## St. Mary's Church & Shrine of Our Lady of Falima

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We welcome you to our historic parish family.

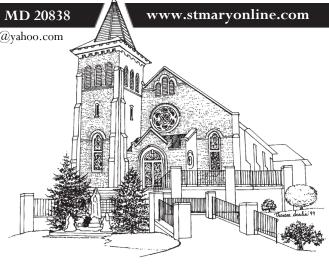
Since 1741 believers such as yourself have built a spiritfilled, Catholic faith community here in Barnesville.

We are privileged to have you join us in our mission to
share God's blessings.

June 18, 2023

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. Kevin P. O'Reilly, Pastor
David Cahoon, Deacon
Rev. Msgr. John Macfarlane, Weekend Asst.
Elizabeth Smith, Dir. of Faith Formation
Diane Yendrey, Dir. of Music
Bill Lynch, Pavilion Manager
Brenda Evans, Secretary
Denise Crawford, Secretary
Chris Carey, Bookkeeper
Joy McCartin, Sodality
David Bivens, Knights of Columbus



Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am

**Sunday Mass:** Saturday @ 5 pm, Sunday @ 8:30 & 10:30 am

**First Friday:** Adoration 9:30 am - Noon **First Saturday:** 9:00 am with Devotions

**Confession:** Saturday @ 4:15 pm **Baptism:** by appointment

Wedding: by appointment at least 6 months after initial contact

**Rel. Ed.:** September - May

**School:** Mary of Nazareth in Darnestown, grades PreK-8

## **Praise Those Fathers**

Let us praise those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice.

Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a worthy and virtuous father.

Let us praise those fathers who, by their own account, were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. As well, let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by words and actions of their children.

Let us praise those fathers who, despite marital discord, have remained in their children's lives.

Let us praise those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has nurtured a thriving life.

Let us praise those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their step children's love and respect.



Please Pray For.....Frank Anderson, Louise Austin, Michael Austin, Christopher Barlow, Lori Bauer, Stanton Boteler, Jim Bowie, Donna Brashears, Linda Burke, Pete Brunner, Maddie Cabatic, Norma Camp, Ada Candor, Dylan Captain, Gretchen Carrillo, Patrick Carpentier, Eric Carpentier, Pat Chmelik, Alex Chmelik, Sonya Cortez, Bridget Curan, Grant Kraft, Dot Crawford, John Curry, Dana DeLauter, Andrew & Nicholas Diaz, Michael Dillon, Julian Douchard, Dennis Edward, Tom Ehart, Jo Evans, Hazel Finney, Timothy Flanders, Sandy Flynn, Dolores Flynn, Fr. Rich Gancayco, Kimberly Harris, Bridget Hart, Andrew Howard, Cecilia Hughan & family, Mary Lillian Hewitt, Marie Horton, Laura Hutchinson, Eleanor Kelly, Michael Kelley, Brittany, Joe & Ava Marie Koelie, Jeffrey Krohn, Jr., John Kutzi, Ryma Lacks, Cade Lutz, David Liska Sr., Colleen Loss, Harvey Loveless, Sylvia Marshall, Anna Lozada Martinez, Joy McIntyre, Anthony Murdock, Bea Nastacio, Christine O'Connell, Dennis O'Fallan, Jane Parsley, Bob & Donna Pavlick, Frank Pena, Gene Post, Lauren Prete, Dennis Regii, Susan Reid, Elizabeth Renninger, Everly Reed Rice, Andrea Rivas, Misty Runyon, Tom Schwanbeck, Teresa Silverman, Gene Smith, Jerry Stafford, Colleen Thomas, Richard Thompson, Jack Thorp, Corinne Torney, Rex & Trisha Tully, Vicki Tosques, Michael Zahn.

Please Pray for Our Military Family & Friends... Richard Alford, Michael Breslin, Alex & Maxwell Chmelik, Lucas Conway, Adam Fitterer, David Gilliam, Erich Lloyd, Joshua Miller, Brian Nazarian, Elvin Rivera, Mark Russell, Oliver Weigand.

In <u>The Diary of Jesus Christ</u>, a book as profound as it is delightful, Fr. Bill Cain has Jesus admit that he sent the disciples out on mission because he desperately needed a break from them. But even more than that, he knew they needed the experience of doing the mission rather than simply witnessing what Jesus did.

For some reason, today's selection from Matthew's Gospel stops before we hear Jesus tell the disciples to take nothing with them for the journey. Perhaps the last instruction, "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give," summarizes the idea that what they are to do does not come from their own expertise, but from the transforming grace of who they have become with Jesus.

Although it is not emphasized, today's Gospel reveals a great deal about Jesus. While we are not surprised by his compassion for troubled and abandoned people, we gain a great insight as we hear him tell the disciples to pray for workers to respond to the needs that he saw.

As if inspired by his prayer, Jesus turned and gave his disciples the power to take up his mission. This suggests that when Jesus prayed, he was seeking to discern how God desired to act through him rather than for him.

What must those disciples have thought when Jesus told them they too could take command over evil spirits and heal the sick? What were they picturing when he suggested that they would cleanse lepers? Raise the dead? Did they have any clue about what he meant in telling them to give in the same way they had received?

When we read the rest of Matthew's story, we hear Jesus warn them about all the dangers they would face — dangers that became all too real for them after the Resurrection.

Whatever they felt, whether excitement for the adventure, fear of the road, or a sense of woeful inadequacy facing what seemed to be expected of them, they went out. At some level, they must have felt a bit like their desert ancestors about whom we hear today, people loved beyond measure — and charged with a vocation precisely because they were so loved.

Our reading from Exodus invites us to observe God telling Moses just how precious this people was. God commanded Moses to remind the Israelites of how they had been cared for — borne away from the Egyptians as if by eagles! All this just so that they could be God's own, a special treasure, the dearest on earth.

Then God explains that none of this is just for themselves. They are God's chosen because of what they are to become for others — a kingdom of priests, a holy nation. As the beloved of God, they were responsible to make God present to the rest of the world.

There's a very practical spiritual dynamic at play in both of these stories. Whether we think of Israel or the disciples (as 12, they were symbolic of a renewed Israel), they were being invited to experience God's love in the most realistic way. **Peace, Fr. Kevin** 

## WORSHIP



## **Mass Intentions**

Sat., 17 5 pm - Fathers

**Sun.,18** 8:30 am -Fathers

10:30 am - Parishioners

Mon., 19 9 am - Colin O'Reilly (L)

Tue., 20 9 am - Eucharistic Service

Wed., 21 9 am - Eucharistic Service

Thu.,22 9 am - Eucharistic Service

Fri., 23 9 am - Elizabeth Tralka

**Event Photos** Pictures from the Communion Breakfast, Easter Vigil, and the Little Sisters of the Poor visit are posted on our smugmug pages. Simply go to https://stmarysbarnesville.smugmug.com/. The password is StMarysBarnesville.

**Reverence** Please remember as you pass the Precious Blood of Our Lord at mass to bow your head in reverence, whether or not you are receiving from the cup.

Second Collection next weekend is for our Holy Father. Pope Francis and his charitable works around the world. This collection was formerly called Peter's Pence.

Spring Cleaning? White Ele**phant** time is upon us. The Chicken Dinner will be here before we know it. Please place your slightly used items in the storage room under the sun room. Please donate items that you would want to buy if you needed them. We always need decent donations. No tires, clothing, or elec- time for all. For more information contronics please.

Refugee Meal **Packing** St. Mary's Parish in Rockville is hosting this Event on Saturday, June 24 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. Meal kits packed will be delivered quickly to Poland for Ukrainian Refugees and to Turkey and Syria for earthquake victims. Please consider donating to support the purchase of food to be distributed. A goal of \$21,000.00 raised to package 60,000 meals is desired. Donations will be gratefully accepted thru PayPal: https:// bit.ly/3ww14n1. Checks payable to: The Outreach Program may be mailed to St. Mary's Parish 520 Veirs Mill Rd. Rockville, MD 20852. Many volunteers are also needed on June 24th. Signup via https:// bit.ly/3MUhVHv Any questions, contact Mary McCormick mary.e.mccormick22@gmail.com.



Summer Food Drive Nonperishable aroceries are needed for children D.C. Bring the food to donate to church by next

Sunday, June 25. The food is to help Catholic agencies feed the District's children who are normally fed at school during the school year. God bless you for your generosity. Please, no outdated food. The donations are given by the Mulholland Foundation to church food pantries in D.C.



Vacation Bible **School** Sign up now! July 10 - 14 for Bible River Adventures! Sign up forms are on our website and in the church vestibule. This is a fun, faith filled

tact Terri Phipps at okoni.tp@gmail.com. Teen and Adult volunteers are needed.



Our Lady of Fatima Sodality

Welcome Sodalists The new officers for our Sodality are: Joy McCartin, Prefect; Susan Jamison, Vice-Prefect: Anne Owen, Secretary: Andrea Williams, Correspondent Secretary; and Alice Tung, Treasurer.



Welcomed

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**Baptism** 

Lily Marie Funk child of

Joseph & Caroline Funk

and

Brayden Lucas Ward

child of

John & Pamela Ward

both Baptized today June 11, 2023