

**23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 10, 2017**

Today's Readings

23rd Sunday

Ez 33: 7-9

Rom 13: 8-10

Mt 18: 15-20

Readings for 9/17/17

24th Sunday

Sir 27: 30—28:7

Rom 14: 7-9

Mt 18: 21-35

MASS INTENTIONS: SEPT. 11 TO SEPT. 17, 2017

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Tom Muller
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Ann Burman
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Camille Kiedrowski
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Fr. Lloyd George (H) Vocations Priest Hood
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Dorothy Friesner
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Jack Poole Patrick Erwin Fr. Lloyd George (H) Vocations Priest Hood

(SI) Special Intentions (B) Birthday (A) Anniversary (H) Health

SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND OF 9/17/17

Ministry	Sat 4 pm Sept.16	Sun 8 am Sept. 17	Sun 9:30 Sept. 17	Sun 11:15 Sept.17
Priest	NA	HK	MS	MS
Lectors	B Mank	J Healy	C Yost	S Alasandro
EM	D Hughes	S Dieter	K Ayers	D Eakes
	J Kusik	T Dieter	J Bowman	Charles Era
	S Pardo	F Holtz	L Hall	P Era
	M Washburn		N Yost	P Seneschal
Server	H Arnett	O Ayd	J Devereux	J Eakes
		M Rinaudo	A Racine	C Lawrence
		T Rinaudo	J Channell	P Bittner
			M Channell	A Rhodes
Sacristan	G Arnett		J Devereux	L Dodson

FROM FR. KUNKEL

A journalist recently wrote about his childhood and the violence that was part and parcel of the way that he and his companions treated each other. He spoke of how one day in school he stabbed another pupil. The other boy was annoying him. He didn't really think about the consequences of what he was doing, so he just stuck the knife into him. He went to a good school, and since the boy he had stabbed wasn't hurt very badly, he got off with a relatively light sentence. He said that looking back on it now, he realized that what had prevented him from cynically carrying on in his life of defiance and petty crime was the sudden awareness of how much pain and anguish he was causing to those who loved and cared for him. This awareness of love and care somehow freed him and enabled him to see more clearly the great shame he was inflicting on himself and on others.

In this weekend's second reading, St. Paul says that "love is the answer to every one of the commandments." It is not the loving or merciful thing to allow someone to destroy themselves and others by their sin. It is more loving to correct them, to help free them. Even in correcting or disciplining someone, it is not the desire for revenge or even a belief that they shouldn't get away with it which should drive us. Rather, it should be a real concern and love for the other person. This, of course, can be a very challenging task! Again, St. Paul tells us: "He who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law."

As you move through the day, why not look into your heart as you encounter each person. Ask yourself, what within you keeps you from truly loving? Ask St. Paul to help you honestly assess what you need to change in yourself, and to pray with you to the Father for His grace. Trust in the promise of Jesus that "if two of you join your voices to pray for anything, it will be granted to you by my Father." We are called together as sisters and brothers in Christ. We need one another's love, wisdom and forgiveness. Pray that we may never be afraid to offer or to receive the love that God sends to us through each other!

SUNRISE COMMUNION SERVICE

St. Mary's offers a Communion Service every Wednesday at 6:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. For more information please contact, Mike Dodson @ 717-382-4756



We would like to welcome to St. Mary's Faith Community...Mr. & Mrs. Michael Coady and family.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Donated in front of the Blessed Mother in honor of her Nativity. If you would like to have a loved one either remembered or honored with a donation of flowers for the altar please call Sue Dieter at 410-937-4035



Celebrations And Congratulations!!

Happy Birthday-80's and over

James Wilson	83	Sept. 12
Gordon Smith	83	Sept. 14
Helen Pigg	88	Sept. 16
Edward Roginski	92	Sept. 22

Happy Anniversary--25th, 50th & over 50

Michael & Margie Wise	25	Sept. 12
Walter & Nancy Novicki	53	Sept. 14
Anthony & Sharon Stinnett	25	Sept. 19

If you do not want your name(s), and/or your age in the bulletin please notify Barbara, Ext. 22

**PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT
THIS WEEK TO PRAY...**

“For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven...”

A time to be born... BAPTISM

Through the Holy Waters of Baptism, we welcome into St. Mary's Faith Community...Max Gibson Ayers, son of Jacob & Christina.



A time to be ... HEAL

Please Pray For: Annette Baxter, Betty Bennett, Vicki Bennington, Donald Billings, Brent Bittner, Lewis Boone, Sr. Anthony Leo Cuneo, Margaret Dougherty, Susan & Amanda DiPietro, Steve Ferguson, Fr. Lloyd George, Jo Ann Heaps, Erin Huff, Jarrett Lyons, John Ricks, Jeanne Berge Stith, Bernice, Jameson Travis, Earl Weidner, Joseph Weidner, Eliza Wilson.

A time to die...

“IN MEMORIAM”

May our beloved deceased rest in the Lord's eternal peace.



STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Creating a Culture of Giving
Matthew 6: 21, 33. “Remember, where your treasure is, there your heart is also. Seek first his kingship over you, His way of holiness, and all these things will be given you besides.”

Treasure – August, 2017
Offertory – EFT **\$10,342.36**

Treasure – September 3, 2017

Offertory – Envelopes	\$6,595.00
ParishBuildingFund	764.00
PoorBox–LittleSisters	309.26
Mass Attendance	537

- The message of stewardship is that God's gifts, *shared*, will always be enough. Thank you for continuing to share your gifts with the parish, others and the Lord. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.
- Please consider remembering St. Mary, Pylesville **in your will**. Catholics of generations to come will thank you for your thoughtfulness and remember you in prayer.

*****Special Second Collection – September 16 & 17, 2017*****

There will be a special second collection for the victims of the hurricane, Harvey, in Texas. Checks can be made payable to St. Mary. Thank you for your donations. The families of Texas will be most appreciative.

****Next Weekend: September 16th & September 17th**

Weekly Offering: - Provides a regular predictable source of funding so the Church can meet its practical responsibilities; cost of facilities, administration, worship, salaries/benefits, religious education subsidy, ministries, and miscellaneous expenses. **(We encourage all envelope users to please use your envelopes. This will assist in decreasing the posting time.)**

Special Collection: Victims of Hurricane Harvey - see above

Catholic School Parish Assessment - Archdiocese of Baltimore:

To partially fulfill the obligation of the People of God to support Catholic Schools and the unique education they bring to the children within the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The funds acquired through this special collection are specifically restricted to use in parish, inter-parish, or Archdiocesan schools. Please be as generous as you can. This **“Special envelope”** can be placed in the regular offertory collection along with your weekly offering envelope.

Poor Box: “BirthRight”: The donations to the poor box this weekend will help support **BirthRight** located in Bel Air.

PARISH INFORMATION

**SEND A SPECIAL
GET WELL CARD!!**

Our Beloved Fr. Lloyd George is recuperating from several operations over the past few months. If you would like to send him a get well card or just a line letting him know how much he is missed I am sure it would help cheer him up during his recovery.

His mailing address is:



Fr. Lloyd George
Ignatius House
Jesuit Community
4603 Millbrook Rd.
Baltimore, Maryland 21212

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

The Knights of Columbus invite the parish and greater community to join in an Ecumenical Prayer Service on Monday, Sept. 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the church to mark **World Day of Prayer for Peace**, established by the Supreme Council in 2004. Also in keeping with the Council resolution, we have invited other congregations in the area. During the service we will not only remember those police officers, firefighters, and EMT personnel who have fallen in the line of duty, but also honor those dedicated public servants who serve us daily, risking their lives to protect ours. Light refreshments will be served in the Youth Room after the service.



ATTENTION MEN OF:

St. Mary's Pylesville

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best, man you can be?

Then Come Join... **That Man is You!** Starting Sept. 14, 2017. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." – Proverbs 27:17



PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION UPDATE



9th Grade FF Registration forms have been mailed out to families who have incoming 9th grade students for 2017-2018 school year. If you have an upcoming 9th grade student and we missed you, please contact Rachel Bittner at the Parish Office ext. 23 or nbittner@hotmail.com. Please remember your student needs to be in Faith Formation 1 year prior to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.



Introducing Walking with Purpose Women's Catholic Bible Study

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Do you seek connection with other women in our parish community? Are you searching for something more in your life? We invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose this fall. Weekly group sessions are starting on **Monday, October 16th at 7 pm.** *Opening Your Heart*, our foundational study, is designed for women new to Walking with Purpose whether or not you have any Bible study experience. We welcome women of all ages to learn how the Scriptures apply to our everyday lives.

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study that aims to bring women to a closer relationship with Christ. Personal study and small group discussions at WWP each week link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

Interested in learning more? Please join us on **Monday, October 16 at 7pm** to our first Connect Coffee Talk to find out what Walking with Purpose is all about! Bring a friend! For questions or to RSVP, contact Sharon Alasandro (slalasandro@gmail.com OR 443-243-6317) or Ellen Dumer (stmarychristlife@verizon.net OR 410-236-7871) visit Walking with Purpose www.walkingwithpurpose.com for more information. *Registration starting soon!*

May the Holy Spirit inspire you to join us!

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

The summer is rapidly drawing to a close. If you have not yet registered your family for Children's Faith Formation, the office has registration forms or contact Janet by e-mail.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic please contact Janet in the parish office.

Work Camp Update

Tentatively we are planning for the Summer of 2018, we are hoping to serve in *Oil City PA July 22-27, 2018*. This will be a next Level camp for those coming into 9th grade as of Sept. 2018. **So please let me know before Sept. 15th if you have an interest in joining us as I will be reserving our spot for summer 2018.**



PARISH ACTIVITIES

ST MARY'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, September 11, 2017

7:00 p.m. World Day of Prayer

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

6:00 p.m. Catechist Retreat

7:00 p.m. Parish Council

Wednesday September 13, 2017

7:00 p.m. Cont. Music

Thursday, September 14, 2017

1:30 p.m. Blood Drive

7:00 p.m. Choir

7:00 p.m. TMiy

Saturday, September 16, 2017

10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Open

Sunday, September 17, 2017

10:30 a.m. GIFT Program

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts



FOOD PANTRY NEWS

In August, the food pantry served 8 families, 32 people. We are in need of bottled juices, fruit, canned peas, shampoo, paper towels, laundry detergent, dish soap, mustard and mayonnaise. The pantry will be open on Saturday, September 16th from 10 am until noon. Thank you for your generosity. Sue Pardo, the Pantry Volunteers and our "Customers."

THE BLOODMOBILE WILL BE AT ST. MARY'S ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2017



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The Bloodmobile is scheduled to be at St. Mary's on Thursday, September 14, 2017. Appointments are now available from 2 until 6:15 p.m. The Red Cross assigns staff according to the number of donors on the schedule so an appointment is extremely helpful and

recommended.

The blood supply continues to remain low and blood banks are in need of all types of blood, especially O+. To schedule you may login to the Red Cross website and sign up, call Darlene at 410-404-8583 and leave a message, or you may email her at dew1250@gmail.com, and put Blood Donor in the subject line.

Our last bloodmobile visit was June 15, 2017. We had 44 donors, most of them St. Mary's parishioners, giving 49 units of blood. Since each unit can now be separated into 3 blood components, these donations had the potential of helping 147 patients in need of blood products.

Our winter drive will be held on Thursday, November 30, 2017. I know this is a busy time for everyone. Please consider taking time to donate; this is another critical time when blood is sorely needed.

Thank you in advance for giving and donating blood. When you give blood, you give life.

BAKE SALE!!!!

Garrett Arnett, a Life Scout in Troop 811, will be having a bake sale after the Masses on Sept. 23rd & 24th to fund his Eagle Scout project at St. Mary's Church. His project will be the "Prayer Labyrinth" which will be placed behind the Church.



ADULT EDUCATION



The Adult Education Classes with Fr. Paul Henry will resume on Wednesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the youth room. The topic of this term will be the development of the Nicene Creed as a response to heresies. The primary text will be

Dissent from the Creed: Heresies Past and Present by Richard M. Hogan. We will also discuss The Creed: Professing the Faith Through the Ages by Scott Hahn.

IN HONOR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Saturday

Sept. 30, 2017
10:00 AM



Please join us as we bring back Blessing of the Animals. All animals great and small are welcome. Please arrive at 9:45AM to prepare for the blessing. The Blessing of the

Animals begins at 10:00AM on the parish grounds, behind the parish center outside the youth room. Please have animals on leashes. Refreshments will be available.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Have you missed the Samaritan's Purse program, "Operation Christmas Child," the past few years? This year, St. Mary's will partner with William Waters United Methodist Church, Jarrettsville, in this unique project of Christian relief and evangelism that has touched millions of children. Through the organization Samaritan's Purse Project, you and your family have the opportunity to reach out to needy children in desperate situations around the world. Operation Christmas Child is not just about reaching children with shoebox gifts. It's about sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with them through Christian literature distributed with the shoeboxes. To take part in this exciting project, simply follow the instructions in the brochure that will be handed out along with the shoeboxes the weekend of Sept. 16 & 17th if you like you may use your own cardboard or plastic shoe box. The shoe boxes must be back by early November. If you are interested in participating in this program, or for more information call Sue Pardo 410-456-7882.

