

**25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2017**

**Today's Readings**

25th Sunday  
Is 55: 6—9  
Phil 1: 20-24, 27  
Mt 20: 1-16

**Readings for 10/01/17**

26th Sunday  
Ez 18: 25-28  
Phil 2: 1-11 or 2: 1-5  
Mt 21: 28-32

**MASS INTENTIONS: SEPT. 25 TO OCT. 1, 2017**

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Aldonna Kumacki
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Frank Demski
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Elaine Wilterdink
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Johanna & Frank Brown
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Vocation Priesthood Leo Hebert Gabriel & Anastasia Hunkovic (SI)

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

**SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND OF 10/01/17**

Ministry	Sat 4 pm Sept.30	Sun 8 am Oct. 1	Sun 9:30 Oct. 1	Sun 11:15 Oct. 1
Priest	HK	HK	MS	MS
Lectors	D Logan	S McCain	M Krechel	T Driesen
EM	L Fritz	S Dieter	K Ayers	G Dumer
	D Hughes	T Dieter	J Bowman	D Eakes
	J Kusik	F Holtz	L Hall	C Era
	S Pardo	B Nowak	N Yost	P Era
	M Washburn			
Server	H Arnett	O Ayd	E Sealy	C Lawrence
		M Rinaudo	D Warne	H McCarty
		T Rinaudo	J Devereux	
			G Kryz	
Sacristan	G Arnett		J Devereux	J McCarty

**FROM FR. KUNKEL**

A priest called his sister for a chat. She was in the midst of feeding lunch to the kids, and he could hear all of the normal sounds of children eating lunch in the background. Suddenly, a huge squabble broke out and the priest could hear his two nephews shouting at each other and their mother: "That's no fair! You have more cake than me!" "That's because I cleaned my room better than you did!" "That doesn't matter! Mom! David got more cake than me!"

It sounded as if the melee would come to blows. Mom intervened very quickly, taking away dessert from both of them and sending both of them to their rooms to the joined shouts, "That's not fair!"

We spend a lot of time concerning ourselves with what we believe to be fair in life. We are quick to demand our "fair" share of things. Unfortunately, in our quest to have at least as much cake as

our brother, we end up ruining fairness for everyone. Christ calls us to embrace the vision of the generous vineyard owner in this weekend's Gospel. He calls us to rejoice in the good fortune of others, and their being enabled to realize their dreams, instead of lamenting our own losses and slights. Frankly, God's sense of generosity, love and forgiveness strikes us with an extravagance that offends our own sense of "fairness."

Trusting in the goodness of God actually frees us from what our time clocks, scales, yardsticks and computer print-outs determine for us as being "fair." It also enables us to realize all that we have received and how much God has truly blessed us. Thus, it compels us to experience the true joy of sharing our treasure with all those who have not realized such blessings in their lives! Besides this, God loves all of us equally. The challenge for each of us is to embrace with love the particularity of our lives. God, help us to stop comparing ourselves to others, so that we may recognize the uniqueness You so love!

**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, Jameson Travis, Earl Weidner, Joseph Weidner, Eliza Wilson.

**A time to die...**

**"IN MEMORIAM"**

**Donald Hubbard & Ron Manns**

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



**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



**ALTAR FLOWERS**

In memory of Jack Walther 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





We would like to welcome to St. Mary's Faith Community...Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Ende & family.

## RESPECT LIFE

**LIFECHAIN 2017** in Harford County (MD)/Southern York County (PA). Please prayerfully stand and show your support for the sanctity of human life in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Interdenominational Life Chain on **October 1** from **2:30-3:30pm**. This event takes place at the intersection of Route 165, Route 23 and West Jarrettsville Road in Jarrettsville, Maryland. We join 1,500 other cities and towns across America and Canada in solidarity to pray for the end to abortion and euthanasia.

The **LIFECHAIN** is non-denominational and participants come from local churches from many denominations. Please join us and invite family, friends and neighbors to pray for renewed respect for the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death.

Parking is available at the Jarrettsville United Methodist Church, 1733 Jarrettsville Road. Please park in the JUMC lot and walk the short distance to the Jarrettsville intersection stand prayerfully and/or hold a prepared sign in witness to the sanctity of life.

Contact Deborah Brocato (410-692-6125) for more information.

## **STEWARDSHIP UPDATE**

Time, Talent & Treasure

Psalm 18: 30. You O Lord are my lamp, my God who lighten my darkness. With you I can break through any barrier, with my God I can scale any wall.

**Treasure – September 17, 2017**

<b>Offertory – Envelopes</b>	<b>\$5,148.00</b>
<b>ParishCatholicSchool Assessment</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>HurricaneHarvey Texas</b>	<b>3,452.00</b>
<b>PoorBox–BirthRight</b>	<b>122.00</b>
<b>Mass Attendance</b>	<b>501</b>

- 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.

### **Offertory Envelopes/EFT**

The parish offers two (2) plans for giving: Electronic Funds Transfer and Church Offertory Envelopes. The easiest and most efficient way is **Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)**. Your donations are automatically taken out of your checking or savings account or charged to your credit card. No need to

think about writing a check, remembering your envelope or being away for a well deserved weekend or vacation. You can have your contributions deducted anytime during the month. How much easier can it be? The **Church Offertory Envelopes** are mailed to you every month. It is required the envelopes be used to have your contribution recorded. If you are unable to attend mass we ask you to please bring your envelope(s) the next weekend you attend mass, mail them or drop them off at the office. Please call the parish office, Ext. 22 if you would like to enroll in one of the giving methods or if you would like to switch from envelopes to EFT. As always, thank you for your continued support of the parish.

**\*\*Next Weekend: September 30th & October 1<sup>st</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 your envelopes. This will assist in decreasing the posting time.)**

**Archdiocese of Military Service:** Why support the Archdiocese of Military Service? It is the only source of Catholic chaplains for the U.S. Military and VA medical centers; it serves 1.8 million Catholics worldwide with only 500 ordained priests; receives no government funding; has no parishes to take up collections and it depends entirely on generous donors like you for survival. How can we, as witnesses to the Gospel, be there for those who put so much on the line to defend our Nation? This collection gives each of us the opportunity to serve those who serve. With the money raised from this collection, the Archdiocese of Military Service will be able to insure that all Catholic men, women and families have access to the sacraments, authentic Catholic formation, and the spiritual guidance of a Catholic chaplain, wherever they are stationed.

**Chaplain at Upper Chesapeake:** All Harford County parishes will provide a portion of the salary, housing and benefits for a chaplain to attend to the patients, to anoint the sick, hear confessions and visit the sick at the Upper Chesapeake Medical Center. 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!!**

If you would like to send Fr. Lloyd George 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



## HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Please plan in joining us for Hospitality Sunday after all the Masses on October 1<sup>st</sup>. We will have refreshments and, as always, fellowship with other parishioners and guests. For the Saturday evening service

we hope to have a table outside after Mass (weather permitting). This event is sponsored by the Parish's new Hospitality Ministry. We also hope you will take this opportunity to learn more about our new Ministry.

### FATHER MICHAEL SCHLEUPNER WEEKLY FAITH MESSAGE

Father Michael Schlepner, who assists us with Masses on weekends, writes a weekly spiritual message. It is called *Inbox Inspirations*. Father Mike sends this via email every Wednesday morning. If you want to receive this, contact [fathermikeinbox@gmail.com](mailto:fathermikeinbox@gmail.com). Your name will be added to the mailing list and you will begin to receive *Inbox Inspirations*. A link to his Sunday homily is also included in the email. By the way, there is no charge and there is always the opportunity to unsubscribe. Father Mike's *Inbox Inspirations* and his homilies are also posted on his Facebook page – Father Michael Schlepner.



### 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:slalasandro@gmail.com) OR 443-243-6317) or Ellen Dumer ([stmarychristlife@verizon.net](mailto:stmarychristlife@verizon.net) OR 410-236-7871) visit Walking with Purpose [www.walkingwithpurpose.com](http://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.

## PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

### Middle and High School Events

**Oct. 21 Night At the Maze Maple Lawn Farms** Join us for our Fall Adventure to get LOST in the Maze! Meet at Youth Room @ 5:45 pm return by 10:30. \$10 pp See Youth Ministry Fall newsletter for details and permission form. Need STAND Parents to chaperone/drive. Please RSVP to Mrs. Rachel by Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>

**Nov. 11 Fall Harvest Swing Dance 7-10 pm** \$5 pp at the door, plus a canned food donation for Thanksgiving Food Drive. Food/Fun/Doorprizes. To Benefit the Teens Catholic Heart Work Camp Summer 2018 Trip!! All are welcome!!!

**Confirmed Teens** are you looking to continue learning about your faith, continuing to meet other teens your age, doing outreach??? Join us for PHP (Pursuing His Purpose) On Friday Nov. 17. We will meet in the Parish Hall at 7 pm to help with the food sort, then have Adoration in the Church/Fellowship/Focus Topic/Food in the Youth Room till 10 pm.

### 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.**



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### ST MARY'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### Monday, September 25, 2017

7:00 p.m. .... RCIA  
7:30 p.m. .... Scripture Study  
7:30 p.m. .... Knights of Columbus

#### Tuesday, September 26, 2017

5:30 p.m. .... CFF Classes  
6:30 p.m. .... HSFF

#### Wednesday September 27, 2017

5:30 p.m. .... CFF Classes  
7:00 p.m. .... Fr. Paul Henry Adult Ed  
7:00 p.m. .... Cont. Music

#### Thursday, September 28, 2017

7:00 p.m. .... Choir  
7:00 p.m. .... TMIY

#### Saturday, September 30, 2017

10:00 A.M. .... Blessing of the Animals

#### Sunday, October 1, 2017

After all Masses .... WWP & Hospitality Sunday  
2:30 p.m. .... Life Chain  
6:00 p.m. .... Boy Scouts

### ADULT EDUCATION

The Adult Education Classes with Fr. Paul Henry will resume on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

## MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on October 2, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center as we learn about the Acts of the Apostles using the study "Evangelization and the Acts of the Apostles" from the Augustine Institute. This study will encourage us to find help and inspiration from the men and women who transformed the world. There is no better place to look for guidance in the New Evangelization than the Acts of the Apostles. This chronicle of the Church in action gives us the blueprint for the life and mission of the Church today. This study is also available on the FORMED website ([www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)), which all St. Mary's parishioners can access for free. Study guides can be purchased through Lighthouse Catholic Media (<https://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/store/title/lectio-evangelization-study-guide>) or by calling 866-767-3155. All study materials are available on the FORMED site as well, in downloadable PDF format, for no cost.

Please contact Joy Fender if you need help accessing FORMED site or with obtaining study materials. 410-688-5571 or [jcfender@zoominternet.net](mailto:jcfender@zoominternet.net).

## ST. MARY'S LUNCHEON BINGO TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 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 October 3<sup>rd</sup> is:



Meat Loaf & Sauce  
Seasoned Roasted Potatoes  
Mixed Field Greens Salad  
Rice Krispies Treat

Progressive Jackpot for Oct 3, 2017  
is \$150.00 in 57 numbers or less.

## SEWING DAY OCTOBER 10, 2017

Come join us on Tuesday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> from 10 am until 2 pm. Please bring your sewing machine and your lunch. Desserts and drinks will be provided. If you don't sew, there are jobs for non-sewers. We will be making dresses for the girls, shorts for the boys, and pillow cases for the kids in ICU. If you like to sew at home, dress kits are available. Material and clothes pin donations are welcome. Thank You, The Sewing Bee Ladies and Sue Pardo 410-456-7882.

## 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 Watters United Methodist Church, Jarrettsville, in this unique project of Christian relief and evangelism that has touched millions of children. It is not just shoeboxes 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 & 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

## FOOD PANTRY



In September 2017, the food pantry served 29 people, including 8 children and 1 senior. The pantry will be open on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 am until noon. The pantry is in need of paper towels, juice, pudding/jello, fruit (completely out!!), mayonnaise, mustard, instant potatoes, cereal, cake mix, pasta meals, and beef stew. Thank you for your generosity. Remember, the food pantry will not be open in November and December due to the large outreach food drive.

**Trunk 'n' Treat** will be held on Saturday Oct. 28 from 6-8 pm for the children. Parishioners we need you to volunteer to park your car by 5:45 pm and decorate your Trunk. Cash prizes given to the Scariest, Best Theme, and Most Original Trunk. Pumpkin decoration contest for Pre K thru High school folks. Games, food, fun for all in a safe environment. Call Mrs. Rachel or email to let her know you are decorating a Trunk and giving out Candy!!! High School Teens are needed to volunteer to help with the Children's Games. Need 3 STAND Parents to help as Cashier/Indoor Games Supervision/ Hayride Chaperone in the back of the wagon. Donation boxes will be in the vestibule and hall we need Halloween candy, snack baggies pre-wrapped for the Trunk 'n' Treat.



## PRAY

As a Parish we ask you all to pray for the following 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Students who will be enrolling to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at the 11:15 Mass. They are: Garrett Arnett, Drew Bauerle, Val Bowers, James Devereux, Luke Dodson, Tori Gay, Daniela Gesla, Madison Hall, Cameron LaPlante, Paige Miller, Jordan Palmer, Kathleen Pasta, Sierra Shenton, Stephanie Usselman, Grace Williams, and Madison Zdon. God Bless them as they journey in the Spirit this year.

## BLANKET COLLECTION

The Annual Blanket Collection for the homeless, sponsored by the Belles of St. Mary's will be Oct. 7 & 8 and Oct. 14 & 15<sup>th</sup>. This Ministry provides lunches and daytime shelter for the poor in the Edgewood area. They are also in need of gently used men's Jeans, socks, and sweatshirts. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. Please bring items to the Parish Center or the Fry Room no later than Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>.

