

✠ Welcome to St. Mary's of Dorrance ✠

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Francis of Assisi

Animals fill the skies, the earth and the seas. They are God's beloved creatures. St. Frances remember this. He called the animals his brothers and sisters. Today we ask God to bless these animals, our brothers and sisters. We thank God for letting us share the earth with such wonderful and amazing creatures.

Finances for September 27/28, 2008

Loose \$ 102.19 White Offering \$ 2129.00

Total: \$ 2231.19

Envelopes used: 181/536

Last Year: \$ 2221.00

Thank you

Military Prayer List

Please pray for all those currently serving in dangerous lands.

Michael Boothe, Jonathan Cupina, Charles Dixon, Peter Dolan, John Folmar, Brandon Gething, Michael Janosov, Christopher Kishback, Paul Konschnik, Andrew Lukashewski Brian Lukashewski, Joseph Lukashewski, Michael Rokitko, Michael Sanders, Mark Allen Vital and Adam Wendalski.

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, October 11, 2008

5:00 P.M. - Joshua Phillips

Jeffrey Phillips

Jaeson Phillips

Sunday, October 12, 2008

8:30 A.M. - John Sidonis

Christopher Lukashewski

Justin Lukashewski

10:30 A.M. - Willy Swartwood

Dakota Hollock Sinclair

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, 10-6-08

8:00 A.M. Edmund Ceaser, requested by Michael and Rose Kutzmonich

Tuesday, 10-7-08

8:00 A.M. Living and Deceased Members of the Altar and Rosary Society

Wednesday, 10-8-08

8:00 A.M. Helen Kubasek, requested by Joseph and Gloria Calabro

Thursday, 10-9-08

8:00 A.M. Deacon & Mrs. William Carragher, requested by The Stevens' Family

Friday, 10-10-08

8:00 A.M. Catherine Hollock, requested by Mr. & Mrs. Edward Dunn

Saturday, 10-11-08

5:00 P.M. Helen Balliet, requested by Helen Zane

Sunday, 10-12-08

8:30 A.M. Parishioners

10:30 A.M. Tara Zajac, requested by Beatrice Wyda

✠ **Parish Sick List** ✠

Christopher Badman, Richard Briggs, Sr., William Baker, Dee Dee Black, Luke Charton, James Concannon, Henry Davenport, Miriam Dotzel, Joseph Evancho, Dorothy Gandzyk, Marion Honhart, Kim Krakauski, Dennis Law, Phyliss Lukashewski, Joseph Lukashewski, Mary Beth Malys, Anna Miller, Donald Murray, Alex Ney, Dorothy Novicki, Andrew Ostrazewski, Andrea Padden, Michael Popiak, R.T., Harry Ratiniaks, Gloria Secoski, Adrienne Wanyo.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Dan Jankowski. Also, remember in your prayers his wife, Terry and their family.

Our Grateful Faith

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2008

Many diocesan ministries were created to support and assist parishes in their mission, and all parishes, directly or indirectly, benefit from the 2008 *Our Grateful Faith Diocesan Annual Appeal*. The clearest link is your present pastor or parish administrator who was assigned to the parish to provide sacramental, pastoral and administrative services to the parish community by the Bishop.

Lector Schedule

Saturday, October 11, 2008

5:00 P.M. - Patricia Heller

Patricia Lavan

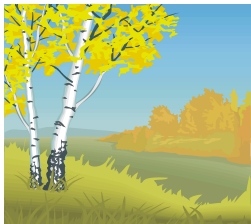
Sunday, October 12, 2008

8:30 A.M. - Maureen Baab

William Magnotta

10:30 A.M. - Joan Davenport

Stephanie Grubert



Our Parish Community

Candlelight Rosary

On Tuesday, October 7 at 6:00 P.M., the rosary will be prayed in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue. Afterwards, a covered dish meal will be enjoyed in the Social Hall. It is also our parish feast day.

At the same time, everyone is welcome to help celebrate the Altar and Rosary Society's 75th anniversary. Please call the rectory (868-5855) to make reservations.

Roast Beef Dinner

Our annual Roast Beef Dinner will take place on November 1 from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. The cost of \$8.00 from twelve to adult, \$3.50 for children and under five years are free. There is a sign-up sheet at the entrance of the Social Hall for donations. *Volunteers are needed!*

Altar and Rosary Society

The next meeting for the Altar and Rosary Society is on Monday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory meeting room.

The Altar and Rosary will celebrate their Communion Sunday on October 19th at 8:30 a.m. Mass. All members are asked to meet in the quiet room in the rear of the church. **Following Mass, the Altar and Rosary members will meet for breakfast at the Rise and Shine Restaurant** in Mountain Top. Please call the rectory if you would like to make a reservation with the group.

60th Anniversary Celebration

On Sunday, October 5 at 8:30 a.m. Mass, the Saint Theresa's Guild will celebrate their 60th Anniversary. Installation of Officers will take place at this celebration. Congratulations to the following ladies, Patricia Heller, President, Kaye Brazinski, Vice President, Terry Jankowski, Secretary and Terry Miller, Treasure.

St. Mary's Softball Game and Picnic Potluck

There will be a Softball Game and Picnic Potluck at St. Mary's Church on October 25th at 12:30 p.m. Participants are asked to bring a picnic covered dish. Please bring any extra softball mitts, bats, etc., that can be shared with the group. (Rain date: October 26 @ 12:30 p.m.). Please call the rectory for more information.

Rosary Rally

On Saturday, October 11 at noon, a Rosary Rally will take place in Mr. Z's parking lot. Everyone is invited to attend this special Rally. Please support your community.

Entertainment Books

We still have 5 Entertainment books left, please call the rectory if you are interested in this great book. This book offers so many great coupons, you'd be at a loss without it! The cost is \$20.00.

Red Cross Blood Drive

There will be a blood drive on Sunday, October 5 from nine until two at the Slocum Township Fire house honoring Pete Webby, a local man, awaiting a kidney transplant.

Spotlight on Catholic Social Services

So many families face very difficult challenges. CSS is available to help both adults and teenagers. Anna was having great difficulty at school and at home. Her mom wrote: "God sent us to Catholic Social Services. Our daughter really likes and trusts her counselor. It's so wonderful to hear her laugh and look so healthy and beautiful again. She has made progress, but there are many obstacles yet to overcome. I feel her life has been saved by Catholic Social Services."

Catholic Social Services and You - Together making a difference

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your minds and hearts in Christ Jesus... Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you."

We are living in the year of St. Paul. How important is the witness of the apostles to the gentiles and how great are the contributions he has made to our Christian lives the legacy of his letters. The passage from Philippians reflect two great themes of Paul, encouragement in living as true disciples and an invitation to live following his example.

How often we have sung "Let There Be Peace On Earth" and acknowledged that it is to "begin with me." Paul's wish for us is to have Christ's peace in our hearts, getting rid of hatred, bitterness, anxiety and fear. That peace comes from a quiet, tranquil heart, rooted in the scriptures and nourished by prayer.

Paul's teaching today invites us to look at the way we pray making sure that the God we address is praised for His goodness to us, thanked for His generosity to us, and assured that He listens to us in our every need. With humble, contrite hearts we approach a loving God as did Paul, the prisoner and preacher of Christ. As we know this Christ better, His peace will fill our hearts - no fear, no anxiety but tranquility. Keep on doing what you have learned and received is the simple teaching of Paul.