

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:  
September 3, 2023

Sunday, September 3, 9:00 AM

+ William Gearhardt  
+ Denise Groth

Tuesday, September 5, 8:00 AM

+ Peter & Dolores Kidron

Thursday, September 7, 8:00 AM

+ Linda Dziadosz (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

Sunday, September 10, 9:00 AM

+ Deceased Members of DeFacis Family



The Parish Office is open Monday  
– Thursday from 10 AM to 5 PM.

**TITHING REPORT**

Collection: 8/27/2023: \$1368.00

Assumption, \$70.00

Maintenance Fund, \$50.00

Memorial Candles (July & August), \$70.00

Missionary Co-Op Offering, \$134.00

**Ministry Schedule**

Sunday, September 10, 9:00 AM

Lector: Anna Troutman

Extraordinary Ministers: Dorothy Renn,  
Anita Lagerman

Servers: Ray Bednar

**Diocesan Annual Campaign**

It is not too late to donate to the 2023 Diocesan Appeal. We are still short of our goal. Envelopes are available in the pews of the church. Please considering donating to the Appeal if you haven't already done so.

The **Blessed Mother Candle** burns in loving memory of **Linda Dziadosz (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)** from husband, Andy.

The **St. Joseph Candle** burns in loving memory of **Owen Lagerman (27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)** from Anita & Family.

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**New Missals**

New Missals have been purchased and placed in the church. The Perpetual Missals are \$24.00 and will not have to be replaced yearly which will be a savings to the parish. We are offering the opportunity to donate a missal as a memorial for a loved one or to honor someone and have their name placed inside the cover of the missal, along with the name of the person making the request. If you are interested in purchasing a memorial, please use the form attached or call the parish office at 570-797-8251.

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Donated by: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

**A Mass for Hope and Healing** will be celebrated by Bishop Timothy Senior on Tuesday, September 19 at 7 PM at Saint Catherine Laboure Church, Harrisburg. During this Mass, we will pray for and with survivors of clerical sexual abuse. All are encouraged to attend.

## Announcements

Monday, September 4



The Parish Office will be closed today in observance of Labor Day.

Sunday, September 10

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection today is the **Peter's Pence Offering.**

*This collection helps support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works.*

### Pierogies....

Will be made on Monday, September 18. Please call the parish office to place your order.



### Religious Education

Our Religious Education classes will begin on Sunday, September 17 at 9:45 AM in Our Lady of Hope Parish Center. At 10:45 AM, the children will walk down to Our Lady of Hope to attend the 11:00 AM Mass and will be dismissed after Mass. All students are required to attend Mass as part of the Religious Education Program.

### Festival Update

Income from Friday and Saturday night, \$24,988.30.

Income from July Lottery tickets, pre-sale of pierogies, cash donations & Raffle Challenge amounted to \$3,028. Expenses were \$6688.25.

Total profit was \$21,328.05.

\$12,000 will applied to our July deficit.

\$9,328.05 will be placed back into the Cemetery Improvement Fund to replace what was taken to pay off our loan balance from last year.

### Deacon's Corner

The Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on Friday, September 8, nine months after the Immaculate Conception on December 8. This feast of Mary's birth has been celebrated in the Holy Church since the sixth century. Little is known about the birth or upbringing of Mary since Holy Scripture first introduces Mary at the Annunciation when the angel Gabriel announces that she was to become the Mother of the Son of God.

However, the *Protoevangelium of James*, a second century document, explains that Saints Anna and Joachim, Mary's parents, are infertile, but pray for a child. They receive a promise of a child who will aid God's plan for salvation in the world. This child is our Blessed Mother. Mary's parents raise her to love and serve Our Lord.

St. Augustine tells us that Mary's birth is linked with Jesus' work of salvation. He says the world should rejoice about her birth for "she is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth, the nature inherited from our first parents is changed."

On her birthday, may we pray, "Dearest Mother Mary, please pray for us, that we will more fully imitate your many virtues, so that we may be true disciples of your divine Son, Jesus Christ. Mother of God, pray for us."

### Charismatic Day of Renewal

Saturday, September 16 8 AM – 3 PM

Harrisburg Diocesan Center

"Healing: Jesus' Way"

Registration & more details:

<http://www.aliveinthepirit.net>

### St. Jude Novena 2023

Thursday, October 19 to Friday, October 27

Our Lady of Hope, Coal Township

Masses/Liturgies begin at 6:30 PM

The Heritage Building at the Trevorton Recreation Center will be open on Wednesday, September 6, from 6 to 8 PM, for anyone who would like to tour the building.