



**SATURDAY - Saint Monica**

3:00 p.m. **NO CONFESSIONS**  
4:30 p.m. Living and deceased members of Paul Sneeringer Family (requested by Sara Sneeringer)

**SUNDAY - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Rebecca A. Kuhn (requested by Jim Kuhn)  
**10:15 a.m.** People of the Parish

**MONDAY - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist**

7:30 a.m. Intention of Annie Sampson (requested by Marge Schoffstall)

**TUESDAY**

7:30 a.m. Regis and Estella Gebhart (requested by Rose Herman)

**WEDNESDAY**

**NO MASS**

**THURSDAY**

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**FIRST FRIDAY**

**9:00 a.m.** **Back to School Mass** - Living and deceased members of J.T. and Alphonzine Hockensmith Family

**FIRST SATURDAY - Saint Gregory the Great**

**8:00 a.m.** **NO MASS**  
4:30 p.m. People of the Parish

**NEXT SUNDAY - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Gregory J. Smith (requested by Robert Smith)  
**10:15 a.m.** Harry Fletcher (requested by Scott and Lorraine Rife)

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Sunday - Loose Change Collection** - Love of Neighbor  
**Religious Education Teacher Meeting** - After the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the school cafeteria.

**Next Sunday - Home and School "Back to School" Picnic** - 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception School.

The **New Oxford Food Pantry** is in need of **canned vegetables**. Please place items in the back of church where marked. Thank you for your generous support of the local food pantry.

We would like to thank the **Immaculate Conception Thrift Shop** for the recent check of \$1,000 to the parish and school. Many thanks to the patrons and volunteers for supporting the Thrift Shop. **VOLUNTEERS ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED!** Please call 624-1272 if you are interested in helping.

### Religious Education

**Religious Education Teachers Meeting - Sunday, August 28** after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the school cafeteria.

Religious Education classes begin on **Sunday, September 11** from 9:15 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. **Please pick up your "Registration Packets" in the back of church.**

### Sacrificial Giving

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

08/14/16

Adult Weekly Collection ..... \$7,803.21  
Children's Weekly Collection ..... \$16.00  
Weekly Collection Total.....\$7,819.21  
Weekly **Surplus/Deficit** ..... \$127.21  
Y-to-D **Surplus/Deficit**.....\$(7,379.02)  
\*Includes Assumption Collection

08/21/16

Adult Weekly Collection ..... \$6,901.50  
Children's Weekly Collection ..... \$43.50  
Weekly Collection Total.....\$6,945.00  
Weekly **Surplus/Deficit**.....\$(747.00)  
Y-to-D **Surplus/Deficit**.....\$(8,126.02)  
\*Includes Assumption Collection

**Grocery Certificate Program** – The week of August 8–14 we sold a total of \$650 and the week of August 15-21 we sold a total of \$430. Volunteers are always needed. Interested? Call Dawn Smith at 259-0993.

A special thanks to **Cremer Florist** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

**School Calendar Numbers** will be sold after all Masses in August. Cost is \$30 each.

**How Does Someone Begin RCIA?** We're glad you asked! Seekers can contact our RCIA Coordinator, Gloria Miller at 624-8255 or the parish office at 624-4121. **Immaculate Conception RCIA classes begin on September 12.**

*Thanks to all that dined out at Chili's on August 9 and used your Chili's 'Give Back Night' coupon. Chili's donated \$120 to the church based on the proceeds for the day.*

### ADULT CHOIR



**Join the Choir...**  
**You'll Be Glad You Did!**

Immaculate Conception Parish Choir extends a warm welcome to new members of all voice parts. Now would be a good time to join our Parish Choir, as we are starting to practice new music for October and November. We will start Choir rehearsals on Sunday, September 11. As in past years, we rehearse every Sunday from after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to 10:30 a.m. If you are interested in joining the Choir, or would like to learn more, please contact Sister Marie Gavigan at 609-206-4066, gavsmj@hotmail.com, or stop by the Choir Loft after Mass.

### Back to School News




**Sunday, August 28 - Home and School "Back to School Picnic"** from 1 to 3 p.m. at Immaculate Conception School. We will supply hot dogs, chips and drinks. Please bring a dish to share.

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Rosary for America** - Every 2nd Saturday we gather on the Square of New Oxford at 12 Noon to pray the Rosary for America. Please come and pray with us. The next date is September 10.

*"An attentive ear is the desire of the wise."* Is your prayer attentive to the wisdom of Christ? Is He inviting you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Father Brian Wayne at (717) 657-4804 ext. 282 or email [frbwayne@hbgiocese.org](mailto:frbwayne@hbgiocese.org).

 **High school students and their families** are invited to attend an Adams Deanery Youth Ministry Organizational meeting today, **August 28 at 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart**. For more information contact Christine King at 717-668-9021.

**Attention Girl Scouts and American Heritage Girls** - You have an opportunity to earn the *2016 Jubilee Year of Mercy Patch*. All Girl Scouts and American Heritage girls are invited on Saturday, September 10, 2016 at the Basilica of Saints Cyril & Methodius in Danville, PA to attend a workshop from 1 to 4 p.m. as we are called to be "Merciful like the Father". Cost is \$7 and you will need to pack a lunch. Visit [www.hbgiocese.org](http://www.hbgiocese.org) to register by September 1.

**The 3rd Annual Cry Out America! Prayer Event will take place on Sunday, September 11th.** This year, the event will be held at Oakeside Community Park, 2880 Table Rock Road, Biglerville, PA at 6:30 p.m. Oakeside Park is the same place where the National Day of Prayer is held each year. This year there will be a remembrance of the 9/11 tragedy. Our Keynote Speaker will be Congressman Scott Perry and the music will be provided by the Christian Band "33".

**Neighbors Helping Neighbors...Hospice Volunteering can make such a difference not only in the lives of those needing support, but also in your life!** SpiritTrust Lutheran Home Care & Hospice is looking for caring individuals interested in serving our local community by becoming hospice volunteers. Our volunteers are part of the SpiritTrust Lutheran Home Care & Hospice team and provide emotional support to clients and their families, relief to caregivers, and friendship at a time when companionship is needed most. This opportunity is extremely flexible and scheduled according to your availability. Volunteer training is FREE and the next session is scheduled for September 16, 23 and 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at our office located at 260 W. High St., Gettysburg, PA. Please consider becoming part of this very important and life changing ministry by calling our Volunteer Coordinator Melissa Gladfelter at 717-337-4469 or emailing to [mgladfelter@spiritrustlutheran.org](mailto:mgladfelter@spiritrustlutheran.org).

**Marriage Annulments** - The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving a presentation at St. Joseph Parish on Grandview Road in Hanover at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 22 concerning marriage, divorce and annulments according to Church teaching. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family and friends. No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804, ext. 304 or email: [tribunal@hbgiocese.org](mailto:tribunal@hbgiocese.org).

*"Trust the past to God's mercy, the present to God's love, and the future to God's providence."*  
-Saint Augustine (354-430), Doctor of the Church, Feast Day August 28

**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, *Our Beautiful End*:** The son of a Protestant minister, Matthew Leonard is now an internationally known Catholic speaker, author, and the Executive Director of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology. In this presentation, Matthew discusses the nature and role of beauty in life, particularly how it sheds light on the nature of God and assists us in achieving our glorious end, which is heaven itself.

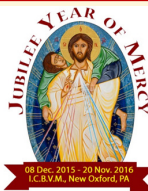
**Book of the week, *The One Thing is Three*:** The "One Thing is Three" is written for everyone. The conversational tone has an appeal that invites the reader into the journey of life. I highly recommend this book for anyone who loves the Church and seeks a deeper understanding of her teachings. Filled with references to Vatican II and Pope John Paul II, this book will enrich your belief in God's plan of salvation, and your love of the Most Holy Trinity.



**The St. Aloysius Friendly Group** is taking a trip to **New York to visit the 9/11 Museum and Memorial on October 6, 2016.** We will leave St. Aloysius Parking lot (29 S. Queen Street, Littlestown) at 7:15 a.m. and return at 10:45 p.m. The cost will be \$70.00 per person, no refunds. We will make a 1/2 hour food stop en route, 12:30 to 5:30 Museum and Memorial. Lunch on own (arrive 12:15). There will be a 1/2 hour food stop en route home. If interested please contact Rosalie Gamm either at (717) 359-9558 or email [rimgamm@comcast.net](mailto:rimgamm@comcast.net). Cancellations must be made by September 22, no later. This is also a firm cut-off date.



**The 2nd Annual Biathlon Built for 2 and Mason Brady 5K** will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2016 starting at 9:00 a.m. at Codorus State Park. Registration and sponsorship information is available on the website at <http://biathlonbuiltfor2.weebly.com> or by contacting Rodney or Denise Markle at 717-633-7158. Proceeds will be split between the Mason Brady Scholarship Fund and Kurt Riser Medical Fund.



**August 28, 2016**  
**Twenty-Second Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

*Year of Mercy Scripture for Meditation from*  
*Pope Francis: Heb 2:17.*

This week we will focus on the corporal work of mercy to shelter the homeless. Consider the needs of homeless children and discern about becoming a foster parent. Consider the needs of new immigrants in our midst and meditate on ways to practice God's mercy and hospitality in their presence. Look for and notice the homeless in your community who live on the streets, under bridges, or in dilapidated buildings. Advocate for legislation and policies so that, as a city, the community can provide housing for low-income people. Help needy neighbors with home repairs. Get to know your neighbors and help pay others' utility bills via your utility company. Donate needed items to shelters and to Catholic Charities and Habitat for Humanity and offer your time and money. Donate to organizations that provide support after natural disasters. Who in your family is in need of shelter?