



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
MARCH 9, 2025, FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, March 8, 2025

8:00 a.m. Rozanne, Mary Ann, Marie, Cheryl,
And Fran (Luci)

4:30 p.m. Marie Pulaski (Ed & Sharon)

Sunday, March 9, 2025

8:00 a.m. Patty Santimyer (DeFelice Family)

10:00 a.m. George Rain (Wife & Daughter)

11:30 a.m. Danne & Anne Kapanak (Family)

Monday, March 10, 2025

7:45 a.m. James Armstrong (Family)

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

7:45 a.m. Our Parish Family

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. - Michele Ruby (Family)

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

7:45 a.m. Mary Duffy (Family)

Thursday, March 13, 2025

7:45 a.m. Alec Patterson (St. Jude Council
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Friday, March 14, 2025

7:45 a.m. Pat & Betty Donnelly (Family)

12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 15, 2025

8:00 a.m. Donald Graham (Friend)

4:30 p.m. Karen Hodell (Eileen & Norman)

Sunday, March 16, 2025

8:00 a.m. Frances & Cornelius McNeil
(Dan & Joan)

10:00 a.m. William Gallagher (Family)

11:30 a.m. Joseph Finnerty (Family)

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Parish Office Hours:
8 am to 3 pm

PASTOR'S NOTES

Temptations of Life...

We begin Lent the same way we do every year, with the story of Jesus being tempted in the desert. Sometimes we think that we have heard the story so often that we know and understand all of its meaning and ramifications. However, if we look closer at what is happening, we see that there is much for all of us to learn from this familiar story. First of all, the desert into which Jesus went was a dangerous place. It was full of wild animals and bandits. The people of that time believed that the desert was the haunt of demons, so it is no surprise that Jesus meets the devil there. The 40 days is a reminder of the time that the Jewish people spent wandering aimlessly in the desert before they reached the Promised Land. It reminds us of the saving event of the Exodus.

The temptations that Jesus was confronted with were nothing more than a test to see if Jesus would use his power for his own advantage and gain. The choices that Jesus made throughout his ministry helped to define who he was. Every choice ultimately is about identity. We clearly see that the true identity of the Son of God is revealed not by using his power selfishly but by preparing himself for his mission to bring salvation to others.

As we listen to the temptations that Jesus went through in the desert, we are reminded of the temptations he would be confronted with his entire life. And it serves as a preview of our own lives and the temptations we face on a daily basis.

Let's take a look at the temptations we face in life. First of all, we need to understand that temptations are not sins, they simply allow us to discover our boundaries for our strengths and weaknesses. Everywhere we look in society today we are being told how we can improve our looks, make life easier, enjoy our leisure time better. Many of these "temptations" are things that we simply do not need or can afford. We are told over and over again that we can buy things even if we can't afford them, just put it on a credit card. Again, temptations show us our strengths and weaknesses.

We have no problem admitting to our temptations in life but at the same time we love to find someone else to blame them on. Jesus could have blamed the devil, but he didn't. He was aware of his boundaries and how he wanted to use his power. Temptation always presents us with an option; one that we think will guarantee getting more. Adam and Eve had it all but wanted more. It is hard to deal with temptations today because of the universal notion that we should have everything we want.

Whatever Lenten practices we undertake, it is important to remember what their purpose is. Lenten practices are not about losing weight or finally stopping smoking, but they are about deepening our baptismal identity as children of God and members of the Body of Christ. By remaining faithful to who we are, knowing our limits in spite of temptation, we will grow in relationships with God, self, and others. Lent is all about not taking the easy way out. It is looking at the temptations we have around us and know our limits, our strengths and our weaknesses. The more aware we become of ourselves the better we will be as Disciples of Christ. Jesus was well aware of who he was and what he was able to do, but in spite of the temptations he endured, he never went for the easy way out!

~Father Mike

CANDLES

Sanctuary Candle:

In Memory of Dennis Petrulak

Divine Mercy:

In Memory of Jim Armstrong (Judy & Colleen)

St. Peregrine Candle:

In Memory of Lisa Cimbala

Easter Flame Candle:

In Memory Melvin Yacamelli

St. Joseph's Candle:

In Memory of Jim Armstrong (Marge)

Altar Candles for the Month of March:

In Memory of the Donnelly Family (Kathleen)

If you would like to have a candle lit in memory of your loved one, please call the parish office 724-863-9550. We will be glad to help you.



Please pray for the families of Melvin Yacamelli, Lisa Cimbala, Dennis Petrulak and all of our faithful departed.

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



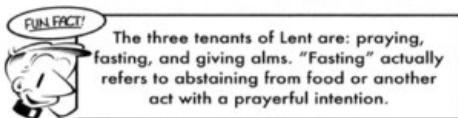
Prayer for Lent

Dear Jesus, This is the first Sunday of Lent, and I want to commit myself more deeply to you this season. Inspire me with the Lenten penances you most desire, the ones that help me to grow ever nearer to you. Amen.

"Why is Lent the best time of year to run a marathon?"



"Because that's when you fast!"



SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

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

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.
(except for the first Saturday of the month)

Divine Mercy

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 pm in the church.



Eucharistic Adoration is on Tuesdays after 7:45 am Mass & continuing until 6:15 pm.

"When we face the sun we get a tan, but when we stand before Jesus in the Eucharist we become saints." - Blessed Carlo Acutis

Sunday Offertory

February 23 - \$12,490.92

Online Giving

February 24 - March 2 - \$5,026.85

Thank you for supporting our parish!

Immaculate Conception Parish offers Online Giving.

- Scan QR Code on the new Pew Cards or QR Code below.
- Click Create a new account.
- Create an ID and password.
- Allow 2 minutes to complete the process.



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

HAPPENINGS AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

IMMACULATA MEN'S GROUP (IMG) & IMMACULATA WOMEN'S GROUP (IWG)

Starting Saturday, March 8th for the men's group (IMG) and Sunday, March 9th for the women's group (IWG) at 6:30am, we continue a new series: "Symbolon"

Symbolon brings together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide us through the breadth and richness of the Catholic faith. This promises to be a spiritually enriching series you won't want to miss! All are welcome!



Stations of the Cross - Fridays during Lent

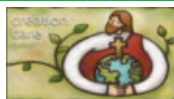
Immaculate Conception Parish -
Noon & 6:30 pm

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish - 6:30 pm



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 the Parish Office 724-863-9550



The Immaculate Conception Creation Care Team will meet **Wednesday March 12, 2025 6 p.m.** in the Children's Liturgy Room. The team's focus is to study the encyclical "*Laudato Si*, Care for Our Common Home" and to turn the Pope's vision into effective actions. For more information, Chris Peta at chris@syncrous.com



"Why we believe what we believe."

On Monday evenings, starting March 10th at 6:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Office area, Fr. Mike will offer a presentation on

"Why we believe what we believe." Sometimes we look at the "Big Picture" but in the process we miss out on many little things. Understanding our faith is a lot like that. On the Mondays of Lent at 6:30 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, in the office, we will be looking at our Church and figuring out why we believe what we believe. It will be a look at the Church from its beginnings throughout the ages. If there is anything you have always wondered about in our Church, simply write it down and get it to me, and I will be sure to answer it.



The Last Seven Words of Jesus

The last seven words of Jesus, spoken from the cross, hold deep spiritual and theological significance for Christians. These final statements, recorded across the Gospels, reveal Jesus' love, mercy, suffering, and fulfillment of God's plan for salvation. They encapsulate key themes of forgiveness, hope, care, despair, physical suffering, completion and ultimate trust in God. They are a powerful guide for spiritual reflection during Lent, helping us grow in faith, repentance and love. **Join Fr. Vijay at Immaculate Conception Church (in the church) on Thursday, March 13, at 6:30 PM** as he reflects on these words during Lent helps us grow in humility, sacrifice, and love, drawing us closer to Christ's passion and resurrection.



Lenten Season: The Filipino Way

The Lenten season in the Philippines is more than a period of prayer, fasting, and reflection—it is a sacred journey deeply embedded in the nation's culture and faith. As a predominantly Catholic country, Filipinos observe Lent with profound devotion, commemorating the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ through time-honored traditions that unite families and communities. From the solemn *Visita Iglesia* to the moving reenactments of the Passion, from self-sacrificing penitents to the triumphant joy of Easter Sunday, each tradition reflects the unwavering faith and spiritual resilience of the Filipino people. **Join Fr. Louiegene at Immaculate Conception (in the church) on Thursday, March 20, at 6:30 PM**, as he delves into the rich and meaningful ways Filipinos live out the Lenten season.

HAPPENINGS AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Immaculate Conception Parish Directory

If you did not pick up your parish directory they are available to pick up in the Immaculate Conception Parish office during office hours. If you have family, friends or fellow parishioners who did not get their picture taken, but would still like a directory, they will be available in the parish office for purchase by donation (Suggested donation \$20).

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IRWIN CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN'S GUILD

JOKERS WILD CARD PARTY



THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025

OUR LADY'S PLAZA

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

\$15.00 light lunch included

Tickets will be sold after Masses on March 8th/9th, 15th/16th and 22nd/23rd and the Parish Office Monday – Friday from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

For ticket information call Patty at 724- 972-1250

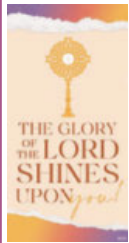


TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR



The 17th annual Race For Grace to benefit the Reflections of Grace Foundation is Saturday, April 5, 2025 at Norwin High School.

Please visit <https://www.reflectionsofgrace.org/> to learn more about Grace's story, register or how to help.



Remember that on Tuesdays we have the opportunity to spend time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Please consider spending some time in Adoration.

Immaculate Conception Parish's Lenten Stewardship

The season of Lent is about examining our lives and doing whatever we can to become more aware of God's gifts. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving we can learn more about our relationship not only with God but with one another. Almsgiving is an important part of Lent, one we sometimes overlook. To share what we have been blessed with is a real gift. This year during Lent, IC will pair up with Heifer International which is an organization that takes animals around the world and helps people use them to help build a better life. We are going to try and buy an "ARK" which is a collection of different animals that can truly bring a better life to many people. Throughout the season of Lent, you can make a donation and we will "buy" the animals to fill the ARK. **Please put your donation in an envelope marked HEIFER and place it in the offertory basket.** Below are the animals that will fill the ARK.

2 Sheep	\$240.00
2 Trios of Rabbits	\$120.00
2 Pigs	\$240.00
2 Oxen	\$500.00
2 Goats	\$240.00
2 Beehives	\$ 60.00
2 Flocks of Geese	\$ 80.00
2 Flocks of Chicks	\$ 50.00
2 Trios of Guinea Pigs	\$120.00
2 Water Buffalo	\$500.00
2 Cows	\$800.00
2 Trios of Ducks	\$ 50.00
2 Donkeys	\$800.00
2 Camels	\$900.00
2 Llamas	\$300.00



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Lent is
a time to
Share

As a way of imitating Jesus, perhaps we can all better recognize the importance of Lent as *A Time to Share*. Please look for an update in the mail about how contributions during Lent support our parish, including the upkeep of our beautiful 100 year old church building!

Scan to donate

Donate today at DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025

A Time to Share is the theme for our 2025 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. We know that when we take the time to share our gifts with our parish and Diocese, God promises to multiply them, like the loaves and fish, which then enables your parish and the Diocese to share them with others. Our Diocesan goal is **\$162,067.00**. On the diocesan level, these monies support the international priests, seminarian's education, faith formation programs, Catholic Charities, and other diocesan ministries. Secondly, any monies over the diocesan goal will stay here at Immaculate Conception parish to support our missions, ministries, and to assist with upkeep of our parish buildings and grounds.

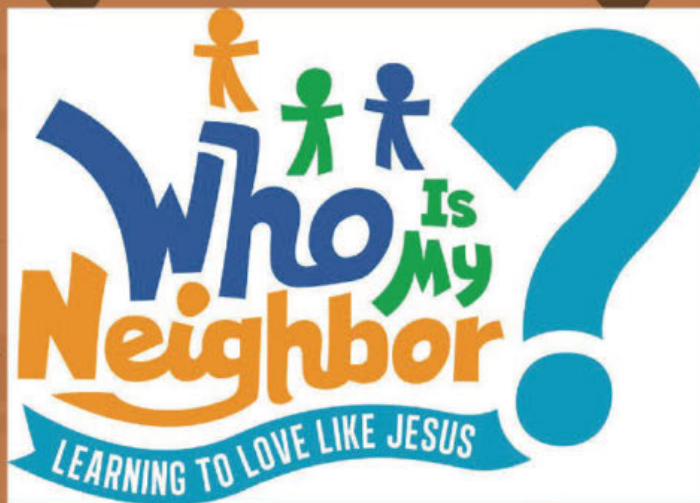
It is important to note that every penny we raise above our Diocesan goal is ASSESMENT FREE. That means all those dollars stay here at Immaculate Conception parish.

Please remember if Immaculate Conception parish does not reach our diocesan goal, the parish will receive a bill for the difference that must be paid out of our savings.

In September 2024, our parish celebrated the 100th anniversary of our church building on the corner of Second and Oak. Please think of how many parishioners have come and gone over those 100 years.

Immaculate Conception parish has certainly served many people throughout that time. The many pastors, parochial vicars and staff of this parish have shared the love of Christ with each of them. That is what we are all about and that is what we should share with everyone who comes through our doors. Faith is all about our service to one another, bringing the presence of Christ to all that we meet. The clergy, staff and fellow parishioners of Immaculate Conception parish humbly ask you to support God's work and make a gift to this year's campaign so that Immaculate Conception parish can continue to be a place where people can always come and experience the love of God.

Thank you to all who have already given a gift to the 2025 Diocesan Lenten Appeal and to those who will give a gift.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 23RD-26TH
9AM TO 12:30PM

FAITH

MUSIC

ARTS & CRAFTS

For More Information contact Susan Cheplic
skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Scan the QR code to register- \$25 per child!

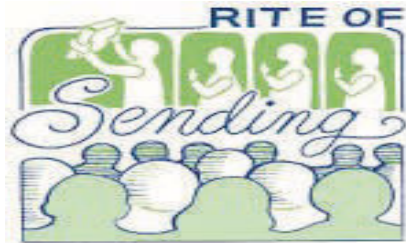




The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Today at the 11:30 Mass we celebrated the Rite of Sending for our Catechumen and Candidates. On the First Sunday of Lent, the people of the Diocese of Greensburg gather with Bishop Kulick and those seeking Baptism and those seeking full Communion with the Church to celebrate another step on the journey. Today we send

Sarai, seeking Baptism and to be counted as a member of “The Elect”, and **Michael Cumberledge, Matthew Staub, Charles Thomas and Elizabeth Wittington**, seeking full Communion with the Catholic Church to participate in the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion with Bishop Kulick. In these Rites, “the Church makes its ‘election,’ that is, the choice and admission of those catechumens (unbaptized) who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part...in the sacraments of initiation” (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults [OCIA], 119). In addition, those baptized Christians who seek to “complete their Christian formation and become fully integrated into the community...” (OCIA, 410) come before the bishop who, on behalf of the Church, officially recognizes their “desire to have a place at Christ’s Eucharistic table” (OCIA, 454). All will then enter into a period of “Purification and Enlightenment” during Lent as they continue their journey to the Easter Vigil. Please pray for our Catechumen (Sarai) and our Candidates (Michael, Matthew, Charles and Elizabeth) and offer our Lenten sacrifices for them and their perseverance in the faith. **They need our prayers, encouragement and support** during these final weeks of preparation. Think of them often in these final weeks before Easter. Reach out to them and welcome them into our parish community.



Steubenville Conference

July 18-20, 2025



DEUTERONOMY 4:24



Promo Video



Registration

Steubenville Youth Conferences are for current 8th-12th graders

4⁺12 High School Ministry

1 Timothy

Seeking the Kingdom

Sunday, March 9

6-8pm

TEENS IN GRADES 8TH -12TH
@ YOUTH BUILDING
BRING A FRIEND & A BIBLE

ANGELS CORNER—QUEEN OF ANGEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Queen of Angels Catholic School is once again selling Sarris Candy for Easter.

Please find in the narthex a brochure and order form for the Sarris Candy Easter fundraising sale to benefit Queen of Angels Catholic School. Please make note of the following dates:

*All orders AND PAYMENTS are due before Wednesday, March 12th

*Pickup is Wednesday, April 9th from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

*Make your check payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School. One check is recommended no cash please!

Please record all your orders on the brochure order form. When you are finished selling, transfer your total orders to the master sheet. Only return both copies of the master sheet to the school office. Keep the brochure and individual orders for distribution. ON-LINE ORDER www.sarriscandiesfundraising.com #10-1221 If you have any questions, please e-mail me at rnoblick@queenofangelssch.org or call me at 724 978-0144 x 5 or 724 331-6216. Thank you for your support! ~ Mrs. Ruth Ann Noblick

Caliente
Pizza & Draft House

presents

Queen of Angels Catholic School - Cash Cow

EVENT DETAILS:

Thursday, March 13th, 2025

ALL DAY!

Location:

CALIENTE PIZZA & DRAFT HOUSE – Monroeville

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412-457-8777

Up to 25% of your purchase will go to helping support
Queens of Angels Catholic School

Join us for food, fun, a good time and a good cause!

Turn this flyer in when you receive your order!

Valid for dine-in orders only

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He Who Has Ears To Hear, Let Him Hear!



A Testimony of Conversion

You know and love the show. It brings us closer to Jesus.
The actors help the bible come to life before our eyes.
Now, come meet Tristan Collins, who met Jesus for the first time on set as an extra and gave his life to God.

Tuesday, March 11th
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tristan Collins, a former atheist and extra on The CHOSEN, shares his conversion story and experience on the show.

St. Regis Parish

517 Homewood Avenue | Trafford PA 15085

NO COST TO ATTEND! BRING A FRIEND. REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED.

Walking as Pilgrims of Hope

Be a part of this Walking, Praying Pilgrimage for
the Year of Jubilee

Saturday, April 12, 2025 beginning at 7:30 a.m.

St. Bartholomew Parish, Crabtree
to
Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg

Starting Point:
St. Bartholomew
Parish, Crabtree

End Point:
Blessed Sacrament
Cathedral,
Greensburg

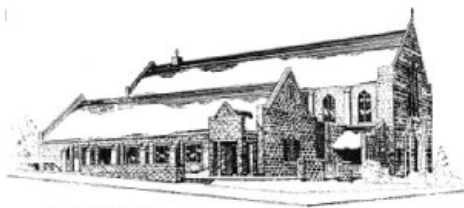
Pilgrims will be provided
with a FREE Walking with
Jesus bag, water,
and a Jubilee 2025 shirt.



Approx. 8 Miles
Pilgrimage Concludes
with Noon Mass at the
Cathedral



To Register Visit
<https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org> or
Contact Elizabeth Haberstroh,
ehaberstroh@dioceseofgreensburg.org



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
Irwin, Pennsylvania

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
March 9, 2025 - Order of the Mass

VOCATIONS PRAYER

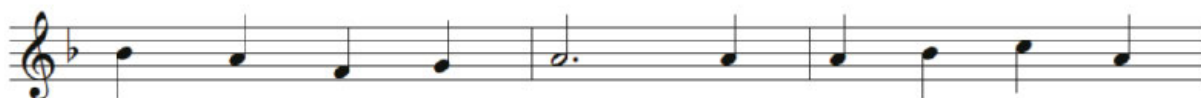
Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father:
courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate,
faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage.
Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days



1. Lord, who through - out these for - ty days For
2. As you with Sa - tan did con - tend And
3. As you did hun - ger and did thirst, So
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And
5. A - bide with us that, when this life Of



us did fast and pray, Teach us to o - ver -
did the vic - t'ry win, O give us strength in
teach us, gra - cious Lord, To die to self, and
through your Pas - sion - tide, For ev - er - more, in
suf - fer - ing is past, An East - er of un -



come our sins, And close by you to stay.
you to fight, In you to con - quer sin.
on - ly live By your most ho - ly word.
life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!



(Then repeat the first Kyrie.)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses spoke to the people, saying:
 "The priest shall receive the basket from you and shall set it in front of the altar of the LORD, your God. Then you shall declare before the Lord, your God, 'My father was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as an alien. But there he became a nation great, strong, and numerous. When the Egyptians maltreated and oppressed us, imposing hard labor upon us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. He brought us out of Egypt with his strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; and bringing us into this country, he gave us this land flowing with milk and honey. Therefore, I have now brought you the firstfruits of the products of the soil which you, O LORD, have given me.' And having set them before the Lord, your God, you shall bow down in his presence."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 91 *Marty Haugen*

*Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble;
 be with me, Lord, I pray.*

SECOND READING Romans 10:8-13

Brothers and sisters: What does Scripture say? *The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart*—that is, the word of faith that we preach—, for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes

For the Scripture says, *No one who believes in him will be put to shame.* For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

**The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, *One does not live on bread alone.*" Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: *You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve.*" Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and: With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*" Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*" When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

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

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

Jesus, Tempted in the Desert

1. Je - sus, tempt - ed in the des - ert,
2. Je - sus, tempt - ed at the tem - ple,
3. Je - sus, tempt - ed on the moun - tain
4. When we face temp - ta - tion's pow - er,

Lone - ly, hun - gry, filled with dread: "Use your pow'r," the
High a - bove its an - cient wall: "Throw your - self from
By the lure of vast do - main: "Fall be - fore me!
Lone - ly, strug - gling, filled with dread, Christ, who knew the

tempt - er tells him; "Turn these bar - ren rocks to bread!"
loft - y tur - ret; An - gels wait to break your fall!"
Be my ser - vant! Glo - ry, fame, you're sure to gain!"
tempt - er's ho - ur, Come and be our liv - ing bread.

"Not a - lone by bread," he an - swers,
Je - sus shuns such emp - ty mar - vels,
Je - sus sees the daz - zling vi - sion,
By your grace, pro - tect, pre - serve us

"Can the hu - man heart be filled.
Feats that fick - le crowds re - quest:
Turns his eyes an - oth - er way:
Lest we fall, your trust be - tray.

On - ly by the Word that calls us
"God, whose grace pro - tects, pre - serves us,
"God a - lone de - serves our hom - age!
Yours, a - bove all oth - er voic - es,

Is our deep - est hun - ger stilled!"
We must nev - er vain - ly test."
God a - lone will I o - bey!"
Be the Word we hear, o - bey.

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed 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.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. *(repeat)*

A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, Light of each to - mor - row,
Give us peace be - yond our fear And hope be - yond our sor - row.

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God of Day and God of Darkness

1. God of day and God of dark - ness, Now we
2. Still the na - tions curse the dark - ness, Still the
3. You shall be the path that guides us, You the
4. Praise to you in day and dark - ness, You our

stand be - fore the night; As the shad - ows stretch and
rich op - press the poor; Still the earth is bruised and
light that in us burns; Shin - ing deep with - in all
source and you our end; Praise to you who love and

deep - en, Come and make our dark - ness bright. All cre -
bro - ken By the ones who still want more. Come and
peo - ple, Yours the love that we must learn. For our
nur - ture As a fa - ther, moth - er, friend. Grant us

a - tion still is groan - ing For the dawn - ing of your
wake us from our sleep - ing, So our hearts can - not ig -
hearts shall wan - der rest - less 'Til they safe to you re -
all a peace - ful rest - ing, Let each mind and bod - y

might, When the Sun of peace and jus - tice
nore All your peo - ple lost and bro - ken,
turn; Find - ing you in one an - oth - er,
mend, So we rise re - freshed to - mor - row,

Fills the earth with ra - diant light.
All your chil - dren at our door.
We shall all your face dis - cern.
Hearts re - newed to king - dom tend.

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