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Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends:

Sat - 4 p.m. Sun - 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION: THE ASSURANCE WE NEED

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his

life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being, and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother

filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

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AUG. 14 SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. Lewis Melchior†
Dick Battista

AUG. 15 SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Julia Lavenski†
Sue Anne Myers

10:00 a.m. Eileen Klug†

Joan Klug & Family

AUG. 16 MONDAY

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

AUG. 17 TUESDAY

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

AUG. 18 WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. Patsy Miller†

Karen Robbins

AUG. 19 THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. Charles Freeman†

Tex & Theresa Reynolds

AUG. 20 FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. Vince Scarbin†

Chuck & Mary Taskalines

AUG. 21 SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. Alberta Klug†
on the 50th anniversary of her death

Jane Klug

AUG. 22 SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Dustin & Brandon Grizzel†

Lee & Bob Calabrese

NOON Charles Freeman†

@ picnic Sally & Zeke

WISHING ANDREW FAREWELL

Thank you to everyone who came to the Shrine following last week's 10 a.m. Mass to enjoy a lovely picnic lunch for Andrew before he leaves us. Andrew is on his way to California, where he will continue his discernment journey.

Please say a prayer for Andrew as he moves on from SFX and takes his next steps toward fulfilling his calling.

We will be forever grateful for his time at St. Francis.



Top: Sr. Agatha and Carolyn Gordon enjoy the setting as Andrew embraces his grandmother, Sharon Andrews, with his grandfather, Tom Andrews, standing alongside. Bottom: Enjoying fellowship and food!

All Welcome to Catholic Faith Inquiry Session

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Then Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults is for you!

The RCIA process introduces the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church. It helps you explore what it means to be a Christian. It prepares you to enter fully into our parish community of faith through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

We welcome all those who just returned to the Church, those who are new to the faith, baptized and unbaptized, those who missed Confirmation as young adults and those who are simply just searching for God.

We will have an inquiry session for those who are interested Sunday, Aug. 29, at 9 a.m. in church. Please call Fr. That Son at our parish office 304-845-1593 if you want to know more or need guidance.

Prayer REQUESTS

Recently Sick: Joseph Grampa, Bobby Kleinedler, Sandye Yoho, Anna Mae Veronis Holliday, Sami Wilson, Kathryn Ferrera, Sara Walters, Danielle Wilson, Loretta Saporito, Bob Balgo, Mary Stees, Sue Riffle, Judith Harbert, Megan Freeland Roskovensky, Mike Gardill, Richard Targosky Sr., Sandina Leonard.

Homebound: Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Semon & Phyllis Prado.

Nursing Homes: Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Raymond Pennybacker.

Names of those recently sick will appear for two months. Please resubmit requests for those who still need our healing prayers.

We send all our parish young people best wishes for a wonderful school year! STAY kind, WORK hard, GIVE joy, and KEEP God's love in your hearts always.

CALENDAR

Mondays until Aug. 30 7 p.m.	INFANT of PRAGUE NOVENA St. Mary's, Martins Ferry
Monday Aug. 30 6 p.m.	BEREAVEMENT GATHERING St. John Fellowship Hall 622 Main St., Benwood
Aug. 22 Mass at noon	PARISH PICNIC The Barn Moundsville
Sept. 21 6:30 p.m.	PARISH COUNCIL Church Hall
Oct. 7,8,9	CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS instant-scheduling.com

SCHEDULES AUGUST 21 & 22

LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. **M. Hitt / M. Taskalines**
8:00 a.m. **R. Hess / J. Hess**
10:00 a.m. **L. Niemiec / L. Yoho**

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A GREAT TIME

was had by all during last week's overnight charter trip to Lancaster, Pa., to see the biblical play *Queen Esther*.

Many travelers gave rave reviews of the play and the Sight and Sound Theatre, which features a 300-ft stage surrounding the audience on three sides.



*Top: On their way!
Bottom left: Fr. That Son before the show.
Bottom right: Longtime friends Mary Helen Marling, Mary Rose Robbins, Kathy Berry, Cathy Bartlett, and Linda Beck.*



OUR CHURCH IS DOING A NEW

pictorial directory! We want everyone to get new pictures made so that our directory will be complete. IT WON'T BE

COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!

Photo sessions are set for Oct. 7th, 8th, & 9th. There are many ways to set up appointments: sign up at the church picnic on the 22nd; sign up sheets will be in the back of church; call the parish office; or you can click on the link below:

<https://instant-scheduling.com>

THREE CAMERON HOMEOWNERS

will receive part of a \$10,000 Catholic Charities USA grant for ongoing flood recovery. Also, the town of Cameron has formed a Long-Term Recovery Committee to hear the cases of affected homeowners and provide aid from the town. St. Francis parishioner Dave Evans is on that committee if you wish to offer help. You can also volunteer or donate to efforts through Appalachian Outreach at 304-280-3817 or by emailing:

rhart1703@aol.com

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m. or upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PSR):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-12.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The diocese requires instructions beforehand for parents or guardians. Contact the parish office.

REGISTRATION, CHURCH SUPPORT:

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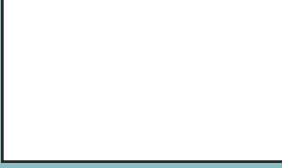
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