

St. Mary of the Assumption

Parish Office
Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM
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Sunday Masses
Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8 AM & 11 AM
St. Joseph
Saturday 5 PM Sunday 8 AM & 11 AM

Daily Masses
Monday - Saturday 8 AM
St. Joseph
Monday - Saturday 9 AM

Holy Day Masses
9 AM & 7 PM

Saturday Confessions
12:00 - 1:00 PM 3:45 - 4:15 PM
St. Joseph
Saturday 11 AM - Noon



LITURGY

	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Saturday May 2 4:30 PM	1. Gina Stutz 2. Bernice Durand B. Mike Spohn C. Liz Spohn	Barb Bart	Heather Cottage Jordan Cottage Dakota Merriles
Sunday May 3 8 AM	1. Kathy Benkart 2. Linda Green B. Michael Weiland C. Randy Collins	Nathan Barry	Jacob Holcomb Matthew Roth Gianna Collins
Sunday May 3 11 AM	1. Paul Collins 2. Rick Hoffman B. Cindy Collins	Betty Hoffman	Russell Bauer Brandon Bauer Michael Bauer



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY—3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER **APR 25**
8 AM JUNE HORSTMAN

BY KEN & PATTI ORLOSKI

4:30 PM PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S

SUNDAY— **APR 26**

8 AM BERNARD & GERTRUDE LYNDON

BY KEN & DIANE COLLINS

11AM BOB & FRITA THOMPSON

BY BOB & RITA

MONDAY— **APR 27**

8 AM DOROTHY INDOVINA

BY FRANK THOMAS

TUESDAY— **APR 28**

8 AM DUKE AND RUTH SCHNUR

BY BOB & JUDY

WEDNESDAY— **APR 29**

8 AM ELEANOR MORAN

BY BOB & SHIRLEY SHURTLIFF

THURSDAY— **APR 30**

8 AM JUNE HORSTMAN

BY DON REOTT FAMILY

FRIDAY— **MAY 1**

8 AM ARTHUR OSCHE

BY PEGGY HANKEY

SATURDAY **MAY 2**

8 AM DOLORES HALM

BY VIOLETTA E. COLLINS

4:30 PM ROBERT SCHNUR

BY DOROTHY & FAMILY

SUNDAY— **MAY 3**

8 AM PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S

11 AM FRANCIS KRILEY

BY FAMILY

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 -- 8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 -- 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

FINANCES

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Sunday Collection on April 19: \$3,087

April 19th (weekend) Attendance: 449

Divine Mercy Service Attendance: 216

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Apr 26 Finance Committee

May 04 Charlotte Ruediger, Cathy Green,
Donna Etzel

Worship Committee will meet on

Tuesday, April 28th at 7:00 PM



Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church: and let them pray over him. . .

James 5:14

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL PARISHIONERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND OR ILL

Bill Gibson, Vivian McDevitt, Sister Mary Kriley, Amy Gallagher, Jane "Michel" Thiry, John Spinneweber, Sharon Rosenbauer, Rita Wagner, Maxwell and Tobias MacDonald-Mingo, Patty Fair, Katrine Fair, and Martha Oesterling.

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Matthew Pegan, Nicholas Cottage, Nicholas Cypher, Steven Karenbauer, Katherine Konyha, Dustin Michel, Karen Michel, Anthony Reott, Ashley Selfridge and Sarah Schiebel

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL



St. Michael

The late Pope John Paul II stressed the importance of the Prayer to St. Michael and asked that we recite it to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness and evil of this world.

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
thrust into hell, Satan,
and all the evil spirits who prowl about the
world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

First Friday Celebration
Friday, May 1, 2009
St. Mary's Church in Herman
Dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
...Liturgy of the Mass 8:00 AM...
...Eucharistic Adoration...
...Rosary, Litany to the Most Sacred Heart
of Jesus...
...Benediction 10:00 AM...

Thought: Why do we come to adoration?

Catechism: "Adoration is the first attitude of man's acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator" (ccc2628). To adore God is to acknowledge in respect, and absolute submission, the nothingness of the creature who would not exist but for God.

Adoration is the acknowledgement that God is greater than any human measure, wiser than our greatest wisdom, truer than our greatest truth, more beautiful than our greatest beauty and holier than our greatest holiness.

WE ADORE YOU MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

FIRST SATURDAY MASS
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH
BUTLER, PA
8 AM - MAY 2

Rosary will follow.

Everyone is welcome to meet for breakfast afterward at the Monroe Hotel.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Natural Family Planning provides a scientific, reliable and morally acceptable method of spacing and welcoming children. To learn how NFP can enrich your marriage, please attend the introductory class at St. Andrew Catholic Church, 1660 North Main Street Extension, Butler, PA, Thursday, May 7th from 7-PM OR Saturday, May 9th from 10 'til Noon. For more information, please call Becky and John Cascino at 724-282-8280.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 22—26, 2009**

**We cannot always build the future
for our youth.**

**But, we can build our youth
for the future!**

Franklin D. Roosevelt

St. Mary's Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten is accepting students for the Fall 2009-10 School Year. All children must be 3 years (for pre-kindergarten) or 4 years (pre-school) of age by Sept. 1 for the Class. For more information, call 724-285-3285 or stop in the Parish Office to pick up a brochure.

**PROTECT OUR YOUTH!
PARENT TO PARENT EVENING
Butler County Community College
Wednesday, May 6th—7:00 PM**

CANDLE, Inc. will host a special Parent to Parent program at Founders Hall on the BC3 Campus. Two fathers will share the story of how they lost their sons, one to prescription drug abuse and the other to inhalant abuse. Every home has easy access to both inhalants (common household aerosols) and prescription meds. Learn how to protect your child. Please come and support these fathers who are passionate to **protect our youth**. Call 724-679-1788 for more information.

DAVID HAAS

In Concert!

Friday, May 1st @ 7:00 PM

St. Kilian Church

7076 Franklin Road

Cranberry Township, PA

Tickets are \$15/in advance and \$17 at the door. Proceeds will benefit Music Ministry Alive (an annual summer liturgical music formation program for high school & college youth). Tickets & Info: 724-625-1665.

**SUCCEEDING AS A CATHOLIC OB-GYN
IN A SECULAR WORLD
THE PITTSBURGH GUILD OF
THE CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**

invites all healthcare students and professionals to attend its next meeting on Sunday, May 3, 2009 at UPMC-Mercy Hospital. Mass at 9 AM, Holy Family Chapel, followed by breakfast and presentation by pro-life, NFP-only Ob-Gyn, D: Faith Daggs (Succeeding as a Catholic Ob-Gyn in a Secular World") To register, please contact Dr. Bruce Maskarinec at info@cathmedpittsburgh.org or phone 724-356-2273 **Students are free!**

MAY CROWNING

St. Michael's Rosary Makers, 432 Center Avenue, Butler, PA will be having a May Crowning at the church on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 6:30 PM with recitation of the Rosary and Benediction, followed by a small reception in St. Michael's School Hall. St. Michael's CCD & BCS students will be participating in the May Crowning. The St. Michael's Rosary Makers are open to all parishes. They have made approximately 9,315 rosaries since their ministry began in May of 2007. The rosaries were sent to missions, prisons, hospice and the U.S. Military. If you would like to join this ministry, please call Marlene at 724-282-4107.

BEHIND THE SCENES —

A special thank you to all the women and men who worked to create the mood and tone in the church for Easter Week—from the bareness of the altar to the decorations, the flowers, the crosses, the crown, the endless cleaning. A lot goes on behind the scenes!

**FOR ALL YOU DO,
WE APPRECIATE YOU!**



NEWS FROM THE WOMEN'S GROUP

Community Dinner - The next community dinner will be Tuesday, May 5th. Donations of spaghetti sauce, rigatoni and especially desserts would be greatly appreciated. Preparation for the dinner will begin at noon at the school and as always there is help needed in all areas of the dinner preparation, serving and cleanup. Please call Fran Beers at 724-283-1035 if you have any questions or can help.

Mother/Daughter Banquet - The Mother/Daughter Banquet will be held on Wednesday, May 13th. The speaker will be Tootie Betres (back by popular demand from last year's banquet). Tootie is from St. Paul's and has many credits to her name in catholic education. **ALL** women of the parish are invited (whether you have a daughter or not) and are asked to please sign up on the sheets available at all entrances of the church. You are asked to bring a tureen to be shared (buffet style). Dinner will begin promptly at 6:00PM in the school dining room.

Annual Flea Market - The women's Group will be holding their "annual" flea market on June 18th and 19th. So, while you are doing your "spring cleaning", set aside some of those "treasures" to be sold. Profits from this sale have benefited various needs of the parish. More information of times for drop off and hours of sale will follow. Please help us make this sale a huge success. (No clothing or large appliances.)

St. Mary's Women's Group will meet on Thursday, May 7th at 7:00 PM to finalize plans for the Mother Daughter Banquet. As always, all women of the parish are invited to attend these meetings.

I am only one. But still, I am one.
I cannot do everything,
but still I can do something.
And because I cannot do everything, I will
Not refuse to do the something that I can do.

Edward Hale

SPAGHETTI DINNERS

Benefiting

Ralph Edwards Family

(to help with funeral costs)

April 26th: 11:30 AM — 3:30 PM

Location: Summit Twp. Sportsmen's Club

Herman Road

\$7.00 for adults

\$4.00 for children 12 & under

Chinese Auction & Raffles

Benefiting

Rita Wagner

May 17th: 11 AM—6 PM

By Spaghetti Warehouse

Location: Summit Twp. Sportsmen's Club

Herman Road

\$8.00 for Adults—\$4.00 for children

Chinese Auction & Raffles.

Homemade desserts would be most welcome—please drop off in the back of the baptistry after masses.

Benefiting

Cora

(6 month old heart transplant recipient)

(niece of Frank Raypush)

May 3rd: 11 AM—6 PM

Location: Herman Fire Hall

\$7.00 Donation

Carry out available

50/50 Raffle, Chinese Auction,

Half Pig Raffle, Bake Sale