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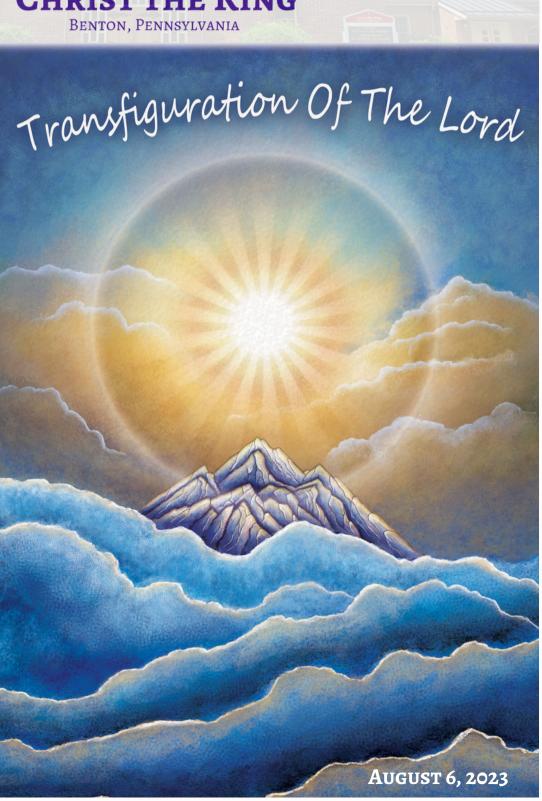
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# WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

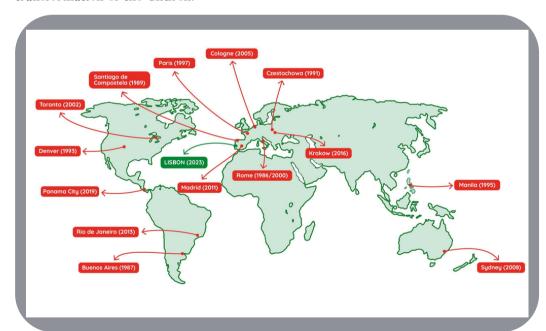
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World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world. Although its Catholic identity is clearly evident, WYD opens its doors to everyone, no matter how close to or distant from the Church they are.

It is celebrated every two-four years as an international gathering in a city chosen by the Pope, with the presence of the Holy Father. It brings together millions of young people to celebrate their faith and sense of belonging to the Church.

Since its first edition in Rome in 1986, World Youth Day has proven to be a laboratory of faith, a place of birth for vocations to marriage and consecrated life, and an instrument for the evangelization and transformation of the Church.





WYD aims to provide all participants with a universal Church experience, fostering a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. Over the course of a week, young people from all over the world are welcomed, mainly in public (gymnasiums, schools, pavilions ...) and parish facilities or family homes. In addition to the moments of prayer, sharing and leisure, the young people enrolled in this celebration participate in various initiatives organized by the WYD team, in different locations across the host city. The highlights are the celebrations (central features) for which the Pope is present, such as the welcoming and opening ceremony, the Way of the Cross, the vigil and, on the last day, the closing mass.

# Fr. Andrew and Erik Weibel will be praying for your intentions during their pilgrimage to World Youth Day with the Diocese of Harrisburg!

#### STEWARDSHIP JULY 30

Offering	\$1664.00
Mission Coop	\$100.00
St, Nick	\$50.00
Votives	\$67.00

**Total** \$1881.00

#### FAREWELL TO MARIE & RUSS

Join us on Sunday, August 6th, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass to say Farewell to Marie & Russ Castrogiovanni. Bring a card with a special message to share.

They will be moving to New York to be closer to Family.

Refreshments will be served.

#### SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

The Benton Council of Churches will be collecting school supplies to be distributed on Saturday, August 26th, at the Benton Community Park at 10:00 a.m.

Supplies needed-Pencils, Pens, Rulers, Lined Paper, Crayons, Markers, Colored Pencils, Erasers, Pencil Sharpeners, Notebooks, Safety Scissors and Folders.

Supplies should be turned in by August 20th. There is a box in the Social Hall.

#### **PIEROGI MAKING**

Join us on Fridays at 8:00 a.m. through August 11th.

The Bloomsburg Fair is our biggest Fundraiser. Volunteers are needed and welcomed!

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, August 5 Blessed Rev. Stanley Rother by Mary Ellen Neal

> **Sunday, August 6** Deborah Haden by Justa Sabo

> > Monday, August 7 NO MASS

Friday, August 11 Kevin Sullivan (Birthday Blessings) by Mark & Patricia Sullivan

**Saturday, August 12** Marilyn LaBonte by Joe LaBonte

> Sunday, August 13 People of the Parish

Mass intentions are available in memory of, or in honor of a loved one. The donation for having a Mass said for a personal request is \$10.00. You can drop your request in the collection or contact the parish office.

#### LITURGICAL ROLES

#### Lector Schedule

#### Extraordinary Minister

August 6 - Pete Yastishock August 13 - Paul Haden August 6 - Judith Scavone August 13 - Stephen Root

#### **Collection Stewards**

August 6 - Charlotte & Joe Casarella August 13 - Gloria Galer & Judie Scavone

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

### The Father instructs us to listen, and the Son encourages us, do not be afraid.

On the mountaintop we hear two direct commands: Listen to him and Do not be afraid. Think of what we might be afraid of. Maybe following Jesus will change us. Perhaps God's call will mean facing things that are unpleasant. We may even be afraid that decisions made on the mountaintop with Christ will be hard to live out in normal life. Listen to the Lord, and fear not - trust in the power of God.

Our first reading is a vision in the Book of Daniel. The Ancient One takes his throne and the Son of Man receives an everlasting dominion. In the second reading, Peter instructs the beloved to be attentive to his prophetic message, as he was an eyewitness to Jesus' majesty. In the Gospel is the story of the Transfiguration. Peter, James, and John climb a mountain with Jesus, who then converses with Moses and Elijah while a voice speaks from a cloud. The voice claims, This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

#### Women's Fall Mini Retreat

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the Diocese to our Fall Mini Retreat, "A renewed encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist" on Saturday, September 16, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Saint Katharine Drexel Church, 1 Peter Drive, Mechanicsburg. Keynote speaker, Betsy Schaedler, will speak on Stay with me, Lord: The Eucharist and Adoration. The day includes Mass and will end with adoration and benediction. Cost is \$10 and includes brunch. Register by September 5th by contacting Terri Gelles at 717-398-9023 or email: tgelles@comcast.net. The flyer is available on the HDCCW website - Home (webs.com).

#### **GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP**

Find Hope and Healing after the death of a loved one.

Join us at a weekly grief support group on

Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m.

August 8th - October 31st, 2023

Benton Christian Church, Corner of

Church & Third street

Contact Kim Keller at 570-204-3888 or Church Office
at 570-925-2266 to register

3 Key Parts: video seminar, group discussion and personal workbook

Topics covered: your grief journey sadness & loneliness, fear & anxiety, anger, regrets, grief & your relationships, questions for God, Hope!

#### **CYE News**

I pray you are having a restful and pleasant summer.

Please join us as we celebrate the joys of summer as a CYE family on August 15, the feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. We will celebrate at the new Bloomsburg Town Pool from 6-8 pm for a private party.

CYE classes begin on Sunday September 10 with 9 a.m. Mass and concluding at 1130.

There is a very important parent meeting at this time as well. It is VERY important that at least one parent plan to attend this meeting. Changes, updates, and other vital information will be discussed at this meeting.

#### **Unborn Candle Donations**

\$3.00/ week, \$5.00/ 2 weeks or \$10.00/ month. Month of August - Richard & Tamara Lindner

#### BENTON FOOD BANK

For the month of August we will be collecting foil, wax paper and baggies due to the Food Bank by August 13th.

The Food Bank at the N4C's is the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

## BENTON COUNCIL OF CHURCHES VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Happy Campers, Spend S'More time with God!

Dates: August 13 -17, Time: 5:45 - 8 p.m. at Benton Christian Church

Ages: pre-K (must be toilet trained) - 6th Grade

Looking for Volunteers to help lead "Campers" and activities. If 18 or older will need volunteer clearances. Also looking for junior volunteers ages 14-17 to help.

Any questions or to sign up contact Heather at hzimmo2@epix.net or text/call 570-594-0514.

#### PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND - LENT, 2024

Please join us on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land March 1-10, 2024, with Fr. John Szada, priest of the Diocese of Harrisburg. Join us as we travel to Bethlehem, Jericho, Cana, Nazareth, Galilee, Mount Tabor, Jerusalem and more.

Pricing includes: Basic Tour and Guided Sightseeing, Round-trip International Airfare, Entrance Fees, First Class Hotels, Daily Breakfast and Dinner, Deluxe Motor coaches, Hotel Gratuities and More!

Price from Philadelphia is \$4196, Pittsburgh is \$4246. Other departure cities available. Please call for price.

For more information or to register, please visit www.QoHtours.com or call 1-800-213-4295

#### IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER,
- ALL PRIESTS INCLUDING:
  - Fr. Mowery
  - FR. ST. HILAIRE
  - o Fr. Sola
- CARL BARCHIK
- MICHAEL BARDI
- Danny Bauman
- Maureen Beck
- LORENA BENNET
- BUTCH BOGART
- Nancy Bogart
- CHRISTINA CAPRIOLA
- Russell Castrogiovanni
- COBERT FAMILY
- Honor Dell
- RYAN DELL
- CHRIS ERTWINE
- VIVIAN WHITENIGHT HYNICK
- Bob Kalie
- MARGARET KALIE
- Austin Kelsey
- Joseph Labonte
- Mary Ann Levan
- DOROTHY O'HANDLEY
- Nancy Oman
- RICHARD SCAVONE
- IACKIE SCHERER
- MARK SULLIVAN
- Marisa Whitenight
- Iosephine Wilson
- NANCY WISBAR
- Sonny Womelsdorf
- Mary Ann Zeveney

#### SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN) (1891-1942) AUGUST 9

"Come," Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa's hand, "let us go for our people!" These were Edith Stein's last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops' condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith's search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila, which she read in one sitting, then declared, "That is the Truth!" Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus' initiation into the covenant of Abraham. confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church.

Wecome our newest Member of the Catholic Church, Callum Sullivan, baptized by Father Andrew. Congratulations to his parents Hanna & Kevin along with grandparents Mark & Patricia and cousin London.

