

**17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 30, 2017**

Today's Readings

17th Sunday
1 Kgs 3: 5, 7-12
Rom 8: 28-30
Mt 13: 44-52 or 13: 44-46

Readings for 8/06/17

Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14
2 Pt 1: 16-19
Mt 17: 1-9

MASS INTENTIONS: JULY 31 TO AUG. 6, 2017

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Gabriel & Anastasia Hunkovic (SI)
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Funeral Mass (Scarlett)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Tom Muller
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Stewart Family
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Guerriero Family
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory Camille Kiedrowski Fr. Lloyd George (H)

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

SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND OF 8/06/17

Ministry	Sat 4 pm Aug. 5	Sun 8 am Aug. 6	Sun 9:30 Aug. 6	Sun 11:15 Aug. 6
Priest	HK	LG	MS	MS
Lectors	P Marroney	S McCain	B Kiedrowski	M Chamberlain
EM	L Fritz	A Chaney	K Ayers	G Dumer
	D Hughes	M McGraw	J Bowman	D Friedman
	D Phillips	L Surkin	M Childress	S Friedman
	M Washburn	B Weber	L Hall	M Rudell
Server	A Engel	O Ayd	K Gesla	J McCarty
	A Engel	L Weber	Z Kiedrowski	H McCarty
		M Rinaudo	B Kiedrowski	A Rhodes
Sacristan			W Eakes	B Oursler

FROM FR. KUNKEL

When we think of "treasure," certain images immediately come to mind: a rare work of art, stacks of gold, or handfuls of diamonds. "Treasure" stands for something we consider precious or superior to the ordinary things of life. However, while we might understand what treasure means, it doesn't follow that we sufficiently treasure those things that should be really valuable to us. When expensive jewelry is all lumped together in a jewelry box, somehow it all looks cheap. With the massive amount of trivia we are daily immersed in, it becomes easy to lose an appreciation for what really counts in life.

When we lose appreciation for what we once treasured, our lives become depreciated and boring. When our vision and ideals, for example, become

blurred in a mix of trivial preoccupations, our spiritual progress comes to a halt. When we don't value and develop our talents, our confidence and self-esteem begin to plummet. When we begin to take our spouse for granted, our marriage suffers. When we have too many possessions, nothing stands out to give us delight.

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus compares "the Kingdom" to a treasure. In doing so, he encourages us to give Kingdom living, the Christian way of life, the full respect and devotion it deserves. The Kingdom should be so valuable that we would do anything or give up anything in order to enter it and live by its principles. If our Christian life is not something we truly "treasure," it will likely become just another burden in an already overly busy life, just one more trinket in an overstuffed jewelry box!

What Jesus says about the Kingdom is applicable to anything we should treasure. Fine china should not be handled like plastic cups and plates. When we possess a treasure, it should be treated for what it is! Joyful living - enjoyment - comes from preserving and relishing what is truly important to us! King Solomon asked God only for an understanding heart so that he might judge the people and distinguish right from wrong. God was very pleased at his wisdom. Jesus told his listeners that they were to choose as wisely in discerning what was junk and what was valuable in what their culture offered them. This might mean going against the conventional wisdom as to what we might really need in order to be happy. We too must ask for help in choosing wisely today!

**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... Claire Abigail Michlin, daughter of Alexander & Sara - Alexa Mae Martin, daughter of Ryan & Sarah and Scarlett Danee Miller, daughter of Jared & Morgan.

A time to be ... HEAL

Please Pray For: Annette Baxter, Betty Bennett, Donald Billings, Brent Bittner, Lewis Boone, Sr. Anthony Leo Cuneo, Susan & Amanda DiPietro, Steve Ferguson, Jo Ann Heaps, Erin Huff, Jarrett Lyons, John Ricks, Bernice Taylor, Brooke Travers, Jameson Travis, Earl Weidner, Joseph Weidner, Eliza Wilson.

A time to die...



“IN MEMORIAM”

JULY, 2017

Mrs. Lorraine (Heaps) Lilley
– mother of Barbara Sadler

Also

John Scarlett Jr.
Linda Ann Webb

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

Celebrations and Congratulations!!

Happy Birthday-80’s and over

Josephine Glackin	93	July 31
Lorraine Dougherty	90	August 1
Doris Kaplan	89	August 1
John Valancius	93	August 2
Thomas Seiter	80	August 5
Helen Howell	89	August 7
Robert Koerber	81	August 7
Barbara Burke	86	August 20
August Martin	85	August 27
Charles Guerriero	84	August 29

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

Edward & Anna Barth	25	August 1
Martin & Barbara Rudell	60	August 3
Hank & Mary McGraw	54	August 17
Donald & Sandra		
Shumway	51	August 27
John & Donna Ricks	54	August 31

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



ALTAR FLOWERS

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

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Wealthy Families

2 Corinthians 9: 11. “You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity.”

Treasure – July 23 2017

Offertory – Envelopes	\$6,603.00
PoorBox– Local Assistance	419.83
Mass Attendance	466

- 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.

Summer Contributions:

Now that summer is officially here, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a happy and safe summer. Our parish is dependent on your contributions, especially during vacation season. We, as you, must still pay the utilities, salaries, etc.

If you use parish offertory envelopes and you are away for the weekend, I ask you to please make up your contribution the following weekend.

You can also consider joining ParishPay. Your contributions will always be here even if you are away having fun in the sun. The forms can be picked up in the vestibule of the church or call the parish office, Ext. 22.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

Fr. Kunkel

****Next Weekend: August 5th & August 6th**

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.)**

Poor Box: “Little Sisters of the Poor”: The Little Sisters of the Poor have been serving the vulnerable aged in our Archdiocese without interruption since 1869. They humbly beg to fill the gap between what is provided by the residents and/or government and truly what is needed for the residents to have the dignity they deserve.

PARISH INFORMATION

IRISHMEN’S CHORALE

“AMHRANAI NA GAEILGE”

On Saturday, August 19th the Irishmen’s Chorale, will be celebrating their annual “Our Lady of Knock” Mass here at St. Mary’s at 4:00 p.m.. The anniversary of the vision of Our Blessed Mother at Knock, County Mayo, Ireland in 1879. This is a good opportunity to hear this men’s chorale sing the beautiful and moving hymn, “Our Lady of Knock” at Communion time. You won’t want to miss this especially if you are Irish or have a devotion to our Blessed Mother. After Mass they will give a mini concert of Irish music in the church.



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY



As part of the Church's New Evangelization, St. Mary's is starting a Hospitality Ministry. The purpose of the Ministry would be to expand the ways that we welcome new parishioners and visitors and extend practical support and assistance to members of our Parish. Examples of what the Ministry might

do include making a personal visit or providing a welcome basket for new parishioners, providing a home-cooked meal to a family in a crisis situation, or give a ride to someone who needs transportation for a specific reason. And from time to time we may just plan activities just for fun. If you are interested in being a part of this Team to help make St. Mary's even more welcome community, please contact Denise Edwards at 410-459-3383 or Nancy Novicki at 410-692-6363.

"Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing so some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it." Hebrews 13: 2

SPECIAL THANK YOU



To St. Mary's Sewing Group and Parishioners who donated material and their time.

Thank you for providing beautiful dresses, dolls, and now hair ribbons for the girls of the Dominican Republic. What a joy it is to give them to those who appreciate them so much! I hope you know how this serves as an expression of God's Love to these needy children. The shorts you supplied for the boys were also much needed and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued partnership in this mission.

Dr. Linda Walsh & the Doctor Mission Team of St. John's Lutheran Church, Sweet Air, Bel Air Md.

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

YM JOINT EVENT MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

August 4 Guppy Gulch Water Park
Meet us at Guppy Gulch at 10 am till 3pm. Cost is \$22.00 pp. Permission form is needed. For ages 13 and older. Please call Mrs. Rachel to reserve your spot!! Chaperones needed.



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. They are due back before July 15th or a late fee will incur. 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.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SEWING DAY

We had a wonderful sewing day in May and June. We have more than 35 dresses to ship out to missions. We delivered 30 pillow cases to GBMC and have more for Upper Chesapeake Hospital. The Ladies are working on shorts for the boys. Other ladies made lots and lots of clothes pin dolls and hair ties.



Our next sewing day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10th. If you like to sew at home, dress kits are available. Material and clothes pin donations are welcome. For more information on the Sewing Bee Ladies call Sue Pardo @410-456-7882.

ST MARY'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

10:00 a.m. Luncheon Bingo

Wednesday August 2, 2017

7:00 p.m. Cont. Music

Saturday, August 5, 2017

..... Casserole Pans Distributed

Sunday, August 6, 2017

..... Casserole Pans Distributed
6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Mtg.

ST. MARY'S LUNCHEON BINGO

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017

Join in for a relaxing day of bingo and lunch. Doors open at 10:00 a.m. and the low price of \$10.00 include admission, lunch and a regular bingo packet of 16 games, 3 cards to a sheet. For a small additional fee special games and extra bingo packets can be purchased. The Menu for Aug. 1st is:



Chicken Salad Wrap
Pasta Salad
Jell-O Parfait

Progressive Jackpot for Aug. 1, 2017
is \$100.00 in 55 numbers or less.

FOR CHILDREN ONLY: Let's have some extra fun! We will have a bingo game for just children after the regular bingo. We also offer a special Lunch for Kids. Hope to see you there. There is no additional charge for this game.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES!



It's that time of year again when Back to School Supplies are showing up at the stores. The Belles of St. Mary's are collecting supplies for students of Harford County who are in need of a little help with their school

lists.

We are in particular need of 2" and 3" three ring binders and the inexpensive pencil boxes but of course anything from pencils to filler paper and everything in between is much appreciated. If you are able to purchase some supplies please place them in the bin at the back of the church. We would like all items returned by the weekend of August 26-27 so we have time to distribute them before school starts. Thank you for your help and generosity.

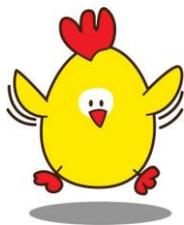
FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry served 6 families in July (15 people). We have plenty canned vegetables, but are in need of: canned fruit, applesauce, canned meats, meal in a can, hamburger helper, canned and instant potatoes, mayonnaise, catsup, mustard, jello, and paper towels.



Thank you for your generosity. Sue Pardo & food Pantry volunteers and "customers."

FALL FRIED CHICKEN DINNER



Our fall fried chicken dinner will be on **September 9th**, 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm. Approximately 260 **stewards** will be needed from start to finish and as always we must ask our parishioners to give of

your time, talent and treasure.

Please, check your calendar now and sign up as soon as you can; it gives the chairman and myself peace of mind, prevents a lot of headaches and keeps our stress level at ease.

Time: 4 hrs at the most but **8 hrs would be great.**

Talent: Volunteer for any of the many positions to be filled.

Treasure: Buy a dinner ticket (it helps the cause).

Sign up will be after all the Masses as follows:

August 12th & 13th / August 19th & 20th / August 26th & 27th / Sept. 2nd & 3rd

Call Barbara Ext. 22

or email -- barbara.stmarys@yahoo.com.

Thank you in advance for signing up early and for your continuous support of our parish.

"AN EVENING WITH IMMACULEE"



St. Joseph Fullerton, is hosting "An Evening with Immaculee" on Thursday, Aug. 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

Her best selling book, "Left to Tell", is her personal story of the Rwandan massacre of 1994. A million people were killed including most of her family and friends.

She survived through a powerful intervention and experience of God, and now has written several books and led hundreds of talks, retreats and pilgrimages.

Tickets are \$10 per person and must be purchased in advance. Tickets are available at St. Joseph Parish Office or on line at www.stjoefullerton.org

ST. EDWARDS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH PRESENTS ITS 4TH ANNUAL CRAB FEAST



SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017

3:00 -7:00 P.M.

THE FORUM CATERERS

4210 PRIMROSE AVE.

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

For Tickets and more information call 410-362-2000

EVENING OF PRAYER & MUSIC WITH AUDREY ASSAD AND HER BAND

Edge of Dawn Tour – Sunday, August 20th at 7 PM, - St. Ignatius – Hickory.

Tickets are now on sale: \$20.00 per individual - \$60.00 per family of 3 or more. Available on line or in our office @ www.stignatiushickory.org or www.audreyassad.com.

