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Fr. Dijo Thomas, Pastor

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2024

Mass Schedule

(Also live streamed on YouTube at Holy Spirit Palmyra)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday Mass: 8:30am outside & 11:00am

Daily Mass:

Monday, Thursday: 9:00am

Wednesday: 6:00pm (Rosary 5:30pm)

Friday: 7:00am

Confessions: Sat 5—5:30pm; Wed 6:40—7:10pm

Adoration Chapel:

Monday: 10am—5pm

Tuesday: 6am—10pm

Wed & Fri: 12noon—5pm

Thursday: 10am—10pm

Saturday: 2am—9am & 7pm—9pm

Sunday: 12 noon—1pm & 6pm—10pm

For more information call 717-838-3369 x 111 or email adorers@hspalmyra.com.

Baptism: To schedule a baptism, contact our Parish office at 717-838-3369 or email church@hspalmyra.com.

Sponsor Forms: Certificates to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation can only be given to those who are registered and practicing members of the Parish.

Bulletin Deadline: Three weeks prior to publication. Please use the forms on our website for bulletin inserts, blurbs, or facility requests.

Benevolence: For financial assistance, please call 717-838-3369, x 112, and leave a message to set up an interview.

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Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday: 12 noon—6pm

Tuesday: remote only for phone calls & emails

Thursday: 8:30am—3:30pm

Friday: closed

OUR MISSION

To seek to know the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ; to celebrate together as a Catholic family of faith; and to share our gifts and talents in loving service to others.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The Pennsylvania March for Life will take place on September 23, 2024, at the Pennsylvania State Capitol in Harrisburg. The event will begin with a rally at 11am and the March will begin at 12noon. The address for the event is 501 N 3rd St, Harrisburg, PA. The March for Life's objectives are to empower men and women to choose life, defend the dignity of the unborn, and march for both the mother and the baby. Leading up to the March, there will be an overnight Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. The March for Life Opening Mass is scheduled for 9:30am on Monday, September 23, and the Closing Mass will take place at 1:30pm at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. The Diocese of Harrisburg invites and encourages participation in the rally and the liturgical services. I strongly encourage parishioners to attend the rally as our physical presence is a powerful witness in support of a culture of life and the defense of life. Having attended the March for Life in previous years, I can attest to the wonderful experience of coming together in prayer and marching for life alongside a large and enthusiastic crowd from all over Pennsylvania. Many children and younger people have participated with great enthusiasm and joy in the past. Let us thank God for the gift of life and defend every life.

5th Sunday Rosary will be held after the 11am Mass on September 29. All are invited to join the Knights of Columbus for this devotion to the Blessed Mother.

TITHING: GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Sunday Offering 9/8/2024 \$ 14, 216
 Focused Giving Enhancements \$ 216
 Peter's Pence \$ 972



Sunday Offering 9/15/2024 \$ 9,640
 Focused Giving Enhancements \$ 240
 Peter's Pence \$ 445

CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn in loving memory of Dot Shelton (From Rob & Kris)

The **Chapel Candle** will burn in loving memory of Marie Morton (From Kathleen)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

9:00am Mass

† Amparo Bernal

4:00pm Shine Fitness

7:00pm Migrant Justice Meeting

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

3:30pm Cenacle

7:00pm Folk Group

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

4:30pm Legion of Mary

5:30pm Rosary

6:00pm Mass

† Ron Swanson

6:40pm Confessions

6:45pm Women at the Well

7:00pm RCIA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

9:00am Mass

† Paxton Stewart

5:00pm Shine Fitness

7:00pm Sunday Choir; Knights of Columbus

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

7:00am Mass

† Bob Bixler

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Eccl 11:9-12:8; Lk 9:43-45

4:00pm Mass

For the People of the Parish

5:00pm Confessions

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

8:30am Mass

† Donald Cramer

9:30am CGS-6th Grade PREP

11:00am Mass For the Living Intentions of Jody Wood

6:00pm 7th & 8th Grade PREP

Holy Spirit Catholic Church is a parish of the
Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baptism Congratulations!

With joy and thanks to God, we baptized **Eleanor Marie Schlosser**, child of William & Leah Schlosser. May she grow in God's grace and love!

March for Life

Join the Respect Life Ministry at the PA March for Life in Harrisburg on Monday, September 23. The rally starts at 11am and the March begins at 12noon. The March is only 1 mile around the State Capitol and participants will meet at the corner of South Street & North 3rd Street. For additional questions, please contact Art Bond at 717-383-8583 or abond702@comcast.net.

Shine "Get Fit"

Shine Faith and Fitness exercise Ministry is collecting donations for St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen in Harrisburg and the YWCA Harrisburg Emergency Shelter. The Fit for Fall program is running now until October 6. Participate by attending a Shine Faith infused exercise class, where you can make a free-will donation to the charities. You can also drop off a donation at the office in an envelope marked "Shine" and include which charity you'd like it to go to. Lastly, you can drop off products needed in the crates marked at the display in the narthex. All items and funds collected will go directly to the charities. For more information, contact shine@hspalmyra.com.

Lourdeshouse Maternity Home Baby Shower

Babies are on the way, and we want to give them and their moms-to-be a happy and healthy start. WMN has been working with Catholic Charities' Lourdeshouse Maternity Services to organize and have a baby shower for expectant mothers currently under their care. We will have tags with the needed items written on them available from September 28—October 6 in the narthex. Simply pick up a tag, purchase the item, and return the wrapped gift with the tag attached by Wednesday, October 9. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Donnelly at WMN@hspalmyra.com.

Legion of Mary

In celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, the Legion of Mary will host a table after all Masses on October 5 & 6 with rosaries, miraculous medals, and holy cards. You can also sign up to host the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima Statue in your home. Legion of Mary meets Wednesdays at 4:30pm in the Blue Room.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH MISSION!

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Wedding Congratulations!

To **Kyle Stewart** and **Jenna Middleton**,
who were married
September 7, 2024.
May God bless them as they
begin their lives together!



Baptism Congratulations!

With joy and thanks to God, we baptized **Sofia Mae Horst**, child of Benjamin & Camila Horst. May she grow in God's grace and love!

Grief Support Group Fall Series

Losing a loved one can be one of the most difficult experiences we face in life. Our parish is hosting a series starting the week of October 7 and will run for 10 weeks. The group will not exceed 10 people and will meet at Holy Spirit Church. Time and day are to be determined by attendees. To join or for more information, please email griefsupport@hspalmyra.com.

Padre Pio Pilgrimage

Respect Life Ministry and the Knights of Columbus have scheduled a pilgrimage to Padre Pio National Center in Barto, PA on Monday, October 21. There will be a bus available backed by the Knights for \$35, and a box lunch for \$10 available for those who would like to attend. The bus leaves Holy Spirit at 7:30am and returns by 5:30pm. For those who want to participate but not travel by bus, they can meet us there.

110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees

"God walks with his people" Stations of the Cross event. Please join us to acknowledge the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees on Sunday, September 29. We will acknowledge this day following the 11am Mass with a special outdoor Stations of the Cross (inside if bad weather) at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. The Migrant Justice Ministry hosts this special holy walk to share prayer and contemplation for those who flee their homelands for a safer place to live and be part of God's plan.

FROM OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

The 2024 Pennsylvania March for Life will be Monday, September 23, in Harrisburg. Overnight Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral of St. Patrick will be offered leading up to the March. Please sign up to spend time with the Lord at <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/marchpa>. The full PA March for Life schedule is also included in the link above. If you can't make it to the Cathedral, our Adoration Chapel will be open Sunday from 12noon — 1:00pm and from 6pm—10pm in the evening.

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