

Holy Rosary Catholic Church Sacred Heart Chapel

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**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 8, 2019**



Dear Parishioners,

Our summer is over and fall is upon us. I pray each of you is filled with the fullness of God's peace. I have never mentioned this before but those who go to Mass in the chapel of the hospital know that we remember 5 or 6 families each day at Mass. Since we have started this practice, your family has been remembered by name about 7 or 8 times. We pray for you and your needs.

I want to now update you on what is happening regarding the building of a parish center which would include offices, religious education classrooms/meeting rooms. Over a year and a half ago I asked a building committee to plan such a building. The group designed a structure which would involve renovating the present Marist hall with classrooms and meeting rooms. We also hoped to build a new and bigger hall with a new kitchen and offices. This structure would be attached to the present hall. We were able to use the expertise of a contracting company but when we finally looked for an estimate the company went out of business. We realized ourselves that the cost would be quite high and out of our price range for a loan. The parish finance council indicated a figure that we would be able to handle. This summer I met with several parishioners and tried to work out a proposal for a new building with a local company. As of this week the company has not given me any idea of a quote on a new building that we previously designed.

In April the Pastoral Council and Finance Council met and set up goals for the next year. The first goal was to continue working toward a new building. The second was to do repairs that have been neglected on the priest residence. At our Pastoral Council meeting last month it was decided to go ahead with repairs to the present rectory. We also are doing what is necessary to make use of St. Mary's hall for Religious Education. We moved our parish office

into this building. We are hoping to have regular office hours. (This may change as we move forward.)

Money placed in the building fund is kept in a CD with the diocese. This money is to be used for the time when a new building is finally realized. We are grateful to all who donate to this fund.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. We are moving forward but slower than we anticipated. It will be great to have the new parish office and to have St. Mary's available for our students.

May Jesus bless each of you, our wonderful parishioners, who bring Jesus' love to our parish and Buckhannon community.

Peace in Jesus, Fr. Joe

Members of the Pastoral Council

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fr. Joe, Brother Roy, Deacon Rue, or council members Gini Jeran, John Weber, Charlie Malcomb, Jo Baxa, Mariann Jack, Tracy Murphy, Jim Walker, or Mary Hendricks.

Deacon Rue

Please pray for our own

Deacon Rue Thompson, who underwent surgery recently and will be recovering at home for a while. If you would like to send him a card, his address is 144 Wood St., Buckhannon.

Candid Camera

Photos are a great way of telling our church's story. Photos capture moments to be remembered, moments that are just too important to be forgotten. Remember our spaghetti and baked steak dinners and the men and women who worked so hard on them? Remember the Marist priests and brother who served here? Remember Christmas, Halloween and Mardi Gras parties and the people we shared these occasions with? Events like these go far back. Our church is trying to gather photos of memorable moments from long ago and recently. We will use them in a special project. If you have photos from our church's past, won't you share them with our church family? Just make copies of the

Inquiry Class to Begin

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Inquiry classes will begin on Sunday, September 15 in Marist Hall. The classes are open to anyone wishing to learn more about our faith. This is a perfect opportunity for those who are new to the Church, and wish to explore or those who are already members and want to refresh their knowledge. For more information, please contact Father Joe, Deacon Rue, Sal or Virginia Carmona.

"In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge."

photos and give them to either Mariann Jack or Bro. Roy. We only need copies, not the originals. Thanks.

Football Frenzy Tickets

The Knights of Columbus are selling football frenzy tickets! The tickets are \$10 each with 10 chances to win per ticket. The proceeds will benefit Catholic Education in West Virginia. See any Knights member to get your tickets. Thanks!

Diaper Drive!

Our church's Diaper Bank is going "full steam," helping parents-in-need when they can't afford diapers for their babies. In fact, the Bank is such a success that we often run low on supplies. We urgently need your help, especially when it comes to size 5 and 6 diapers. During September our church will continue our Diaper Drive to restock our Diaper Bank. Please consider donating a box or two of diapers, especially size 5 and 6, to the drive. Look for more information about this project in upcoming bulletins or see Sarah Ziemer or Bro. Roy.

Men's Group to Resume

The Holy Rosary Men's Group will begin meeting again each Saturday at 9 a.m. Please reach out to any men you know of who might be interested and invite them to attend. All faiths are welcome. If you have any questions call Skip at 681-533-8170.

College Students

Do you know of a college freshman who is going away to school for the first time? Let our parish card ministry send them a note of encouragement! Please drop their name and address in the basket at collection time!

September Server's Schedule

- Saturday 9/7: Posts
- Sunday 9/8: Frye's
- Saturday 9/14: McCartneys
- Sunday 9/15: Dahman and Murphy
- Saturday 9/21: Posts
- Sunday 9/22: Zirkle and Murphy

Are You Smarter?

Remember the T.V. quiz show, "Are You Smarter Than A Fifth Grader?" Here are some questions about Scripture and Church teaching that most Catholic fifth graders can answer. Can you?

- (1) What is the last Book of the Bible called?
- (2) Which prophet spent three days in the belly of a whale?
- (3) What was Noah's boat called at the time of the Great Flood?

(4) Name two of the four evangelists who wrote the Gospels.

Eucharistic Liturgies

- Saturday, Sept. 7**
7 p.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
- Sunday, Sept. 8**
11 a.m. – Ruth & Christopher Fallon (Holy Rosary)
- Monday, Sept. 9**
7:30 a.m. Poor Souls Deceased (Hospital)
- Tuesday, Sept. 10**
7:30 a.m. – Stella & Edward Marek (Hospital)
- Wednesday, Sept. 11**
7 p.m. – Thanksgiving for God's Divine Mercy & Blessings (Holy Rosary)
- Thursday, Sept. 12**
7:30 a.m. – Mary Owens & family (Hospital)
- Friday, Sept. 13**
7:30 a.m. – Susan Schock (Holy Rosary)
- Saturday, Sept. 14**
7 p.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
- Sunday, Sept. 15**
9 a.m. – Mary & Howard Cusick (Holy Rosary)

(5) Who received the Ten Commandments from God on Mount Sinai?

Prayer Shawl Group

The Prayer Shawl Group will begin our fall meeting on the first and third Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be September 18th at the home of P.T.Garton, 49 Meade Street. All are welcome to come from 9-10:30 a.m. (even beginners.) Last season we gave 11 shawls to hospice and 6 to nursing homes. Seven baby blankets were given to new mothers.

Upcoming SoulCore Class

Tuesday, 9/17/19 at 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 9/24/19 at 6:00 p.m.
All classes in Marist Hall or in side church yard, weather permitting.

School of Religion

Our Holy Rosary School of Religion program begins on Sunday, September 15, which is also the celebration of Catechetical Sunday. All parents are asked to register their students by seeing Doris Sandreth or Mary Hendricks after the liturgies.

Last Week's Collection

- Envelopes: \$1542.00
- Loose: \$60.00
- Building Fund: \$458.00



Almost There!

We are very close to our goal in the Catholic Sharing Appeal. Currently, we are \$2,194.00 short of our goal of \$11,990. Thanks to all who were able to give to the appeal! If you have not given, please remember that everything we donate come right back to our parish at this point. Thanks for your generosity!

September Celebrations!

Do you have a birthday or special celebration in your family for September? Celebrate with your parish family! Just drop a note in the collection basket or give it to Fr. Joe. Congratulations to all who celebrate in September.

Shirley Lundell	Sept. 4
Dennis Willett	Sept. 5
Maddie Williams	Sept. 5
Roger Lundell	Sept. 7
Ann Stalnaker	Sept. 15
Donna Broslawsky	Sept. 20
Chloe McCartney	Sept. 20
Tucker McCartney	Sept. 20
Jordan Shaver	Sept. 23
Meghan Williams	Sept. 24
Lori Post	Sept. 27
Pam Wilson	Sept. 28
Barbara Elmore	Sept. 29
Jerome Post	Sept. 30



Lector's Schedule

September 7: Mary Blake
Iris Carillo

Prayers, Please!

Bertha Small, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Phil Halligan, Randy Trent, Macyah Riley, Karen Trent, Casandra Wagner, Jack Call, Jalen Welcome, Joe Morton, Matthew Linger, David Vincent, Seth Poling, Cathy Lipscomb, Hugh Hensil, Charity Manspeaker, John Mundy, Barbara Elmore, Freddy Caimotto, James Barton, Mike Cerullo, Darell Hyre, Diane Hyre, Bill Fahey, Lorene Hardman, Freda Cawthon, Vicki Dibble, Gerogetta Sears, Rue Thompson.

Please pray for all men and women serving in the military.

Please pray for our homebound: Gene and Mary Stump, Denna Bayless, Virginia Cerullo, Anna Stalnaker, Ron Frye, Gerald Hackney, Rocena Asbury, John Sneberger, Betty Ledford, Bob Jeran, Lorraine McLean, James McCartney, Nancy Beverlin, Shirley Linger, Rosie Ketterman, Shirley Helmick, William McLean, Lorene Hardman, Anna Powell, Barbara Elmore, Gerry Stankus, Anna Powell.

September 8: Shanna Ericsson
Jessie Disbrow

Can You Help?

Tina Okoli, who is visiting from Nigeria, is a registered pediatric nurse and is looking for a part time job until she returns to Nigeria in October. She is willing to work cleaning jobs as well as caring for the elderly.

The money she makes from this work will be used to help internationally displaced children and orphans in Nigeria, where she already has a small house for them. Any work or donations would be appreciated. Please call 304-516-1546 and ask for Tina, who appreciates the love!

Greeter's Schedule

Sept. 07	Laurie Adams and Tom Sears
Sept. 08	Frank Gerard and Dennis Cortes
Sept. 14	Bro. Roy and Linda Coyner
Sept. 15	Carroll Westfall and Charlie Malcolm
Sept. 21	Cheryl and Jerry Moore
Sept. 22	Libby and Charlie Anderegg
Sept. 28	Mary Hendricks and Mary Blake
Sept. 29	Steve Jeran and Frank Gerard

(Answers to "Are You Smarter Than A Fifth Grader?")

Answers to "Are You Smarter Than A Fifth Grader?"

- (1) The Book of Revelation
- (2) Jonah
- (3) The Ark
- (4) Any two: Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John
- (5) Moses

Marist Spirituality: Moved With Compassion

How do we express to others the compassion of God? How do we help them to understand God's limitless love and mercy? This may come as a surprise, but there is no one way. Instead, there are many. Here is one story of how a famous opera singer, Edda Moser, unknowingly but most certainly extended compassion of God to the renowned musician and composer, Leonard Bernstein.

"In Amsterdam, Lenny had to record the Missa Solemnis for television," she related. "He entered the concert hall, nervous and smoking cigarette after cigarette. He seemed sad to the very core of his soul. When he raised his baton he didn't look at anyone, but cast a gaze of emptiness and despair. Then I began to sing the Kyrie. All of a sudden, he stopped the music and began to weep. I held my hand out to him. He took me in his arms and wept even more. Then he said to me, 'my wife is dying and your singing has brought me consolation.' I was thankful to have been able to have sung for him." Little did Edna Moser realize that God was using her as an instrument of his compassion.

Is God using us as his instrument as well? Like Edna Moser, we may not realize it but the answer is most assuredly yes. God often works in ways unknown to us, presenting us with grace-filled moments and opportunities to show unto others His love and

mercy. As Marist brothers and sisters, let us be open
to those moments.
Bro. Roy, S.M.