

✠ Welcome to St. Mary's of Dorrance ✠
 Reverend Mark Honhart, Administrator
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Finances for November 22/23, 2008
Loose \$ 110.35 White Offering \$2409.00
Total: \$ 2519.35
Envelopes used: 165/538
Last Year: \$ 2033.00
 Thank you

Mass Schedule

Monday, 12-1-08
 8:00 A.M. Audrey Kubasek, requested by
 Mother-in-Law

Tuesday, 12-2-08
 8:00 A.M. Steve Vnenchak, requested by
 Michael and Julia Vencak & Family

Wednesday, 12-3-08
 8:00 A.M. Edward Lukashewski, requested by
 Margaret Lukashewski

Thursday, 12-4-08
 8:00 A.M. Herman & Helen Ceaser, requested by
 Michael & Rose Kutzmonich

Friday, 12-5-08
 8:00 A.M. John Stec, requested by
 Grandson, Chester Stec

Saturday, 12-6-08
 5:00 P.M. Helen & Edward Sobolewski,
 requested by Cecelia Littleton



*Congratulations to Noah Konschnik and his family on his
 Baptism. We welcome him into our Parish Community.*

★ Military Prayer List ★

Michael Boothe	Paul Konschnik
Jonathan Cupina	Andrew Lukashewski
Peter Dolan	Brian Lukashewski
John Folmar	Joseph Lukashewski
Brandon Gething	Michael Rokitko
Christopher Kishback	Michael Sanders
Kirk Lehman	Adam Wendalski

† Parish Sick List †

Christopher Badman	Richard Briggs	William Baker
Luke Charton	Karen Corn	James Concannon
Henry Davenport	Susan Doty	Miriam Dotzel
Joseph Evancho	Dorothy Gandzyk	David C. Honhart
Marion Honhart	Jennifer Haydt	Mr. Mrs. J. Kosco
Mike Kutzmonich	Rose Kutzmonich	Kim Krakauski
Devon Lam	Dennis Law	Phyliss Lukashewski
Mary Beth Malys	Anna Miller	Donald Murray
L.C.	Alex Ney	Dorothy Novicki
Heather Oney	Andrew Ostrazewki	Andrea Padden
Michael Popiak	R.T.	Cathy Russo
Harry Ratiniaks	Gloria Secoski	Adrien Wanyo
Stephanie Locke	Samatha Selecky	Miller Stella
Helen Taney		

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is on Monday, December 8 and it is a Holy Day of Obligation. Our faithful are reminded to attend Mass both the Second Sunday of Advent as well as the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. The Masses for Monday, December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception are 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Reconciliation

Father Mark will be hearing confessions on Tuesday, December 16, from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M.

Children's Christmas Pageant

The children's Christmas Pageant will take place at 7:30 P.M. on December 24, 2008. We are in need of musicians, readers, and children to join in the performance of this joyful event.

The first practice will be on Thursday, December 4 at 6:30 P.M. in the Church. Future practices will be listed in the bulletin in the upcoming weeks.

St. Theresa's Guild

The next meeting of the St. Theresa Guild will be on Tuesday, December 2 at 6:00 in the social hall to prepare for the children's Christmas party. Pizza and wings will be serve.

Wafer Supper

St. Theresa’s Guild will sponsoring the “Wafer Supper” on Sunday, December 14 at 6:00 P.M. in our social hall. All members of the Altar and Rosary, St. Theresa’s Guild and the Knights of Columbus and spouses are invited. We would also like to invite our parishioners to join us in this covered dish event. Please RSVP to Peggy Lukashewski on or before Sunday, November 30 if you are interested in attending.

Toys for Tots

The Marine Corp. is collecting Toys for Tots for the holidays. There will be boxes placed in our church and also at the Chiverella garage located at 479 So. Mountain Blvd., Mountain Top. If you have any questions please call Carol Chiverella at 474-1331.

Pro-Life

Father Mark Honhart would like all of our Confirmation candidates to attend the March for Life event on Thursday, January 22, 2009. If you would like to make a reservation for the bus, please call the rectory at 868-5855. Plans for fund raising and the bus are taking place at this time. Information regarding the event will be sent home with the students.

Weis Gift Certificates

Do you shop Mr. Z’s or Weis Markets? Would you consider buying certificates? Use as cash. For information, please call Pat Osisek at 868-5479.

Altar and Rosary Society

The Altar and Rosary Society would like to thank everyone who baked or helped make “Mission Delicious” successful. Twenty-five boxes of cookies were sent to our military.

Knights of Columbus

St. Jude’s Knights of Columbus will host their Christmas party on Saturday, December 13. The cost is \$10.00 per person which includes dinner and a DJ for dancing.

St. Mary’s Knights of Columbus would like to welcome new members. Please watch for the holiday newsletter.

Gifts for the Shut-in’s

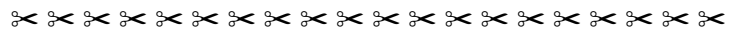
The Altar and Rosary Society are preparing gifts for our folks who are shut-in. They are asking for your help with the donations to fill each bag, which they will deliver to each person. Here are some idea’s for items that they would like to place in each gift bag: Small size shampoos, toothpaste, hand lotions, chap sticks, lifesavers, body washes, scarfs, hats, game books, tissues, footsie socks, small bags of pretzels, soaps, and other items of your choice that you think they would enjoy. Father would like to encourage the children to purchase gifts of their choice, not limited to the above items, for the shut-in’s as well.

If you know of a person who is shut-in beyond our list of First Friday Communion Calls, please drop their name and address in the collection basket or give to any Altar and Rosary Society member. There will be boxes in the front and back of the Church for your donations. The last day for donations will be December 4th. Thank you for your generosity and kindness. P.S. We are in need of large Christmas bags for delivery.

Altar and Rosary Roll Sale

Altar and Rosary Society is taking orders for Rolls, Nut, Poppysed, Prune and Apricot Rolls are available for \$6.00 per roll. **All orders must be prepaid.**

Please fill out the order form below and drop the form along with payment in the basket or drop off at the rectory, no later than December 14. If you have any questions, or an outside orders, please call Susan Miller at 868-6983.



Name: _____

Phone: _____

_____ Nut Roll @ \$6.00 ea. _____

_____ Apricot @ \$6.00 ea. _____

_____ Poppysed@ \$6.00 ea. _____

_____ Prune @ \$6.00 ea. _____

Orders will be ready for pick up in the Rectory meeting room on December 23 after 3 p.m.

✦ Lector Schedule ✦

Saturday, 12 -6-08 - 5:00 P.M. - Patricia Lavan
Melissa Welgosh
Sunday, 12-7-08 - 8:30 A.M. - Jo Gulvas
Terry Miller
10:30 A. M. - Stephanie Grubert
Joan Davenport

✦ Altar Servers ✦

Saturday, 12-6-08 - 5:00 P.M. - Joshua Phillips
Jeffrey Phillips
Jaeson Phillips
Sunday, 12-7-08 - 8:30 A.M. - John Sidonis
Christopher Lukashewski
10:30A.M. - Christopher Welgosh
Matthew Mendofik

Community Blood Drive

St. Mary's of Dorrance will hold a community Blood Drive this weekend. The Drive which will be "Blood for Babies". The blood drive has been designated as a "Type for Tots" blood drive, which will be providing blood for infants in the neo-natal units in our local hospitals. The event will be on Sunday, November 30th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. right here in St. Mary's social hall.

Minimum requirements: You must be at least 17 years of age or 16 years of age with signed parental consent form and weigh at least 110 lbs. You can donate every 56 days. Please bring a photo ID.

Children's Christmas Party

The Children Christmas Party sponsored by the St. Theresa Guild will be held on Sunday, December 7 at 1:00 P.M. There is a pre-registration required to attend this event.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Divine Power of the God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls, Amen.

Please pray for the protection of the unborn

Gertrude Hawk Fund Raiser

The estimated order pick up date is the weekend of December 14, 2008. Any questions, please call the rectory at 868-5855.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

721 Monroe Street, Berwick
Invites you to join them for their Advent Parish Mission on November 28-30, 2008. Fr. Mark Gruber, O.S.B. Of St. Vincent College and Archabbey in Latrobe, Pa will be leading the three day event entitled: *Learning to Wait in Patience.*

Winners of the Thanksgiving Raffle

Congratulations to the winners of our annual Thanksgiving Raffle:

1 st prize - \$ 840.00	Janet Giarratano
2 nd prize - 420.00	Carol Mylet
3 rd prize - 165.00	Bernard Levandowski
4 th prize - 165.00	Theresa Gabriele
5 th prize - 85.00	Pat Osisek

The 3 ½ Stories of Christmas

Children and Adults will be delighted! The Christmas Story tied Together for the first time! From the Light of Creation, to the Manger in Bethlehem, from the Origin of Santa Claus to the secret of the Christmas Angel Himself! Sunday, December 7 at 3:00 P.M. in St. Jude Church, Mountain Top.

Holy Dormition Friary Gift Shop

Route 93 in Sybertsville will have their Gift Shop open from now until November 30th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you need a Christmas gift for that special someone, the gift shop, may be your place to go. They will have Icons, Prayer Cards, Medals, Rosaries, Religious Jewelry, Christmas Decorations Ornaments and much more. (Questions??? Please call Holy Dormition at 788-1212).

Reminder

St. Mary's will be forming a softball team. Please watch the bulletin for new information about participant sign up.

