

HOLY FAMILY PARISH OF MINERSVILLE

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 1st and 2nd, 2023

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OFFICE HOURS ~ 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday ~ Thursday

Closed ~ Friday

Ask Father: Does your mind wander at Mass?

What can I do?

I think this happens to all of us every now and then!

Here are some tips to help:

1) Try to arrive a little earlier before Mass begins.

This will help in transitioning oneself from the worldly events going on in our lives to what is about to take place during the Mass, namely, that we are entering into the Sacrifice of Jesus.

2) Come to Mass with a specific intention.

We are part of the common priesthood of Christ and so we should come to Mass with an intention or a sacrifice of offering. During the Mass, if we cannot stay focus ...we can remember the intention or offering we are coming for and be more motivated to stay focus.

3) Try to participate in the responses during Mass...

Whether it be singing, chanting or saying the responses of the people.

4) Read the Mass readings before attending Mass.

This helps to familiarize oneself more with Sacred Scripture and it can help with following along with the homily, if your priest preaches on the readings of course.

5) If you have Sacred Images or statues of saints in your sanctuary or Church...

Take a quick glance at the image or statue and ask for the saint's prayers and intercession right there in the moment. Remember, the Church triumphant is also present at the Mass even though we cannot physically see them!

Parish Information and Events

Summer Bible Study

Seminarian Tyler Loch will be running a Bible study on Wednesdays **July 5th, 12th, 26th, and August 2nd**. We will be walking through the Gospel of Mark. Classes will be held at 7 PM in St. Matthew's Church. Please call the office to sign up. Hope to see you there!

2023 Mass Book

The 2023 Mass Book still has openings for the remainder of the year. Please use the pink Mass request forms for your requests. Please make sure to complete the top information box with your name and contact information in case there are questions with your request.

There are availabilities for flower and candle intentions as well. Please use the purple request form.

Mandated Reporter Training

Anyone who works or volunteers with children or other vulnerable populations is required to complete the Mandated Reporter Training every five years. The Diocese is hosting a Zoom MRT Training on Thursday, July 13th. Please contact the office for more information and to sign up.

Funeral Ministry

Holy Family Parish wants to increase our funeral ministry team and are looking for adults who are willing to serve (as an Altar Server) for funerals at Holy Family Parish. We are also looking for additional vocalists willing to help with singing at funeral Masses. Please see Fr. Stokes if you can help us out!

Communion Reminder

If you need Communion brought to you in Mass, please remember to sit in the designated areas of the Church to assist Father and the Extraordinary Ministers. In St. Matthew's, please sit in the front pews and in St. Michaels, please sit in the handicap section. Thank you.

Religions Education Information

Nativity News

Nativity High School is accepting applications for a full-time Theology Teacher and a part-time Business Teacher for the 2023/2024 school year. Please submit your resume, certifications, and clearances by June 28th.

Holy Family Community Outreach

The next food pantry distribution is on Wednesday, July 5th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Please enter our Parish Office Building using the back door from the parking lot on Lewis Street.

The food pantry is need of...
~ramen noodles and soups~ instant potatoes~ boxes of crackers or cookies~ pudding or jello~

Calling all Community Outreach Members!

Your presence is requested at a very important meeting on Wednesday, July 26th at 6:00 PM in the Cafeteria of the Parish Office Building. We will discuss plans for our Apple Dumpling fundraiser. All current members and anyone interested in joining are requested to attend. Thank you in advance for your interest and willingness to make this project a great success.

Community News

The Rosary is said at Castle Green Grotto every Sunday at 3pm.

St. Nicholas Parish, Minersville, is holding their annual Parish Picnic Saturday, July 1st, and Sunday July 2nd.

St. John's Church, Pottsville, is hosting its Summer Festival on Friday, July 14th and Saturday, July 15th from 5 to 9:30pm each night.

St. Ignatius Loyola, Sinking Spring, is hosting the Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharist Miracles Saturday, July 15th, from 10am to 6pm and July 16th, from 10am to 3pm. This is a photographic exhibit showcasing the Eucharistic Miracles that transpired through the years since first observed in 750 AD in Lanciano, Italy. Visible proof of Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

The Diocese is hosting a Women's Retreat at Immaculate Conception, Jim Thorpe, on August 2nd. Adoration is from 3 to 6pm (optional) with Mass being celebrated at 6pm and guest speaker Mary Matunis at 7pm. Please email mriggins@allentowndiocese.org to register.

**Devotional Lamp Intentions
of Holy Family Parish**

St. Matthew the Evangelist Church

† **Blessed Virgin Mary**

Special Intention
Sally Gober

† **St. Francis**

In Loving Memory of Travis Newton (Birthday)
Mom and Dad

St. Michael the Archangel Church

† **Holy Family**

In Loving Memory of Rev. Joseph Reilly
Meghan Glessner and Scott Brennan

† **Blessed Virgin Mary**

In Loving Memory of Mary Ann Garraway
Jim, Danette, Amelia, and Liz Garraway

† **St. Joseph**

In Loving Memory of Dobby Davis
Nancy and Joe

† **Divine Mercy**

In Loving Memory of Rich Krasnitsky
Annamary

Mark
your
calendar

AUGUST 11
TO
AUGUST 13

HOLY FAMILY PARISH
BASKET
AUCTION

Now accepting donations of new items, gift cards, and large empty baskets for assembling prizes. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

For more information call Jean Angelo 570-640-0140.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 1— Vigil Mass the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession 3:15 PM~ St. Matthew's

4:00 PM~ St. Matthew's~ *John Joseph Bosack* By: Mom, Debbie, Carol, Kathy, and David Bosack

5:30 PM ~ St. Michael's~ *Alma Stramaitis* By: Judith and Steve Yesalusky

Sunday, July 2—Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession 7:45 AM~ St. Michael's

8:30AM ~St. Michael's~ *Earl Davenport* By: Ellen and Paul Crowley

10:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's~ *People of the Parish*

Monday, July 3— St. Thomas, Apostle

8:00 AM~ St. Matthew's~ *Leo Kolenick Sr.* By: Leo and Sharon

Tuesday, July 4— Independence Day

8:00 AM~ St. Michael's~ Francis Alexis Rizzardi By: Sister, Dora Santarelli

Wednesday, July 5— St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:00 AM~ St. Matthew's~ Holy Family Memorial Fund

Thursday, July 6— St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 AM~ St. Michael's~ *Rita Purcell* By: Family and Friends

Friday, July 7— NO MASS

Saturday, July 8— Vigil Mass the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession 3:15 PM~ St. Matthew's

4:00 PM~ St. Matthew's~ *Travis Newton* By: Henry Cazonie

5:30 PM ~ St. Michael's~ *William Parker* By: Wife, Madeline

Sunday, July 9—Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession 7:45 AM~ St. Michael's

8:30AM ~St. Michael's~ *Florence and James Barone* By: Donna, Barbara, Frankie, and Rita

10:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's~ *People of the Parish*

Thank You to our sponsor of the week!

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Collection amounts for...

June 24th and June 25th = \$4,466

This weekend the second collection is for

Peter's Pence Collection

Next weekend the second collection is for

Fuel and Heat

Monthly 50/50

\$1 per envelope

Your envelope is your ticket.

Please write your name and phone number on your envelope.

Congratulations

**Ms. Karen Paul
May 2023**

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE
COORDINATOR

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to victims of sexual abuse. Contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC Direct Phone: 1-800-791-9209 + Diocesan website: www.allentowndiocese.org

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