



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

FEBRUARY 4, 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, February 3, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. Anointing Mass at Seton
- 1:00 p.m. Paulina/Gross Wedding
- 4:30 p.m. Special Intentions for Rose Crupie (Family)

Sunday, February 4, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Joseph & Johanna Shigle (Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Danne & Anne Kapanak (Dennis & Lorainne)
- 11:30 a.m. Anthony DeLaney (Family)

Monday, February 5, 2024

- 7:45 a.m. John Mainwaring (Mother)

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

- 7:45 a.m. Our Parish Family
- 6:30 p.m. Month's Mind (names-pg. 5)

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

- 7:45 a.m. Special Intentions for the Westerbeck Family (Loughner Family)

Thursday, February 8, 2024

- 7:45 a.m. Mary Jane Sistek (Family)

Friday, February 9, 2024

- 7:45 a.m. David Sanger (Parents)

Saturday, February 10, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Baby Carson Christian Martini-Splain (Radziak Family & Francis)
- 4:30 p.m. Rottmund & Ruby Family (Charles & Denise)

Sunday, February 11, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Johnny Ott (Paul & Betty)
- 10:00 a.m. Mary Agnes Montag (Bob & Ronnie)
- 11:30 a.m. Florence Stupansky (James)

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Parish Office Hours - 8am to 4pm

Monday through Friday

308 Second Street - Irwin, Pa 15642
724-863-9550

HAPPENINGS ON THE CORNER & AROUND THE DIOCESE!

Immaculata Men's and Women's Groups - Next meetings will be next Saturday, **February 10th** for the men's group (IMG) and next

Sunday, **February 11th** for the women's group (IWG) at **6:30 am** in Our Lady's Plaza, we will watch the last episode of "The Chosen" before we start our **Lenten Program** on **February 15th**. All are welcome! **Christian Mothers Women's**

Guild-CMWG—The general membership meeting will be **February 13**, at **7 pm** in Our Lady's Plaza (There is NOT a mass at 6:30 pm). All are welcome! Questions: call 724-863-9550

Pre-Cana Classes—Immaculate Conception will hold marriage prep classes February 9-10th, 2024 in Our Lady's Plaza. Couples in need of marriage prep classes are welcome and should call the office to register or for information at 724-863-9550.

Confession series— Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg **"Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession"** is the topic for a series being offered at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg. Topics are "Embraced by Mercy" Feb. 8, "Biblical Foundations" Feb. 15 and "Answering Common Questions" Feb. 29. Sessions are from 7-9 p.m. in the Faith Formation Center. For information, contact Sister Jeanne Marie Vonder Haar at 724-834-3710, ext. 35.



ATTENTION

Directory Ministry Photos

Following all Masses on the 17th and 18th of February, all who participate in serving at Mass in any capacity (ushers, lectors, cantors, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, acolytes, and cross bearers) are invited to stay for a photo that will appear in the directory to highlight the members of our congregation who volunteer their time. **Remember to wear your Sunday best!** (please note: there will not be separate days and times scheduled for each ministry as done in past).

Have you been attending Immaculate Conception but were not sure how to become a member? Or are you a member and you need to update your information? Go to our website at: icirwin.org Click on the Parish Life tab across the top and the first dropdown is Join Our Parish. Click on Download the registration form and once downloaded, you can fill out the form online. If you have questions or need assistance, please call 724-863-9550 and we will be happy to help!



PARISHIONERS, DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE TO STAY IN TOUCH AND IN THE KNOW OF ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

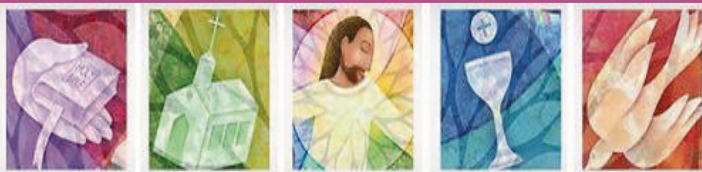
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please note:
There will be Adoration, Confessions, and 6:30 pm Mass on Feb. 6th.
No Adoration, Confessions or Mass on Feb. 13th.

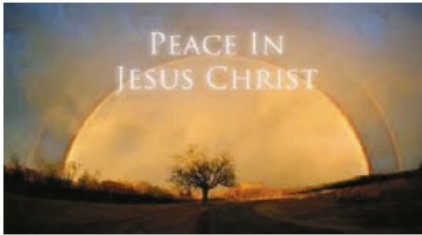


Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES	GRADE - TIME - PLACE	
	7TH GRADE	8TH GRADE
MONDAY FEB. 5, 2024	6-7:15 PM - OUR LADY'S PLAZA	NO CLASS - HOME ASSIGNMENT
	1ST GRADE & 2ND GRADE	
SATURDAY FEB. 10, 2024	9-11 AM - ADMIN. BUILDING	
	3RD, 4TH, 5TH & 6TH GRADE	
MONDAY FEB. 12, 2024	6-8 PM - ADMIN. BUILDING	
	FAMILY MASS & ACTIVITY-ALL GRADES	
MONDAY FEB. 19, 2024	6:30 PM - IC CHURCH	
	1ST & 2ND GRADE	
SATURDAY FEB. 24, 2024	9-11 AM - ADMIN. BUILDING	
	3RD, 4TH, 5TH & 6TH GRADE	
MONDAY FEB. 26, 2024	6-8 PM - ADMIN. BUILDING	
	7TH GRADE	8TH GRADE
MONDAY MARCH 5, 2024	6-7:15 PM - OUR LADY'S PLAZA	7:30-8:45 PM - OUR LADY'S PLAZA

PASTOR'S NOTES CONTINUED

Here is a personal reflection by Robert Berry II that you may find welcoming challenging: For many of us, the idea of making Daily Mass is a luxurious thought. We so quickly dismiss the idea without truly contemplating the real benefits of 'sacrificing' a portion of our day. I was one of those people... until I started going to



Daily Mass.

2. Moves the Focus AWAY from Ourselves

Our busy schedules, our bills, our lives are always overrun with our problems. Continuing from my first point, we ought to recognize how little we actually consider something or someone beyond ourselves. Going to Mass, and making it a daily habit, causes us to focus on something else for one half hour and it's not something that needs fixing or something we need to work for, it's just the greatest act of worship man could experience this side of heaven. Every time a mass is offered, whether you're there or not, it's a sacrifice offered on YOUR BEHALF. Christ invites us to receive Him in this sacrifice as often as we are able; it is precisely why Christ makes himself continually available in the sacrifice of the Mass. He doesn't have to, He wants to. The Mass is for you. Give part of each day for Him.

So, Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my



What Does That Mean??

WHEN MARRIAGE IS VALID IN THE "EYES" OF THE CHURCH

Note: Questions arise when one is asked to be a sponsor to a child at Baptism or Confirmation and are not permitted based on an invalid marriage. So what is considered a "valid" marriage according to the Church? It is obviously an important issue since all Catholics, by their Baptism, are bound to Church Law. I hope that the following will be helpful.

CAUTION TO PARENTS OF THOSE TO BE BAPTISED AND CONFIRMED: Make sure that the person and persons you choose to be a god parent or sponsor at Confirmation CAN, by Church Law fulfill the requirements. They must be a practicing Catholic and if married, it must be Valid based on the above stipulations.... It can be embarrassing if you ask someone who will not be permitted to stand for your child.

VALIDITY OF SACRAMENT DEPENDS ON PROPER FORM AND MATTER - In order for a sacrament to be valid, and have an efficacious effect, the proper form and matter must exist. To have valid Eucharist, the proper form is the words of consecration over the proper matter (unleavened bread and wine) by an ordained priest within the context of the Mass. If all or one is lacking it is not a valid Eucharist. For instance, if an non-ordained Catholic priest utters the words of consecration over the proper matter, it is invalid. Again, if a priest substitutes cracker for bread and grape drink for wine... it is not a valid Eucharist. Since Marriage is a sacrament, it is only valid if the proper *Form* and *Matter* is present.

PROPER FORM—The proper *Form* for marriage is for the consent and marriage vows to be received in the presence of the proper pastor within the confines of a consecrated Church building. Special dispensations can be obtained from proper *Form* with permission from the Bishop. **Example:** One can receive permission for a wedding to take place in a Christian Church by a Christian minister, if permission is granted by the Bishop.

PROPER MATTER - The proper *Matter* in marriage is based on intention and disposition of those who are to be bound by the proper *Form*.

There are three *intentions* that are necessary to be pledged by those desiring marriage:

- 1) That "both" are entering the marriage freely, without reservation, to give themselves to each other in marriage.
- 2) That they will be faithful to each other as man and wife for the rest of their lives.
- 3) That they will accept children lovingly from God and bring them up according to the Law of Christ and His Church.

One must also be properly *disposed*, (free) to enter into the sacrament of marriage as well as professing the above intentions. They must first fulfill all the prerequisites required in preparation prior to the marriage as dictated by the Diocese in which they seek to receive marriage. They must be a practicing baptized Catholic, who has never been married, nor have made vows to a religious order, nor ordained a priest. They must also prove to be of sound mind, capable mentally and emotionally, to make such a commitment.

NECESSITY OF CONTACTING LOCAL PASTOR/PRIEST - In planning a wedding the Church must be contacted at least six months in advance so the priest can determine if you are prepared and can freely enter into the Sacrament. *The Church does not refuse marriage to anyone who is properly disposed and desires the Sacrament with the proper intentions under the proper form.* The Church is however responsible to make sure that the couple is free of impediments.

PASTOR'S NOTES CONTINUED

TRUST ME!!

The CHOSEN

"Get used to different."



I CAN NOT STRESS ENOUGH THIS MOST POWERFUL WAY TO "FEEL" THE INTENSE LOVE OF WHAT IT MEANS TO BE CHOSEN BY CHRIST!

THIS IS MORE THAN A STORY ABOUT THE HIS FIRST DISCIPLES BUT HOW WE ARE ALL INDIVIDUALLY CALLED TO WALK WITH HIM!

THE SERIES CREATES THE BACK STORIES OF ALL THE FOLLOWERS TO SHOW THE VARIOUS SOULS THAT JESUS WAS INTERESTED IN CALLING TO BE HIS FRIENDS. THE SINNER, THE ANXIETY STRICKEN, THE WEAK, LAME AND CERTAINLY, THE COMMON SOUL SEEKING FOR INTIMACY WITH JESUS!

PLEASE...PLEASE...MAKE THIS A LENTEN PRIORITY TO "BINGE" WATCH THE FIRST 3 SEASONS OF "THE CHOSEN" AND YOUR LIFE WILL NEVER BE THE SAME.

"THE CHOSEN" IS AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

- FREE ON THE CHOSEN APP—DOWN LOAD THE APP ON YOUR ROKU OR FIRST STICK
- STREAM IT ON YouTube
- WATCH IT ON AMAZON PRIME
- IT IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON DVD WHICH I WILL MAKE AVAILABLE DURING THE LENTEN SEASON

GET READY FOR DIFFERENT AND MAKE THIS THE BEST LENT EVER!!

LENTEN CONFERENCES



THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Father John will discuss the development of the sorrowful mysteries and will share reflections on each of the mysteries following the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening during Lent. Come join us for an intimate experience: Christ Crucified!

Friday, February 16 - Historical background and the agony in the garden

Friday, February 23 - The scourging at the pillar

Friday March 1 - The crowning of thorns

Friday March 8 - Jesus accepts and carries His cross

Friday, March 15 - Crucifixion and death of Jesus on the cross



The music ministry will be hosting a Lenten Music Series on **Monday evenings at 6:30 PM** during Lent. This series will allow a chance for prayer and to highlight music of the season as we prepare our

hearts and minds for the resurrection. The first and last week will feature Taizé prayer services, a simple and meditative form of prayer with repeated refrains, sacred silence, and short readings to focus the mind on Christ's presence in our lives.

There will also be an organ recital by Kevin Litzinger, assistant organist at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Pittsburgh, and a recital by Bridget Deveney, our director of music featuring Lenten organ voluntaries. We hope that you can join us!

Monday, February 26th: Taizé prayer service

Monday, March 4th: Organ Recital by Bridget Deveney

Monday, March 11th: Organ Recital by Kevin Litzinger

Monday, March 18th: Taizé prayer service

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CANDLES

Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of Margaret by Blasko (Family)

Divine Mercy Candle: In Memory of Robert Griffen by Wife Kathy

St. Peregrine Candle: In Memory of Shawn Teamann by Family

Easter Flame Candle: In Memory of Bruno Valenti by Family

St. Joseph's Candle: In Memory of Month's Mind

Altar Candles for the Month of February:
In Memory of Dino Dinon by Family

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A CANDLE LIT IN MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONE, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AND WE WILL BE GLAD TO HELP YOU!
724-863-9550



February 4, 2024 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job	7:1-4, 6-7
1 Corinthians	9:16-19, 22-23
Mark	1:29-39

February 11, 2024 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus	13:1-2, 44-46
1 Corinthians	10:31-11:1
Mark	1:40-45



Please pray for the family of Victor Kach, father of Vicki Sich, and all of our departed. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.*

A month's mind (sometimes formerly termed a trental) is a requiem mass celebrated about one month after a person's death, in memory of the deceased.

Month's Mind for this month will be on:

February 6, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Remember the souls of:

- † Bonita Arnold
- † James Tornblom
- † Gregory Dolan
- † Ron Adams



SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

Matrimony

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact the parish office one year in advance of the wedding.

Baptism

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized please email Susan Cheplic at skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org to register for Baptism Preparation.

Confession

Tuesday 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. & Saturday 9-10 a.m.

Homebound Ministry

If you know of any family, neighbors, or fellow parishioners who are homebound and would like to have a Homebound Minister bring them Holy Communion, please call Sharyn Gesmond at 724.863.9550 or Email her at: sgesmond@dioceseofgreensburg.org

LET ALL THAT YOU DO
BE DONE IN LOVE

1 Corinthians 16:14

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SUNDAY OFFERTORY JAN 20/21 \$14,853.25

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Immaculate Conception

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For additional information visit our website at:

www.icirwin.org/giving/funds or scan the QR Code

If you decide to switch to online giving and would like to discontinue your envelopes please contact the parish office. Thank you!



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Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone, please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.



Immaculate Conception Creation Care Team

Theology on the Vine

The first words of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*, *Care for Our Common Home* are Italian and translate as “praise be to you”. They are a quotation from St. Francis of Assisi’s “Canticle of the Creatures” in which Saint Francis praises God by meditating on the goodness of sun, wind, Earth, water, and other natural forces. *Laudato Si* reminds us of how people of faith should not only respect the Earth, but also praise and honor God through our engagement with creation. Please mark your calendar for the **February 22nd** Theology on the Vine session where we will have Dr. Lucas Briola as a speaker to discuss the challenges put forth to us in *Laudato Si*.

WALK THE CAMINO to Santiago De Compostela



WHERE IS THE LORD LEADING YOU?

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Join the monks of Saint Vincent Archabbey on the Camino of Saint James to reflect on walking along the path that leads to life, as Saint Benedict exhorts us in the Rule.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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Sessions will be on Saturday mornings from Feb 17 through Mar 23 and will be held in the Q of A gymnasium. Instructional Basketball will be from 9am-10am and Tiny Dribblers will be from 10am-11am. The registration fee is \$50. If you have additional questions, please contact Joanne Mastalerz at jmastalerz@queenofanglessch.org
To register: <https://forms.office.com/r/LXngDDtTz2>

This year the Retreat Office is going abroad with two monastic-led Pilgrimages. The first will cover the final 150 km of the **Camino of Saint James** that ends in Santiago de Compostela in **Spain**. Pilgrims will walk with Benedictine **Fr. Shawn Matthew Anderson** from **May 15-May 26**. For more information about this pilgrimage opportunity, email: SVARetreats@gmail.com. The second pilgrimage will follow the **Footsteps of St. Patrick** across the **Emerald Isle of Ireland** by private coach. Pilgrims will be accompanied by **Benedictine Fr. Philip Kanfush** from **July 21-29**. For more information about this pilgrimage opportunity, email: SVARetreats@gmail.com. **Note: registration deadlines for the Camino and Ireland Pilgrimages are fast approaching!!!**

MEMORIAL MASS TO BE HELD AT SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST IN PERRYOPOLIS FOR FR. ALVIN:



**MEMORIAL MASS
FOR
FATHER ALVIN
CABUNGCAL**

February 8, 2024 at 6pm

Light Refreshments will follow in the Parish Social Hall

**Saint John the Baptist
3332 Pittsburgh Road, Perryopolis, Pa 15473**

**THE FOLLOWING MASSES ARE BEING SAID IN
MEMORY OF FATHER ALVIN CABUNGCAL AT
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:**

- ✚ **TUESDAY, JANUARY 30TH AT 6:30 PM**
- ✚ **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH AT 8:00 AM**
- ✚ **EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST AT 7:00 AM**
- ✚ **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH AT 8:00 AM**

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP:

this group is for anyone dealing with a loved one who has dementia. Dementia Friendly Faith Community support group meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Center. The next meeting will be held on February 6th. For more information about the Support Group, contact—Gail Henderson at 412-848-2076 or email at gailhend@comcast.net .



Queen of Angels Catholic School will be selling raffle tickets for \$10. Each ticket comes with two chances to win! The winner will be drawn on Mardi Gras (February 13th) and receives one sealed package of each \$10 and \$20 scratch-off tickets and \$1,000 cash. Thank you for your support! We have some in the Parish Office or you can contact Queen of Angels School at 724-978-0144.

THE GRIEF SHARE PROGRAM begins Monday, Feb. 5, 2024 at 6:30 pm here at Immaculate Conception. You are welcome to begin attending our Grief Share group at any point. Each session is “self-contained” so you do not have to attend in sequence. Please register by emailing Gerri Dornin at gdornin@comcast.net or by calling the Parish Office. **Group meets weekly in the Children’s Liturgy Room next to the restrooms.**

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\$\$\$ 412 Senior Youth Ministry Super Bingo \$\$\$

Thanks for supporting the 412 Senior Youth Ministry in their two great endeavors... Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission trip in the Summer AND the National Catholic Youth Conference in the Fall.

Saturday, February 24, 2024

***SNOW DATE... (March 2nd)... Watch KDKA for cancellation information

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton — Mack Hall — 200 Leger Rd. N. Huntingdon, PA 15642
Doors Open 10:45 AM — “Early Bird” Bingo Starts 11:45 AM



Jackpot Payout — \$ 1,000.00

20 Games — \$ 100 Payout Each (18 cards)

Four Specials — \$50 / \$150 (6 cards)

Extra Packets \$6 (sold at door)

\$30 per Ticket

Lunch & Beverage Included

Name _____ Phone # _____

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of Tickets _____ Amount Paid _____
(Make checks payable to: **St. Agnes Church**)

Mail check & registration to: **or** Purchase tickets at St. Elizabeth
St. Agnes Church Ann Seton, St. Agnes, or
Re: Super Bingo Immaculate Conception church
11400 St. Agnes Lane offices.
N. Huntingdon, PA 15642

For information, tickets, or to reserve seating after tickets are purchased please call Mary Frankhauser at 724-600-4894.

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Saint Vincent College Concert Series

will feature An Evening of Music for Trombone and Piano featuring award-winning trombonist and composer Dr. Sean Durkin performing standards by Johann Sebastian Bach, Antonio Vivaldi, Gabriel Fauré, and Alexandre Guilmant. Dr. Durkin will be joined by J. Christopher Pardini on piano and organ. Friday, February 9 at 7:00p in the Mary, Mother of Wisdom Chapel (located in the Robert S. Carey Student Center). Admission is FREE.

**St Barbara Parish, Harrison City
Thursday, Feb. 8th**

will host bingo with payouts of \$150, \$175, & \$1400. Admission starts at \$27/extra packages \$5. Packages include Regular, Special, Jackpot games, Magic Number & Door Prizes. Also available are Early Birds, Quickies, All-Nighter, 50/50, & Games of Chance. Doors open 5:00pm/games 6:45pm. Monitors & number boards are used for your convenience. Kitchen/Free Coffee/Handicap Accessible. 724-744-4594 or 724-744-7474.

ANGEL'S CORNER QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Since 1972, councils have sponsored the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship for boys and girls from the ages of 9 to 14 to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. Kids compete within their own gender and age and progress from local level to district, regional and state/province competitions. This program is a great way to introduce the Order to your community and recruit faithful family men of service.

On a local level, our Council was chartered in 1985, and I believe this Community event was started by our Council shortly after that at St Agnes gymnasium. I joined the council in 1994, and have been involved with the Free Throw since then. Many of our dedicated volunteers have been involved as long as myself. It is important to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition for our kids, and it's fun. That's why we do it.

Al Borgony- Grand Knight

St. Jude Council #9019

Serving St. Agnes, Immaculate Conception and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes

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Left to Right

Caroline DeFazio

Tyler Calcara

Luca Holderbaum

Brealyn Ulm



ETERNAL REST™

THE ART OF DYING WELL



While mankind has many difficulties and struggles in this world, chief among them is death.

We try to hide death, to hide from it, ignore it, avoid it, defy it, and even conquer it. All to no avail. Death remains with us, and it numbers our days.

How do we understand and prepare for this reality we cannot escape?

ETERNAL REST presents the Church's teachings about death and God's response to it with wisdom and truth, gentleness and compassion, so that participants may think about and prepare for death in the light of Jesus Christ, the Author of Life.

Join us on the following Sunday afternoon dates for this video series/discussion time.

All sessions will be held in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Center.

Time: 2-3 PM

Feb 18 + Feb 25 + Mar 3 + Mar 17

Contact Julie at the SEAS Parish Office to sign up or for info: 724-864-6364.

PREPARING FOR LENT-
FEB 14 IS ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent is not about becoming
perfect, but rather it is about
growing in your faith.





IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Irwin, Pennsylvania

Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 4, 2024 - Order of the Mass

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father:
 courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate,
 faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage.
 Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and
 responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
 2. Lord, you call us to your serv - ice: "In my
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
 4. Lord, you show us love's true meas - ure: "Fa - ther,
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the Church ne -
 name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
 bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
 what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
 with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion And the Gos - pel go un - heard,
 trust your prom - ise, Life a - bun - dant meant for each,
 earth's true glo - ry, Dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward,
 pri - vate treas - ure All that you so free - ly give.
 love re - stor - ing, May we serve as you in - tend,

Help us wit - ness to your pur - pose With re -
 Give us all new fer - vor, draw us Clos - er
 Ask - ing that the world a - round us Share your
 May your care and mer - cy lead us To a
 And, a - mid the cares that claim us, Hold in

newed in - teg - ri - ty;
 in com - mun - i - ty;
 chil - dren's lib - er - ty; With the Spir - it's gifts em -
 just so - ci - e - ty;
 mind e - ter - ni - ty;

pow'r us For the work of min - is - try.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless, you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Job spoke, saying: Is not man's life on earth a drudgery? Are not his days those of hirelings? He is a slave who longs for the shade, a hireling who waits for his wages. So I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me. If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?" then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope. Remember that my life is like the wind; I shall not see happiness again.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 147
Michel Guimont

Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

SECOND READING 1 Corinth. 9:16-19, 22-23

Brothers and sisters: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! If I do so willingly, I have a recompense, but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my recompense? That, when I preach, I offer the gospel free of charge so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I

became weak, to win over the weak. I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them. When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

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We Cannot Measure How You Heal



1. We can - not meas - ure how you heal Or
 2. The pain that will not go a - way, The
 3. So some have come who need your help, And

an - swer ev - 'ry suf - f'rer's prayer, Yet
 guilt that clings from things long past, The
 some have come to make a - mends, As

we be - lieve your grace re - sponds Where faith and
 fear of what the fu - ture holds, Are pres - ent
 hands which shaped and saved the world Are pres - ent

doubt u - nite to care. Your hands, though blood - ied
 as if meant to last. But pres - ent too is
 in the touch of friends. Lord, let your Spir - it

on the cross, Sur - vive to hold and heal and
 love which tends, The hurt we nev - er hoped to
 meet us here To mend the bod - y, mind, and

warn, To car - ry all through death to
 find, The pri - vate ag - o - nies in -
 soul, To dis - en - tan - gle peace from

life And cra - dle chil - dren yet un - born.
 side, The mem - o - ries that haunt the mind.
 pain, And make your bro - ken peo - ple whole.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

"Land of Rest" Acclamations Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

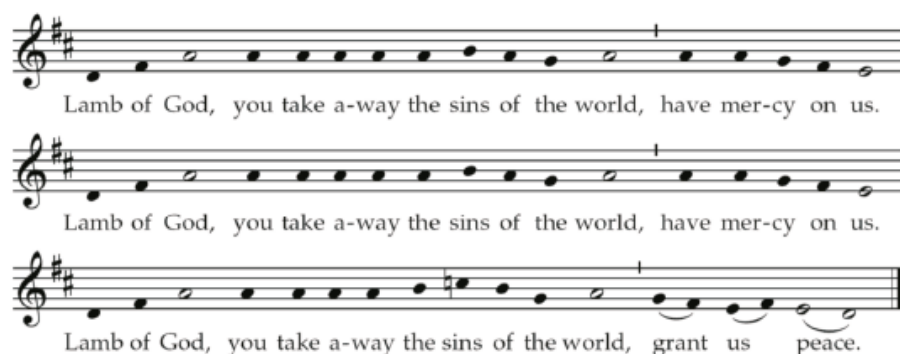
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Richard Proulx



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Richard Proulx, 1937-2010
Adapt. by Michael O'Connor, O.P.
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COMMUNION HYMN

Take and Eat

Refrain

Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bod - y
giv-en up for you. Take and drink; take and drink:
this is my blood giv-en up for you.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Your Hands O Lord in Days of Old

1. Your hands, O Lord, in days of old Were
2. And then your touch brought life and health, Gave
3. O be our might - y heal - er still, O
strong to heal and save; They tri - umphed o - ver
speech, and strength, and sight; And youth re - newed and
Lord of life and death; Re - store and strength-en,
pain and death, Fought dark - ness and the grave. To
health re - stored, Claimed you, the Lord of light: And
soothe and bless, With your al - might - y breath: On
you they went, the blind, the mute, The
so, O Lord, be near to bless, Al -
hands that work and eyes that see, Your
pal - sied, and the lame, The lep - er set a -
might - y now as then, In ev - 'ry street, in
heal - ing wis - dom pour, That whole and sick, and
part and shunned The sick and those in shame.
ev - 'ry home, In ev - 'ry trou - bled friend.
weak and strong, May praise you ev - er - more.

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