

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL

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MASSES
ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sunday 8:45 a.m.
Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.
NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL
Saturday 5:45 p.m., Holy Days 7:00 p.m.

JULY 2, 2017


MASS
 INTENTIONS
 JULY 2, 2017

St. Mary of the Assumption

SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2017

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Burzimat & Sondrini Families
 Req. by John & Sue

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2017

8:45 a.m. Claudette Wotkowicz
 Req. by The Family

MONDAY, JULY 3, 2017

8:00 a.m. Virginia Kopychak
 Req. by Elizabeth Kulas

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2017

8:00 a.m. Fr. Thomas R. Champigny
 Req. by The Parish Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of the St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Community

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2017

8:00 a.m. Fr. Thomas R. Champigny
 Req. by The Parish Family

FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2017

8:00 a.m. No Mass

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2017

4:00 p.m. Edward & Isabella Skubel & Daughter, Irene
 Req. by Leo Skubel

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017

8:45 a.m. Florence Neureuther & Delia Stendalen
 Req. by Deacon Bob & Diane Hitter

North American Martyrs Chapel

SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2017

5:45 p.m. Joan Ostrowski
 Req. by Her Husband, Tom

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2017

5:45 p.m. For the Parishioners of North American Martyrs Chapel

GIFTS ARE GIVEN FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH AND NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL

NEWS AND UPDATES

NEW SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Effective Sunday, September 10, 2017 there will be new Mass times on Sundays at St. Mary's Church.

Beginning that weekend, two Masses will be held on Sundays, one at 8:30 a.m. and the second at 11:00 a.m. Please note, all previously scheduled Mass Intentions for the 8:45 a.m. Mass will be honored at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We are looking forward to the renewal of our later Sunday Mass time! Religious Education classes for Kindergarten through 9th grade will be held on Sundays from 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. between Masses. Registration for those classes will begin soon. Feel free to contact the office with any questions.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Registration for the "Maker Fun Factory" Vacation Bible Camp has opened! The camp, which will run from Monday, July 24th through Friday, July 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, will feature various activities with a hands on creative focus centered on religion. The program is open to children from 5-10 years old. The cost is \$25 for the week and will include a snack each day. A minimum of 10 children need to enroll in order to run the program. The deadline for registration is Monday, July 3rd. Please contact the office with questions or to offer help with the program.

LEARN ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

This fall, we will begin our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program at St. Mary's. This program is for adults who have not received the Sacrament of Baptism, Holy Communion, or Confirmation and for Confirmed Catholics who wish to learn more about their faith. Classes will be held beginning in mid-September on Wednesday evenings. More specific details will be available later this summer. Registration and information forms will be available soon. In the meantime, please contact the office at 413-743-2110 or Deacon Bob Hitter at 413-743-5423. You may also email deaconbob@stmaryscheshire.com.

HELP WANTED

We are in need of volunteers for the following positions:
 4th Grade Religious Education Instructor

Please contact Deacon Bob if you or someone you know is interested.
 Volunteer Coordinator - contact Michelle in the office

We are in need of someone to assist with the coordination of volunteers for our ministries. The position requires someone who is tech savvy, has access to a home computer or tablet, and can easily navigate an online database. The majority of the work can be done from home.

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PARISH EVENTS & DATES ALL EVENTS ARE AT ST. MARY'S UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

SUNDAY, JULY 16TH

"Chalice of Salvation" Taping to Air on Community TV

MONDAY, JULY 24TH - FRIDAY, JULY 28TH

Maker Fun Factory - Vacation Bible Camp - Tentative

SATURDAY, JULY 29TH

Parish Tag Sale & Greeting Card Shop - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH

Parish Picnic - 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. (following 11:00 a.m. Mass)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

Youth Mass, Religious Education Begins, New Mass Times

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

Healing Mass - 11:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

Anniversary Mass - 11:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST OR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

Special Fall Festival Event - Tentative

NEWS

TAG SALE NOTICE

We have changed the date of the parish tag sale to **Saturday, July 29th from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** This coincides with the Inaugural Cheshire Cheese Festival and Cheesy Fun Run 5K walk/run happening the same day at Cheshire Elementary School. (Run at 10:00 a.m./Event at 11:00 a.m.)

The following is a list of dates to drop off donations to the parish hall. We will not accept the following: electronics, television sets, mattresses, used water bottles, damaged goods, adult clothing or shoes. We will accept children's gently used or new clothing.

Drop Off Dates:

- Wednesday, July 5th - 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Thursday, July 6th - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 11th - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 18th - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 19th - 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Thursday, July 20th - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer at any of the drop off dates or on the day of the event, we can certainly use your help! Please contact the office for more information.

PARISH PICNIC PLANNING

Our parish picnic is now less than two months away! The committee is working hard to organize the event but they are still in need of volunteers.

Here are some ways we can use your help:

- Create and donate a basket for the raffle.
- Bake a delicious dessert for the bake table.
- Volunteer to sell tickets after a Mass starting the weekend of July 22nd & 23rd.
- Help set up for the picnic.
- Help clean up after the picnic.

Please contact the office if you would like to volunteer, bake, sell tickets, or donate a basket. Thank you!

OUR GIVING

WEEKEND OF JUNE 24TH & 25TH

Regular Collection	\$2399.00	Peter's Pence	\$199.00
Fuel	\$121.00	Hikers	\$44.72
NAM Windows	\$50.00	Parish Hall	\$45.00

ANNUAL BAZAAR NOTICES

Our first meeting for Bazaar Committee

Chairpersons will be held on Wednesday, July 5th at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. We will go over details of last year's bazaar and start planning for 2017. For current, chairpersons, please contact the office to confirm that you are still helping us this year. If you are interested in helping with the event this year, or have any questions, please contact the office or Sandy Robillard 743-9792.

We may be just settling into summer, but it's time again to begin work on Christmas Crafts for our Annual Parish Bazaar! Workshops will be held Monday evenings in the rectory basement from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. starting July 10th and on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. starting July 11th. Come join us, we've got the supplies we just need your hands. No experience necessary. All are welcome! Please call Chris Galisa with questions 743-1657.

COMMUNITY EVENT

Barry Emery will be presenting "When The Entire Country Watched Cheshire" on Monday, July 10, 2017 at Basswater Grill in Cheshire at 12:00 noon. Tickets cost \$8.00 and include lunch. Advance reservations are required by calling Pam and Ed St. John at 743-5603.

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY

Fr. Matthew Alcombright, Pastor of Mary, Mother of Hope Parish, East Springfield, is leading a Northeast Pilgrimage from October 3-6, 2017. Stops include the North American Martyrs Shrine, Auriesville, NY; Shrine of St. John Neuman, Philadelphia, PA; and Shrine of St. Kateri, Emmitsburg, MD. In Philadelphia, travelers will enjoy a cruise aboard the Spirit of Philly, have a step-on tour guide, and have free time to explore the city individually. In Baltimore, MD there will be free time at the Inner Harbor. On the return voyage, Fr. Matt will say Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in NYC; followed by free time exploring the city until 4:30 p.m. The 4 day/3 night bus trip will also include daily Mass at the various shrines along with 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch & 2 dinners. The cost is \$625 per person based on double occupancy. To register or for questions, call Sylvia at 413-594-2757.