# The Basilica of Saint Mary of the Assumption

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September 1, 2019
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

	MASSI	<u> </u>	FUR THE WEEK
SAT	5:30 PM	-	Edward Schoeppner
SUN	8:00 AM	-	David Erb
	10:00 AM	-	Alice Lang
	12:00 PM	-	Rhoda Triplett
MON Labor		Labor Day	
	9:00 AM	-	Tony Arnold
TUE	7:45 AM	-	Richard Crum
	12:05 PM	-	Richard Miller
WED	7:45 AM	-	People of the Parish
	12:05 PM	-	Jared Hoff
	6:00 PM	-	Liv/dec'd Members of the CWC
THU	7:45 AM	_	Liv/dec'd of the Paul & Charlotte
			Magnani Family
	12:05 PM	-	Stacy Manter, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
FRI	7:45 AM	-	Souls in Purgatory
	12:05 PM	_	Jill Ann Scileppi
SAT	9:00 AM	_	Harold Pabst
	5:30 PM	_	Todd Zoller
SUN	8:00 AM	_	Liv/dec'd of the John & Ethel
			Schoeppner Family
	10:00 AM	-	Karen Offenberger
	12:00 PM	-	People of the Parish

SUNDAY MASSES - Saturday 5:30 PM; Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM CONFESSIONS - Saturday 3:30-5:00 PM (or anytime by appointment)

BAPTISMS - Contact Parish Office

WEDDINGS - Contact Parish Office six months in advance

Rector - Rev. Msgr. John Michael Campbell (fatherjmike@gmail.com)

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Prayer Line - & Eucharistic Adoration, Mrs. Shelly Medley (740-525-6360)

Pregnancy Assistance - Women's Care Center (740-374-7123)
Health Ministry - Mrs. Janet Jaeger (740-374-6768)
Daily Bread Kitchen - Mrs. Carol Henshaw (740-885-1181)

St. Vincent De Paul - Help Line (740-376-1334)

Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

#### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10,12-17; Lk 14:25-33.

#### **REST IN PEACE:**

**Yvonne Triebsch** passed away August 27<sup>th</sup>. We celebrated her entrance into eternal life at her Funeral Mass Friday morning. We extend our sympathy to her husband, Donald and will remember Yvonne in prayer. May she rest in peace.

<u>John Henry</u>, father of Mike (Diane) Henry of this parish died August 24th. We offer our condolences to Mike and his family and ask God to grant Mr. Henry eternal peace and happiness.

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

The parish office is open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Tuesday through Friday. The office is closed for lunch from 12:00 PM until 1:00 PM each day.

### **LABOR DAY SCHEDULE**

There will be a 9:00 AM Mass on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> – Labor Day. We will not have a 7:45 AM or 12:05 PM Mass that day. We will not have Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions on Labor Day and the parish offices are closed all day Monday.

<u>VISITORS WELCOME!</u> We welcome any visitors who are joining us for Mass this weekend. We hope your stay in Marietta is enjoyable. Any new parishioners at the Basilica are asked to please register with the parish office.

### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

TUE	7:30 PM	- K of C Meeting.
WED	8:15 AM	- 7:00 PM – Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel of the English Martyrs. See announcement.
	6:00 PM	- Catholic Woman's Club Mass and Meeting. See announcement
THU	8:30 AM	- 10:00 AM – Cleaning the Basilica. See announcement.
	7:00 PM	- Bingo in the Parish Center.
FRI	8:15 AM	- 7:00 PM – Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel of the English Martyrs.
	11:00 AM	- Health Ministry Meeting. See announcement
SAT	7:00 PM	- Bingo in the Parish Center.

# The Lord Will Never Be Outdone In Generosity!

Total collection last weekend: \$ 12,199.00

Amount needed each week to meet

the Basilica budget: \$ 14,225.00

God bless those who support our Basilica Parish!

### **SECOND COLLECTION**

On the first Sunday of each month we have a second collection for the maintenance of our Basilica. This collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

### **BASILICA FOUNDATION**

A fund has been established at the Marietta Community Foundation for the maintenance and repairs of the Basilica. This fund is separate and unique from the monthly maintenance collection. Our goal is to have at least \$1 Million in the fund before beginning to use it. To donate to the fund, contact the Marietta Community Foundation at 740-373-3286 and ask about this Fund.

#### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Basilica Social Hall. If you are unable to attend, please contact Gary Pitt.

### **CWC MEETING**

The Catholic Woman's Club will meet Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> after the 6:00 PM Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

### **SAINT MARY SCHOOL NEWS**

Great news to share! St. Mary Catholic School has had a terrific start to the school year and we are pleased to share that our enrollment has increased by 30% over the past two years. Saint Mary Catholic School is a wonderful educational opportunity for Preschool 3 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade and we thank you for your continued support of Catholic education. To schedule a tour or to learn more about the school, please call the school office, 740-374-8181 or email Mrs. Bradley: tammibradley@stmaryscatholic.org

**Save the date!** Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> will be the Friday Auction as part of the Fall Parish and School Festival. The evening will include the silent auction, live auction and the popular House of Wines food stations and wine/beer pairings. Much more including ticket information will be included in next weekend's Basilica bulletin.

### **BASKETBALL COACHES**

St. Mary Catholic School has openings for a junior high basketball head coach and assistant coach for the 2019-2020 season. Interested applicants must have or be able to obtain an active Pupil Activity Permit from the Ohio Department of Education prior to the start of practice on November 1, 2019. Both of these coaching opportunities are paid positions. Any individuals interested in either of these open positions should contact Athletic Director Jim Humphrey at 740-629-4867 (Cell) or e-mail at <a href="mailto:super7@suddenlink.net">super7@suddenlink.net</a>.

### **SCRIP CARD OPTIONS**

Scrip gift cards are being sold after the 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM Masses.

The School website: stmarys.k12.oh.us The Church website: stmarysmarietta.org

Call the School: 740-374-8181

Email to:brendaburkey@stmaryscatholic.org

### TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## September 1, 2019

### Notes on the Gospel

One Sabbath, Jesus went to eat at the house of an important Pharisee. The Pharisees there kept a close eye on Jesus. He noticed how the guests were picking the seats of honor. So he told them a parable. "Whenever someone invites you to dinner," Jesus said to the guests, "don't sit in the place of honor. After all, the host might have invited someone more important than you and he might have to say: 'Give your place to this person.' Then, you will be embarrassed because you will have to take the seat in the lowest place. Instead, whenever you're invited, go and take the seat in the lowest place and then, when the host visits your place, he will say, 'My friend, take a seat closer to me.' Then you will be honored by everyone who attended the dinner with you. For anyone who tries to make himself important will be humbled. But the humble will be made important."

Then Jesus told the host, "Whenever you give a luncheon or dinner banquet, don't invite your friends and brothers, nor your family and rich neighbors. After all, they will invite you to their parties and pay you back. Instead, when you give a party, invite the poor, the sick, the crippled, and the blind. You will be really happy, because they have no way to repay you. You will be paid back by God when he raises the good people at the end of time."

In the give and take of the social meal, Jesus told the host and his guests to act as if the Kingdom were present in their celebration. "To dine" is literally "to eat bread." "Seats of honor" is literally "first reclining places." In the time of Jesus, guests laid on their sides to eat a meal. All references to seating actual refer to reclining. The posture in the translation has been changed for cultural reasons.

In the time of Jesus, political power was based not in political parties, but by extended families led by a grandfather. The meal was an arena of personal and political power. These families or clans would gather together at mealtime in assigned places; the seat assignment (made by the grandfather) indicated a person's place of importance in the clan. Those lucky enough to sit closest to the leader were the most important. This arrangement was maintained even when many families ate together. Power was exercised not only in the seating arrangement but by the invitation. Like social climbers of any age, an invitation to the right banquet was a ticket to advancement. And, like the king-makers of any age, the host who extended an invitation chose his or her guests for best political advantage.

Within this context, Jesus offered two teachings on humility, one for the guest and the other for the host. To the guest, Jesus advised discretion in choosing a seat, lest the person suffer shame. In fact, the lower the seat, the better, in order to gain acceptance and honor among one's peers. Jesus used this common sense approach to highlight the teaching of humility. Luke may have used this passage to emphasize proper decorum of the laity at his community's Sunday Eucharist.

Jesus' advice to the host was far more radical than that He offered to the guest. Instead of throwing a banquet where invitation and seat placement were based upon social power and pay back, throw a banquet for God's Kingdom. Invite those who are powerless and who cannot repay: the outcast and the sick. Then, when the host is invited into the banquet of the Kingdom, there will be a place; the host will be repaid at the final resurrection. Luke may have used these passages as a critique of his community's leadership; even leadership must be exercised with humility.

Jesus teaching on humility was a challenge to the social convention of the meal. Humility, especially exercised by the leadership, gave the lowest of the community seats of honor; it made service to the lowly a top priority. Leadership exercised with humility did not gather power, but empowered.

# Special Events & Scheduled Pilgrimages at the Basilica:

September 18, - Child Protection Workshop 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

September 22, - Confirmation Mass 2:00 pm.

October 8, - Pilgrimage from St. Francis in Newark, Ohio (Fr. Don Franks & 50 pilgrims)

October 13, - Diocesan Youth Conference (School & Basilica) Bishop Monforton October 25, - 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Diocese (Bishop Monforton)

November 3, - Celebration for the Women religious of the Diocese (Bishop -Noon Mass & Dinner)

November 4, - 5:00 pm Bishop - Giving Society Mass & Reception November 24, - Diocesan Marriage Celebration (Noon Mass Bishop)

December 22, - Christmas Appreciation Dinner

January 8, - Bishop's January Dinner with priests – 5:00 pm. Basilica



### NO PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS THIS MONDAY

Perpetual Help Devotions will NOT be celebrated on Monday evening at 6:15 pm. BUECAUSE OF THE Labor Day holiday. The devotions will resume next Monday evening. Our Lady of Perpetual Help is fittingly the official devotion of our Basilica. This devotion is a blessing for our basilica. Come and join us next Monday evening.

### **EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

### Monday, September 2, Memorial Day

9:00 am. - Mass

Tuesday, September 3,

7:45 am. - Mass

12:05 pm. - Mass

Wednesday, September 4,

7:45 am. - Mass

8:20 am. - Adoration

**10:00 am.** - Communion Calls **(2)** 

12:05 pm. - Mass

6:45 pm. - Reposition

7:00 pm. – Confirmation Meeting

Thursday, September 5,

7:45 am. - Mass

9:10 am - Communion Calls (6)

12:05 pm. - Mass

Friday, September 6,

7:45 am. - Mass

8:20 am. - Adoration

10:00 am. - Communion Calls (3)

12:05 pm. - Mass

7:00 pm - Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 7,

9:00 am. - Mass

3:30 pm. - Confessions

5:30 pm. - Mass

Sunday, Sept 8,

8:00 am. - Mass

10:00 am. - Mass

11:00 am. - Mass - (Saint Henry's)

12:00 pm. - Mass

### **Deceased Priests of the Diocese**



On Tuesday, we remember the 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the death Fr. Robert Glynn, Er.Cam. On Thursday, we remember the 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Fr. Ronald Griffith. These priests served our Diocese of Steubenville – giving their lives in the service of the Catholic Chhurch. May they rest forever in peace.

## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**



Jesus Christ lives among us in our midst. He has dwelt in the tabernacles of our Catholic churches under the elements of simple bread and wine.

Prayer in adoration spreads the fire of God's love, changing the world one heart at a time. Everyone is invited to discover the beauty of the prayer of adoration and to exercise it often. Adoration of God in prayer is necessary to allow the fire of love that Jesus brought to the earth to envelope our entire existence, he said.

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" These words of last week's Gospel are intended to help the disciples to abandon any attitude of laziness, apathy, indifference and closure to welcome the fire of God's love; that love which, as St. Paul reminds us, 'has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit"

In Adoration, Jesus reveals to us, His most ardent desire: to bring to earth the fire of the Father's love, which saves us. The Gospel is a limitless fire that saves and changes the world beginning with a change inside the heart of each person. For this, it is necessary to adore God and serve others. It is good to say that we are Christians, but above all we must be Christians in concrete situations, bearing witness to the Gospel which is essentially love for God and for our brothers," he said.

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# FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, September 3, Saint Gregory the Great (Pope & Doctor)

As pope, Gregory is noted for liturgical reform and chant. He sent missionaries to England, wrote on moral and theological subjects and is one of four great doctors of the Latin Church. He is depicted in the choir loft window. He died on March 12, 604.

## Young Girl Spontaneously Leaves Crowd, & Joins Pope on Stage at General Audience



At Pope Francis' General Audience last Wednesday, a young girl ran from her mother in the crowds and joined Pope Francis on stage. Suffering from an undisclosed illness, she walked back and forth in front of the Pope, stood by or in front of him at times, and would occasionally clap loudly.

The Holy Father told the security to let her be, that she was beautiful and suffering from an illness and wasn't aware of what she was doing. "This poor girl is a victim of an illness, and she does not know what she is doing," the Holy Father said. "I

ask one thing, and everyone should respond in their own heart," the Pope continued: "Did I pray for her when I saw her? When we see a person who is suffering," Pope Francis underscored, "we must pray. This situation should help us always ask this question."



# SAINT MARY

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Dear Parishioners,

What is the real test of banquet etiquette? For Jesus, it can be summed up in one word: humility. The humble guest will be honored, and the host who serves the truly humble will be repaid by God himself. True humility equalizes social place and power status. Humility is the right manners for the Kingdom.

In the Gospel today, Jesus implied that the Christian community itself must have humility as a core virtue. When we, as the community, gather to share the Eucharist, do we truly believe in what we are doing? A recent Pew survey on "What Americans Know About Religion" comes as a "wake-up call" to all of us.

The survey, conducted in February this year, showed that only one in three Catholics in the United States believes in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

The Church teaches that the Holy Eucharist is the "source and the summit" of Catholic faith and life. This centrality of the Eucharist was taught by Christ himself, affirmed by the Church Fathers and continuously developed by theologians since the first century. This belief is fundamental to Catholicism — saints have even been martyred out of reverence for Jesus in the Eucharist — and yet today his real presence is either not known, misunderstood or rejected by Catholics. Sixty-nine percent believe that the bread and wine of the Eucharist "are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ." That means a mere 31% believe that during the Mass "the bread and wine actually become the body and blood of Jesus." Even among Catholics who attend Mass at least once a week — meaning that of all those regularly exposed to the Scriptures and a homily — only 63% know what the Church teaches about transubstantiation.

The Pew survey is another stark reminder of the work left to be done in making Jesus' presence in Holy Communion known and, even more, loved. Instead of bemoaning this sad state of affairs, we need to look at this as a monumental challenge to accept.

Pope St. John Paul re-energized focus on the Real Presence with his promotion of perpetual Eucharistic adoration. Pope Benedict XVI sought to bring back a sense of the sacred to the Holy Mass. Pope Francis has affirmed the ability of Christ's true Body and Blood in the Eucharist to transform our lives. We Church must not rest until our hearts and minds are transformed by the clear teaching of the

Sincerely in the Risen Lord,

Rev. Msgr. John M. Campbell (Rector)

# Place of worship attacked every two days



Holy Family Church in Derry, Northern Ireland, was set on fire in May. A new report shows that an attack on a place of worship takes place nearly every other day in Northern Ireland. Research discovered 445 attacks took place resulting in criminal damage to religious buildings, churchyards, or cemeteries in Northern Ireland over the last three years.

"Our research shows that there are crimes being committed against places of worship nearly every other day in Northern Ireland. It's not limited to one location and there are recorded examples in every policing district across the Province," said Mark Baillie, CARE Northern Ireland's Policy Officer. "These are concerning figures and clearly action needs to be taken. In a free and democratic society, no one should be afraid of gathering together with those who share their faith in a place of worship," he added.

The Catholic Church is the largest individual religious group in Northern Ireland, making up about 40 per cent of the population, although 45 per cent of the people belong to various Protestant groups. The province has long seen tensions between Catholics and Protestants, and although the 1998 Good Friday Agreement ended most of the sectarian violence, sectarian tensions continue to simmer.

The churches attacked belong to different denominations, and the motivations for the attacks were not recorded in the CARE report, so it is not known how many could be attributed to sectarianism. In May, the Holy Family Catholic church in Derry was set on fire, destroying an outbuilding and damaging the sanctuary and rectory.



# Satan is real

The existence of Satan as a real and personal being is a truth of Christin doctrine. The real existence of the devil, as a personal subject who thinks and acts and has made the choice of rebellion against God, is a truth of faith that has always been part of Christian doctrine," the International

Association of Exorcists said in an Aug. 22 press release.

Citing a long history of Church teaching on the nature of Satan, including several citations from Pope Francis and his recent predecessors, the exorcists' organization said that Catholics are bound to believe that Satan is a real and personal being, a fallen angel. "The Church, founded on Sacred Scripture and on Apostolic Tradition officially teaches that the devil is a creature and a personal being, and she cautions those who consider him only a symbol."

# Saved from abortion, Chilean twin brothers are now priests



Two twin brothers in Santiago, Chile say that their mother's determination in protecting them from abortion despite the advice of doctors helped to foster their vocations to the priesthood.

"How can I not defend the God of life?" said Fr. Paulo Lizama. "This event strengthened my vocation and gave it a specific vitality, and therefore, I was able to give myself existentially to what I believe. "I am convinced of

what I believe, of what I am and of what I speak, clearly by the grace of God," he tsaid.

Fr. Paulo and his identical twin brother, Fr. Felipe, were born in 1984 in the Chilean town of Lagunillas de Casablanca. Before discovering her pregnancy, their mother, Rosa Silva, had exposed herself to x-rays while performing her duties as a paramedic. Consequently, after confirming the pregnancy, her doctor conducted ultrasounds and informed her that he had seen "something strange" in the image. "The baby has three arms and its feet are sort of entangled. It also has two heads," he told her. The doctors told her that her life was in danger, Rosa opposed the idea and said she would accept whatever God would send her.

The twins learned about the circumstances of their birth when they were in the sixth year of seminary formation. "It was surely the wisdom of my mother and her heart that allowed us to learn of such an amazing event at the right time," Fr. Paulo said, reflected that while he had always thought his priestly vocation came during adolescence, he later realized that God was working in his life from the beginning, thanks to the 'yes' of his mother.

Although they grew up in a Catholic home, the Lizama brothers drifted away from the faith and stopped attending Mass. However, their parents' separation and divorce led them back to the Church, and they received the sacrament of Confirmation. At the time, Fr. Paulo said, he lacked conviction in his faith but was attracted by the Blessed Sacrament, Gregorian chant, and the silent reverence of prayer. The twins were ordained priests on April 28, 2012.

# Catholic Congressman standing down to put family first



Rep. Sean Duffy (R-WI), a practicing Catholic who has served in Congress since 2011, will be stepping down from his seat on September 23. Duffy made the announcement Aug. 26, citing a desire to be with his family ahead of the imminent arrival of his ninth child as the reason he will leave Congress before the end of his term.

"With much prayer, I have decided that this is the right time for me to take a break from public service in order to be the support my wife, baby and family need right now. It is not an easy decision - because I truly love being your Congressman - but it is the right decision for my family, which is my first love and responsibility."

### Agreement reached on permanent Holy See representative to Vietnam

A Holy See-Vietnam diplomacy working group met inside the Vatican last week, and reached an agreement on establishing a permanent resident papal representative to the southeast Asian country.

A resident papal representative is considered an intermediary step in diplomatic relations, below an apostolic nuncio. The Holy See and Vietnam have never had full diplomatic relations, but have been engaged in formal bilateral discussions since 2009. Since 2011, the Holy See has had a non-resident pontifical representative to Vietnam. At the 2018 meeting in Hanoi, the delegations had agreed to upgrade this representative from a non-permanent, non-resident to a permanent, resident status.

In the meeting, the Holy See also expressed appreciation for the State's assistance to the Catholic community in Vietnam. The State gave its assurance of its continued commitment to improve consistent policy for respect of freedom of belief and religion. The two sides also expressed their commitment to continuing dialogue based on trust and respect for the mutually agreed principles governing the bilateral relations.

Catholics are estimated to make up about 7% of Vietnam's population of 97 million. Predominant religious practice is of folk religions, followed by Buddhism. Vietnam's religious freedom law has been under discussion since 2013, when the Vietnamese constitution was revised. The law guaranteed freedom of belief to people, and formally guarantees religious freedom. However, Catholic communities have experienced several limitations under the communist regime that took power in 1976. According to the 2019 annual report of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, religious freedom conditions in the country regressed from 2018 to 2019, and despite small improvements, the government of Vietnam continues to persecute religious individuals and organizations.

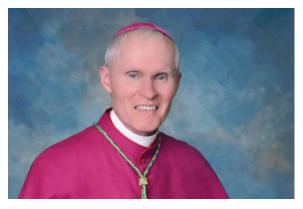
# MONDAY WE CELEBRATE LABOR DAY

Labor Day is the annual holiday to celebrate the economic and social contributions of workers to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of the country. In the United States, Labor Day is a federal holiday observed on the first Monday of September. Labor Day is customarily viewed as the end of the summer vacation season, and is celebrated with parties, street parades and athletic events.

Labor Day has its origins in the labor union movement, specifically the eight-hour day movement, which advocated eight hours for work, eight hours for recreation, and eight hours for rest. In the United States the first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, and in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country. Oregon was the first state to make it a holiday on February 21, 1887. By the time it became a federal holiday in 1894, thirty states officially celebrated Labor Day.

In the late 1800s, at the height of the Industrial Revolution in the United States, the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks in order to eke out a basic living. Despite restrictions in some states, children as young as 5 or 6 toiled in mills, factories and mines across the country, earning a fraction of their adult counterparts' wages.

### New West Virginia bishop addresses scandals head-on at installation Mass



After nearly a year without a bishop, due to the scandalridden former Bishop Michael Bransfield, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston in West Virginia has a new shepherd, who was installed at a Mass on Thursday on the feast of the Queenship of Mary.

Hundreds of Catholics, hopeful for a fresh start, came from throughout the diocese to fill the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling for the 2+ hour Mass and glimpse their new leader, Bishop Mark Brennan. Thousands more

tuned in to the event via a Facebook live stream posted by the diocese.

"It's a new beginning. We hope it's a new beginning," Joe Herrick, a Catholic who attended the Mass, told a local Fox News affiliate. "We're very hopeful for the future. I'm really praying Bishop Brennan will be able to lead us and mend the flock together so we can be one."

Brennan, who gave the homily, did not hesitate to address the tumultuous year that both the diocese and the universal Church have experienced. "My friends, the 'people walked in darkness' and 'dwelt in the land of gloom'. Those words of Isaiah, referring to enemy armies oppressing the kingdom of Israel, are an apt description for how many Catholics in this country have felt over the past year and how many West Virginia Catholics have felt for even longer," Brennan said on Thursday, Aug. 22 at his installation Mass.

The scandals may also have driven some people away from the Church, Brennan said, but he encouraged Catholics in the diocese to look to their roots circa the Civil War - when West Virginia seceded from Virginia in order to remain in the Union - for inspiration to remain united in faith. "When the dark clouds of secession were rolling over the State of Virginia in the spring of 1861, the people of these western mountains chose to remain in the United States of America. They would not break their unity with Ohio and Pennsylvania, Michigan and Kentucky. They petitioned Congress to admit them as the State of West Virginia, which Congress did in 1863," he said.

He urged Catholics of today to fight for that same unity in the Church. "Unity with one another and with God is what the Lord wants for us— and what, in our hearts, we truly desire," he said. "West Virginia Catholics: cherish your faith and the holy Church that has nurtured it," he added. "Make Mary's 'yes' to God your own and work with me and your brothers and sisters to let the light of Christ be a light brightly visible in the mountains and valleys, the city streets and country roads of this beautiful part of God's creation: West Virginia."

# Missionaries of Charity remember Mother Teresa's birthday

Hundreds of Missionaries of Charity gathered at their headquarters on Monday to commemorate the birthday of the order's founder, Mother Teresa. Archbishop Thomas D'Souza of Calcutta, whose birthday falls on the same day, celebrated Mass on Aug. 26 to recognize what would be the 109th birthday of Saint Mother Teresa. "It was a splendid celebration. The 109th anniversary of the birth of our beloved Saint Mother Teresa was a moment of thanksgiving through prayer and joy," said Father Dominic Gomes, vicar general of the archdiocese.

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF September 7 & 8 (For the complete schedule and other resources go to <a href="https://www.stmarysdre.info">www.stmarysdre.info</a>)

	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 5:30	Amy Brockett (CAPT) Jean Tornes(HOST) Evelyn Potter (HOST) Jennifer Schenkel (CHALICE) Debbie Lazorik(CHALICE)	Tony Huffman	Emily Bichard Parker Crum Aiden Wilkinson
Sun: 8:00	Theresa Huck (CAPT) Carol Antill (HOST) Marcia McCabe (HOST) David Baker (CHALICE) Sharon Loken (CHALICE)	Carol Wharff	John Barry Wharff Saylor Wharff
10:00	Ken Schilling (CAPT) Nancy Funk (HOST) Kaelly Erb (HOST) Malyssa Jack (CHALICE) John Jack (CHALICE)	Stan Vanlandingham	Addie Betz Nicholas Early Ella Keffer Francesca Marasco
12:00	Tammi Bradley (CAPT) Jeannette Flowers (HOST) Deborah Rowinski (Host) Jim Hartlage (CHALICE) Joyce Huck (CHALICE)	Eric Fitch	Gabrielle Bradley Gabriella Wojcik Grace Wojcik

<sup>\*</sup>Deacons are actually Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. He is listed with the Extraordinary Ministers for simplicity of scheduling.

Week of September 1	Matthew Cunningham Grace Spencer	Saturday, September 7	Anthony Discini Jonathan Schmidt
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### **BINGO WORKERS**

### Thursday – September 5– Team 6:

Jay Huck, Greg & Sherry Black, Diane Arnold, Mary Ellen Evans, Jeremy Crock, Pat Dickinson, Tonia Lang, Don & Susan Mallett, Jennifer McGuinness, Rusty & Suzie Nesmith, Patty Perry.

### Saturday – September 7 – Team 8:

Peter & Sarah Allen, Jodey Altier, Benjamin & Kathleen Bennett, Matthew & Erin Combs, Michael & Nicole Huffman, Ralph & Noelle Long, Bryan & Andrea Nichols, Chris & Tracee Pfeiffer, Scott & Alyson Tornes, Adam & Abbey Schwendeman, Kerry Westermeyer.

### TASTE AND SEE WOMEN'S RETREAT

The parishes in Athens are offering a retreat for women in this part of the Diocese. The "Taste and See Retreat" will be held September 28 at Christ the King Church in Athens. The day will be filled with activities, including time for private prayer and reflection and lunch with the group. The cost is \$19.50 and proceeds go to Mary's Meals. Online registration is available at <a href="www.athenscatholic.org">www.athenscatholic.org</a>/women's-retreat registration.

### **CLEANING THE BASILICA**

The next day to clean the Basilica will be Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 AM until 10:00 AM. If you would like to help, please join us.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

## November 17<sup>th</sup> - School/Parish Carnival

The Carnival will feature a baked chicken dinner along with a quilt raffle, 50/50 drawing, pie and cake auction, games for the children, and a country store and silent auction.

**4 quilts on the banisters by the side doors** are for the quilt auction during the school/parish carnival. Tickets can be purchased now at the gift shop. More information to come.

Attention all Artists, Crafters and Cooks! You asked for it—so the Country Store and Silent Auction will return for our festival. Now we need your help to make it bigger and better than ever. Anyone interested in donation an original item for our store is asked to please call or text Robin Cleveland at 740-568-8932. Any new ideas are welcome. Then, come for the fun!

Sign-ups are still open. Actually, we will accept all until the first day – Sunday, September 8 - 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM in the Basilica Social Hall. There are

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registration forms at the entrances or call Loretta Smith at 740-707-0816.

### **CONFIRMATION**

**Confirmation** is fast approaching. It will be celebrated on Sunday, September  $22^{nd}$ . Celebrate this special day with a wonderful gift for a special teen boy or girl. Check out the many gift ideas in the basilica gift shop, located on the lower level. Divine Mercy gift shop is open after all weekend Masses, and by appointment.

### **HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS**

There will be a Health Ministry Meeting at 11:00 AM on September 6<sup>th</sup>, before the 12:05 PM Mass, in the Basilica Social Hall. New and interested parishioners are invited. More members are NEEDED!

The "White Mass" for all health care providers will be held Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> during the 10:00 AM. Special prayers and blessings will be given. Nurses, Doctors and all types of care givers will be included.

Save your gently used socks, coats, jackets, boots, gloves, and hats for the 'winter outerwear giveaway" to be held in late October. The exact date will soon be available. Larger sizes and children's' sizes are especially needed.

### **ROSARY CONGRESS IS BACK**

The 2019 Rosary Congress will be held October 11-13 at the Basilica. We will begin with a Mass and procession on Friday at 12:05 PM. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the main church for all of the 40 hours, except during the 9:00 AM Mass on Saturday morning and the 5:30 PM Mass Saturday night. The Rosary Congress will end with a closing procession at 7:00 AM on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> (before the 8:00 AM Mass). Please sign up and make a Holy Hour with Jesus. Sign-up sheets are at all the entrances of the Basilica. Help us fill these 40 Hours.

#### **LECTORS**

On Tuesday, September 10, there will be training for parishioners who are interested in serving as lectors from 7:00 PM to 7:30 PM. At 7:30 PM there will be a meeting with Father Mike for all parishioners who are already trained as lectors.

Please contact Cecelia Cottrill if you have questions at

ceceliacottrill@stmaryscatholic.org.

# EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

On Wednesday, September 11 there will be training for parishioners who are interested in serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from 7:00 PM to 7:30 PM. At 7:30 PM there will be a meeting with Father Mike for all parishioners who are already trained to be Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Please contact Cecelia Cottrill at ceceliacottrill@stmaryscatholic.org if you have questions.

### **DAILY MASS SERVERS**

On Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00 PM there will be a server training for all DAILY MASS SERVERS who wish to be trained to serve Sunday Masses. Those who wish to be trained for Sunday Masses need to be in 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and been an active daily Mass server for at least a year. Please contact Cecilia Cottrill if you have any questions at ceceliacottrill@stmaryscatholic.org

### **CCD TEACHERS OR AIDS**

Our CCD program is looking for parishioners who are interested in being teachers or aids for our Sunday morning sessions. No prior experience is necessary, please contact Cecelia Cottrill if you have any questions or are interested in helping out at ceceliacottrill@stmarycatholic.org.

### **CCD REGISTRATION**

We are still accepting registrations for CCD for the 2019-2020 school year, the forms can be found on line at stmarysmarietta.org/ccd. There is a \$30 registration fee, please contact Cecelia Cottrill if you have any questions.

If you were unable to attend the Confirmation Parents Meeting for Confirmation taking place on September 22, please contact Cecelia Cottrill.