 22 week foundational course begins Tuesday, October 4th, 9-11 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.



FEARLESS AND FREE (For women who have already completed **Opening Your Heart**) This 11 week course begins Tuesday, October 4th, 9-11 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.



TOUCHING THE DIVINE (For women who have already completed **Opening Your Heart**) This 22 week course begins Tuesday, October 4th, 9 am-11 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.



LIVING IN THE FATHER'S LOVE (Beginner Level Evening Bible Study) This 6 week course begins Tuesday, October 4th, 7 pm - 8:30 pm, ABVM Parish Life Center.

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



School Calendar

Oct. 6th: Fire Prevention Day / 7 pm Home & School Meeting via Zoom

Oct. 7th: 8:15 am First Friday Mass

Oct. 10th: No School/Professional Development

Oct. 14th: 8:15 am Mass (3rd & 5th Grades)

Oct. 18th: Picture Day - Wear school uniform

Oct. 20th: Conferences after School

Oct. 21st: Conferences during the Day

Oct. 28th: 8:15 am Mass (Pre-K & 4th Grade)

Oct. 31st: Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4 and 8th Grade in Halloween Costumes

Amazon Smile

Are you an Amazon shopper? When making your Amazon purchases, please designate Assumption BVM School through the Amazon Smile program. Visit <https://abvmschoolwg.us/amazon-smile> for details. All proceeds go directly to ABVM School. To date we have received \$2,544 in Amazon Smile donations!



Craft Fair & Christmas Bazaar

We are excited to announce our Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair to be held on Saturday, November 19th from 9 am to 3 pm, at Assumption BVM School. We will continue to offer both indoor and outdoor vendor options. Rain or Shine. For questions or vendor information, please email christmasbazaar@abvmschoolwg.us.



Confirmation Important Dates

First Day of Confirmation Preparation Classes:

Sunday, October 2nd, 11:10 am - 12:30 pm, Parish Center Gym

Confirmation Practice: Friday, November 4th, 6:30 pm - Main Church; Candidates and Sponsors should attend. (A parent may substitute if the sponsor is not available.) Confirmation robes will be distributed at the end of practice.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Monday, November 7th, 4:30 pm Confirmation Mass with Archbishop Nelson Perez; Candidates should arrive by 3:45 pm in the lower level of the Church



Children's Liturgy of the Word

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 Adoration 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 or to volunteer, please contact Lisa Goldstein at KidsMass@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org

2022 Catholic Women's Conference

Be Not Afraid

FINDING YOUR FREEDOM IN CHRIST



Saturday, October 22

9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Czestochowa Shrine

Doylestown

Keynotes:

Michelle Benzinger

Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

catholicwomensconference.org

*Important
Update*

On Saturday, October 8th,
Confessions will begin at 12:30 pm
due to State Road Closure (11am-12pm)
for Avon Grove Homecoming Parade.

The Pilgrim Virgin wants to visit your home!



Assumption BVM Parish has a beautiful Pilgrim Virgin Mary Statue of our Lady of Fatima. This statue has traveled to homes in our Parish for over 8 years. This program offers families a wonderful way to draw closer to God through the prayers of our Mother. Would you like to host the statue in your home for a week? The 2022 Sign-up Calendar is located in the Church vestibule. Please provide your name and phone number on the calendar, and a member of the Parish will contact you. For questions, please contact Colleen at colleen.bruecks@yahoo.com.

*Americans
across the
country are
invited to pray*



THE ROSARY COAST TO COAST

Sunday, October 9th, 4 pm
Assumption BVM Church

Fellow parishioners will gather at the ABVM Church for this special hour of devotion.

The time is now to call upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary, to heal our country and return it to holiness. For more information, please visit RosaryCoastToCoast.com.



Angel of God,

my guardian dear to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

WEST GROVE LIFE CHAIN

Take One Hour to Stand for Life

This Sunday, October 2nd

2:30-3:30 PM



One of the greatest ways to publicly witness about the right to life is to participate in the LIFE CHAINS being held on Respect Life Sunday, October 2nd. Life Chains will be held all over the nation and consist of pro-life individuals holding signs by roads to educate and inspire people passing by. Please join us for the hour of prayerful witness in front of our Church standing along State Road.

Announcements

Pray the Rosary for Life (10/2/22-10/8/22)

Sun. C. Lyons/C. Bruecks Thu. J. & N. Kennard/T. Harrison
Mon. D. Brumbaugh Fri. T. Harrison
Tue. D. Harrison & C. Sedlak Sat. T. Harrison/M. Mueller
Wed. D. Brumbaugh (Sign-up to pray in the vestibule.)

***HopeAfterAbortion.com;**
afterabortion.org; RachelsVineyard.org
610-354-0555,

***Pregnant? Need Help?** Call 1-800-CARE-002.

***Pregnancy Hotline:** Call 610-626-4006; text
484-451-8104. **Birthright:** 610-436-0773.

***List of Local Catholic Ministries:**
<https://www.phillyevang.org/fire/>

***Annulment Proceeding:** Metropolitan
Tribunal, Archdiocese of Phila (215) 587-3750.

***Al-Anon:** Email Mondayodat@gmail.com or
visit <https://al-anon.org>.

***Lions Club Hospital Equipment Loan
Program:** Contact 484-883-0515; w.aglions.com.

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

THE HEALING POWER OF GOD

November 4-6, 2022

IHM Spirituality Center, Malvern, PA

If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion—no matter how much time has passed—please know that a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend will help your soul transform that pain into hope for the future. Join us for a safe, loving, and confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's infinite mercy. To register or for information, contact Susan at 610-716-4795 or Georgeann at 484-955-4278.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

From **September 28th to November 6th**, our community will take part in **40 Days for Life**...a groundbreaking, coordinated international mobilization. **Number of lives saved since 2007 is 22,031.** We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our community and beyond.

The ABVM Respect Life group has committed to give witness in front of West Chester's Planned Parenthood. Would you like to be a part of a small group that spends 1 hour in prayer at Planned Parenthood? The ABVM Day of Prayer is Thursday, October 13th, from 7 am to 7 pm. Please contact Stephanie at 484-467-6675 or email RespectLife@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org if you would like to take part in this life-saving effort.

ABVM Respect Life Ministry

DRAWING FOR A HOLY FAMILY PAINTING

*by local artist & parishioner,
Dan Gotel*

Raffle Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Please make checks payable to **ABVM Respect Life Ministry**. Tickets will be on sale after the 4:30 pm Vigil Mass, 8 am Mass, and the 10 am Mass this weekend. The drawing will be this Sunday at the Coffee & Donut Social. Proceeds to benefit **Chester County Connect Care** - a free pregnancy resource center.





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St. Pius X Council 3858

Upcoming Events

Sun., Oct. 2nd: Coffee & Donut Social,
after the 10 am Mass, Parish Life Center

Thurs., Oct. 6th: 6 pm Dinner & 6:30 pm
Bingo, Parish Center (Gym)

Thurs., Oct. 13th: Red Cross Blood Drive,
11 am to 3:30 pm, Parish Life Center

Sat., Oct. 15th: Oktoberfest, 6-10 pm, PC
Gym; Call Ruder at 484-459-3842

Sun., Oct. 16th: Casino Bus Trip to Atlantic
City, Call Ray at 610-869-8461

Thurs., Oct. 20th: Knights Meeting, 6 pm
Social, 6:30 pm Meeting, Parish Life Center

**IN SERVICE TO ONE.
IN SERVICE TO ALL.**



Thursday, October 6th

Dinner — 6 PM • Bingo Begins — 6:30 PM
ABVM Parish Center (Gym)

10 Regular Games.....Winner receives \$30

3 Special Games.....Winner receives \$100

Last Special Game.....Winner receives 60%



\$5 for 10 games with 3 cards per game
\$5 for each Special with 4 cards per game
Bingo Package listed above: \$25

**Dinner (\$10) includes: hot dogs, hamburgers,
french fries, coleslaw, dessert & beverage. BYOB**

Proceeds will benefit parishioner FRANK KOLACHNY, who
has serious health issues and is in need of financial assistance. For
information, contact John Brennan at
610-869-4100 or Knights_of_Columbus@comcast.net

Make it BUDDY BINGO...Bring a Friend!

ABVM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CASINO BUS TRIP

Caesars Atlantic City

October 16th : Depart 8 am, Return 6 pm
Pick-up and drop-off at Fred S. Engle Middle School

\$45 per person, \$30 back in slot play

RSVP: RayDPhillips5@gmail.com or 610-869-8461
Proceeds benefit the charitable works of the
Knights of Columbus.



Regional CYO Fall Sports

Registration is open until this Sunday, October 2nd!

Cheerleading:

PeeWee: Grades 1-4 & Varsity: Grades 5-8



Registration is open to all children from the
following parishes: *Assumption BVM,*
Sacred Heart, Saint Patrick, Saint Gabriel,
Saint Rocco.

To register for Cheerleading, visit

<https://assumptionbvmregionalcyo.teamsnapsites.com/registration/>

First practice with Parent Meet & Greet is 10/5 @ 6pm.

For questions, email jennissue77@yahoo.com.



Coffee and Donut Social

This Sunday, October 2nd

After the 10 am Mass in the Parish Life Center

St. Pius X Council 3858
Knights of Columbus & ABVM Ladies Auxiliary

Oktoberfest

**Authentic
German
Dinner**

**German
Music**



**German
Beer
& Wine**

Dancing

**Saturday, October 15th
6 - 10:00 PM**

Assumption BVM Parish Center
290 State Road — West Grove

**Entertainment by
Alpenlaenders German Band & Dance Show**



Tickets – \$40.00 per person (Includes: dinner, drinks, dessert & dancing)



Information/Tickets Call:

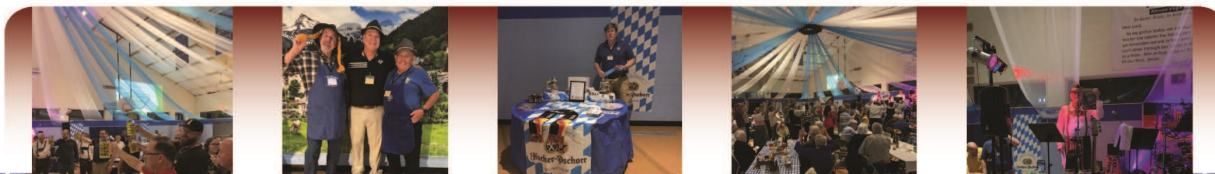
Ruder Schill: 610.255.4986 or 484.459.3842 (c) or Carl Witte: 610.742.0560

Checks Payable To: KOC St. Pius X Council 3858

Mail To: ABVM Church c/o Ocktoberfest • 300 State Rd., West Grove, PA 19390



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**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**



**LADIES
AUXILIARY**



Come Pray the Rosary

Rosary: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm -7 pm (Chapel)

Patriotic Rosary: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm - 7 pm (Church)

Rosary with Flame of Love Prayers:
Thursdays at 6:00 pm, and Tuesdays & Fridays at 7:30 am (Chapel)

The Rosary is the “weapon” for these times.

-Saint Padre Pio



Avon Grove Christmas Basket Program Planning Meeting

We continue our planning for the Avon Grove Christmas Basket Program scheduled for Saturday, December 17. Our next meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday, October 5th** in the Lower Level of the ABVM Church. For questions, contact John Brennan at 610-869-4100 or email jjbrennan@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org.

Football Mania

ABVM Parish Fundraiser

Participants can go to www.charitymania.com to view the winning sweepstakes game card numbers each week to see if they've won. Winners will also be notified by mail.

Congratulations to the Week 3 Winner:

Ticket	Price	Name	Pts
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BLOOD DRIVE

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Thursday, October 13th

11:00 am to 3:30 pm

Did you know that every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood? Make a difference in someone's life—sign up today!! To register, visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter SPONSOR CODE: *assumptionbvm*. You can also call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule. For questions, contact ABVM Parishioner, Ann Barr, at 610-869-8559 or email tedra.farrell@redcross.org. *Donor Incentive for October: \$5 e-Gift Card.*

Community New Garment Association



Please bring the following new, unwrapped items to the collection box in the Church vestibule this weekend: *towels, twin sheet sets, diapers sized 3 and larger, children's, men's or women's sweats, socks, or packaged underwear, and women's or men's pajamas*. These donations will help Chester County Hospital Mothers in Need, Tick Tock Childcare, the nurses at all Avon Grove Schools, Oxford Neighborhood Services, Divine Providence Village, and the Little Sisters of the Poor at Jeanne Jugan Village.

Baby Bottle Boomerang



The ABVM Respect Life Ministry will be hosting a Baby Bottle Campaign beginning October 8/9. We're asking families to take a bottle home (1 per family) and fill it with coins, cash, or checks and return it by **November 5/6**. Please make checks payable to Assumption BVM. Your change can change lives and help women facing unintended pregnancies find the hope needed to welcome their babies into the world.



Charismatic Mass with Healing Service

Sacred Heart Church
Oxford, PA
Wed., October 12th
6:40 pm Praise & Worship
followed by 7 pm Mass

The Chester County Prayer Communities would like to invite you to our Charismatic Mass and Healing Service. Come with open hearts and experience the healing power of Jesus in the Eucharist. There will be prayer teams available after Mass to pray for you and any needs for others that you may have. For questions, contact Jean Gottel at 610-507-2486 or gotbean77@yahoo.com.

Respect Life Meeting

The next ABVM Respect Life meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 12th** at 7:00 pm in the ABVM Parish Life Center (Church lower level). Please join us! For questions, contact Stephanie at RespectLife@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org.

Our Lady of Confidence Retreat for Persons with Disabilities

October 11-13, 2022
Malvern Retreat House

This retreat is for adults with intellectual, physical or emotional disabilities. Call 215-587-3530 or visit www.opdarchphilly.org for a registration form.



* **CLARITY IN A CONFUSED WORLD** (October 15, 2022, 9 am-4:45 pm, St. Peter Church, West Brandywine, PA) This forum will focus on the transgender phenomenon influencing our culture. For details on the forum and to register, please go to: <https://lifelovesexuality.com/clarityoct2022/>

* **PENN TOWNSHIP FALL FESTIVAL** (October 15, 2022, 12 pm-4pm, Penn Township Park, 260 Lewis Road, West Grove, PA) Enjoy local vendors, DJ, food trucks, kid's carnival, pumpkin decorating, fun giveaways, children's entertainers, Halloween egg hunt, and pumpkin decorating contest.

* **NEW GARDEN COMMUNITY DAY** (October 15, 2022, 12 pm-4pm, New Garden Park, Landenberg, PA) There will be live entertainment, games, fun activities, vendors, emergency response displays, and more.

* **CAMILLA HALL OKTOBERFEST & CRAFT FAIR** (October 15, 2022, 10 am-3 pm, 100 Maxis Dr., Malvern, PA) Enjoy a white elephant sale, food concessions, children's games, raffles & craft area. Visit <https://camillahall.org>.

* **ARCHDIOCESAN PIGRIMAGE** (October 15, 2022, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC) Sacred Heart Church in Oxford, PA is chartering a bus. Departure at 8:30 am and return at 7:30 pm. To sign up, please contact Dos at 610-416-2720 or dosleach@zoominternet.net. No charge for the bus.

* **COME & SEE: DISCERNMENT GROUPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL MEN** (October 16-17, 2022, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA) Are you a Catholic male discerning where God is calling you to love and serve Him? Discernment groups offer an opportunity to gather for prayer, reflection and discussion. Contact Fr. Friel at fr.dfriel@archphila.org.

* **MOTHER-DAUGHTER TEA** (October 16, 2022, St. Helena Church, Blue Bell, PA) This special program is for mothers and daughters (ages 10-13). Talks will focus on the sacredness of human life, the physical changes in a girl's body, importance of modesty and the development of healthy relationships. Please visit www.phgiannacenter.org.

* **SACRED HEART FALL CRAFT FAIR** (November 5, 2022, Sacred Heart Parish Center, Oxford, PA, 9 am to 3 pm) For questions or vendor information, email cfshox22@gmail.com

* **ABVM CRAFT FAIR & CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** (November 19, 2022, Assumption BVM School, 290 State Road, West Grove, 9 am to 3 pm) Get ready for Christmas with our festive ABVM Craft Fair & Bazaar! For questions/vendor information, email christmasbazaar@abvmschoolwg.us.

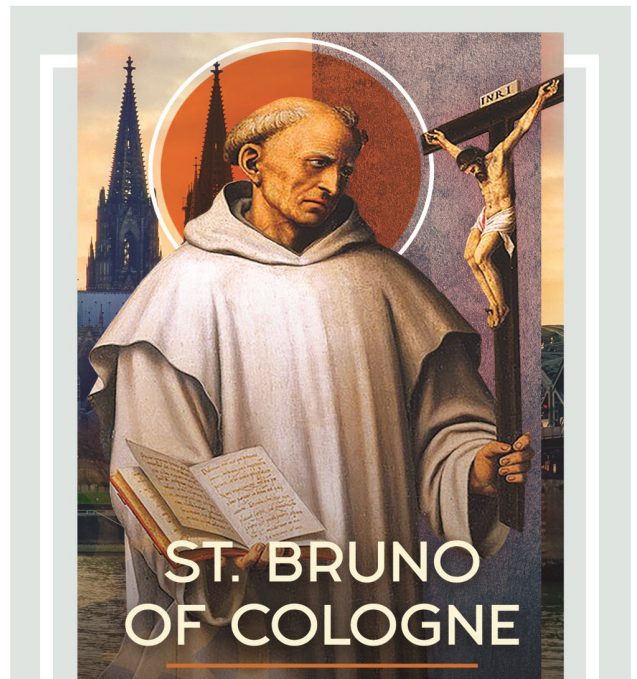
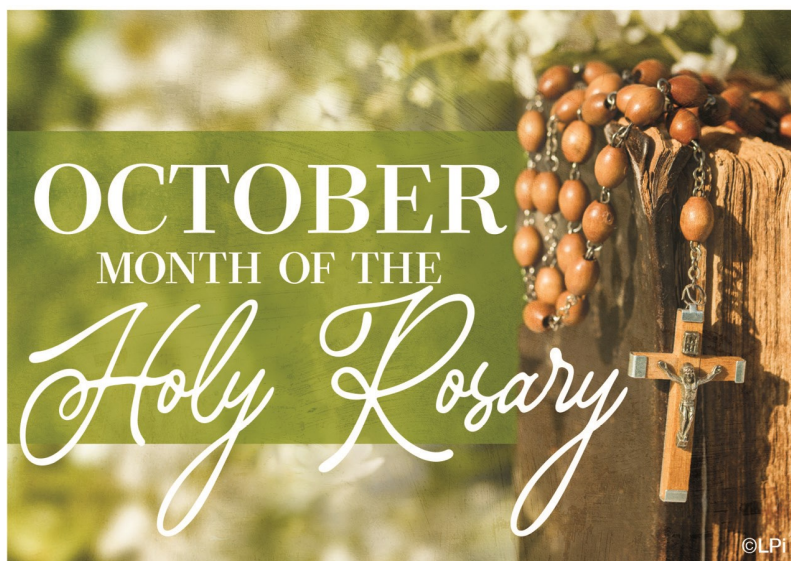
SUNDAY'S READINGS

LIVE THE LITURGY - Inspiration for the Week

Why does God allow evil and suffering to occur? Looking around at what is happening in the world, it is tempting to get angry with God for not actively intervening. Jesus walked among the suffering and evil of his day. While he healed some things, he simply sat with the sinner, challenged the leaders, and spoke against injustice. Jesus spoke of God's kingdom and his vision for humanity. But he made it very clear that it is our responsibility to realize this vision. The disciples saw how Jesus lived and dealt with the day's circumstances. They wanted that same faith and determination. They wanted his fortitude and courage. Mostly, they wanted Jesus' confidence and patience that God's vision would someday be fulfilled. In the meantime, waiting in joyful hope, we become servants who do what is necessary: love, repent of our sin, show mercy, be compassionate and fight injustice. Willingly giving witness to our faith, we expect nothing in return.

Observances for the week of October 2, 2022

- Sunday:** 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday; The Holy Guardian Angels
- Tuesday:** St. Francis of Assisi
- Wednesday:** Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
- Thursday:** St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
- Friday:** Our Lady of the Rosary
- Next Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest



Bruno, born in 1030, is also known as Saint Bruno the Carthusian for the monastic order he founded. He studied in Reims and was ordained in Cologne in 1055. In 1057 he went back to Reims to lead the school, a post he kept for almost 20 years. He was made chancellor of the church of Reims in 1075 but left soon after in protest of the behavior of new bishop Manasses de Gournai who was finally deposed in 1080. Bruno refused the nomination to replace de Gournai as it was his intention to retire to live in solitude and prayer. He had a vision in a dream to go with Bishop (later Saint) Hugh of Grenoble. Bruno, Hugh, and five other religious settled at Chartreuse and founded the Carthusian order in 1084. This first period of monastic life was not to last long. Bruno was called to help Urban II, a former student of his, against the antipope Guibert of Ravenna and the hostile Holy Roman Emperor Henry IV. While working with Urban II, he rejected another offer to become bishop, this time of Calabria. Eventually Bruno was allowed to return to monastic life. Count Roger of Sicily and Calabria befriended Bruno and the monks of his order, granting them the land where they founded St. Mary's at La Torre. The order was known for its strict asceticism, poverty, and prayer and its unique organization combining the life of the hermit with that of the collective life of traditional monks. Saint Bruno wrote several commentaries on the psalms and on St. Paul's epistles. He died on October 6, 1101, and was never formally canonized because his order renounced all public honors. However, Pope Leo X gave permission for Carthusians to celebrate his feast in 1514 and his name was added to the Roman calendar in 1623.

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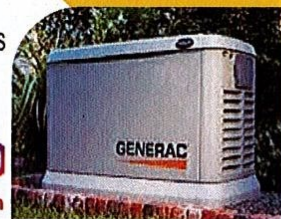
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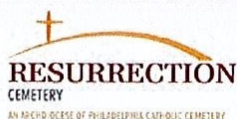
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