



**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish**  
**Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Medalla Milagrosa**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY**

5 pm — Vigil

**SUNDAY**

8 am & 11 am

La Misa en español — 2:30 pm

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY**

10 am

**WEDNESDAY**

6 pm

**HOLY DAYS**

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**PARISH INFORMATION AND CONTACTS**

**CLERGY**

Carmen A. D'Amico, *Pastor*

Anton V. Mobley, *Permanent Deacon*

**PARISH STAFF**

Rosalie Eckels

*Religious Education Director*

Jennifer Derrick

*Music Director & Organist*

Rachel Krofcheck

*Youth Pastor*

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Mary Ann Lecci

*Parish Secretary*

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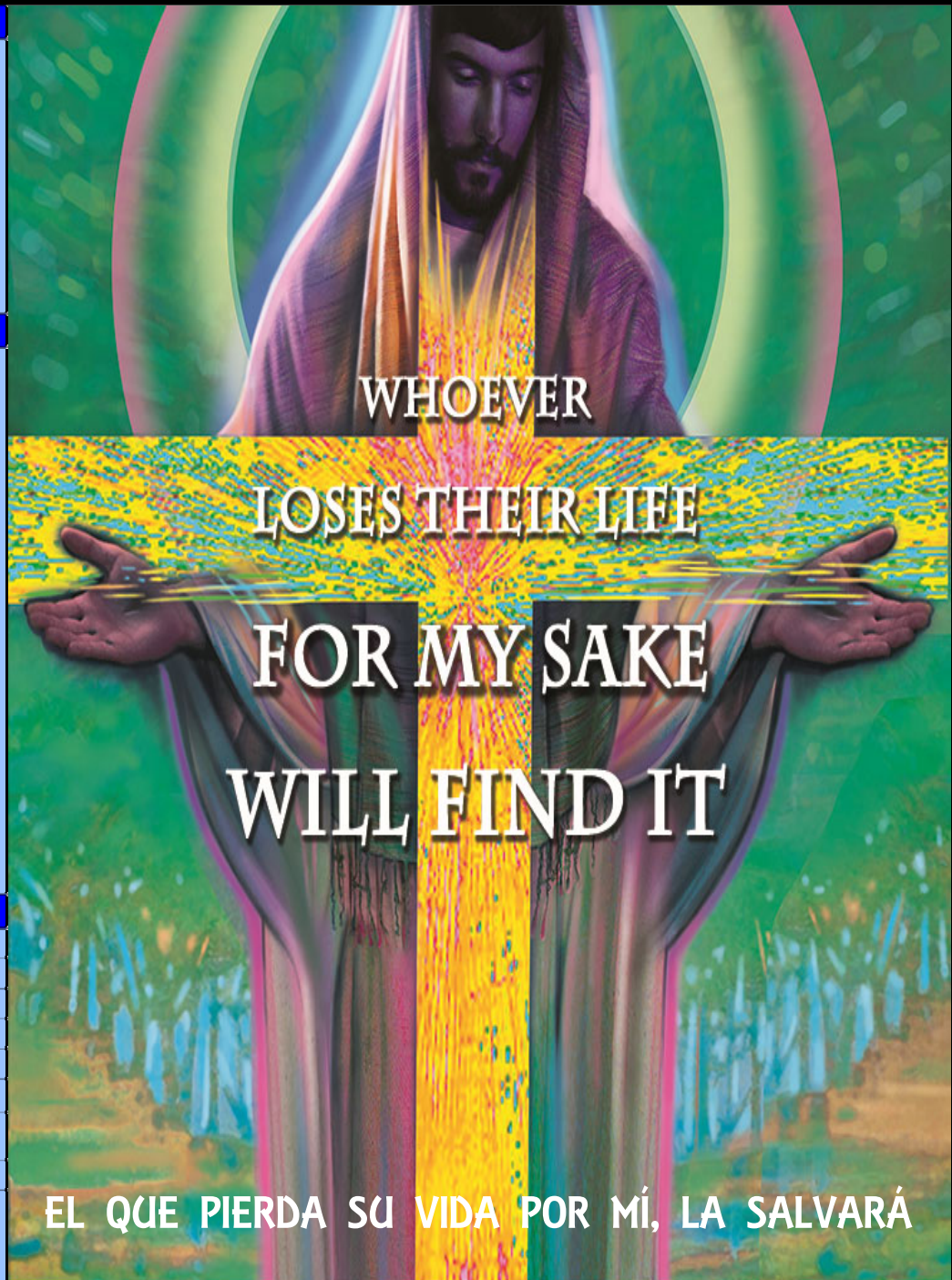
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**MISSION STATEMENT**

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish is a family oriented faith community in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh. In imitation of our patroness, Blessed Mary, we are called to bring Jesus Christ to the people of Meadow Lands and Washington County by Word, Sacrament and service to fulfill Our Lord's Great Commission.

DAY / TIME	CONFESSIONS / EVENTS	OBSERVANCES / MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 1</b>		<b>ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA; BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	<b>FIRST SATURDAY CANADA DAY</b>
10:00 am—NOON 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Youth Group Car Wash, CCD Center Parking Lot Confessions Mass	Katherine Mruk +, req. Sylvia Altieri	Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17
<b>SUNDAY, JULY 2</b>		<b>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
8:00 am 11:00 am 2:30 pm	Mass Mass Spanish Mass	Tom Wissenbauch +, req. Carolyn & Children Doris Volen +, req. Rich Frank PARISHIONERS	2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42
<b>MONDAY, JULY 3</b>		<b>ST. THOMAS</b>	
10:00 am 10:00 am—Noon 10:45 am	Mass ESL Class, Church Hall Miraculous Medal Novena	Anthony Vallone +, req. Messina Family	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
<b>TUESDAY, JULY 4</b>		<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>	<b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>
10:00 am	Mass	Gretchen, Amanda & Edith Brunner + Req. Father, Brothers & Sisters	Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27
<b>WEDNESDAY, JULY 5</b>		<b>ST. ANTHONY ZACCARIA</b>	<b>ST. ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL</b>
10:00 am—Noon 6:00 pm	ESL Class, Church Hall Mass	Margaret Bodnar +, req. Donald & Beverly Zofchak	Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
<b>THURSDAY, JULY 6</b>		<b>ST. MARIA GORETTI</b>	
10:00 am 6:30 pm—8:30 pm	Mass ESL Class, CCD Ctr.	Raymond Kosiorek + (Anniversary), req. Kosiorek Family	Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
<b>FRIDAY, JULY 7</b>		<b>FIRST FRIDAY</b>	
10:00 am 10:45 am 12 NOON 2:30 pm	Mass Adoration Benediction Wedding—Amanda Felton & Matt Zinn	Kenneth Scouvert +, req. Paluda Family	Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 8</b>		<b>BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	
10:00 am—NOON 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Youth Group Car Wash, CCD Center Parking Lot Confessions Mass	Tom Wissenbauch +, req. Susan & Charles Wissenbauch	Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17;
<b>SUNDAY, JULY 9</b>		<b>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
8:00 am 11:00 am 2:30 pm	Mass, FOOD PANTRY FOLLOWING Mass Spanish Mass	Holy Name Society, req. Members Anthony Vallone +, req. Carolyn Fela PARISHIONERS	Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13 -14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

### Saint of the Day for July 2 (Saint Oliver Plunkett)



The name of today's saint is especially familiar to the Irish and the English—and with good reason. The English martyred Oliver Plunkett for defending the faith in his native Ireland during a period of severe persecution.

Born in County Meath in 1629, Oliver studied for the priesthood in Rome and was ordained there in 1654. After some years of teaching and service to the poor of Rome he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in Ireland. Four years later, in 1673, a new wave of anti-Catholic persecution began, forcing Archbishop Plunkett to do his pastoral work in secrecy and disguise and to live in hiding. Meanwhile, many of his priests were sent into exile, schools were closed, Church services had to be held in secret, and convents and seminaries were suppressed. As archbishop, Plunkett was viewed as ultimately responsible for any rebellion or political activity among his parishioners. Archbishop Plunkett was arrested and imprisoned in Dublin Castle in 1679, but his trial was moved to London. After deliberating for 15 minutes, a jury found him guilty of fomenting revolt. He was hanged, drawn, and quartered in July 1681.

Pope Paul VI canonized Oliver Plunkett in 1975.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

### OS CUMPLEAÑOS DE ESTA SEMANA



Uriel Cerna, Donna Crow, Louis Daddea, Lee A. Myers, Shari Timko, James Vulcano, Maria Ayala, Ariana Diaz, Mary Lou Dietz, Billy Rieger, Joyce Robinson, Julie Rodriguez, Antoinette Serio, Jillian Falbo, Rachel E. Milliken, Rebecca K. Milliken, Justine Rydzak, Donsel E. Schipps, Kristen Signorelli, Gerrie Checonsky, William Doran, Jessica Grasha, Yohana Ordaz, Nora Welch, Abigail Brunner, Heather Kozlowski, Julie D. Luisi, Isabel Torrez, Lawrence Bonazza, Brittany J. Mesing, Alejandra Sanchez, Jerod J. Spyra, and Bill Pagano.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank You!**

### FROM THE CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of the members of the Chartiers Township Volunteer Fire Dept. I would like to thank you for your heartfelt and generous gift of a re-habitat shelter, the Mass with the following reception on May 20th., and your continuous prayers for us. Words are hard to describe the pride as well as the appreciation we felt for the acknowledgement you afforded us. It seems that two little words like "thank you" are not enough to convey our gratitude.

We feel we have a very good fire department that is well trained and equipped. The members continually undergo training to maintain their knowledge and expertise in emergency situations. As with all other fire departments we are always ready to respond to any emergency regardless of time of day and weather. It is our sincere aspirations our services will never have to be called upon. But if ever needed we will respond with all our strength, training and what we feel the best equipment around. We thank you again for your support and prayers.

Sincerely,  
Joe Politan/Sec.



### WELCOME BACK TO OUR PARISH

**Bob & Katie Zimmerman,  
Joseph & Mary Kate**

### SAFETY WORK



As we continue to make our Parish grounds more accessible and safe, **we will soon begin a project to repair the stairs and retaining walls on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street side of the church hall.** There will also be additional cement work done on the walkways around the church.

This work will cost about \$6,000. If you feel so led by God to help defray the cost, please contact the office to contribute to this important repair work.



### CONGRATULATIONS

to the parents and godparents of  
**Julius Alexander Waldrum**

We welcome him to our community of faith.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

A member of The Knights of Columbus **will be speaking at all Masses on July 1st & 2nd** about their annual membership drive.

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### FROM THE FAMILY OF FATHER JOHN O'SHEA

Dear Father D'Amico and Parishioners of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish.

On behalf of the Egler, DiRenna and O'Shea families, please except our profound gratitude for the outpouring of support extended to our uncle, Father John O'Shea and to us, during his illness and at the time of his death. His tenure at Miraculous Medal was perhaps the happiest and most fulfilling of his priesthood. Dedicated Deacons, hard working parish staff, members of the Holy Name Society, Christian Mothers and Parish Council as well as many dedicated volunteers made the many religious programs and parish events always a success. It was, however, the sacramental life of the parish, most especially the congregations reverent participation in the Mass, the many who regularly availed themselves of the Sacrament of Penance, the praying of the Miraculous Medal Novena and the Patriotic Rosary, that Father O'Shea believed were the true measure of the parish's strength and vibrancy. We, also gratefully acknowledge the fraternal support extended by you, Father D'Amico, to our uncle and again thank you for your memorable homily preached during the funeral liturgy. Your words provided great solace to us.

With gratitude and affection,  
Tom O'Shea

## NEWS FROM AROUND AND OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE

### BISHOP CANEVIN HIGH SCHOOL'S TECH CAMP

Bishop Canevin's **4-day Tech Camp for 6th, 7th, and 8th. Grade students** will be on **August 1st. to August 4th. (9am-3pm)**

Students will learn to create and command their own robotic LEGO Mind storm creature, learn programming languages such as EV3, JavaScript, and HTML, build their own computer and have the chance to win it back, build a website, create web-based games, and more!

Registration deadline is July 17, 2017; \$100 per student.

**Contact Katie Macioce at 412.922.7400, ext. 220 or [maciocek@bishopcanevin.org](mailto:maciocek@bishopcanevin.org)**

### MARTHA WASHINGTON GARDEN CLUB

The Martha Washington Garden Club of Washington Pa. is offering a **\$1,000.00 scholarship** to a Washington County student who has completed at least one year of college or university and plans to continue their education in agriculture, conservation or environment, horticulture, floriculture, forestry or landscape design. To apply:

- 1) Give Personal information
- 2) Submit a maximum 400 word essay about your interests & decision to choose this course of study
- 3) Enclose a copy of your transcripts
- 4) Must be received by July 31, 2017
- 5) Mail to:  
Mary Dobich  
224 Little Creek Rd. Marianna, Pa 15345-1204

**THE RICHNESS OF LIFE IN CHRIST**



Today we have the beautiful story of the woman promised a child, the wonderful exhortation about life in Christ, and a powerful instruction from Jesus. An embarrassment of riches? Not if we take Jesus' words about "welcome" to heart. The many challenges and blessings offered to us today by Elisha, Paul, and Jesus should be cause for rejoicing, and welcomed heartily into our lives. And, like the great treat that they are, they should be enjoyed and shared generously with others.

Today's reading from Romans was chosen very early in the liturgical life of the Church to be the sole apostolic instruction received by candidates for baptism at the Easter Vigil. This illustrates its importance as a core belief, and as a means of comprehending the story of the Resurrection. Christ's resurrection is not merely a story about something that he underwent once upon a time, but it is our story, the story of how we joined the other members of the one Body of Christ, the church. We were not only dead, but we were buried; not ultimately buried, but raised to eternal life with Christ.

**LA RIQUEZA DE LA VIDA EN CRISTO**

Hoy tenemos la preciosa historia de la mujer a quien se le promete un hijo, una maravillosa exhortación a la vida en Cristo y una poderosa enseñanza de Jesús. ¿Demasiadas riquezas en una sola dosis? No, si tomamos las palabras de Jesús sobre "ser acogedores" de corazón. Los muchos retos y bendiciones que hoy nos ofrecen Eliseo, Pablo, y Jesús deben ser causa de regocijo, y debemos acogerlos de corazón en nuestras vidas. Y, como el gran regalo que son, deben ser disfrutados y compartidos generosamente con los demás.

La lectura de hoy tomada de la carta a los romanos fue seleccionada en los comienzos de la vida litúrgica de la Iglesia como instrucción apostólica que debían recibir los candidatos al bautismo durante la Vigilia de Pascua. Esto da una idea de su importancia como creencia central, y como medio para entender la historia de la resurrección. La resurrección de Cristo no es solamente la historia de algo por lo que él pasó una vez hace tiempo, sino que es nuestra historia, la historia de cómo nos unimos a los otros miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo, la Iglesia. No sólo estábamos muertos, sino enterrados; pero no enterrados para siempre, sino resucitados a la vida eterna en Cristo.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**



It's Independence Day week, and there is a link worth tracing between the Declaration of Independence and the language of liturgy. One of the signers of the Declaration on that July 4 long ago was Charles Carroll, probably the wealthiest man in the colonies and one of the few Catholics on the political scene. As a flourish to his signature, he sought to distinguish himself from other prominent citizens bearing the same name by penning "Charles Carroll of Carrolltown"—a defiant "come and get me if you dare" postscript aimed at the British.

Carroll's brother John was a priest and patriot who in 1789 was given the task of organizing the Catholic Church in this country. By 1791 he had assembled a synod, or assembly of delegates, to launch that task formally. Archbishop Carroll wanted to gain acceptance of our faith by American people who mistrusted our customs and could not comprehend our liturgy. He made the amazing proposal to Rome that our liturgy should be prayed not in Latin, but in the vernacular, English. His wish was denied, but one hundred sixty years later, his deep desire helped the American bishops and scholars at the Second Vatican Council to win the vote in favor of the vernacular not just for the United States, but for the Church throughout the world.

**TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE**

Hace algunos años, el cantante de rock Carlos Santana y el grupo roquero Maná ganaron un premio en los "Latin Grammys" por su canción: "Corazón espinado". Esta bella canción es de un hombre que lamenta el dolor que una mujer le ha causado. No la puede olvidar, porque ella le ha dejado el corazón espinado. Esta canción siempre me recuerda al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, corazón rodeado por una corona de espinas e inflamado por el amor que le tiene a su mujer, la Iglesia, es decir, nosotros.



La devoción al Sagrado Corazón proviene de una monja francesa, santa Margarita María Alacoque a quien Jesús le mostró su corazón en junio de 1675. Jesús le dijo que su corazón arde de amor por los seres humanos, pero los cristianos sólo lo ofendemos con insultos, ingratitud e indiferencias.

¿Cuántas veces, como Iglesia o como individuos, le hemos espinado el corazón al Señor? Y aun así, la imagen del corazón espinado e inflamado de Jesús nos sigue cantando y llamando para que seamos suyos. Si regresamos a él, Jesucristo nos promete doce bendiciones de paz, consolación, fervor y otras gracias.

If you are a victim of abuse, Call the Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response: 1-888-808-1235

For suspected child abuse, call 1-888-808-1235 AND the State of Pennsylvania child abuse number: 1-800-932-0313

**MURIENDO Y RESUCITANDO**

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Al advertirnos que “el que ama a su padre o a su madre más que a mí, no es digno de mí. . .” y también “el que salve su vida la perderá y el que la pierda por mí, la salvará” Jesús propone que aprendamos a desapegarnos de las cosas que ahora consideramos indispensables en nuestras vidas. Cristo nos ama y quiere que lo pongamos primero ante otros compromisos o deseos. Nuestra hospitalidad con personas desconocidas pone a Cristo ante nosotros solo de esta manera.

**TODAY’S READINGS (July 2, 2017)**

**First Reading** — Elisha promises a baby son to the hospitable woman (2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a).

**Psalm** — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

**Second Reading** — We shall live in newness of life as Christ was raised from the dead (Romans 6:3-4, 8-11).

**Gospel** — Whoever gives but a cup of cold water to another will surely be rewarded (Matthew 10:37-42).

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**LECTURAS DE HOY (2 de julio de 2017)**

**Primera lectura** — La hospitalidad genuina se alaba mucho (2 Reyes 4:8-11, 14-16a).

**Salmo** — Proclamaré sin cesar la misericordia del Señor (Salmo 89 [88]).

**Segunda lectura** — Vivan para Dios en Cristo Jesús (Romanos 6:3-4, 8-11).

**Evangelio** — El que los recibe a ustedes, a mí me recibe. (Mateo 10:37-42).

<b>Average Weekly Expense</b>	<b>\$ 6,100.00</b>	<b>Parish Share Goal 2017</b>	<b>\$ 79,162.00</b>
<b>Collection for Sunday June 18, 2017</b>	<b>\$ 5,820.50</b>	<b>Parish Share as of June 18, 2017</b>	<b>\$ 27,781.00</b>
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 279.50</b>	<b>E-Offering for May 2017</b>	<b>\$ 1,815.00</b>

Anything collected over our Parish Share assessment will go into our savings.