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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday
11:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m.

FAITH FORMATION

Call the Rectory Office
for Faith Formation information.

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Tuesdays, 1:00–5:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil:4:00 p.m.
Sunday:8:30 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday–Wednesday, Friday:.....8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: During weekend Masses. Parents must be practicing Catholics and attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. Call the rectory office to register.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): call the rectory office.

Reconciliation (Confessions): Upon request only.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage must make an appointment to meet personally with the Pastor before a definite wedding date may be scheduled. Church arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding. No wedding date will be scheduled over the phone.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill is invited to contact the rectory to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Parish Devotions (Cancelled until further notice).

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration : Tuesdays: 1:00–2:00 p.m.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays after 7:30 a.m.

Mass. Recitation of Rosary: daily after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Letters of Recommendation: Registered parishioners in good standing for a minimum of 3 months and active, who are confirmed, and if married, did so in accordance with the Church's regulations, will be issued letters on request. One week prior notice is required.



(Face masks are optional when you attend Mass.)

Saturday, August 14 - St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, martyr

Vigil: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
4:00 PM - Michael Sutton - req. Family

Sunday, August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 AM - Deacon Joseph P. Kane - req. Wife Donna & Sons

Monday, August 16 - St. Stephan of Hungary

8:30 AM - Felomina Moeller - req. Joe & Andrea Lesinski

Tuesday, August 17

8:30 AM - Joni Dillon - req. Schunk & Dillon Families

Wednesday, August 18

8:30 AM - Angelo Rizzuto - req. Family

Friday, August 20 - St. Bernard, abbot & doctor

8:30 AM - Keith Sarvas - req. Sullivan Family

Saturday, August 21 - St. Pius X, pope

Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Dorothy & Richard Miller - req. Family

Sunday, August 22 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM - Norma Hepner - req. Angela McGowan-Kirsch

In your prayers, please pray for the deceased of the parish.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 15



REVELATION 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

PSALM 45

CORINTHIANS 15:20-27

LUKE 1:39-56

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

JOSHUA 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

PSALM 34

EPHESIANS 5:21-32

JOHN 6:60-69

A Message from the Pastor

I always turn my phone off before I do anything, especially Mass. The rest of the time I keep it on vibrate so only I will know what is going on. Recently at Mass I heard a really soft chime sound. I don't think anyone else heard it. Without a second thought, my hand was trying to find its way through the vestments just to look at the screen to see what the emergency was. My mind stopped any action. I thanked God for the distraction and refocused on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass....all in less than a split second.

We are in charge of and responsible for our lives and all the amazing technology we have created. You can't say that the machine made me do it, nor anything or anyone else, for that matter. "Just because we can doesn't mean we should." We set the priorities, we make things moral. Morality is our responsibility.

When I was ordained, this scenario was impossible. We had no mini-me in our pocket. When the phone rang, it was in the other room. My point is that we control our surroundings, not that we are controlled by our surroundings. Even more important, listeners understand allusions because of what we jointly know from our common history.

Today's Feast of the Assumption of Mary actually bumps the Sunday readings and takes the place of the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. And we have been on such a roll. The other challenge for some is that the scriptures don't directly cite the Assumption of Mary. Note, though, that the feast day Gospel tells us of Mary's visiting Elizabeth.

Mary goes to the hill country of Judah, close to Jerusalem, and is greeted by Elizabeth. The people of that time immediately recognized the stories from Chronicles, which we heard at the Vigil Mass and from Samuel. David went out to the hill country of Judah to retrieve the Ark of the Lord and to take it to the special place prepared for it in Jerusalem. David had the priests carry it in a procession and celebrated.

Mary would have been recognized as the new Ark, who carried the word of God into the world. John danced in the womb before Mary. Mary is central to our history. She is the new Ark of the Lord: her end in time would not be compatible with the rest of the story.

The Book of Revelation, our first reading for the Mass during the day, describes the queen being attacked where the child is saved and the queen goes on to battle against the evil and to conquer. The woman goes out into the desert where she had a place prepared by God.

Mary, who literally carried the Lord, has a role that goes beyond time and space. Because of her faith, commitment and morality, uncorrupted Mary was assumed into Heaven where she continues to love us and God. She battles evil and prays for us. The apparitions over the years show that she is battling evil and praying for us.

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Church of the Most Precious Blood

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The History

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Most Precious Blood Parish

Let us do little things with great love.

ROSARY AND ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary and Altar Society is associated with the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary, Dominican Friars, Province of St. Joseph, headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. Established by charter dated October 27, 1957 at Most Precious Blood Church, the initial membership was 349. Members are called Rosarians. Once enrolled, a woman is a Rosarian for life.

Prior to 1957, the women's organization at MPB was the Ladies Sodality. A plaque on the door of Room 2 in the Parish Hall reads: Kindergarten Room, donated by Ladies Sodality 1953.

Members of the Rosary and Altar Society share common devotional and service goals. They praise and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and secure her patronage by the recitation of the Rosary. Through such fundraising activities as bake sales, raffles and towel parties, they contribute financially to MPB, especially for the needs of the altar.

All women of the parish, 17 years and older, are eligible for membership. In the past 64 years, 821 women have been inducted into the society. At present there are 275 members.

LADIES OF CHARITY

Beginning in 1970 with nineteen women of the parish, the Ladies of Charity came together to assist the needy. Through the collection of donations and gifts for the Giving Tree at Christmas time, they distribute clothes and toys to families in need.

The group also raises the spirits of shut-ins by visiting them at Christmas and Easter with a gift of a small plant.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

An organization for the men of Most Precious Blood, the Holy Name Society serves to promote the welfare of the parish through religious and social activities. The primary purpose of the group is to revere the Holy Name of God and Jesus Christ.

To raise funds for the benefit of the parish, members annually host activities including those that promote dining: Spaghetti Dinner, Pork Chop Dinner, Chicken Barbecue.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is the oldest layman's organization in the diocese. Its conference, or branch, is the oldest organization in Most Precious Blood Parish, having been organized in November 1937.

The original Society of St. Vincent de Paul was founded in France in 1833 by a group of students at the University of Paris, led by Frederic Ozanam. In an era when the Church was being called decadent by its enemies, Ozanam and eight colleagues formed, in the name of Christ, a Conference for Charity. It was dedicated to St. Vincent de Paul, who 200 years before was known as the "Apostle of Charity." These young people cared for the poor of Paris and were such an example of Christianity in action, that Conferences began to spring up all over France and soon in Spain, Germany, England, Ireland and other parts of Europe and the rest of the world.

John Timon founded Conferences in New York City and St. Louis. When he became Bishop of Buffalo, he started one in the area.

The local Conference provides material help to persons and families in need. Financed by donations, special collections and the congregation's generosity to the Poor Boxes, aid is in the form of food, clothing and shelter on a short term basis. When more assistance is needed, contact is made with social agencies.



8/8/21

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250 Club Drawing

The winner of the August 8 drawing is **Marie O'Connor** with ticket number 157.

There are 25 weekly drawings for \$50 each. Winners are announced in the bulletin. Ten final drawings totaling \$1,900, including the Grand Prize of \$1,000 will take place at the final drawings event November 6. Cash prizes for this fundraising event total \$3,150

August 21 & 22	MPB Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors
4:00 p.m.	A. Vail, F. Dybdahl, M. Hartzell, J. Sack	P. Pinto
8:30 a.m.	K. Wells, D. Hosler, L. Feider, J. Barone	J. Sedor

A Message from the Pastor

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No matter how far we advance with technology, we still are responsible. We make things moral. We have a role to play along with Mary. God's plan demands that we be responsible, that we fight evil, that we pray for one another and for the enemy.

Mary's fiat opened the doors of all time to salvation. May our fiat lead us through her to the everlasting Glory of God.

Blessings,

Fr. Tim

'Social' Event to Celebrate MPB's 150 Years

The Parish Council of Most Precious Blood Church will host an outdoor social Sunday, September 12 as part of the parish's Sesquicentennial celebration. It will take place in the area between the Parish Hall and the Annex. All parishioners are invited.

Luncheon will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. Although there is no cost, reservations are required. Please call the Parish Office (549-0420) no later than Monday, August 30 to confirm attendance. In case of rain, the event will be moved into the Hall.

Gazebo Concerts

The Village of Angola is in its 39th season of *Concerts at the Gazebo* in Angola's Centennial Park, 58 Center St. (behind the post office).

The last concert of the season at the Gazebo is Wednesday, August 18 at 7:00 p.m. and features **The Frankfurters, WNY's Most Popular German Band**. This concert is sponsored by the Evans Township Lions Club and the Buffalo Musicians Union.

Because of COVID restrictions, there are no indoor rain locations. Masks and distancing are encouraged.

Thinking About Separation or Divorce?

Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages. For details or to register call 474-9371 or you can visit <https://www.HelpOurMarriage.org>.

The next weekend is September 17-19. All calls are confidential and pre-registration is required. Space is limited.

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