

✦ Welcome to St. Mary's of Dorrance ✦
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Finances for September 26/27, 2009

Total: \$ 2453.41

Envelopes used: 162/538

Last Year: \$ 2583.69

Thank you.



Mass Schedule

Monday, 9-28-09

8:00 A.M. Philip F. Mylet, requested by
 Wife Marie and Family

Tuesday, 9-29-09

8:00 A.M. Helen Shugdinis, requested by
 Helen Bachanas

Wednesday, 9-30-09

8:00 A.M. Special Intention, requested by
 Gloria Calabro

Thursday, 10-1-09

8:00 A.M. Veronica (Verna) Wojtowicz
 requested by the Cenacle Group

Friday, 10-2-09

8:00 A.M. Alex Schipin, requested by
 The Matusick Family

Saturday, 10-3-09

5:00 P.M. Walter & Erich Rogall, requested
 Steve Narsavage

Sunday, 10-4--09

8:30 A.M. Living and Deceased Members
 St. Theresa's Guild
 10:30 A.M. Parishioners

Altar Servers Schedule

Saturday, October 3, 2009

5:00 P.M. - Julianna Bodek, Charlie Bodek

Sunday, October 4, 2009

8:30 A.M. - Christopher Lukashewski, Justin
 Lukashewski

10:30 A.M. - Kimberly Price, Allison Mendofik

✦ **Lector Schedule** ✦

Saturday, October 3, 2009

5:00 P.M. Norbert Dotzel, Jr.

Sunday, October 4, 2009

8:30 A.M. Bill Magnotta

10:30 A.M. Bonnie Sapak

★ Military Prayer List ★

Richard Beck	Cory Mathis
John Folmar	Anthony Rodgers
Stephen Baldino	Rebecca Ney Evans

† Parish Sick List †

Loretta Albanese	Dorothy Gandzyk	Joseph Majewski
William Baker	Jennifer Haydt	Henry Davenport
Ron Black	Marion Honhart	Michael Columbo
Anna Hrevnack	Tyler Jaworski	Rose Kutzmonich
Karen Corn	Anthony Maleski	Mike Kutzmonich
Ray Dolan	Bret Melworm	Dorothy Novicki
Dennis Law	John Miller	Harry Ratnieks
Donald Murray	Samantha Selecky	Miriam Dotzel
Alex Ney	Adrienne Wanyo	June Tate
Joseph Evancho	Andrea Padden	Helen Taney
Chris Badman	Susan Doty	Michael Popiak
Tony Day	Emily Zelinka	Kim Krakauski
Rosemarie Malcker	Rita Rokitko	Brian Kingsbury
Andrew Ostrazewski	Karen Bokelman	Joe Hermanofski
Romayne Gajdowski	Rose Steadle	Cathy Pockevich
Gloria Bleauskas	Phyllis Redmond	Harry Redmond
Amy Durprass		

Mark your Calendar

October, 2009

Sat., Oct. 3	Blessing of the Animals (5 PM Mass)
Sun., Oct 4	St. Theresa's Guild, Installation of Officers during 8:30 AM Mass
Sun. Oct 4	Altar and Rosary, Pray the Rosary and Covered Dish (5:00 P.M.)
Wed., Oct 7	Knights of Columbus Meeting (8:00)
Mon., Oct. 12	Columbus Day - Office Closed
Tues., Oct. 13	St. Theresa Guild Meeting (7:00 PM)
Wed., Oct. 14	Pastoral Council Meeting (7:00 PM)
Sat/Sun, Oct 17/18	Mission Sunday Collection
Sat., Oct. 17	Convocation for Catechists, Mass 9:00 AM, Speaker (11:00) Holy Redeemer, Wilkes-Barre
Sun., Oct. 18	Altar and Rosary Communion Sunday
Sun., Oct. 18	Class Mass 10:30 AM (Grade 6)
Mon., Oct. 19	Altar and Rosary Meeting

Altar and Rosary Society

Altar and Rosary is hosting a celebration for the Feast of the Rosary on Sunday, October 4, at the shrine of our Blessed Mother next to the church. The celebration will begin at 5:00 P.M.. After reciting the rosary, the celebration will continue with a pot luck dinner (each person attending is asked to bring a covered dish) in our social hall. We asked that you RSVP to the rectory on or before September 28 (868-5855) so we can accommodate everyone with a seat. We are encouraging all to come out to honor Our Blessed Mother and to pray for world peace and last but not least to enjoy an evening with friends.

Altar & Rosary Lottery

Altar and Rosary is looking for the lottery winner from Labor Day. The winning number is 579. Please call Pat Osisek to claim your prize (868-5479).

Knights of Columbus

With 2009-2010 being the “Year of the Volunteer,” I thought it would be a good time to cover the results of last years volunteer service and financial contributions. As the largest Catholic fraternal service organization in the world, the Knights of Columbus has an unparalleled ability to organize and participate in charitable works. On June 12, Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson announced the results of the Orders’ Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. Despite the worst economic downturn in decades, the Knight of Columbus once again broke records for charitable and volunteer service. For the year ending December 31, 2008, total charitable contributions reached \$150,036,865, exceeding the previous year by more than \$5.1 million. Knights also volunteered 68,783,653 hours of service, an increase of 87,885 hours compared to the previous year. During the past decade, the order has donated more than \$1,325 billion and provided nearly 620 million hours of volunteer service.

So the challenge for 2009-2010, the “Year of the Volunteer” is to once again better these numbers. To meet this challenge we need to recruit good Catholic men to join the Knights of Columbus and direct their efforts toward our goals. A lot of these men are already doing good deeds. Let’s get them to do these deeds in the name of the Knights of Columbus.

Religious Education News
Basic Skills for Catechists

Basic skills for Catechists will be offered for Catechists on Thursdays, Oct 1, 8, 15, 29 and November 5 from 6:30 - 9:00 P.M. Fee is \$20.00/person or a “flat rate” of \$50.00 for three or more persons from one parish. Please stop at the office for registration forms or call Patti Heller, 379-2647.

Religious Education News

Crop Walk

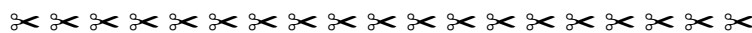
Saint Mary’s will be joining Saint James Lutheran and Emmanuel UCC for the Crop Walk for hunger on Sunday, October 4. The walk will begin at Emmanuel UCC in Dorrance, continue down Creek Road to Saint James, stop for snack, drinks, and a pit top, then head back to Emmanuel. Registration begins at 12:30 and the walk kicks off at 1:00 PM.

High School Religious Education

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to attend religious education classes at Saint Jude’s Parish. Classes meet twice a month from 12 noon until 2:00 P.M. Lunch and transportation will be provided. This is an excused absence. However, students must make up any missed class work. Cost is \$35.00 per student. This program is run by Mrs. Pam Urbanski. Registration deadline is September 30. Please call the parish office for registration forms (858-5855).

Survey for Post Confirmation Activities & Events

Students in grades 7, 8 and 9 will be receiving letters containing a schedule of activities, speakers and topics that will be offered to fulfill the 2009-2010 Religious Education requirements for students. Please watch for the letter and read it carefully, sign up by calling Lisa Fathel at 854-2934 or 379-2154.



Survey for Post Confirmation Fulfillment of Religious Requirements

Please fill and return this survey by Sunday, October 4

Name not Necessary

Grade in School

Topics of interest to me are:

Days preferred:

Times: _____

Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books for 2010 are now on sale. The cost is \$20.00. If you are interested in purchasing this year's copy, please call the rectory at 868-5855 or use the sign up sheet located in the rear of the church.

Interested in becoming Catholic?

If you or someone you might know is interested in becoming catholic, the classes are now forming. If you are already catholic and would like to attend, you are welcome. Any questions, please call the rectory at 868-5855.

SPAGHETTI SAUCE COLLECTION



Saturday, October 3rd
Sunday, October 4th, 2009
(Respect Life Sunday)

Spaghetti sauce is a much needed commodity and is used extensively in preparing meals for the hungry of Wyoming Valley.

The spaghetti sauce should be in sealed containers and placed in the basket on the Altar.

Collection to Benefit
St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen
Sponsored by the linked parish communities of
St. Jude, St. Mary's and St. Patrick



Catholic Underground

"The Catholic Underground, a Eucharistic Holy Hour followed by a different kind of coffeehouse, will present Seasons, a Celtic music trio from Harrisburg, PA. Faith and Family Magazine has called the band "a Catholic sibling act you don't want to miss." Please join us on Friday, October 9 at 7 P.M. at St. Gabriel's Church, 122 S. Wyoming St., Hazleton, PA for a night of praise and thanksgiving to our most High God. You won't want to miss it. A free will donation will be taken during the night to continue the work of the Catholic Underground in Northeast PA. For more info see www.catholicundergroundpa.com or call 570-403-3094.

King's College

King's College (Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania) invites students and their families to attend our Fall Open House Programs scheduled for Sunday, October 4 and Sunday, November 8. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. in the William Scandlon Physical Education Center. The formal program will begin at 10:00 A.M. with a welcome and overview of the day's events. Presentations on admissions, academic programs, financial aid, career planning and placement, internships, student life, and athletics will highlight the program. For more information or to register for the Fall Open House Programs please call the Admissions Office at 570-208-5858 or 1-888-KINGS PA. You may also email admissions@Kings.edu or register online at www.kings.edu.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Taking some of the Spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on seventy elders; and as the Spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied.... 'Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his Spirit on them all.'... 'There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me.'"

In the Rite of Ordination of a priest, the bishop and then all the concelebrants prayerfully stop, pause and then gently impose hands on the persons being ordained. It is a most solemn and significant moment, as the church community asks that the Spirit of God may come upon the candidate. In the Rite of Confirmation, the bishop and the community ask that the Spirit come on those to be confirmed. As a believing people, we accept the fact that this happens in the Rite of Baptism. The minister extends his hands in a prayer of exorcism, praying that the Spirit of God will protect the person to be baptized from evil. And so it does.

How similar to the meeting of Moses with the Lord and the sharing of the Spirit with the elders. The Spirit came upon them that they might 'prophecy' that is, become spokespersons for the Lord. When we were baptized and anointed we began to live as members of the body of Christ, as priests, prophets and king. Do you remember this?

Because this has happened in our lives as Missionary Disciples and as we accept the fact of our call, touched by the Spirit, we are equipped to perform the mighty works of God. Now is the time to begin, or begin anew. With the new school year, new parish activities, how many are the opportunities to carry out what has been given to us