

Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

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Rev. Michael P Reid II, Pastor

Sandra Clark, Director Religious Education



Confessions: Saturdays 9:00 a.m.; First Sundays between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; and by appointment

Masses: Saturday at 4:30 p.m.; Sunday at 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m.; First Saturday at 8:00 a.m.; Holy Day Vigil at 5:30 p.m.; Holy Day at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; except Christmas, New Year

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday at 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.; First Sundays - Saturday at 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Rosary: Monday to Friday at 7:20 a.m.; Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Sunday at 10:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Friday 9:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday-Friday; Closed weekends, Holy Days & Holidays

Alternatives to Abortion:

call (717) 854-6285 or 1 (888) LIFE-AID [5433-243].

Tender Care Pregnancy Consultation Services:

600 John Street, Hanover, PA;

Text (717) 862-7050; Call (717) 633-1200;

Jackie@tendercare.org; Lori@tendercare.org

Help After Abortion:

Project Rachel (717) 857-2282; prm@hbgdiocese.org

Suicide and Crisis Hotline: 988

Parish Religious Education (K-8th): 8:45 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. on Sundays, September - May. For more information please contact Sandra Clark: (717) 632-1461 or smclark@pa.net.

Anointing of Sick: If you, or your loved one, is going to be admitted to or is in the hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, Confession, Holy Eucharist, or a visit from clergy or parishioner, then you MUST call the parish office.

Baptisms: will be scheduled on an individual basis; generally, Baptisms are celebrated Sundays at 12:30 P.M. A sacramental preparation class is required of parents and godparents.

Weddings: Engaged couples: please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the anticipated date of your wedding. We are looking forward to working with you as you prepare yourself spiritually for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Parish Thrift Shop: Open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Located in the basement of the Parish Education Building. (717) 633-6198.

Mass Intentions This Week



SAT DECEMBER 06 FIRST SATURDAY

Saint Nicholas of Myra, Bishop

8:00 am Joe Savel

9:00 am Parish Penance Service in Advent
Sacrament of Reconciliation

VIGIL: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

3:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament +

4:00 pm Rosary Adoration

4:30 pm Deceased Members of the C. J. Sneeringer Family

5:30 am Benediction

SUN DECEMBER 07 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 am Price Peeling

8:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament +

10:00 am Rosary Adoration

10:30 am People of the Parish

11:30 am Benediction

MON DECEMBER 08

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE B.V.M.

8:00 am Bernie Penn (L)

12:00 NOON Margaret Myers (L)

7:00 pm People of the Parish

TUE DECEMBER 09 *St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatatzin*

8:00 am Paul Smith Jr.

WED DECEMBER 10 *Our Lady of Loreto*

8:00 am Scott Ebert

THU DECEMBER 11 *St. Damasus I, Pope*

8:00 am Bob Ebert

FRI DECEMBER 12

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

8:00 am Bill & Evelyn Hofmann

8:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament +

9:30 am Benediction Adoration

SAT DECEMBER 13 SAINT LUCY, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

10:00 am This morning, The Sacrament of
Reconciliation will be celebrated in
Assumption BVM, McSherrystown.

GAUDETE SUNDAY

VIGIL: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm Peggy Ann Mahone

SUN DECEMBER 14 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 am People of the Parish

10:00 am Rosary

10:30 am Callistus Oparanozie

SQUIRE STORE HOLIDAY SALE

Get your holiday shopping done early for the Squire fans in your life! The Squire Store will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Sheppard Lobby on **Saturday, Dec. 13**. This is an in-person event. PayPal, cash, and checks are accepted. Please note: These items are different than those available from our 24/7 BSN Sideline Store (www.delonecatholic.org/community/alumni/squire-store).



Parish Life This Week

SUN DECEMBER 07

10:00 am - Rosary / Church

MON DECEMBER 08

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

TUE DECEMBER 09

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

6:00 pm - PCCW Meeting / Library

WED DECEMBER 10

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

7:00 pm - HDCCW Rosary / Zoom - Telephone - Home

THU DECEMBER 11

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

FRI DECEMBER 12

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

8:30 am - Holy Hour: Adoration

10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

12 Noon - Legion of Mary Praesidium / Library

6:00 pm - No OCIA session

SAT DECEMBER 13

10:00 am - Confessions at Annunciation BVM

10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

4:00 pm - Rosary / Church

Everyone is encouraged to gather for the
ROSARY ON THE SQUARE IN NEW OXFORD
to pray for America and the world at 12 Noon
this coming Saturday, September 13th.

MILITARY HONOR ROLL to be read at Christmas Masses

If your family member is currently serving in the Marine Corps, Army, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines, or National Guard, including cadets and midshipmen, then please call the Parish Office before December 22nd to add their name, rank/rating, and branch of service to our Parish's Christmas military honor roll, which will be read at each Mass on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Example:

John Higgins, Master Sergeant, United States Air Force

VOCATIONS

"The kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

Matthew 3:2

John's call to prepare for Christ echoes in every family. In holy matrimony, love and faith creates the foundation where God's kingdom flourishes. Is God calling you to build a holy family? Ask Him to show you His way by praying for your (future) spouse and children. Talk to your priest or reach out to Father Joshua Weaver, Vocation Director, at (717) 657-4804 or email him at frjweaver@hbgdiocese.org.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

EMofHC

Lector

Altar Servers

December 06 / 07

4:30 p.m.	P. Christian	M. Lybarger	A. & T. Kuhn
7:30 a.m.	F. Livelsberger	N. Spangler	V. & T. Caracino
10:30 a.m.	J. Mundorff	J. Krill	C. Oparanozie, C. Spangler

December 13 / 14

4:30 p.m.	H. Strausbaugh	J. Krill	G. McKee, N. Brinkerhoff
7:30 a.m.	J. Smith	C. Caracino	V. & T. Caracino
10:30 a.m.	J. Mundorff	Jim McDonald	H. & K. Roth

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Identity

We are a messianic people established by Christ as a communion of life, charity and truth.

Mission

We are at work with Christ as His instruments for the redemption of all. We are sent forth by Christ into the whole world as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

NEIGHBORS *Helping* NEIGHBORS

PROVIDE-A-LUNCH

Stuffing Mix, Tuna Canned in Water, Scalloped Potatoes, Hot Dog / Hamburger Rolls VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THANKSGIVING

***Please no expired food donations**

RUTH'S HARVEST

Small Canned Vegetables, Single Serve Fruit Cups, Single Serve Cereal, Single Serve Mac & Cheese, Individual Non-Perishable Food Items

MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Thermal Socks, Word Search / Crossword Puzzle Books, Easy Chew Snacks (applesauce, fruit cups, crackers)

CHANGING LIVES SHELTER

Fleece Blankets, Twin size fitted and flat sheets, Travel size shampoo and /or conditioner, Washcloths and bar soap / Body Wash, Hot Hands

GOD'S MEAL BARREL

STC CHRISTMAS SHOWS

Saint Teresa of Calcutta will host two Christmas shows on **Thursday, December 11th at 6 pm** in the gym (55 Basilica Dr.) for the CC campus (grades PK-2), and **Thursday, December 18th at 6 pm** at Immaculate Conception (106 Carlise St., New Oxford) for the MC campus (grades 3-8). We would love to have you attend!

COMING IN 2026: THE CATHOLIC WITNESS MAGAZINE

Help reach thousands of households in 15 counties by supporting the production and distribution of the *Catholic Witness Magazine*. Learn more and donate at www.catholicwitness.org/catholic-witness-magazine/.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

A lifetime of service deserves care in return, "Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care to the sisters in our community," says Sister M. Stephanie Belgeri, 73, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, Illinois. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving next week.

CELEBRATING LIFE

Do you make space in your day to truly listen to God through His Word? Have you tried *lectio divina*?



THE ARTS AT DELONE CATHOLIC PRESENTS THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us on **Sunday, Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m.**, as The Arts at Delone Catholic presents our annual Christmas Concert on stage in the Delone Gym. This performance will feature: Junior Band, Chorus, Flute Ensemble, Clarinet Ensemble, and Concert Band. All are welcome to attend. Donations are accepted at the door or at

www.DeloneCatholic.org/BoxOffice.

MAINTENANCE POSITION

The Cecilian Village in McSherrystown is seeking to fill a part-time maintenance position. Please contact Sister Vicki Staub (717-521-7273) for more information and an application.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



The Parish Council of Catholic Women are sponsoring the Christmas Giving Tree again this year. The tree can be found in the back of the church. The following items which will be given to various organizations are appreciated: gloves, mittens, hats, socks and scarves. Thank you for your generosity.

Catholic Charities York Intensive Family Services is launching a new INTENSIVE SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP

for individuals who have experienced domestic violence. This group will offer emotional support, education, and empowerment as survivors work toward healing and rebuilding their lives. For more information or to make a referral, contact: **Suzanne Kearse** at 717-515-9134 or skearse@cchbg.org.

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

From commentary on Isaiah by Eusebius of Caesarea (Cap. 40: PG 24, 366-367)

The voice in the wilderness

"The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God." The prophecy makes clear that it is to be fulfilled, not in Jerusalem but in the wilderness: it is there that the glory of the Lord is to appear, and God's salvation is to be made known to all mankind.

It was in the wilderness that God's saving presence was proclaimed by John the Baptist, and there that God's salvation was seen. The words of this prophecy were fulfilled when Christ and his glory were made manifest to all: after his baptism the heavens opened, and the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove rested on him, and the Father's voice was heard, bearing witness to the Son: "This is my beloved Son, listen to him."

The prophecy meant that God was to come to a deserted place, inaccessible from the beginning. None of the pagans had any knowledge of God, since his holy servants and prophets were kept from approaching them. The voice commands that a way be prepared for the Word of God: the rough and trackless ground is to be made level, so that our God may find a highway when he comes. "Prepare the way of the Lord": the way is the preaching of the Gospel, the new message of consolation, ready to bring to all mankind the knowledge of God's saving power.

"Climb on a high mountain, bearer of good news to Zion. Lift up your voice in strength, bearer of good news to Jerusalem." These words harmonise very well with the meaning of what has gone before. They refer opportunely to the evangelists and proclaim the coming of God to men, after speaking of the voice crying in the wilderness. Mention of the evangelists suitably follows the prophecy on John the Baptist.

What does Zion mean if not the city previously called Jerusalem? This is the mountain referred to in that passage from Scripture: Here is mount Zion, where you dwelt. The Apostle says: You have come to mount Zion. Does not this refer to the company of the apostles, chosen from the former people of the circumcision?

This is the Zion, the Jerusalem, that received God's salvation. It stands aloft on the mountain of God, that is, it is raised high on the only-begotten Word of God. It is commanded to climb the high mountain and announce the word of salvation. Who is the bearer of the good news but the company of the evangelists? What does it mean to bear the good news but to preach to all nations, but first of all to the cities of Judah, the coming of Christ on earth? ¹

Live for God.

Be transformed by His Grace.

Go and make disciples.

Peace in Christ, *Father Michael*

¹ <https://www.liturgies.net/Liturgies/Catholic/loh/advent/week2sundayor.htm>

BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

Enlarging our Parish liturgical ministries is a vital need at this time. Please consider the following opportunities: Extraordinary Ministers for Mass and/or to bring Communion to the home bound, Lectors, Ushers, Choir members, and the Sacristan Team to care for liturgical goods. If interested, call our Parish office at (717) 637-4625. We appreciate your time and effort!

ADVENT CANDLES AVAILABLE

Candles and envelopes can be found in the back of church. Cost is \$5.00 per box. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket. Benefits the Parish Council of Catholic Women.

CALENDARS

This is the time of year when we often receive calendars in the mail from various organizations.

If you receive more than you need please consider dropping them off in the Parish Office. We collect them and then distribute them to local Nursing Homes and Personal Care Homes. They add colorful pictures to the Residents rooms as well as help them to keep track of the day and date. Thank you for your support.

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FLOOD	EATING	DRINKING
WIVES	HUSBANDS	ARK
FIELDS	WOMEN	MILLSTONE
AWAKE	BURGLAR	READY

