

4th Annual Live Nativity

The Prophets Foretold...

Friday, December 4th

5:30PM-7:30PM

Event takes place inside and outside.

November 8, 2026

SEVEN SORROWS

of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reverend Timothy J. Sahd, Pastor FrSahd@ssbvm.org

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





Leave 2026 and travel back in time to when the Prophets foretold, Mary said "yes", the Shepherds rejoiced, the Wise Men followed, and God became man. Once beyond the Nativity scene, step back into 2026 where all are encouraged to visit the real Presence of Jesus Christ on the Altar.

FREE attendance, star-shaped soft pretzel and S'more Treat!

Live music, a new Prophet Tent, and live animals, including Cassius the Camel!

For Sale:
Hot Dogs, Chips, Water & Hot Chocolate

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

A few weeks ago, Fr. Josh was filling in for a priest at a parish a few hours away, and I was officiating a parishioners' wedding in Lititz. So that meant, for Saturday night 4:30PM Mass, a priest from St. Joan of Arc, filled in for me.

I was so grateful that Fr. Christopher was able to have the Mass.

People asked me, "What was the matter with you?" "Were you sick?" "Why weren't you at Mass?"

I do not like missing Mass in our parish at all. Sunday (Saturday night) is the best day of the week for me. I love offering the Sacrifice of the Mass for you and with you, and it truly is the highlight of my week. I don't like missing any Mass.

But it happens. It is not easy, though, to find a priest to have the Mass. Fr. Josh, as I mentioned, was asked to fill in at a parish over an hour away. It is hard to find available priests to fill in; there are not a lot of extra priests in our diocese who do not have regular assignments.

We need priests!

This is Vocations Week in our country's parishes. Many dioceses in our country lack enough priests to fill their parishes. We have enough, but barely enough, to cover all of our parishes. For the next few years, we will have very few ordinations to the Priesthood. There are good numbers of young men entering the seminary for our diocese, but it will take them nine or seven years to be ordained.

We need more young men to consider the Priesthood of Jesus Christ as a joyful and fulfilling life. We need more young men in our parish to consider this. We need more young men IN OUR FAMILIES to consider this life.

I can definitely say that I did not desire this life as attractive to me. I had my own designs of what a fulfilling life would look like. But as I got older, and as I experienced what my own plan looked like, it didn't feel right for me. And the priesthood began to feel "right." Thank God for that!

And one of the reasons why it felt "right," was because people told me, "I think you should consider the priesthood." That made a huge difference for me. It helped my heart truly listen to God and the gift of His Priesthood.

We will have an opportunity to do just that this week and next. Our diocese, in every parish, is conducting the "Called by Name" campaign. It is very simple. Write down the name of a young man, who is in high school or older, who you think would be a good priest. Like me, he might just need someone to tell him that in order for him to consider it.

We will send his name to the Diocese, and that young man will get a letter from the bishop, inviting him to a dinner with other young men who were "called by name." They can say yes or no. No pressure!

This campaign, which we ran two years ago, was very successful, and many young men who have entered the seminary, credited "Called by Name" as having a huge part in their calling.

Please, take the time to do this. It is very possible that one of your "Called by Names" could be a future pastor! In addition, pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. Thank you!

Seven Sorrows is Home!

A parishioner wrote this to me after visiting France recently, perhaps to celebrate a win over the Steelers. I thought it was beautiful:

"Notre Dame, the Sacre Couer and the many churches in Paris were beautiful and grand. The architecture was awesome. It really was a spiritual experience. But, I never felt closer to God than I did last evening at 4:30 Mass! I love our church! It's good to be home!"

I agree! God bless you,
Fr. Sahd

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026
Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time
8:00 am +Deceased of Members of Legion of Mary
10:30 am Our Parish Family
6:00 pm +Kaitlyn Shipkowski

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2026
8:00 am +Jim Benson

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2026
8:00 am +Anthony Horney Jr.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026
8:30 am Special Intentions of Elton Carr

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2026
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm CONFESSION
6:00 pm +Ann Walsh Savidge

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026
8:00 am +John Fernback Jr.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026
7:15 am - 7:50 am CONFESSION
8:00 am +All Holy Souls
3:30 pm - 4:15 pm CONFESSION
4:30 pm +Patrick Napoli

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2026
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am +Loretta and Norman Wall
10:30 am +John and Callie Astfalk
6:00 pm Our Parish Family

DAILY READINGS

Nov. 8	Wis 6:12-16 / Thes 4:13-18 / Matt 25:1-13
Nov. 9	Eze 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/ Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ John 2:13-22
Nov. 10	Titus 2:1-8, 11-14 / Luke 17:7-10
Nov. 11	Titus 3:1-7 / Luke 17:11-19
Nov. 12	Philem 7-20 / Luke 17:20-25
Nov. 13	2 John 4-9 / Luke 17:26-37
Nov. 14	3 John 5-8 / Luke 18:1-8
Nov. 15	Prov 31:10-13,19-20,30-31/ 1Thes 5:-1-6/ Matt 25:14-30

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Margaret Mary Lehman
Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

FLOWERS

The flowers located at the pulpit this weekend are in honor of **ALL WHO SERVED OUR COUNTRY IN UNIFORM**.

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

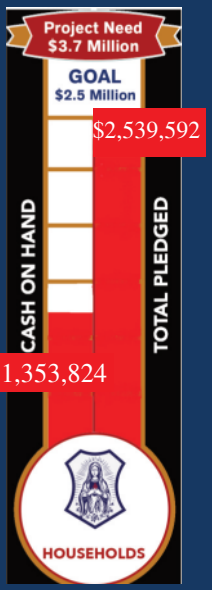
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Sunday giving	$12,898.25
Online giving	6,791.25
Total	$19,689.50

Scan for Online Giving

2026 DAC
Goal: **$177,793**
Collected & Pledged: **$186,949 (105%)**

Capital Campaign
If you have questions, please reach out to Campaign Manager Richie Musser at 484-364-0781 or musser@kirbysmith.com. Thank you for your continued dedication to Seven Sorrows!



THIS WEEK AT SSBVM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
8:00 am Boxes of Joy Return Narthex (after all Masses)
9:15 am Religious Ed
10:30 am Parish Playroom Church Basement
1:00 pm Bible Study Drexel Room

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
11:30 am Rosary and Prayer Group Church
6:00 pm Legion of Mary
6:30 pm Bible Study Drexel Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10
6:00 pm Senior Ministry Meeting Drexel Room
6:30 pm PTT Meeting Library
7:00 pm Boys Scouts Cafeteria

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
5:45 pm Girl Scouts Cafeteria
6:00 pm Anchored Meeting Drexel Room
6:15 pm Off the Streets Library
6:30 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12
8:30 am Church Cleaners Team #2
6:30 pm Mental Health Ministry Rectory
6:30 pm Christian Initiation Library

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
6:45 am TMIY Cafeteria
4:30 pm CCW Advent Wreath & Candle Sale Narthex
4:30 pm OTS Donation House Narthex
4:30 pm High School Friendsgiving Gym

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
8:00 am CCW Advent Wreath & Candle Sale Narthex (after all Masses)
8:00 am OTS Donation House Narthex (after all Masses)
9:15 am Religious Ed
10:30 am Parish Playroom Church Basement
12:00 pm School Open House
1:00 pm Bible Study Drexel Room

Remember Prayer Our Military



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
CPT	Luke Mrakovich	Marines
SSG	Corbin Stetler	ARNG
AG1	Stephen Boyland	Navy
CPT	Andrew T. Lavelle	Army
1st Lt	Mark E. Lavelle	Army
CPT	Phillip Bertovic	Army
Lt. Col	Todd Campbell	Air Force
CPT	Edward C. Stene	USAR
1st Lt	Nicholas Campbell	Marines
ACI	Trey Kephart	USAF
MGST	Daniel Brought	Marines
A1C	Nicolas A. Corradi	USAF
	Abigail Francis	USAF
	Mackenzie Mehalick	Navy

SENIOR MINISTRY

Play Bingo with Residents at Middletown Home - November 10 at 2 pm. Meet at Home's Main Entrance. Dollar Store Prize Donations accepted & appreciated!

Holy Mass & Christmass Caroling at Oak Hill Village - December 9 at 11am. Gather in the Chapel

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2026 COATS FOR KIDS DRIVE

The Knights are seeking **new**, girls' coats, sizes 4 through 18 and adult small-medium. Donated coats can be placed in the Knights' food bin in the Narthex.



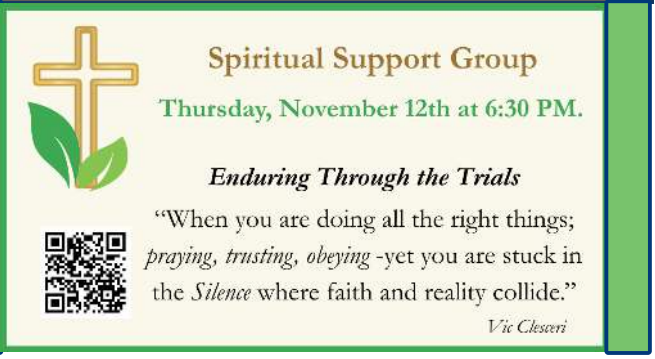
For additional information or to make a monetary donation, please contact Jim Young (717-856-7088).



KOC Blood Drive
Sunday, November 22
8:00 AM–12:00 PM
School Gym

All donors will receive a Chick-fil-A treat card, two Harrisburg Comedy Zone tickets, a $5 Chili's gift card, and a CPBB ice scraper! Appointments are encouraged.
Schedule at 717GiveBlood.org or call 1-800-771-0059
A valid form of ID is required.

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY



NEED TO KNOW



St. Peter's hall in Elizabethtown
Sunday, November 29
6:30pm - 8:30pm

We are in need of **table hosts** to invite friends/family/ neighbors and to decorate in Advent fashion. Let the Holy Spirit move in you to focus on preparing your heart for this holy and blessed Season.

Please bring a dish or treat to share:

Last Name: A-G = dessert, H-P = Hors d'oeuvres Q-Z = main dish

RSVP through the following link (Found on sevensorrowsschool.com, Events/Calendar, Advent by Candlelight) Advent by Candlelight Registration



The Giving Tree is located in the Narthex. You may take a tag and purchase the gift card marked on the card. Please return the tag and gift card to the Parish Office no later than November 15th.
Thank you for helping brighten Christmas for a family in need.



Bishop McDevitt High School
Fall Open House
Sunday, November 8th
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Meet our teachers and staff, tour classrooms, and explore our clubs, activities, and athletic programs.

Registration is required, so be sure to visit our website to sign up.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Go Crusaders!

RAISING DISCIPLES

Religious Education Coordinator - Lisa Fortunato ssbvm.org/Education lfortunato@ssbvm.org

11/15/26 Class (Group Adoration)
11/22/26 Class (Virtus Training)

Save the Date:
Live Nativity, December 4th 5:30-7:30pm



SSBVM Catholic School Principal - Angela Warner Sevensorrowsschool.com awarner@ssbvm.org

Substitute Teachers are needed for occasional days - Teaching experience
Contact Mrs. Angela Warner at awarner@ssbvm.org if interested.

School Cafeteria Volunteers are needed to help serve school lunch to our students. If you have a few hours from 10:30am – 1:00pm any day of the week Monday – Friday, we could use your help. Contact the School office 717-944-5371 if interested.

Diocesan Clearances are needed for all positions.

Come see the Seven Sorrows Difference!

Families with children in preschool through 8th grade are invited to our Open House on Sunday, November 15, from 12–1 p.m. Come explore our classrooms, meet our teachers, and discover what makes our school family special! Scan the QR code or visit https://bit.ly/SSBVMTOUR to register.

RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS



"Keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour." (Matthew 25:13)

Jesus calls us to be ready, attentive, and faithful to His invitation. Priesthood and consecrated life ask for hearts that remain vigilant , prepared to serve God and His people with generosity and love. Pray for guidance and clarity in discerning how He may be calling you to serve.

Talk to Father Sahd or reach out to Father Weaver at the Vocations Office at Frjweaver@hbgdiocese.org

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