Congratulations to the Rutkoski Family (members of CTK) for the Baptism of NORA BARBARA!

(Baptized in Christ on August 20th)









STEWARDSHIP AUGUST 20

Offering	\$1749.00
Assumption	\$446.00
Rainy Day	\$35.00
St. Nick	\$40.00

Total \$2270.00

COMING IN SEPTEMBER: "In the Beginning"

A Creation Series, presented by the Diocese of Harrisburg. In this 8-part series of educational and theological talks, all are invited to learn more about our very beginnings and our role as stewards of God's Creation. To view the complete schedule and register, visit https://www.hbgdiocese.org/creation/.

ST. COLUMBA SCHOOL IS NOW ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2023–2024 SCHOOL YEAR:

We are accepting applications for our Middle States Association-accredited Pre School - Grade 4 elementary program. We have state of the art technology and our students enjoy a 1:1 laptop/Chromebook curriculum. Busing is provided for those students who qualify.

Contact the school: 570-784-5932, or go to our Saint Columba School Webpage where you can learn more about the school and find information about FINANCIAL AID, TUITION, AND THE NEUMANN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS.

STAMPS FOR THE WOUNDED

We gratefully acknowledge your kind support of our program. You contribution of used US stamps will help cheer a hospitalized or out-patient Veteran.

Mass for Hope & Healing

A Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Timothy Senior on Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. at Saint Catherine Laboure Church, Harrisburg. During this Mass, we will pray for and with survivors of clerical sexual abuse. All are encouraged to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 26

Kathy Walker (Birthday Blessings) by Mary Ellen Neal

Sunday, August 27

Joe & Lee Ann Boiwka (Anniversary Blessings) by Justa Sabo

> Monday, August 28 Nicholas Sabo by Justa Sabo

Saturday, September 2 Kathleen Pollock Pickens by Meg Geffken

Sunday, September 3

Katherine Theresa Sullivan by Joe & Lee Ann Boiwka

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 27 - Stephen Root September 3 - Pete Yastishock August 27 - Meg Geffken September 3 - Lee Ann Boiwka

Collection Stewards

August 27 - Anne Eustice & Sharon Tishler September 3 - Anne Eustice & Sharon Tishler

LITURGY OF THE WORD

RELY ON GOD FOR WISDOM.

Simon Peter didn't "figure out" Jesus' identity on his own. Rather, God himself revealed to Peter that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Rather than relying only on our own intellect, we must be open to what the Lord is trying to tell us - or else we may miss something crucial.

In the first reading, Eliakim is given the tokens of the master of the palace and the Lord gives him authority over the palace to be a father to all Jerusalem. Saint Paul writes to the Romans that God's knowledge and wisdom are unfathomable. In the Gospel, when Jesus asks who the crowds say he is, the disciples give varied answers. Peter answers correctly and Jesus gives him the keys of the kingdom.

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).

Back To School Prayer

Almighty God, We give you our schools. We give you all the teachers and staff, We give you all the children who study there. We pray our schools would be a place of great discovery, adventure and creativity. May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love, A place where every one is respected and all are deeply valued.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CYE News

CYE classes begin on Sunday September 10 with 9:00 am Mass. A meeting for all parents will be held in the social after Mass. It is crucial that at least one parent attend this meeting. CYE classes will be held for students in Kindergarten through high school. We welcome our new students and new catechists and helpers. Changes, updates, and important parent information will be shared by Father Andrew at the parent meeting. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

St. Martha's Parish Festival

Saturday, September 2nd, 5 p.m. - 11 p.m. Sunday, September 3rd, 12 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Ethnic Food, Basket Raffle, Flea Market, Games Music Saturday & Sunday 6 - 10

260 Bonnieville Rd, Fairmount Springs

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 September we will be collecting toothpaste due to the Food Bank by September 17th. The Food Bank at the N4C's is the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

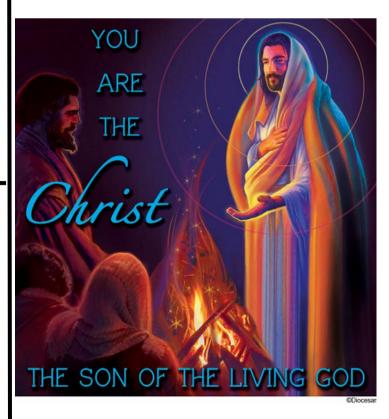
SAINT MARY'S CHURCH OF BERWICK ***FOOD FEST***

Halupki (Piggies), Halushki, & Potato Pancakes Cheese Steak Sandwiches, Tamales Basket Raffle Money Raffle Bake Sale

> Sunday, August 27, 2023 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

St. Mary's Parish Hall 1730 Fowler Avenue

Take-Out Only



IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Intentions of the Holy Father,
- ALL PRIESTS INCLUDING:
 - Fr. Mowery
 - FR. ST. HILAIRE
 - Fr. Sola
- CARL BARCHIK
- MICHAEL BARDI
- Maureen Beck
- Lorena Bennet
- BUTCH BOGART
- NANCY BOGART
- CHRISTINA CAPRIOLA
- RUSSELL CASTROGIOVANNI
- COBERT FAMILY
- Honor Dell
- RYAN DELL
- CHRIS ERTWINE
- FARWELL FAMILY
- Vivian Whitenight Hynick
- Bob Kalie
- MARGARET KALIE
- Austin Kelsey
- JOSEPH LABONTE
- MARY ANN LEVAN
- DOROTHY O'HANDLEY
- Nancy Oman
- RICHARD SCAVONE
- Jackie Scherer
- MARK SULLIVAN
- Marisa Whitenight
- Josephine Wilson
- NANCY WISBAR
- Sonny Womelsdorf
- Mary Ann Zeveney



SAINT MONICA (332-387) AUGUST 27

She had smiles for the neighbors, though her husband found her religion and the charity it inspired annoying. She made tearful prayers in private for a son, outwardly self-assured but, as his mother knew, inwardly restless, and whose girlfriend of a dozen years had borne his child out of wedlock. Though not the first or last such mother and son, Monica and Augustine are the Church's most famous, so we keep their feast days back to back, with Monica's, fittingly, first. To Rome she followed Augustine, then to Milan, where years of prayer-and nagging-finally bore fruit in his conversion by Saint Ambrose. For six months, mother and son enjoyed the blessing of rediscovering each other. Just in time! On the way home to North Africa, Monica took sick and died near Rome. No child who has mourned a parent can read, unmoved, Augustine's tender account, in his Confessions, of Monica's last days. At this time of the year, when parents watch apprehensively as children leave for school, may Monica's perseverance and Augustine's long-prayed-for conversion ease anxiety and kindle hope.

