

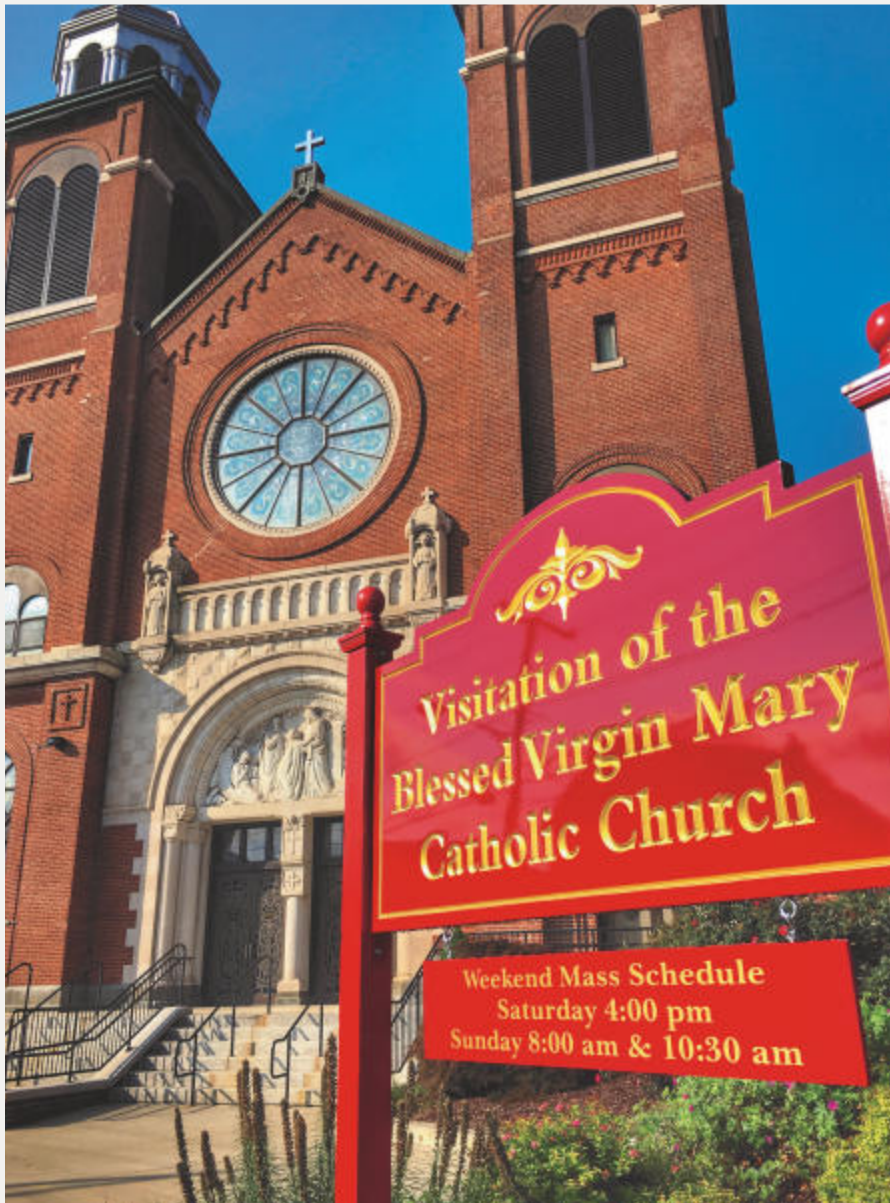
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We, the parish community of The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in union with the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the leadership of our bishop and our pastor are called through Baptism to live the gospel of Jesus Christ. Through the sacramental life of the Church, especially the Eucharist, we are strengthened to live as a community committed to share the Word with all those in need with love and compassion, and to celebrate the fullness of life in Christ.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.,

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.

Holy Days: (Vigil 4:00 p.m.), 7:30 a.m.,
& 5:30 p.m.

**(Please check inside bulletin to confirm
Mass times)**

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday:

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 8:30 a.m.,
and other times by request.

Baptism: Sunday's at 11:30 a.m.
Registered parishioners may call the
parish office to make arrangements.

Marriage: Arrangements must be
made at least six months in
advance by registered parishioners.

**Monthly Visitation of the Sick/
Homebound:** Call the parish office
to be placed on the list.

Care of the Sick: Please notify us at
any time of the seriously ill,
hospitalized or those needing
anointing.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 7:30 AM	July 26 Helen Karlavige offered by Yolanda Dombkowski
Tuesday 7:30 AM	July 27 Richard Woodyatt, Anna, John, Stella & Jack Malewich, Clare & Chester Jezierski, Bret Nalesnik & Barbara Clarke offered by Maryanne Woodyatt
Wednesday 7:30 AM	July 28 Leo M. Wisniewski (Anniv.) offered by wife Helen, children, grandchildren & great grandchildren
Thursday 7:30 AM	July 29 Pearl Polukard offered by Francis & Susan Lesnefsky
Friday 7:30 AM	July 30 Eleanor (Anniv.) & Joseph Lilik
Saturday 4:00 PM	July 31 Doris Sencoski offered by Dickson City High School Class of 1964
Sunday 8:00 AM	August 1 Gerald Kaminski offered by wife Elaine
10:30 AM	Living and deceased members of our Parish

IN MEMORIAM

Sanctuary Candle

Helen & Frank Mazur and Tony Astolfi offered by Mazur & Astolfi Families

Altar Candles

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Bread & Wine

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Steeple Lights

Helen & Frank Mazur and Tony Astolfi offered by Mazur & Astolfi Families



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS NEEDED!!!

Teaching experience is not necessary. All the materials need are supplied to you.

Classes are Sunday's from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. A total of approximately 27 classes beginning the 2nd weekend of September through the 1st weekend of May. No classes on holiday weekends.

Call or e-mail the parish office if you would like more information about becoming a religious education teacher or aide. College age and up!

REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR THE 2021/2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration forms have been mailed to all registered parishioners with children entering grades 1 through 8.

Forms are due back no later than August 12th in order for us to know how many books to order.

Classes begin September 12th.

If anyone would like to help with our Religious Education program please call 570-489-2091 or e-mail vbvm@comcast.net.



Our Monday Night Bingo is now Open!

Early Bird begins at 6:30 pm
Regular Games immediately following

Volunteers Welcome!!!

What is RCIA?

In recent years there has been a great increase in the number of adults who are joining the Catholic Church. RCIA (which stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a program designed to help non-Catholics and non-practicing Catholics learn more about Catholicism through a series of classes, discussions, prayer times and ceremonies. This program helps people grow in faith and knowledge of God as they consider becoming Catholic. There is no obligation to join the Catholic Church.

The RCIA program is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. If you are not yet sure whether you want to become Catholic, you are still welcome to participate as you make your decision.

People from all sorts of religious backgrounds join the RCIA. Some have been baptized in another Christian religion and some have not. Some have been practicing members of a Christian religion for years and some have had little or no religious instruction or support. Some have been baptized Catholic but have not received the sacrament of Communion or Confirmation and are seeking to do so.

The RCIA is a mix of praying, learning facts, discussing how these apply to our lives, participating in prayerful ceremonies (called "rites") and most importantly, using all of these experiences to build and grow in a relationship with God.

If you think you would like to take part in our RCIA program, which will begin in September, please call the parish office at 570-489-2091 or e-mail vbvb@comcast.net.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

IT'S ALL IN THE BASKET

St. Therese of Lisieux made a point of going the extra mile in kindness towards those people who really got under her skin. It was part of her own brand of Everyday Stewardship — thanking God for all His creation, even the parts with which, in her own humanness, she struggled to cope.

I think about this a lot when I challenge myself to give thanks for things that bother me and people who challenge me. When I do this, I envision Christ giving thanks over those insufficient loaves. How many of us would see that paltry little basket and kick a rock in frustration because we can't feed all our people? "You didn't give me enough, Lord! You didn't give me enough patience, enough money, enough creativity, enough stamina to be a good steward. If you had given me more, I could also give more!"

In those moments of despair, we need to take a good look at the life God has given us. We need to look at the trials and the challenges and the shortcomings. The hopes that didn't pan out, the disappointments that keep cropping up. Somewhere therein lies what we need to be the steward God asks us to be, just as St. Therese's own stewardship was defined by the people she simply couldn't stand.

God does not give us all we want. He does not give us all we ask for. He does us one better: He gives us all we need. It's all in the basket.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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MINISTRY MASS SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 7 & 8

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Chris Kelechowa	Carol Jaskulski	Donna Tratthen
LECTORS	Rob Hegedus	Anna Liuzzo	Frank Klassner

SUMMER LITURGY

ENTRANCE HYMN SELECTIONS:

Glory And Praise To Our God

ANTIPHON Dan Schutte

Glo - ry and praise to our God, who a - lone gives light to our days.
Man - y are the bless-ings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

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LET US GO TO THE ALTAR

Refrain Dan Schutte

Let us go to the al - tar of God, the God of our glad-ness and joy! Let us en - ter the courts of the house of the Lord and sing to the glo - ry of God.

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SING A NEW SONG

ANTIPHON Dan Schutte

Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be sung from moun - tains high. Sing a new song un - to the Lord, sing-ing al - le - lu - ia.

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SING TO THE MOUNTAINS

Refrain Bob Dufford, SJ

Sing to the moun-tains, sing to the sea. Raise your voic - es, lift your hearts. This is the day the Lord has made. Let all the earth re - joice.

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Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

SUMMER LITURGY

SUNDAY'S READINGS ~ July 25, 2021

First Reading:

“For thus says the LORD,
‘They shall eat and there shall be some left over.’” (2 Kgs 4:43)

Psalms:

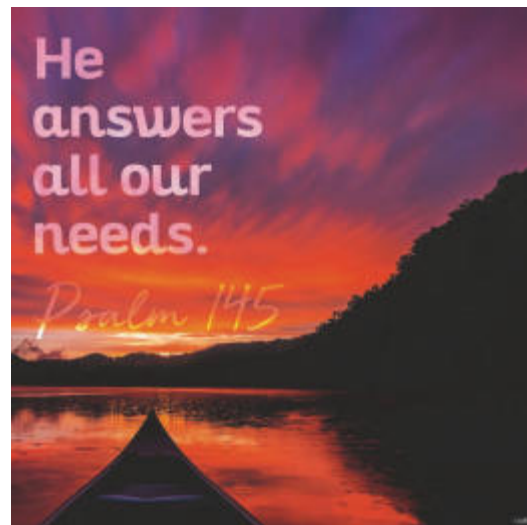
The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs. (Ps 145)

Second Reading:

One body and one Spirit,
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;
one God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)

Gospel:

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks,
and distributed them to those who were reclining,
and also as much of the fish as they wanted. (Jn 6:11)



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COMMUNION HYMN SELECTIONS:

THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

Laurence Rosania

Refrain

Pre-cious bod - y, pre-cious blood, here in bread and wine;
here the Lord pre-pares the feast di-vine.
Bread of love is bro-ken now, cup of life is poured:
come, share the sup-per of the Lord.

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Gift of Finest Wheat

Refrain

You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat;
Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

Text: Oscar Whitendorf, 1916-1998
Tune: BICENTENNIAL, CM, with refrain: Robert E. Kratz, 1972-1996
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I RECEIVED THE LIVING GOD

LIVING GOD

Refrain

I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of
joy. I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

Text: 77 77 with refrain; anon. Music: Anon.

WE REMEMBER

Marty Haugen

REFRAIN

We re-mem-ber how you loved us, to your death, and still we
cel-e-brate, for you are with us here; And we be-lieve that we will
see you when you come, in your glo-ry, Lord, we re-mem-ber,
we cel-e-brate, we be-lieve.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

HOLY CROSS PARISH

200 Delaware Avenue, Olyphant

Chicken BBQ

August 1st

11:30 to 4:00 PM.

Dinner tickets \$10.00

(1/2 chicken, potatoes, vegetable)

kids meal \$5.00

(chicken nuggets and fries).

Tickets are on sale before and after the weekend Masses or at the Rectory Office (hours 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM). Buy dinner tickets in advance so you won't be disappointed the day of the dinner. We will also feature a basket raffle, bake sale, hot dogs, ice cream, soda, water, ice cream sodas, music by John Quinn.

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