



The Most Holy Trinity

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

DAILY MASS:

Monday: 8:00am
Tuesday: 8:00am
Wednesday: 8:30am
Thursday: 6:00pm
Friday: 8:00am
Saturday: 8:00am

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

CONFESSIONS:

Thursday: 5:00pm-5:45pm
Saturday: 7:15-7:50am and 3:30-4:15pm

ADORATION: (in the Chapel)

Monday: 9:00am-10:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am-10:00pm
Wednesday: 10:00am-10:00pm
Thursday: 9:00am-10:00pm
Friday: 9:00am-Noon

Reverend Timothy J. Sahd, Pastor

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SEVEN SORROWS

of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church

May 31, 2026

Mental Health Ministry

Where Hope Begins



We are here to provide spiritual and practical support while walking with you on your journey of wellness.

The Catholic Church has long sought to support those in need. The Mental Health Ministry at Seven Sorrows was developed to ensure that no one feels alone.



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RECTORY HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm, Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is possible that last weekend was the worst possible weekend of weather (outside of snow) that you could have.

And it happened to be the weekend of our annual festival. It rained Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. In addition, it was cold. It was not an ideal – or even reasonable – time to be outside.

Yet our parish festival was a HUGE success. And for that, THANK YOU!

First, I want to thank Donna Huggins and Judi Leo. They are our festival coordinators and they work all year to make sure that everything runs smoothly. Even more, when hurdles crop up (like a monsoon event!), they are prepared enough to pivot and set us up for success.

On Saturday morning, when it was obvious that the weather would be terrible for the evening, Judi and Donna decided to move the festival inside. They made the call, and planned a great layout. All because they were prepared.

They sent a message to volunteers at 10AM Saturday morning. And within an hour, a large crew of volunteers was taking down the festival in the parking lot (in a drenching rain), and moving stuff inside. I was so proud of our volunteers, who were willing to do whatever to help our parish.

In addition, all of our volunteers, whether they worked in food, games, basket raffle and other raffles, flea market, bingo, or whatever, were willing to be flexible to help the event. Everyone had a “can-do” attitude. I can tell you that is not always the case in parishes. It certainly is here!

So, I thank ALL of our festival volunteers. I will surely leave so many out if I start naming them, but I am so grateful for you.

Even more, I’m thankful for all of you who attended! Who would’ve thought we’d have our best festival night on Thursday, a night with bad weather? That’s because YOU came out and supported YOUR parish. That’s because our community came out and supported us. Seven Sorrows is supported and loved! And it’s because of you!

So many people came up to me, especially Saturday night, and told me that they can’t believe how we changed so much to adjust for the rain. As pastor, people tell me what they should be telling you, because I’m not the one who does the work. YOU do.

Donna, Judi, and all of our volunteers, thank you for a wonderful event, but even more, thank you for showing our parish in such a positive light. May God bless you, and know that above all the financial success and fun that was had, God was glorified through our parish by this event and your work. God bless you!

Gym and Cafeteria Renovation Update

We are beginning our fundraising effort for our renovation project in earnest next weekend. At all Masses, I will discuss the project and the need for our parish’s prayers and financial support.

As we’ve discussed since our feasibility study, there is overwhelming support for this project (97%) and a strong sense that this needs to be undertaken for the stability of the building.

During the feasibility study, it was also determined that our parishioners could support a good deal of the cost of such a project, estimated around \$3.7M. That is a huge ask, and I am certainly aware of that. I am particularly sensitive about asking for financial support, especially since everyone is struggling with higher prices on everything these days.

Unfortunately, our parish has urgent needs to address, and this is one of them. It is a costly one. It is one that is not only necessary to address, and long-overdue, but also one that will greatly benefit our parish as a whole. Thank you for your serious consideration of support. It means so much that you invest in our parish, whether spiritually, in time, or financially.

Thank you for being open to hearing this message. Thank you for investing in the future of Seven Sorrows. And thank you for your Faith in Jesus Christ and His Church, who powers all of our endeavors.

God bless you!
Fr. Sahd



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 am +Joe and Stephanie Lawruk
10:30 am +Gary Livelsberger
6:00 pm Our Parish Family

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2026 St. Justin

8:00 am +Christine Kelly

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026 Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

8:00 am +Don Jennings

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026 St. Charles Lwanga

8:30 am +Julianna Licata

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2026

5:00 pm - 5:45 pm **CONFESISON**

6:00 pm +April Hewlett

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026 St. Boniface

8:00 am +Kenneth Klinger

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026

7:15 am - 7:50 am **CONFESION**

8:00 am +Don Graham

3:30 pm - 4:15 pm **CONFESION**

4:30 pm Our Parish Family

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

8:00 am +Jerry and Enes Panza
10:30 am +Don Smith
6:00 pm +Leialoha Handley



DAILY READINGS

Sun. May 31	Exo 34:4b-6, 8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / John 3:16-18
Mon. June 1	2 Peter 1:2-7 / Mark 12:1-12
Tue. June 2	2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18 / Mark 12:13-17
Wed. June 3	2 Tim 1:1-3, 6-12 / Mark 12:18-27
Thu. June 4	2 Tim 2:8-15 / Mark 12:28-34
Fri. June 5	2 Tim 3:10-17 / Mark 12:35-37
Sat. June 6	2 Tim 4:1-8 / Mark 12:38-44
Sun. June 7	Deut 8:2-3, 14b-16a / 1 Cor 10:16-17 / John 6:51-58

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

June Lee Tarangelo
(mother of Joanne Jacaruso)

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon her.

Altar Flowers may be placed in the sanctuary for special occasions or in memory of a loved one. For more details call Deborah Breon at 717-986-1959.



SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday giving \$9,213.00
Online giving 3,720.25
Total \$12,933.25

**MAY 24,
2026**



Scan for Online Giving

2026 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN (DAC)

Goal: \$177,793

Collected and Pledged: \$132,419 (75%)

THIS WEEK @ SSBVM

SUNDAY MAY 31

9:00 am Sub Sale Pick Up **School - Door #4**
10:30 am Parish Playroom **Church Basement**
11:30 am Parish Rosary Making **School's Art Room**

MONDAY JUNE 1

6:00 pm Legion of Mary

TUESDAY JUNE 2

7:00 pm KOC Meeting **Library**

WEDNESDAY JUNE 3

6:30 pm Journey of Faith **School Art Room**

THURSDAY JUNE 4

8:30 am Church Cleaners **Team #3**

FRIDAY JUNE 5

SATURDAY JUNE 6

SUNDAY JUNE 7

10:30 am Parish Playroom **Church Basement**
11:30 am Children's Rosary





Remember Our Military In Our Prayers

We would like to keep our parishioners and loved ones on active military in our thoughts and prayers. Please provide the following information & call the parish office.

RANK	NAME	BRANCH
LT. Col	Sam Herbert	Army
GYSGT	Brendon J. Parkhill	Marines
	Mackenzie Mehalick	Navy
CPT	Luke Mrakovich	Marines
Sgt.	Corbin Stetler	ARNG
AG1	Stephen Boyland	Navy
CPT	Noah Bamert	Army
CPT	Andrew T. Lavelle	Army
1st Lt.	Mark E. Lavelle	Army
1st Lt.	Phillip Bertovic	Army
Lt Col	Todd Campbell	Air Force
CPT	Edward C. Stene	USAR
1st Lt	Nicholas Campbell	Marines
TSgt.	Brittany MacBlane	USAF
ACI	Trey Kephart	USAF
MGST	Daniel Brought	Marines
AIC	Nicolas A. Corradi	USAF

SENIOR MINISTRY

BOCCE - June 4 at 8:30 am at Sunset Park.

RIVER HOUSE - Dinner under the Tent - Saturday, June 13 at 6 pm.

Separate Checks will be available. Text/Call your reservation to Kathy Bednarik at 717-574-1929 by 10 am on May 29. Leave message with Guest Name(s) & Phone #.

No Game Night in June, due to scheduling conflicts.

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY



Mental Health Ministry

Seven Sorrows BVM

Where Hope Begins

You will find...

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| Therapy in a Nutshell | Tips for Mental Wellness |
| Hope in Addiction | Support Groups |
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| Freedom through Prayer | Find a Therapist |
| Support for Caregivers | Grief Support |

Find your Hope



ANCHORED

Anchored - A NEW ministry for young adults ages 18-35(ish)

Please visit our table this weekend in the narthex or register on the parish website.

48th Annual Men's Retreat

July 31-August 2

Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD

Entire Cost: \$250 (\$60 deposit)

2 nights lodging & 6 meals

Speaker: Fr. Dennis Gill

NEED TO KNOW

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS 2026

Gross Income: \$64,288
 Total Expenses: \$14,897
 Net Profit: \$49,391 (for our Parish/School)

Here are a few highlights from various segments of the Festival:

Food Sales: \$17,945 Shop Raffle: \$2,895
 Basket Raffle: \$13,269 Plant Stand: \$1,620
 Cash Raffle: \$11,340 CCW Bake Sale: \$1,564
 Flea Market: \$9,526

Despite the WET, DAMP weather, we had another great year! THANK YOU to everyone who supported our Annual Festival!!

Congratulations to the following Raffle Winners:



Cash Raffle

- 1st prize, \$1000. - Don Zeiser
- 2nd prize, \$500. - Ron Falcone
- 3rd prize, \$250. - Peg Allen

Shop Till You Drop Raffle: Peg Allen

Dinner with Fr. Sahd & Fr. Josh: Blake Grudi

Capital Campaign

Next Weekend is our Capital Campaign Commitment Weekend - Join Us!

Like any home, our parish facilities require upkeep and improvements to meet our current and future needs. To achieve this, we recently kicked off the Our Faith, Our Future Capital Campaign. This \$3.7 million campaign will upgrade the facility, ensuring safety, bringing it up to code, and creating a modern, functional community space for BOTH the church's and school's futures.

All households should have recently received materials with more details. We ask each household to prayerfully consider what they can give to this important endeavor. Next weekend is our Commitment Weekend. Please mail, drop off, or bring your commitment form with you (it was mailed and extras available in our bulletin) as we offer up a prayer of thanksgiving for these commitments.

While your physical gift does not need to come in yet, pledges of incoming funds help guide our leadership to better understand how the funds will come in affecting our ability to fund the renovation.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Richie Musser at 484-364-0781 or rmusser@kirbysmith.com.



RAISING DISCIPLES

Religious Education Coordinator - Lisa Fortunato
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SSBVM Catholic School Principal - Angela Warner
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 awarner@ssbvm.org

Vacation Bible School - Junkyard Redemption
 June 22-June 26, 2026 9:00am -11:30am
 Details @ sevensorrowsschool.com

Join us at Seven Sorrows, BVM School this summer from June 15 to June 19 or August 3 to August 7 for an exciting week of all-new, confidence-building #STEM fun with @CampInvention! Discounts available. #SummerCamp invent.org/mylocalcamp

NOW ENROLLING

- Preschool through 8th Grade
- Financial Aid Available
- Whole-child approach
- Busing from surrounding districts
- S.T.E.M-focused project based learning



Come see the Seven Sorrows Difference!
 Guided Tours for Prospective Families
Monday, June 8

Book your tour time today! <https://bit.ly/SSBVMTOUR>
 Three sessions available: 10 am | 11 am | 12 pm
 Don't miss this final opportunity to visit our classrooms before the school building undergoes summer cleaning.

Looking for a fun summer camp for your preschooler or kindergartener? Is your child ready to explore, discover, get wet, make friends, and have fun? Then look no further than Seven Sorrows Summer Camp! We offer an 8 week, full day camp here at Seven Sorrows School! Registration can be completed online at <https://www.sevensorrowsschool.com/summer-camp>. Questions can be directed to Megan Zapcic at mzapcic@ssbvm.org. See you this summer!

RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS



"For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Son." (John 3:16)

The Trinity's love calls each of us to respond generously, offering our lives in service and fidelity. In priesthood, this gift is lived out daily through the sacraments, pastoral care, and witnessing Christ's love to the world. Might God be inviting you to follow this path?

Talk to Father Sahd or reach out to Father Weaver at the Vocation Office @ Fjweaver@hbgdiocese.org

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