

August 2, 2020

**Our Lady Help of Christians Church  
Sacred Heart of Jesus Church**

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**Sacred Heart of Jesus Church  
Williamstown, PA**

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SHJ Hershey Park Fundraiser • Anne Romberger • 717-647-9182 & Jean Daniel • 717-647-9837

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Alcoholics Anonymous • Meet at OLHC Parish Hall • Sunday and Thursday @ 7 pm

Meals on Wheels • [rburns@dauphinc.org](mailto:rburns@dauphinc.org) • Robert Burns • 717-780-6315

“We, the parish community of Our Lady Help of Christians and Sacred Heart of Jesus, are a welcoming Catholic community in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Being nourished and strengthened by the graces we receive in the Eucharist and the other Sacraments, we are committed to praying and working together as one. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to live the Gospel of Jesus in our lives and to bring the truth of Christ’s salvation to the communities around us.”

**Saturday Vigil Mass:**

4:15pm Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Lykens.

**Sunday Morning Mass:**

8:15am and 10:30 am Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Lykens.

**Weekday Mass:**

Mon. – Wed. & Fri. 8:30am Our Lady Help of Christians, Lykens

**Holy Day Mass:**

12:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:00pm

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** 12:30pm: First & Third

Sundays of the month in Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Lykens. Pre-baptismal instructions must be completed in order to have your child baptized. Call the parish office before planning your child’s baptism.

**Matrimony:** Couples contemplating marriage in the Diocese of Harrisburg are to approach a Priest at least nine to twelve months before the date on which they plan to marry. No date may be finalized until the priest establishes the couple’s freedom to marry and determine their readiness for marriage.

**Visitation of the Sick:** Please notify the Rectory when a member of the parish is in the hospital or if someone is unable to attend Mass and wishes to receive Holy Communion. Anyone going into the hospital for surgery should contact the priest to receive the Anointing of the Sick

**The Sacrament of Penance:**

Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Lykens:  
Saturdays from 3:15 – 4:00pm outside, behind the Religious Education Building.

**Registration-** New Parishioners are invited to visit the parish office 9am - 3pm, Tuesday & Thursday. Please notify the parish office if your address or phone number changes.

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<i>Saturday, August 1</i> 4:15pm	<i>Saint Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> In memory of Elias and Mary Tiazkun
<i>Sunday, August 2</i> 8:15am 10:30 am	<i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> In memory of Gayle Kobularik by Greg and Beatrice Kerwin For the People of the Parish
<i>Monday, August 3</i> 8:30am	In Memory of John Bordner, Senior, by Ivy Bordner
<i>Tuesday, August 4</i> 8:30am	<i>Saint John Vianney, Priest</i> In memory of Anna Hain by Sheila Sowers
<i>Wednesday, August 5</i> 8:30am	In memory of Joseph F. Welsh, Senior by Joe and Pattie Welsh
<i>Thursday, August 6</i>	<i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>
<i>Friday, August 7</i> 8:30am	In memory of Anna Hain by Noreen and Mel Gochenaur
<i>Saturday, August 8</i> 4:15pm	<i>Saint Dominic, Priest</i> In memory of Jack and Alma Flynn
<i>Sunday, August 9</i> 8:15am 10:30 am	<i>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> For the People of the Parish In memory of Erma Mae Stoudt by her family

Our Lady Help of Christians Sanctuary Lamp burns: **For All Souls**

**Our Lady Help of Christians Church**  
**MINISTERS OF THE LITURGICAL**  
**CELEBRATIONS**

**Saturday, August 8, 2020 @ 4:15pm**

Altar Servers –  
Lector- Vincent Lamenza  
Greeters- Vincent Lamenza

**Sunday, August 9, 2020 @ 8:15am**

Altar Servers-  
Lector – Warren Thoma  
Greeter – Warren Thoma

**Sunday, August 9, 2020 @ 10:30 a.m.**

Lector –Joseph Mihalick  
Greeters – Ann Romberger, Jean Daniel

**A CALL TO A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY**

We are in need of four CCD teachers for 2020 as follows:  
Kindergarten/Pre School, First Grade, Fifth Grade &  
Seventh Grade

Please consider taking on this responsibility as part of  
your own spiritual journey which definitely brings you to  
a more fulfilling relationship with God. If you are  
interested in volunteering call

Jane Teter, Religious Education Coordinator,  
717-453-7895.

**Offerings, Collections** - July 26, 2020: \$7546.00  
Number of Envelopes: 87  
2019 Offering, Collections: \$4514.00 (combined)

**Second Collections:**

Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Air Conditioning  
Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>: Missionary Cooperative  
Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>: Maintenance Fund

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*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Seeking  
Balance*

**Reading I:** Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 (on vanity)

**Reading II:** Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 (mystical death and  
resurrection)

**Gospel:** Luke 12:13-21 (trust in God, not possessions)

**Key Passage:** And Jesus said to them, “Take care! Be  
on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life  
does not consist in the abundance of possessions.”

(Luke 12:15)

*Adult:* When have you felt that possessions were becoming  
too important in your life?

*Child:* Have you ever received a gift you wanted a lot and  
then found it didn’t make you as happy as you thought it  
would?

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William Martin  
Gary Klinger  
✠\*Almonzo  
\*Andrea Bixler  
\*Rita Bordner  
\*Nancy Brennan  
\*Michael Daniel  
\*Kathy Platzer Dougher  
\*Joyce Dolan  
\*Laretta Doyle  
\*Justin Drahovsky  
\*Brenda Garber

\*Deb Harman  
\*Sharon Hodge  
\*Brett Kaden  
\*Vincent Kennedy  
\*Shelly Klinger  
\*Evelyn Koppenhaver  
\*Mary Jane Koppenhaver  
\*Peter Kowalchuk  
\*John Kurtanick  
\*Donnie Laing  
\*Derek Larthey  
\*Natalie McMaster

\*Ruth McNalis  
\*Jimmy Modrijan  
\*Joyce Moyer  
\*Jeannie Nard  
\*Ken Rebuck  
\*William Sedessee  
\*Margaret Shadle  
\*Pat Shutt  
\*Eileen Sitlinger  
\*Carl Slough, Jr.  
\*Dorothy Snesavage  
\*Penny Stine

\*Anna Trawitz  
\*Peg Troutman  
\*Mary Trumpeter  
\*Mary Underkoffler  
\*Katie Wallace  
\*Steve Welker  
\*Roz Wilson  
\*Jim Willier  
\*Priscilla Wrubel  
\*Alice Yuslum  
✠\*Unborn Children

**The Missionary Cooperative Weekend** for this year was scheduled for the weekend of August 8/9, 2020. Below is a letter from Reverend Father Robert Sharman, Director of the Office of Pontifical Missions, Diocese of Harrisburg to the people of the Diocese of Harrisburg regarding the annual summer Missionary Cooperative appeals:

***Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,***

*This year has proven to be a very different and a very difficult time for our Church, our nation, our communities and for individuals. However, is not a time to be indifferent to those around the world who are suffering and need the solidarity of other Christians to face the pandemic and life's harsh realities.*

*Christian solidarity and a response to basic needs is at the heart of the Missionary Cooperative Program which our diocese sponsors each summer. To welcome a missionary priest to our parishes and listen with an open heart to his story allows each of us to hear the voice of Jesus challenging us to care for the "least ones". Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the decision was made to cancel in-person appeals for the summer Missionary Cooperative Program and instead institute a "Missionary Cooperative Sunday" in your parish wherein the pastor will read an appeal letter from that missionary organization and take a special collection for its needs. Even though the missionary visits have been canceled for this summer, our parishioners will still have the opportunity to bring the light of Jesus to those overwhelmed by shadows – to spread a contagion of hope to those who need to hear the Gospel and feel the powerful love of Jesus and His Church. Please be as generous as your present means allow.*

*Gratefully yours,*

***Reverend Robert F. Sharman, Diocesan Director, Office of Pontifical Missions***

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The Order assigned to our parish for the Missionary Cooperative weekend is the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, Cleveland, OH. Below is the letter from the Provincial Superior.

***As Provincial Superior of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament in the United States, I would like to assure you that we are involved around the world in various missionary activities and also support the work of many of our priests and brothers in countries that are not able to contribute financially to the work of the Gospel. We hope that you will find our cause worthy to include us in your Mission Cooperative Sunday in 2020. Thank you for your offering this opportunity during the pandemic this year. Our mission involves continuing our work of Eucharistic Evangelization in places where the message of Christ is not very well heard. In addition, we train and support lay people who function as catechists and work with us in our mission. We are present in much of Asia (Sri Lanka; India; Vietnam and the Philippines, Colombo, Brazil) as well as in Africa (Congo, Uganda, Senegal).***

*Praying for your continued health,*

*Sincerely in Christ Eucharistic,*

***Very Reverend Anthony Schueller, SSS, Provincial Superior***

*There is also an option for online giving to the missionary's cause at [www.hbgdiocese.org/missions](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/missions). Click on the **Donate** button and choose **Missionary Cooperative Appeal***

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Entrance	Side Entrance only.
Gloves	Gloves are not to be worn during the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. Gloves should not be used either at the distribution or reception of Holy Communion
Confessions	Saturday: 3:15-4:00 p.m. Face to face only and putting on face masks. The place is in between the Rectory and the Religious Education building. If you would like to sit, bring a lawn chair with you.
Masses	Saturday: 4:15 pm Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 a.m.
Hymns	There will only be: The Entrance Hymn, The Responsorial Psalm, and The Sending Forth Hymn. All the other parts of the Mass will be recited. Parishioners may take a copy of the Breaking Bread Hymnal. If you do so, remember to take it home with you and bring it each time you come for Mass. Any copy left in the Church will be taken and thrown out.
Collections	No taking up of collections. Place your envelope in the Collection Basket toward the front of the Church before/after the Mass.
Holy Communion	After the Mass

***Bishop Gainer has suspended the Sunday Obligation until further notice.***

- If you feel sick or have an underlying medical condition, please stay home!
- Face masks are required all the time you are in Church. Exceptions: Individuals with a medical condition that prevents use of masks and children under the age of 2.
- Make use of the hand sanitizer
- Keep six feet apart.
- The Church will now be opened **30 minutes** before the beginning of Holy Mass.

**ATTENTION PARENTS, GUARDIANS;** -----

**Religious Ed Registration** will be held Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> after the 4:15 p.m. Mass, Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> after the 8:15 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m. Masses in the School Social Hall. If you decide not to have your child attend the Religious Ed Program for the 2020-2021 school year, please make me aware of your decision no later than August 16, 2020. This information is vitally important in preparation of the classroom so we stay in compliance with the directives of the CDC and the Diocese of Harrisburg. If you have any questions, please call Jane Teter at 717-453-7895 Monday through Wednesday between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thank you and may God bless you and your families!

**CONFIRMATION:** On Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Father Mike will confirm 15 students from Our Lady Help of Christians and two students from Queen of Peace. On Friday, September 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. we will have practice in the church. Please use the side door entrance and wear a mask. All robes will be distributed at this practice. The day of confirmation we need to social distance, enter at the side door and wear masks, therefore please keep in mind we have 17 students and 17 sponsors so unfortunately I am afraid we will only have enough space for the parents of each student to attend this service. If you have any questions call Jane Teter at 717-453-7895.

**Our Lady's PCCW Council Meeting**

will be held on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall. Bea Kerwin's Committee will be serving refreshments at this meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend these meetings.

**RADA Cutlery:** fundraiser is ongoing. Go to <https://radafundraising.com> Search Sacred Heart PCCW to place an order. These are great, made in the USA, kitchen products.

**HEART OF MERCY – A COUNSELING MINISTRY:**

Scripture is the basis for a counseling ministry founded by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, Danville, PA providing merciful guidance toward healing troubled or wounded hearts. The dignity and self-worth given to each person by God can get buried in the struggles of life, that we all face at times. Contact by email: [faltavilla@hotmail.com](mailto:faltavilla@hotmail.com) or by phone 410-245-0870 with questions or to learn more.

***“Come to me, all of you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will give you rest” Matthew 11:28***