

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH – NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HIGH HILL
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023 – TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 25:6-10a Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10 (142)
Laity Sunday

Wednesday, October 18 th	5:30 PM	Weldon Kaase †
Sunday, October 22 nd	10:15 AM	Living & Deceased members of the Frank Sr. & Josephine Muenster Family
Wednesday, October 25 th	5:30 PM	Walter Ripper †
Saturday, October 28 th	2:00 PM	Wedding - Alexander Ochoa and Jenna Mahaffey
Sunday, October 29 th	10:15 AM	Deceased members of the St. Joseph's Society †

ST. ANNE'S SOCIETY

St. Anne Society will meet Monday, October 16th, at 6:30 PM in the hall meeting room. This is the last meeting of the year, and all members are urged to attend to discuss final business of 2023.

APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

The workers' appreciation luncheon for all of those who volunteered and helped make the St. Mary Church Picnic a success will be held on Sunday, October 22, after the 10:15 AM Mass in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP to Joyce Dittrich at (979)561-6803 or Buddy Dittrich at (979)743-5585 by October 18th. The meal will consist of chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, carrots, broccoli salad and peach cobbler.



HARVEST MASS

There will be a Harvest Mass celebrated on Saturday, October 28 at 10 AM at Whistling Duck Vineyard & Winery (1211 CR 273, Weimar). The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Brendan Cahill. The Mass will celebrate all on the farm or in the city, tilling a field, weeding a garden or tending to plant life in an apartment window. We will celebrate together in thanksgiving for the bountiful harvest and the gift of being stewards of the earth and bearers of fruit. A reception will follow. Attendees should bring a lawn chair.

RICE BOWL GRANTS

Did you know that 25 percent of the monies collected from the weekly **Lenten Rice Bowl** collections remains in the diocese to be used to alleviate hunger in the local community? Grant opportunities are now available for organizations that help fight hunger on the local level. Go to www.victoriadiocese.org/grants for the application and criteria. The deadline for the application is Nov. 15. For information, contact Debbie Vanelli, Coordinator for Diocese of Victoria CRS at dvanelli@hfccvic.org.

CCHD GRANTS

The **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** is dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty by funding programs that encourage independence. Your generous donations are essential to its success. One-fourth of the funds collected remain in our diocese for local anti-poverty projects. Grant opportunities are available for organizations working toward systemic change on the local level. Go to www.victoriadiocese.org/grants for the application and criteria. Deadline is Nov. 15. For information, email Debbie Vanelli: dvanelli@hfccvic.org.

ITEMS FOR BULLETIN

Please submit items for the bulletin by e-mail to Susie Shank at weshank6@gmail.com by the Monday prior to the weekend it will be run. Thank you.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 23	<i>Special Collection</i> - World Mission Sunday
November 1	All Saints
November 2	All Souls' Day
November 19	<i>Special Collection</i> – Catholic Campaign for Human Development

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Restoration Box	\$ 131.00
Restoration (Anonymous)	\$ 50.00
Hall Rent	\$ 85.00
<u>Offertory (10/8/23)</u>	<u>\$ 1,330.00</u>
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 1,596.00

LAY MINISTERS

Rosary	Tonya Stang – Pam Slaton
Eucharistic Minister	Francis Ripper – (Stacy Oeding)
Lector	Carrie Schulz
Altar Servers	Claire Oeding
Ushers	Buddy Dittrich – Eric Oeding
Ushers	Matt Kubala – Jim Holub
Gifts	Buddy & Joyce Dittrich

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 29

Denise Trojacek – Lad Trojacek
Barbara Cernoch
Susie Shank
Lad Trojacek
Charlie Shank
Forrest Lauher – Eric Oeding
Charlie Cernoch – Bob DeWitt
Bob & Sharon DeWitt

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Renee Mazoch, Glen McLaren, Henry Miksch, Connor Machicek, Ken Dittrich, Francis Pio Pilkington, Leon Shank, Mary Shank, Larry Nuhn, Jessi Wilcox, Gordon Ross, Diana Heinrich, Doris Anders, Jan Ripper, Cheryl (Kobza) Powell, Nadine Krischke, Steve Hopkins, Barbara Nugent, Luke Friedel, Orly R. Elizondo, Wilbert Demel, Elroy Demel, Terri Hanna, Georgia Kalich, Bruce Treybig, Carrol Ray Demel, Francis Ripper, Julia Oeding, Lillian Hilscher, Leon Popp, Mary Demel, Marilyn Adamcik, Lad Trojacek, Joyce Dittrich, Mildred Hollas, Kathy Kutac, Al Martinez, Willy Schmidt, Edward Schwenke and Ruth Fabian.

**Pastoral & Finance Council Meeting
St. Mary Church - High Hill
September 27, 2023**

Present were Father Jasper Liggio, Dennis Kristynik, Forrest Lauher, Buddy Hemann, Buddy Dittrich, Willie Schoener, Willy Schmidt, Sandra Shaw, and Joyce Dittrich. Absent were Bob DeWitt and Matt Kubala. Father Jasper opened the meeting with a prayer. The Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and Buddy Dittrich made a motion to accept the Minutes. Willie Schoener seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Financial report for July and August was presented by Willy Schmidt. After a brief discussion, Buddy Dittrich made a motion to accept the report as presented. Buddy Hemann seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Dennis Kristynik continues to work in cleaning the cemetery and church yard. He is using extreme care to prevent fires, especially in areas that do not have a sprinkler system.

Buddy Hemann stated the Gift/Souvenir Shop sign has been completed. Job well done!!

Buddy Hemann stated that the project to prepare the Hall exterior bathroom doors for locking has been completed. These bathrooms will now remain locked until the Parish has an outdoor function.

Forrest Lauher reported that the meeting with the Diocesan Building Committee for approval of the Church steeple roof replacement had been cancelled. The meeting will be rescheduled and until then additional bids will be solicited to consider roof repair instead of replacement. Project will continue into next year.

Picnic Chairpersons - Buddy & Joyce reported the picnic was a great success. Picnic Net Profit report will be distributed after Mass in early October. Critique will determine areas of improvement, one of which will be acquiring a larger sweepstakes ticket barrel. Dennis K. will find one.

New Business

The Picnic workers appreciation luncheon will be Sunday October 22, 2023, after Mass, in the hall. Please RSVP your attendance by Oct. 18 to Joyce Dittrich at 561-6803.

Buddy Hemann will be installing shelving in the rectory garage for maintenance/repair items. To accommodate the shelving the roof slate tiles will need to be relocated.

Save the Date: Christmas Party, Friday December 15, in the hall. Time TBD.

Our Next meeting will be November 29, at 6PM, following the weekly Mass. There being no further business Father Jasper closed the meeting with Prayer. Meeting Adjourned.