

**21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 27, 2017**

Today's Readings

21st Sunday  
Is 22: 19-23  
Rom 11: 33-36  
Mt 16: 13-20

Readings for 9/03/17

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
Jer 20: 7-9  
Rom 12: 1-2  
Mt 16: 21-27

**MASS INTENTIONS: AUG. 28 TO SEPT. 3, 2017**

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Gabriel & Anastasia Hunkovic (SI)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Marty & Barbara Rudell (SI)
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Stewart Family
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Guerriero Family
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Emma Felter Camille Kiedrowski Vocation Priesthood

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

**SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND OF 9/03/17**

Ministry	Sat 4 pm Sept. 2	Sun 8 am Sept. 3	Sun 9:30 Sept. 3	Sun 11:15 Sept. 3
Priest	NA	NA	MS	MS
Lectors	J Fender	J McConnell	B Kiedrowski	T Driesen
EM	L Fritz	S Dieter	K Ayers	G Dumer
	S Pardo	T Dieter	J Bowman	D Eakes
	D Phillips	F Holtz	L Hall	C Era
	J Poole	B Nowak	K Kiedrowski	P Era
	M Washburn			
Server	H Arnett	M Rinaduo	K Gesla	J Eakes
		T Rinaudo	Z Kiedrowski	P Bittner
		L Weber	B Kiedrowski	C Lawrence
Sacristan	G Arnett		J Devereux	L Dodson

**FROM FR. KUNKEL**

It is one of the greatest architectural marvels in human history, the only man-made object that can be seen from outer space, the Great Wall of China! The Chinese constructed the 2,250-mile wall 250 years before Christ to protect their land from Turkish and Mongol nomads who swept down from the north. Twenty-five feet tall, the wall of brick and earth was too high to climb over, too thick to break down, too long to go around. It seemed to be the perfect defense system.

Actually, it was not totally perfect! During the first hundred years of the wall's existence, China was invaded three times! Oh, the wall worked fine. Not once did the barbaric hordes climb over, break down or

go around the wall. The barbarians, instead, seized upon the weakness in human nature. They simply bribed a gatekeeper and then marched right through the wall's gates! The fatal flaw in the Chinese defense system was not the brick and mortar of the wall, but the dishonesty and deceit of the wall's gatekeeper!

The question Jesus poses to his followers – and to us – in this weekend's Gospel, - "Who do you say I am?" – goes to the very heart of who we are, what we believe and value, and how we see ourselves in relationship to others and the world! We stand on the gate facing the hordes, having to decide whether we believe enough in Jesus and in his Gospel of selfless love! We stand on the gate, having to decide whether we seek Jesus first, or our own selfish interests and wellbeing! This weekend's Gospel asks us exactly what we mean when we say we are "Christian," when we pray that "we believe in Jesus Christ," that we claim to have been baptized into his death and resurrection. Our love for family and friends, our dedication to the cause of what is right and just, our taking the first step toward reconciliation and forgiveness, our most simple acts of kindness and generosity, all declare most definitively and most courageously our true belief in the Gospel of Jesus as our Messiah and Redeemer! Think about it!!

**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



**Celebrations And Congratulations!!**

Happy Birthday-80's and over

August Martin	85	August 27
Charles Guerriero	84	August 29
Alfred Williamson	82	Sept. 3
Ralph Denton	86	Sept. 8
James Wilson	83	Sept. 12
Gordon Smith	83	Sept. 14
Helen Pigg	88	Sept. 16
Edward Roginski	92	Sept. 22

Happy Anniversary--25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> & over 50

Donald & Sandra		
Shumway	51	August 27
John & Donna Ricks	54	Aug. 31
Martin & Josephine Davis	56	Sept. 2
Robert & Sharon Osborne	53	Sept. 4
Michael & Margie Wise	25	Sept. 12
Walter & Nancy Novicki	53	Sept. 14
Anthlly & 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



## ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of Camille Ann Kiedrowski by her family . In memory of David John Hayes on the 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death by his family. 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

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.

### 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...



#### 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 Taylor, Brooke Travers, Jameson Travis, Earl Weidner, Joseph Weidner, Eliza Wilson.

#### A time to die...

#### “IN MEMORIAM”

Arland Clark  
George McLewee  
Joseph F. Brosh Sr.



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

#### **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

#### **Electronic Funds Transfer Participants:**

We will be transitioning from ParishPay to WeShare online giving.

If you currently give online through ParishPay, your account will soon be transferred to WeShare, our new online provider. This transfer ensures that your scheduled transactions will continue to be received by the parish as scheduled.

The security of your personal information is important to us. If you want to make any changes to your account or adjust your giving amount, WeShare requires a one-time security verification to provide you access.

To successfully complete the verification process you will need:

- Your ParishPay User Name
- The last four digits of the bank account or credit card that is currently being used for your donations.

And **One** of the following two options

- The email you used to register with ParishPay
- A collection name and the specific amount donated in the last six months.

Once verification is complete, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to our new WeShare site. Please bookmark or save this link for future access.

**\*\*Next Weekend: September 2<sup>nd</sup> & September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**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**

## **STEWARDSHIP UPDATE**

Creating a Culture of Giving

Leviticus 27: 30. “All tithes of the land, whether in grain from the fields or in fruit from the trees, belong to the Lord, as sacred to Hm.”

Treasure – August 20, 2017

Offertory – Envelopes	\$5,211.00
Assumption of Mary	1,303.00
Parish Catholic School Assessment	341.00
Poor Box – Birth Right	279.86
Mass Attendance	511

- The message of stewardship is that God’s gifts, *shared*, will always be enough. Thank you for

your envelopes. This will assist in decreasing the posting time.)

**Parish Building Fund:** An offering to help build our future building fund account and to assist with any major projects the parish may have but a capital campaign is not necessary and if a capital campaign is necessary to have a little nest egg to begin the project. This “**Special envelope**” can be placed in the regular offertory collection along with your weekly offering envelope.

**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

### 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:



Rev. Fr. Lloyd George in care of:  
University of Maryland Rehabilitation  
& Orthopedic Institute  
2200 Kernan Rd.  
CMR Unit  
Room 903-1  
Baltimore, Maryland 21207

### SPECIAL SPEAKER SEPT. 2 & 3



Maryknoll's Eastern Director of Mission Education, Deacon Paul Bork, will speak at all the Masses. He will give our parishioners an opportunity to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ's name and Christ's message to all people. Paul has traveled to Maryknoll missions across the globe from CHINA to HONG KONG, MEXICO and JAMAICA.

Those who wish will be invited to sign up for the MARYKNOLL MAGAZINE. While at the Parish, Deacon Paul will be happy to talk with any parishioners who are interested in doing overseas mission work as a Maryknoll Priest, Sister, Brother or lay Missioner.

There will be an envelope in the pew for you to fill out if you would like to receive their magazine. Also the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection will be for a free will offering along with your magazine request. Please do not put these in the 1<sup>st</sup> Collection.

## 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

## 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.

## PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

### HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION UPDATE



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

### CONFIRMATION

August 31 Confirmation Student/Parent Registration Meeting @ 7 pm in the Youth Room for all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students eligible to prep to receive the Sacrament. Registration forms were sent out earlier in August. Looking forward to meeting with you all.

## 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 9<sup>th</sup> grade as of Sept. 2018. **So please let me know before Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> if you have an interest in joining us as I will be reserving our spot for summer 2018.**

## Youth Ministry Update

August 27 Peer Ministry Training for incoming Peer Ministers 12:30 – 2 pm in the Youth Room.

Fall Newsletter will be out soon. Good Luck to all our College students we pray for a successful year for you all. Best wishes to all our students for a positive and Blessed school year. Looking forward to seeing you all as we gear up for Faith Formation starting later in September!!!

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade HSFF Update

Thank you to our incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade HSFF Students. Our students served at First Fruits Farm as a Class Service Project on Aug.19. We harvested sweet corn. Thank you to the students and the parents who helped chaperone and served with us. First Fruits Farm is a Christian Ministry that includes partnership with the Archdiocese of Baltimore to feed those in need. They harvest over 2 million pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables, eggs, and beef on their farmland in Northern Baltimore County that includes Archdiocesan owned acreage in Sparks MD. This harvest is shared with Catholic Charities Clients, the Maryland Food Bank, Southern PA Food Bank, and local soup kitchens across the state of MD. It is a worthy organization dependant on volunteers. For more info. visit [firstfruitsfarm@comcast.net](mailto:firstfruitsfarm@comcast.net) to volunteer and read more about this Blessed outreach to feed the hungry. "When I was hungry you gave me something to eat"!!

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### ST MARY'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### Monday, August 28, 2017

7:30 p.m. .... Knights of Columbus

#### Wednesday August 30, 2017

7:00 p.m. .... Cont. Music

#### Thursday, August 31, 2017

7:00 p.m. .... Confirmation Reg. Mtg.

#### Saturday, September 2, 2017

.....Casserole Pans Distributed

.....Sign-Up Chicken Dinner

.....Raffle Tickets & Cake Boxes

#### Sunday, September 3, 2017

.....Casserole Pans Distributed

.....Sign-up Chicken Dinner

.....Raffle Tickets & Cake Boxes

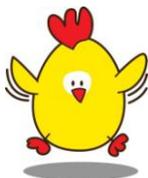
## FALL FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

Fall Fried Chicken Dinner

September 9, 2017

12 noon to 6:00 pm

**Stewards-Sign up:** After all the Masses:



Sept. 3 & 4 – also raffle tickets & cake/candy boxes.

Or call **Barbara**, Ext. 22 or email [barbara\\_stmarys@yahoo.com](mailto:barbara_stmarys@yahoo.com)

### Raffle Tickets:

Please return as soon as possible. Purchased tickets can be placed in the collection basket, mailed or returned to the office.

### Bake Shoppe:

Available for pick up at the Parish Office during office hrs-9:00am to 5:00pm. Baked goods can be delivered Friday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> or early Saturday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>. **If possible, note on your box or attach a list of the ingredients.**

### Craft Shoppe & Religious Shoppe:

Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office between 9:00am to 5:00pm or call to make other arrangements.

### White Elephant:

Hold items until Tuesday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>. Storage space is limited.

Slightly used items are preferred.

Items that will fit in a car.

Must come to the parish office; room will be locked.

Office hours—9:00am to 5:00pm or call to make other arrangements.

## RELIGIOUS ARTICLES NEEDED!

The Health Care Ministry is collecting **RELIGIOUS ARTICLES** to make available in our Religious Shop at the Chicken Dinner.



Pictures, Bibles, rosaries, medals, prayer books, crucifix, statues, Christmas tree ornaments, children's books and any Religious item you wish to donate. Please leave your donation in the back of church marked **HEALTH CARE** and we will be sure they get a good home and be sure to visit us when you come to the Chicken Dinner.

### ST. MARY'S LUNCHEON BINGO TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 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 Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> is:



Ham & Swiss Cheese Sub  
With Lettuce & Tomato  
(Mustard & Mayo Packets)  
Chips & Dill Pickle Spear  
Ice Cream Sandwich

Progressive Jackpot for Sept. 5, 2017  
is \$125.00 in 56 numbers or less.