

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Joel and Joy Trimmer "in thanksgiving for our 4 grandchildren and in honor of Rowan and Taylor's First Holy Communion".

## Mass Intentions

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Kathy Strausbaugh
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Marcia Ann Lindsey
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish
<b>First Holy Communion 12:00Noon</b> Celebrant's Intention		
Mon.	8:00a.m.	Living & deceased members of S. Francis and Marie Riser family
Tues.	8:00a.m.	Lien Thai
Wed.	8:00a.m.	Commemoration of William and Leona "Pony" McIntyre's Anniversary
Thurs.	8:00a.m.	Mary P. Groft
	<b>First Friday 8:30a.m.</b>	Helen Behe
	<b>7:00p.m.</b>	Joe, Stella and Bobbi Miller
Sat.	5:30p.m.	Robert V. Myers
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Burnell Lawrence
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish

## Offertory Procession

Sat. May 5 <sup>th</sup>	5:30p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Tom Myers
Sun. May 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:30a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Rob Little
	10:00a.m.	Annette, Abby & Jessie Crawford



**A Second Collection "Catholic Home Missions Appeal" will be taken this weekend.**

**Attention Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors: we would like to get the summer schedule out so PLEASE put your serving preferences in the scheduler ASAP!**

**From the Pastor:** The following is excerpted from Blessed Paul XVI's Encyclical *Mysterium Fidei* (The Mystery of Faith-On the Doctrine and Worship of the Eucharist):  
It is to be desired that the faithful, every day and in great numbers, actively participate in the Sacrifice of the Mass, receive Holy Communion with a pure heart, and give thanks to Christ Our Lord for so great a gift. Let them remember these words: "The desire of Jesus Christ and of the Church that all the faithful receive daily Communion means above all that through the sacramental union with God they may obtain the strength necessary for mastering their passions, for purifying themselves of their daily venial faults and for avoiding the grave sins to which human frailty is exposed." In the course of the day the faithful should not omit to visit the Blessed Sacrament, which according to the liturgical laws must be kept in the churches with great reverence in a most honorable

location. Such visits are a proof of gratitude, an expression of love, an acknowledgment of the Lord's presence.  
No one can fail to understand that the Divine Eucharist bestows upon the Christian people an incomparable dignity. Not only while the sacrifice is offered and the sacrament is received, but as long as the Eucharist is kept in our churches and oratories, Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, "God with us." Day and night He is in our midst, He dwells with us, full of grace and truth. He restores morality, nourishes virtues, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak. He proposes His own example to those who come to Him that all may learn to be, like Himself, meek and humble of heart and to seek not their own interests but those of God.  
Anyone who approaches this august Sacrament with special devotion and endeavors to return generous love for Christ's own infinite love, will experience and fully understand — not without spiritual joy and fruit — how precious is the life hidden with Christ in God and how great is the value of converse with Christ, for there is nothing more consoling on earth, nothing more efficacious for advancing along the road of holiness.

**Congratulations to our Second Grade Parishioners who will receive their First Holy Communion this Sun. at Noon.**

**If you would like to put flowers on Mary's Altar for the month of May please use the blue pages in the Flower Book which is located on the table behind the last pew.** Please put your name, address and most importantly your phone number as this serves as your account number with the florist. Each arrangement is \$30.00 and you will billed directly from the florist.

**We collected \$9,599.80 for the Easter Collection!** Thanks to all who contributed!

**A Spring Open House will be held at St. Joseph Academy Pre-School this Sun. Apr. 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:30a.m. – 1:00p.m. located at 90 Main St. McSherrystown.** Registration is now open for 2018-19 for the Program for 3 year olds, (two mornings per week) and two Programs for 4 year olds (three or five days 8:00a.m. – 2:30p.m.)

**All are welcome to enjoy a Spring Concert Performance this Sun. Apr. 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m. in the Old Gymnasium at Delone Catholic.** A free will offering will be collected.

**All are welcome to the May Procession here at the Basilica on Sun. May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.** The Procession to the Church will begin in the Parish Hall, (weather permitting). Please continue to attend May devotions every Sun. in May at 7:00p.m.

**Please come and help with the first clean-up of the year at the Picnic Woods Sat. May 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.** Bring your

rakes, string trimmers, shovels and other garden tools. Kids are welcome, we need them to pick up sticks!

**"Walk for Life" will be held Sat. May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Brethren Home 2990 Carlisle Pk. New Oxford.** Registration begins at 9:00a.m. and the Walk is at 10:00a.m. For more information or to register go to [www.tendercare.org/events](http://www.tendercare.org/events) or call Deb at 717-633-9685.

**The John Gastley Scholarship Foundation is pleased to announce the 10<sup>th</sup> Scholarship Award \$100 Dinner Raffle, with a grand prize of \$5,000 and 29 other \$100 prizes, to be held at SAVES Hall in Brushtown, on Sat. May 12<sup>th</sup>.** One \$100 ticket admits two people for food, select beverages and opportunities to play small games of chance. Doors open at 4:30, dinner is served at 5:30 and the drawing begins at 6:30 p.m. You do not need to be present to win. To purchase tickets or for more information, contact Andy Angel at [andya@angelsystems.com](mailto:andya@angelsystems.com) or call Chris Cline at Delone Catholic at 717-624-6612. Tickets may also be purchased online at [www.gastleyfoundation.com](http://www.gastleyfoundation.com).

The Gettysburg Choral Society of Trinity United Church of Christ Presents "America Sings!" a concert celebrating our nations choral music. **It will be held Fri. May 18<sup>th</sup> 7:30p.m. at Trinity United Church of Christ, 60 E High St, Gettysburg.** Admission is free, all are welcome. Donations appreciated.

**The Children's Rosary Group will gather Sun. May 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:00p.m. at the Adoration Chapel, 9 N. Third St. McSherrystown.** For more information call Vickie Bunty 717-632-3245.

**The East Berlin Community Singers, under the direction of Jane D. Johnston, will be holding their Fifth Anniversary Concert entitled "Hallelujah", on Sun. May 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00p.m. at Paradise Lutheran Church, 3241 Church Road, Thomasville.** Bring along a canned good to donate to the Abbottstown /East Berlin Food Bank. A free will offering will be taken at Intermission. Also featured is the Bermudian Springs High School Eagle Singers.

## St. Teresa of Calcutta School News

**Open Part-time Position for Director of Development & Fundraising:** job requirements include coordinating, managing, and overseeing all fundraising events, policies, and procedures of the school so as to provide funds necessary for the school's budget and needs and to protect regular donors and supporters of our school. If interested in applying for this position, please send letter of interest and resume no later than Tues. May 1<sup>st</sup>. Please email: [businessoffice@stck8school.org](mailto:businessoffice@stck8school.org) or mail: St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School, Business Office, 316 North St., McSherrystown.