

MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH



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*Mary,
Mother of the Redeemer,
Mother of the Church,
Pray for us!*

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses:	Saturday, 4:30 pm ✕ Sunday, 8:30 am & 11:00 am
Daily Mass:	8:30 am on Tues, Thurs, & Fri ✕ 6:00 pm on Wed ✕ First Saturday, 8:30 am
Holy Days of Obligation:	Vigil Mass (<i>evening before</i>), 5:30 pm ✕ Holy Day, 7:00 am & 7:00 pm (Times <i>may</i> change)
Confessions:	Saturdays, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm ✕ <i>Other times will be announced</i>
Parish Office Hours:	Mon to Fri, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm (<i>closed Holy Days and holidays</i>)

ADORATION: September to May: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm ✕ Fridays, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
June to August: First Fridays only, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism for children is usually scheduled on Saturday mornings. Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation session PRIOR to the child's Baptism. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married, please make an appointment with the Pastor AT LEAST 9 months prior to any desired wedding date.

RELIGIOUS ED: Children in Pre-School to 8th Grade should be registered in our F.I.R.E program (Religious Education).
First Holy Communion and Confirmation: mandated two year program for each Sacrament prep

LIFE TEEN: High School youth ministry, please see bulletin for current events and schedule

R.C.I.A.: Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact Dennis Emmons, demmons56@aol.com

Stewardship A Way of Life

Tithing: God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing: weekend February 2, 2020	\$10,963.50
Income for February 3, 2019	\$9,860.00
Children's "Little Church"	\$27.00
Votive Candles	\$109.50
Poor Box/Angel Outreach	\$48.37
2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign Goal	\$55,100.00
2019 " " " rec. a/o 1/1/20	\$61,522.00

686 People attended Mass last weekend

Comments on Tithing from the pews: "I am one who believes in tithing. I know personally that if you give out of your heart of love and believe that God does truly supply all your needs according to his riches in Glory, you will not be in need of anything."

MMOC Prayer Chain: 717-653-5542

Knights of Columbus - Contact information: George Ross at 717-653-5293

MMOC Nursery: The Nursery will be available during the 11am Sunday morning Mass in the FIRE Preschool Room for children 0-4yrs of age. If you are interested in volunteering in the Nursery, please contact Michelle Sikora at mcsikora@comcast.net or 717-579-9008. Thank you.

Parish Care Ministry: do you have any specific needs that the Parish could possibly help in some way? Groceries? Rides? A listening ear? Wanting to get more involved or share your talents? Message our Care Ministry at mmoccare@gmail.com, or call the Parish Office and let us know how to get in touch with you.

Note: 10 previous weeks bulletins are available on the parish website. Also the current Ministry Schedule.

Please [notify the office](#) within 30 days of the birth of a child or if a [family member moves out](#) so your records can be updated in the church files.

Also, please notify the office if your [phone number](#) or [address has changed](#) so church records can be updated.

EXTRA COLLECTION for month of February:
Poor Missions - February 8-9

ONE LINER of the Week: Instead of pointing a critical finger, try holding out a helping hand.



BACK TO BASICS

Salt and light are the two symbols that Jesus sets before us in today's Gospel. He says we are salt and light in the world, but only when we put ourselves to good and useful purposes. In ancient times salt was valuable not only as seasoning, but also to preserve foods and disinfect wounds. Salt signified permanence, loyalty, and commitment. In those days salt came either from evaporated sea water or from the Dead Sea. The crystals were large and grayish in color because of the presence of other minerals. The taste was different from what we are used to, and

without additives to keep it stable, the salt could eventually leach out. What is left tastes "flat" and was worthless as a seasoning and useful only for keeping footpaths free of vegetation and occasional snow in winter. That may be why Jesus says it is then "no longer good for anything but to be . . . trampled underfoot" (Matthew 5:13). A light is only useful if it provides illumination for human purposes. Houses in Jesus' time were lit with small oil lamps. Oil was not cheap; therefore, lamps were only lit for what were essential and important activities—the Sabbath meal for example—to be shared by all. In a time before electricity, even one small oil lamp would have seemed very bright in the darkness, and a reminder of God as the creator of light. The prophet Isaiah in today's first reading gives us a "road map" of how to be light and salt in the world: "Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked . . . and do not turn your back on your own" (Isaiah 58:7). Take care of the human family, and your good deeds, says Jesus, will be like light and cause others to "glorify your heavenly Father" (Matthew 5:16). Copyright © 2010, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

Living Stewardship Now

What are your deeds of salt and light? Do you serve your fellow parishioners? Are you involved with local charities or community action? Do you need to increase or change your involvement? Copyright © 2010, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

LO MÁS ELEMENTAL

La sal y la luz son dos símbolos que Jesús nos presenta en el Evangelio de hoy. Él dice que nosotros somos sal y luz en el mundo, pero sólo cuando nos decidimos a ser útiles y a hacer el bien. En la antigüedad la sal no sólo servía para condimentar los alimentos, sino también para preservarlos y desinfectar las heridas. La sal significaba permanencia, fidelidad y compromiso. En esos tiempos la sal provenía del agua del mar evaporada o del Mar Muerto. Los granos eran más grandes y tenían un color grisáceo debido a la presencia de otros minerales. El sabor era diferente al que estamos acostumbrados y sin aditivos para su conservación, la sal podía, a la larga, desvanecerse. Lo que queda tiene un sabor insípido que no sirve para condimentar, sino más bien para dejar sin vegetación los caminos transitables y ocasionalmente para limpiar la nieve en el invierno. Es probable que por eso Jesús dijera que "ya no sirve para nada y se tira a la calle para que la pise la gente" (Mateo 5:13). Una luz es útil sólo si da iluminación para algún propósito humano. Las casas en tiempos de Jesús se iluminaban con pequeñas lámparas de aceite. El aceite no era barato, por tanto las lámparas se iluminaban sólo para aquellas actividades esenciales e importantes—la comida del sábado, por ejemplo—y para compartirla con todos. Antes de la electricidad una lámpara de aceite, por pequeña que fuera, parecía muy brillante en la oscuridad y recordaba a Dios como creador de la luz. El profeta Isaías nos ofrece en la primera lectura de hoy una guía de cómo ser luz y sal en el mundo: ". . . que compartas tu pan con el hambriento y abras tu casa al pobre sin techo; que vistas al desnudo y no le des la espalda a tu propio hermano" (Isaías 58:7). Dice Jesús que cuando cuidas de la familia humana con tus buenas obras eres luz y haces que otros "den gloria a su Padre, que está en los cielos" (Mateo 5:16). Copyright © 2010, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

¿Cuáles son tus obras de sal y luz? ¿Prestas algún servicio a tus compañeros parroquianos? ¿Te involucras en obras de caridad locales o actividades comunitarias? ¿Necesitas aumentar o cambiar tu participación? Copyright © 2010, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

THE JUST MAN IS A LIGHT IN DARKNESS TO THE UP-RIGHT.

OUR PARISH

“Be An Angel Every Second” – This weekend is the Guardian Angels’ monthly “collection” of grocery gift cards and cash donations for parishioners in need. Please place all donations marked for “Angel Outreach” in the box in the Narthex (next to SCRIP table) or in the collection basket. Thank you for your continued support! Questions, contact Lena Shank.

New Server Schedule will be made up starting with March 7-8 weekend. **Please let the office know of any dates you will be unavailable to serve. Deadline to notify office is February 10.**

The **MMOC Young Adult Group** will be holding their next meeting on **Sunday, February 9th from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM** in the parish social hall. Anyone is welcome and feel free to invite friends who may benefit from a community of Catholics looking to strengthen their bond with each other and with Christ. Please contact Ben Heisey with any questions at bsheisey@gmail.com.

CCW is collecting cards and encouraging notes for our seminarian, Andrew St. Denis, and Sr. Mary Elizabeth Wentling as they continue their journeys. Cards and notes can be placed in the basket near the scrip table in the Narthex. Andrew’s birthday is February 13! We will collect different things every other month. Check the bulletin or CCW email for updates. Thanks for supporting our young people!

Please join the Respect Life Team next weekend in **praying a pro-life rosary** prior to the 8:30 Mass on **Sunday, February 16th, starting at 8:00 AM.**

Father will be having **Palm Burning** (weather permitting) on **Wednesday, February 19th at 6:45 PM.** Please place any old palm you want to be burned in container marked used palm in the narthex..

Knights of Columbus and Florin Church of Brethren in Mount Joy are planning a **blood drive** in February. If you would like to give a gift of life blood, see sign-up sheet in narthex next to St. Mark’s sign-up sheet.

Winter Schedule: When Donegal School district **delays or closes school** due to inclement weather, our daily Mass will be held at **Noon.**

God’s Joyful Army prayer group will meet on **Saturday’s 3-4 PM** in the Church. Come and pray for our kids and for the whole world. For any questions contact Sheila Stephanis @ sstephanis@gmail.com

Consecration to Jesus through Mary: We are again offering a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration at MMOC. **Beginning February 22nd** and ending on the Solemnity of the Annunciation (March 25th), we will learn from four great Marian giants: St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and St. John Paul the Great. We will meet from 9:30am-11:30am on Saturday mornings (2/22, 2/29, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21) to reflect on our daily reading and view video presentations by Fr. Michael Gaitley of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception, ending with Mass on Wednesday, March 25th at 6pm for the consecration. Contact Paula Kocen at paulakocen@gmail.com or (717-572-0705) for more information and to register. Registrations will be accepted until Monday, February 10th to allow time to order books. Cost is \$30 and money is available in the event of hardship.

Thank you to Joseph & Patricia Gilmartin for their donation to MMOC in memory of James Price.

Thank you to Gene & Pat Kirchner, Jim & Sharon Roberts, Joe & Barbara Ives for their donations to MMOC in memory of Mike Guinivan.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE

****The Rosary is prayed before the daily Mass****

SATURDAY: February 8th

4:30 PM Mass: +Geraldine Toole

Lector: Jane Bacon

Ext. Min: P. Gibbs, D. Irwin, K. McCart, B. & Connie Waltz

Alt. Ser: Abigail & Marleigh Ballard, Derek Irwin

SUNDAY: February 9th

8:30 AM Mass: All Parishioners of MMOC

Lector: Patrick Kocen

Ext. Min: C. Khuu, M. Markovits, T. & D. Quinn, D. Torborg

Alt. Ser: Betty & Joel Grillo, Kyle Huncher

F.I.R.E.

11:00 AM Mass: +Edna Cassaccio (Life Teen Mass)

Lector: Karen Siegel

Ext. Min: J. & J. Beck, M. Blackburn, E. Blew, D. O’Connell

Alt. Ser: Tyler Blew, Paige & Billy O’Connell

12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM: Life Night

MONDAY: February 10th: No Mass

TUESDAY: February 11th

8:30 AM Mass: +Anthony John & Mildred Michniewicz

WEDNESDAY: February 12th

6:00 PM Mass: +Douglas Hall

6:30 - 8:30 PM: Adoration

6:45 - 8:30 PM: EDGE

THURSDAY: February 13th

8:30 AM Mass: +Theresa Lombardo

FRIDAY: February 14th

8:30 AM Mass: +Mildred Emmons

9:00 AM - Noon: Adoration

SATURDAY: February 15th

4:30 PM Mass: +Anthony Devito

Lector: Michele Stuck

Ext. Min: P. Bradley, P. Bush, J. & M. Fuddy, C. Murphy

Alt. Ser: Declan & Kieran Sheehan, Derek Irwin

SUNDAY: February 16th

8:30 AM Mass: +Cullen Walsh

Lector: Bob Jerman

Ext. Min: D. Emmons, A. & C. Spinelli, D. & S. Willison

Alt. Ser: Mitch Scordo, Zachary Willison, Allison Krebs

F.I.R.E.

11:00 AM Mass: All Parishioners of MMOC

Lector: Kendall Krulock

Ext. Min: K. Kaiser, J. Krulock, Jr., V. Nolt, R. St. Denis, Donna

O’Connell

Alt. Ser: Gabriella Hakes, Julia & Elyssa Nolt

Scripture Readings for the Week of February 9, 2020

Sunday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
Monday	Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	Our Lady of Lourdes 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop 1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1-10