



FIRST SATURDAY - *Saint Therese of the Child Jesus*
8:00 a.m. Regis and Estella Gebhart (requested by Rose Herman)
4:30 p.m. Paul H. and Mary V. Sneeringer (Ann.) (requested by Marie Klunk)

SUNDAY - *Respect Life Sunday*
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. Pietro Iocco (requested by Gina Iocco)

MONDAY
7:30 a.m. Rebecca Kuhn (requested by Bob, Ruth and Bobby Kuhn)

TUESDAY - *Saint Francis of Assisi*
7:30 a.m. **NO MASS**
10:00 a.m. Brethren Home Mass - Joseph Azzara (requested by Grace Azzara)

WEDNESDAY
7:30 a.m. **NO MASS**

THURSDAY - *Saint Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher*
NO MASS

FIRST FRIDAY - *Our Lady of the Rosary*
9:00 a.m. Living and deceased members of Richard P. Miller Family (requested by Steve and Joli Miller)

SATURDAY - *Blessed Virgin Mary*
4:30 p.m. People of the Parish

NEXT SUNDAY - *Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Rosary Confraternity (requested by the Rosary Confraternity)
11:00 a.m. Teresa Miner (requested by Gloria Miller)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday - Coffee and Donut Social - **CANCELED**
Choir Rehearsal - After the 8:00 a.m. Mass.
Religious Education Class - 9:15 to 10:40 a.m. in the school.
Life Chain - 2:30 p.m. on the Gettysburg Square

Monday - RCIA - 5:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. **Chapter 5: The Holy Spirit The Power of Love**

Thursday - Parish Office - Closed for a secretary workshop at the Diocese.

Saturday - That Man is You - 8:00 a.m. in the school cafeteria.
Rosary for America - Please join us on the New Oxford Square at 12 Noon.

Next Sunday - Choir Rehearsal - After the 8:00 a.m. Mass.
Religious Education Class - 9:15 to 10:40 a.m. in the school.

Dear Parishioners,

Please join us the weekend of October 15 & 16, 2016 to hear Rev. Roland Dessine speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Father Dessine will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Sacrificial Giving

Sunday Collection Budget.....\$400,000.00
Weekly Total Needed.....\$7,692.00

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Adult Weekly Collection.....\$6,567.67
Children's Weekly Collection.....\$29.00
Weekly Collection Total.....\$6,596.67
Weekly Surplus/**Deficit**.....\$1,095.33
Y-to-D Surplus/**Deficit**.....\$(7,773.45)

Grocery Certificate Program – The week of September 19 through 25 we sold a total of **\$550**. Volunteers are always needed. Interested? Call Dawn Smith at 259-0993.

A special thanks to **Smith's Auto Sales, Inc.** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

The New Oxford Community Food Pantry is in need of the following items for the month of October: **Canned Fruit**. Thank you for your continued generous support of the food pantry.

Banns of Marriage I for **Daniella Iocco** of Immaculate Conception B.V.M. Church and **Todd Willet** of Annunciation B.V.M. Church, McSherrystown. They plan to wed at Immaculate Conception B.V.M. Church on Saturday, October 22 at 1:00 p.m.

September Turkey Dinner - A profit of **\$716** was made at the dinner and Janet Redding won \$35 on the 50/50 raffle. The next dinner is planned for Sunday, October 16.



The past Bingo fundraisers have been highly successful and we have raised over \$5,000 for the parish. We are planning another for Sunday, October 23 at 1:30 in the school hall.

Mark your calendar and get your tickets early. Plan for an afternoon of fun with family and friends. Prizes will include *Thirty-One* and Vera Bradley Bags, Alex and Ani, local gift certificates and more. There will be extra games, 13 jars and plenty of food. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$18 at the door. Doors open at 12:00.

Donations are needed! We are currently looking for donations and would greatly appreciate your support. Donations can include sponsoring a prize (\$50), business gift cards (any value), items to be used as prizes and food. Contact: Rosemary Lowas for bingo donations and tickets (717) 825-1922 and Chris O'Brien for food donations (717) 479-1277.

Immaculate Conception School News



ICS will host the first **5K and Kids Run in the York/Adams Catholic Run series** on Saturday, October 15, 2016. The race will begin at Conewago Valley Intermediate School at 9:00 a.m. with the fun run to follow. Entry fee is \$20/adult and \$10/child; a discounted registration rate of \$60 is available if you register for all four runs in the series. Registration forms are available for download on the school webpage at www.icsbvm.org, via Immaculate Conception BVM Facebook page, in the back of church or by calling the school at 624-2061.



Rest in Peace - Please remember in your prayers the souls of **William Martin** and **Edward Shrader, Sr.** May they and all the faithful departed rest in eternal peace.



Next week the Pro-Life Group will be taking signatures for a Respect Life Ad which will be in the **Gettysburg Times** October 29 and the **Hanover Merchandiser** on October 26. The cost is \$3.00 per signature.

Thoughts to Ponder while Preparing to Vote...Dignity of the Human Person: It is fundamental to Catholic teaching that human beings are created in the image and likeness of God and that every life is to be respected from conception to natural death. In our society, human life is instead under direct attack from abortion. Other direct threats to the sanctity of human life include euthanasia and assisted suicide, human cloning, in vitro fertilization, and the destruction of human embryos for research. Catholic teaching about the dignity of human life also leads us to oppose torture, unjust war, and the indiscriminate use of drones for violent purposes; to prevent genocide and attacks against noncombatants; to oppose racism; to oppose human trafficking; and to overcome poverty and suffering. Nations are called to protect the right of life by seeking effective ways to combat evil and terror without resorting to armed conflicts except as a last resort after all peaceful means have failed. This teaching also calls Catholics to urge governments to end the use of the death penalty as a means of protecting society from violent crime. Where does the candidate stand on abortion, assisted suicide, the use of torture, human trafficking, the repeal of the death penalty, and other efforts to respect life from conception to natural death? For more information, visit www.Hbgdiocese.org/vote.



The Adams Deanery Perpetual Adoration Chapel is in **desperate need** of adorers for the following hours: **Sunday 4 a.m. & 7 p.m.**, Monday 2 p.m., **Wednesday 2 a.m., Thursday 11 p.m.**, Friday 6 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Saturday 6 p.m. **Hours that are in bold print are in desperate need of coverage.** "Can you spend just one hour with our Lord."

Contact Gloria Murren at 637-8635 or 479-1071 if you can help. **Attention: The Chapel is closed on Sunday's from 7 a.m. until noon for cleaning. Please make your visit after Noon.**

This week's featured titles are available on the book and CD racks in the back, center of the church free of charge. Donations accepted to help us restock material.

CD of the week, *Love Hurts - The Truth Behind Redemptive Suffering*: In this presentation, Matthew Leonard focuses on the new idea of love proclaimed by Christ and how it gives meaning to human suffering, penance, and ultimately death. Sounds a bit dark, doesn't it? But it's not! By looking at these issues we'll discover the secret to how we can "Rejoice in the Lord always" just like St. Paul, no matter what happens.

Book of the week, *Understanding the Mass*: The Mass has been celebrated throughout the world over a span of centuries, but many Catholics view it as merely a boring obligation instead of a wondrous gift. Understanding the Mass provides simple answers to common questions about this life-transforming act of Catholic worship and explains the meaning behind its prayers and practices. Along the way there are practical tips for preparing for Mass and incorporating its timeless rhythm into our lifestyle as Catholics.



Blessing of the Animals, October 2 - In celebration of the feast day of Saint Francis of Assisi, the Holy Name Society of Annunciation Parish and the Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish will be hosting a Blessing of the Animals on **Sunday, October 2nd at 2 p.m. at the Basilica Picnic Grove on Centennial Road.** Please bring your pets out for the blessing that will be conducted by Deacon Joe Lawrence.

Red Mass - The Most Rev. Ronald Gainer, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Harrisburg, will be the principal celebrant at the Annual Red Mass to take place on October 3, at 5:30 p.m. The Mass will be held in the Cathedral Parish of St. Patrick, Harrisburg. Rev. David Link, J.D., L.L.D., D.Litt., D.Sc., a former dean of the Notre Dame Law School and who is the longest tenured among American law school deans, will be the homilist. At the Red Mass, lawyers, judges, lawmakers, and public officials gather together to pray for God's wisdom and guidance in their pursuit of justice. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Clear your Calendar! On October 6th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. there will be a **talk on human trafficking** at St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Littlestown, PA (29 South Queen Street) in the parish hall. Let your family, friends, and neighbors know! Our speaker, Dee Martin, will give an overview of human trafficking and will conduct a very powerful "walk in her shoes" exercise. You will learn the indicators of human trafficking and actions to take if suspicious. Free, but a good will offering for the speaker will be accepted. **Please register** by calling or texting Julie Abell at 717-321-4664.

Tender Care Fall Fundraising Banquet will be held on Tuesday, October 18 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Bay City Restaurant; featuring Marie Monville. "**When all other lights go out, He still shines**"! This became the anthem to Marie's life when on October 2, 2006, her then husband made a decision to hold an Amish school house hostage, forever changing life as she knew it. In the years since, God continues to unfold His beautiful plan of redemption and restoration over her family. Marie will inspire you to dive deeper into a passionate LOVE relationship with GOD. **FREE Attendance** - Your entire donation will support Tender Care's Mission. Reservations Required—**RSVP by October 7th** by calling Debbie at 633-9685 or emailing her at debbieroyston@gmail.com.

Ladies, this one is for you! When was the last time you took a day to rest, to refresh your spirit, to wrap yourself in God's merciful love so that you have more to share with your children, your grandchildren, your husband, your parents, your friends, your co-workers, and your neighbors? On Saturday, October 15th, the Diocese of Harrisburg will offer our 2nd Annual Women's Conference at Bishop McDevitt High School. The theme this year is "**Wrapped in God's Merciful Love**". Our Keynote Speaker will be **Kimberly Hahn**. Her keynote address is entitled *Rome Sweet Home: How the Mercy of God Led me to Become Catholic*. This, along with great workshop sessions, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, beautiful Praise and Worship music, Holy Mass, and fellowship with hundreds of women will refresh your soul as we continue to celebrate this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Come and see what God's love can do in your life. We know you're busy. Unwrap your schedule so that you can wrap yourself in God's merciful love for one day, and you and those you love and serve every day will be grateful you did. We hope to see you on October 15th. Brochures are in the back of church.