ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARYCHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

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Masses

 Saturday
 4:00 p.m.

 Sunday
 8:00, 10:30 a.m.

 Weekdays
 8:00 a.m.

 Holy Days
 7:00 p.m. [Vigil]

 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Baptism

Every Weekend after Mass on request. Baptismal preparation classes are the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the classrooms above the church. Please call the rectory in advance to schedule class attendance and Baptism.

Sponsors

Parishioners need to meet with Fr. Straka to determine whether they are eligible to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call the rectory.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to schedule a wedding. Attendance at diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes is required six months prior to the wedding date, as well as three or four sessions with the priest. Current Baptism and Confirmation certificates are needed for the Catholic parties. In the case of previously existing marriages, a death certificate or declaration of nullity is necessary before another marriage can be considered.

Parish Registration

New parishioners living in the parish boundaries are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address or phone number or move out of the parish.

Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and on First Fridays. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners on First Fridays several times a year. Please call the rectory to request being included on the homebound Communion list.

Please call the rectory when parishioners are admitted to a local hospital.

Parish Activities/Contacts

Hospitality Committee Knights of Columbus Cou	Jane Spengler Incil #4050	
Lectors	Joanne Manning	
Ministry to the Sick	Fr. Straka	
Music Ministry/Choir	Karen Glose	610-691-0525
Nthmp Area Food Bank	Bella Skweir	610-262-2673
Parish Family Picnic	Fr. Straka	
Persons w/Disabilities Rep.	Sue Parker	
Prayer Chain	Priscilla Koch	
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mary LaBianca	
Pro-Life Activities	Fr. Straka	610-262-2559
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RENEW Group	Charlie Walsh	
RCIA	Fr. Straka	
Ushers	Michael Sommer	
Young at Heart	Anna Hudock	
Youth Activities	Deborah Heckenberger	610-760-9491

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Feb. 06, Monday	8:00 a.m. †Helen Sipics	Anna Hudock
Feb. 07, Tuesday	8:00 a.m. †Joan Skrapits	M/M Elwood Marchetto

Feb. 08, Wednesday 8:00 a.m. †Members of our Memorial Fund

7:00 p.m. †Rev. Francis P. Straka Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Yenushosky

Feb. 09, Thursday 8:00 a.m. †Al Marhefka Louis Tepes, Jr. Family Feb. 10, Friday 8:00 a.m. †Theresa Acerra Cheryl Yandrasits and Alois Yost

Feb. 11, Saturday 4:00 p.m. †Ryan Zawada Parents, Diane and Joe, Brother, Joe, and Sister, Jenny

Feb. 12, Sunday 8:00 a.m. Living and deceased parishioners

10:30 a.m. Living and deceased members of Boy Scout Troop #54

Next Week's Schedu	<u>le:</u> <u>Lector:</u>	Euch. Min.:	Altar Servers:	Greeters:
Feb. 11, Sat. 4:00 p.i	n. S. Parker	C. Wuchter	E. Meister/G. Heidecker	C. Kovacs/J. Kovacs
Feb. 12, Sun. 8:00 a.i	n. M. Heist	N. Birosik	J. Confer/E. Confer/C. Confer	B. Cwitkowitz/M. A. Weaver
10:30 a.ı	n. D. Heckenberger	B. Fritz	A. Miletics/G. Miletics/N. Bischof	B. Skweir/M. Skweir

SANCTUARY LIGHTS are burning this week for the health and blessing of Patricia Berger requested by Joanne and Juliet.

PLEASE PRAY for God's blessing and gift of good health for all the sick of our parish.

dear Padre:

Does the Church give guidelines for what we should and shouldn't watch on TV and in theaters?

The Communications Department of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops provides "Catholics, especially families, with information they can use to evaluate entertainment media programming from a Catholic perspective." Along with its "Family Guide for Using Media," it provides up-to-date movie reviews and ratings through the Catholic News Service (catholicnews.com) and access to archives dating from 2010 into the 1930s.

As part of forming their children in the faith, parents must educate them about the media's influence, monitor the content each member interacts with, and model appropriate media use. All our media choices—print, digital, or otherwise—should affirm and support Christian values. Consider these questions:

- Does this piece portray human life as a gift from God? Is sexuality linked to life and marriage? How is dying presented?
- Does it promote healthy friendships and lasting commitments within marriage? Does it affirm gratitude, stewardship or charity, and obedience to proper authorities?
- Does it connect moral consequences with the characters' actions? Is exploitation, oppression, or neglect of any group condoned? Is respect shown for a variety of cultures?
- Does it foster a sense of the divine, of human destiny beyond this life, and of our obligation to forgive and seek forgiveness?

It is advisable to balance your use of suitable media with human interaction.

Source: Dear Padre: Questions People Ask, Liguori, 2003 sundaybulletin@liquori.org

St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Gn 1:1-19 Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday – February 7

Weekday Gn 1:20—2:4a Mk 7:1–13

Wednesday – February 8

Weekday

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17

Mk 7:14-23

Thursday – February 9

Weekday Gn 2:18–25 Mk 7:24–30

Friday – February 10

St. Scholastica, Virgin Gn 3:1–8 / Mk 7:31–37

Saturday - February 11

Weekday Gn 3:9–24 Mk 8:1–10

Sunday – February 12

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 15:15–20

1 Cor 2:6–10 Mt 5:17–37

Calendar:

Monday – February 6

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PREP CLASSES :	Sundays, 9:00 a.m10:05 a.m.
CHOIR REHEARSAL :	Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
DONUT/GIVING SUNDAY:	Sunday, February 12
PRAYER SHAWL MEETING:	Tue., February 21, 10:00 a.m.
BREAKFAST :	Sunday, February 26
BAPTISMAL PREP :	Sat., March 4, 10:00 a.m.
CONFIRMATION :	Wed., March 8, 2017 4:30 p.m.
CHURCH PICNIC :	Sunday, September 10

MASS FOR FR. STRAKA: This Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m. Msgr. Daniel J. Yenushosky will celebrate a one month anniversary Mass in memory of our beloved pastor, Father Straka. There will be a coffee and cake reception in the church social hall following the Mass. All are welcome to attend.



MEMORIAL FLOWERS: The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of William Molchany, Sr. They were donated by Joanne and Juliet.

FIRST EUCHARIST: There will be a First Eucharist Retreat for the **children and a parent(s)** tomorrow, Monday, February 6 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Please go directly to the church to begin our evening.

FIRST EUCHARIST: Pick a First Eucharist Prayer Partner. Bookmarkers are on display in the church vestibule (3) for each child preparing to receive the Blessed Sacrament of First Eucharist. On the back of the bookmarkers are the dates when the children will come together for retreats and their First Eucharist Day.

MEMORIAL FUND: Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions in memory of our beloved pastor, Rev. Francis P. Straka: \$100 Jay H. Gilbert and Family; \$100 Paul, Susan and Brittany Sawka; \$200 Marie Bitenc; \$100 Ruthann and Roland Grieshammer; \$50 Paul and Catherine Gergel; \$30 Edward and Martha Hozza; \$25 Donald and Mary Elliott; \$25 John and Mary Wood; \$50 Linda and Richard Siekonic; \$25 Gloria Farkas; \$25 Veronica Reimer; \$25 Paul Mikulcik; \$25 Carol Walsh; \$25 Barbara Billig; \$100 Denise and Edward Hozza; \$50 Brian and Deanna Wheeler.

<u>"DONUT/GIVING SUNDAY":</u> Next Sunday, February 12, our Hospitality Committee will be hosting "Donut/Giving Sunday". Join us after the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses for coffee, donuts and fellowship in our social hall. **Parishioners are encouraged to bring jars of peanut butter, cans of potatoes, boxes of Jell-O or pudding**. Your gifts will be brought to the altar during the preparation of the gifts.

SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS: Good Shepherd Catholic School is now enrolling new students for the 2017-2018 school year. We offer full day Kindergarten through Grade 8, as well as, Preschool and Pre-K programs for 3 year old and 4 year old children. Extended care is available. Please call 610.262.9171 to schedule your family tour or email **mrspoccia@ptd.net** today!

CABBAGE AND NOODLES SALE: We will be selling, by pre-order only, OUR PICNIC HALUSKI FOR LENT. 1 lb. (\$4.00) or 2 lb. (\$7.00) containers of haluski can be ordered by calling Jane Spengler at 610-262-8138. Orders must be placed by Tuesday, February 28. Haluski will be ready for pick-up after the weekend Masses on March 4/5 in the church social hall.

MEMORIAL FUND: Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions in memory of Alfred Kosman: \$1,000 wife, Elizabeth, daughter, Bonnie, daughter, Marianne Laury and husband, Dale, son, Joseph, grandchildren and great granddaughters; \$15 Steve Marsch; \$20 Ann Weber; \$25 Marie Bitenc; \$25 Conrad Marth; \$20 John and Mary Wood; \$25 Frank and Mary Cerino; \$25 Ann Fry; \$20 Sue, Chris and Kyle Parker; \$25 Virginia Haldeman; \$25 M/M Stephen Dreisbach; \$21 John Yurish; \$20 Tim and Monica Semler; \$25 Terry and Monica Ebert; \$20 Sharon Geosits; \$15 Caroline, Phyllis and John Yastrzab, Jr.; \$25 Jane and Erwin Koch; \$25 Charles and Judith Dreisbach; \$25 Bill and Lisa Semler and family; \$20 Mark and Eileen Flisak; \$25 Eleanor Lessel; \$25 Theodore and Karin Foster, Jr.; \$40 Jerry and Shelly Kuchera; \$25 Joanne and Robert Santoroski; \$20 Kyle and Kelly Martinelli; \$50 Smiley's Lawn Care and Landscaping Inc.

THANKS: Elizabeth Kosman and her children, Bonnie, Marianne and her husband, Dale, and Joseph, grandson, Jared and his wife, Angela, granddaughter, Shannon and her husband, Don and great granddaughters, Hailey and Sadie want to express their profound gratitude to the parishioners of Assumption B.V.M. for your many acts of kindness, your prayers, memorial donations, and the offerings of Masses on the sad occasion of the death of her husband, their father, grandfather, and great grandfather, Alfred.



SUNDAY BREAKFAST: Breakfast will be served after both Sunday Masses on **Sunday**, **February 26.** Please support this fund raising effort of the parish and enjoy a hearty, homemade breakfast

with your friends. Menu includes: French toast, pancakes, scrambled eggs, omelet or cheese steak omelet, ham, sausage or bacon, hash browns, toast, juice, coffee, tea. Cost \$7.00 adults/\$3.00 children. **Tickets on sale at the door.**

SOUPER SUNDAY OF CARING: This weekend, February 4/5, students from our 7th Grade Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P.) will be present at all Masses collecting funds for the Northampton Area Food Bank. Drop your donations in the soup pots that the teens will be holding after all Masses this Super Bowl weekend.

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST (STILES) TRICKY TRAYS: Saint John the Baptist Church, Whitehall, will sponsor their Eleventh Annual Tricky Trays/Basket Social on Saturday, February 18th, 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. and Sunday, February 19th, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at their Social Hall, 3120 Chestnut Street, Whitehall. You can purchase tickets at the door. There will be a special raffle for big-ticket items. Plenty of parking behind the hall. You do not have to be present to win. Kitchen will be open. Winners will be called and can pick up baskets Monday, February 20th, between 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. at the hall.

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BREAKFAST



Sunday, February 26, 2017

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR ONLY

ADULTS \$7.00 CHILDREN \$3.00

MENU

French Toast
Pancakes
Scrambled Eggs & Hash Brown
Choice of: Sausage, Bacon or Ham
Omelet your way & Hash Brown
Cheese Steak Omelet & Hash Brown

Includes: Juice, Toast, Coffee or Tea