



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
MARCH 16, 2025, SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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)

Monday, March 17, 2025

7:45 a.m. Donnelly Family (Kathleen)

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

7:45 a.m. Our Parish Family
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. - Confessions
6:30 p.m. Our Parish Family

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

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

Thursday, March 20, 2025

7:45 a.m. John T. Churma (Family)

Friday, March 21, 2025

7:45 a.m. Patrick Newcomer (Family)
12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 22, 2025

8:00 a.m. Joan Wilson (Kim & Stan)
4:30 p.m. Charles Saller (Family)

Sunday, March 23, 2025

8:00 a.m. Larry Meinen (Neighbors & Friends)
10:00 a.m. Cory Korinko (Rose & Ray)
11:30 a.m. Ron Balcerek (Family)

Queen of Angels Catholic School

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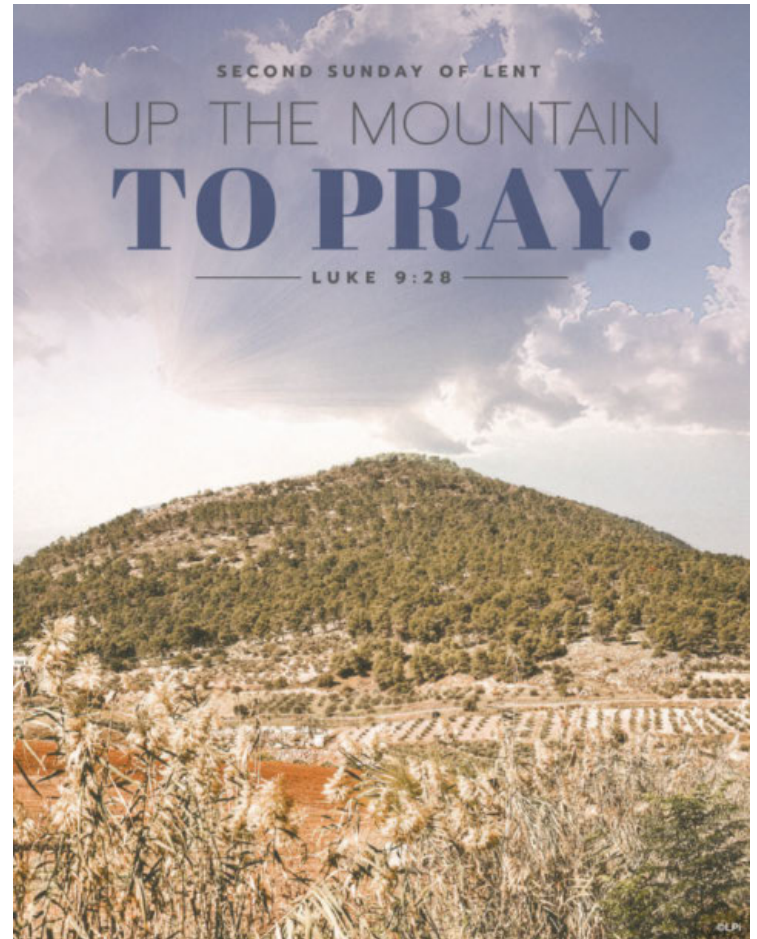
HELP LINES

St. Vincent DePaul

www.svdpgreensburg.org - 724-691-3711

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Parish Office Hours:
8 am to 3 pm

PASTOR'S NOTES

We Can't Live on the Mountain

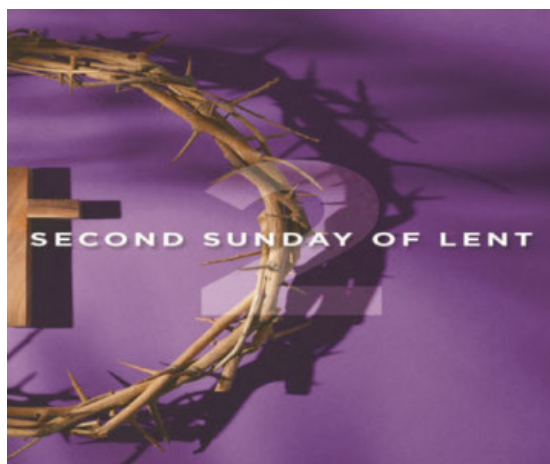
During this season of Lent the goal has been laid out for us. Jesus went up the mountain to pray and was transformed. Lent is not only about being in the desert, but we also must climb the “mountain” that we may also be transformed. Our liturgy this week asks us to think “symbolically” so that we can learn from what is being given.

In the first reading we see Abram entering into a covenant relationship with God. It does help if we understand a little about what the symbols of an ancient covenant ritual of the Near East means. Our reading is taken from the book of Genesis which is a book about beginnings; and our selection today is about the birth of the Jewish people whose chief ancestor is Abraham. The covenant ritual centers on cutting animals in two and then walking between the pieces to symbolize being bound by the covenant.

Should they fail to keep the covenant or violate it in any way, they were cursed to share the same fate as the animals, which is death. The birds of prey that swoop down are symbolic of the evils that Israel will encounter throughout their history. With the brazier passing through the animals Yahweh's intention is to keep the covenant and establish Abraham as the receiver of the covenant to be passed on to all future generations. It is in this covenant that is referenced through the Transfiguration of Jesus in the Gospel.

The Transfiguration of Christ is shrouded in mystery and like the covenant we need to understand what this mystery is telling us. As we hear about the experience of the disciples in seeing Moses and Elijah, we are immediately thrown back to the fact that both the law and the prophets are represented which makes the encounter a reminder of that same covenant that Abraham made with Yahweh. When all became silent and Jesus remained alone without Moses and Elijah he becomes both lawgiver and prophet. As the disciples hear the voice of God telling them that Jesus was God's “chosen Son” they didn't want that moment to pass. They wanted to erect tents so that they could all stay on that mountain and not let go of the moment. Jesus quickly reminds them that they must go down from the mountain, into the world where both pain and love co-exist. There Peter, James, and John will find God; and so will we. We cannot stay on top of the mountain like the Disciples wanted to. We cannot hold onto God and try to keep God locked up in some remote place. God must be found in the everyday routine of our lives, at the foot of the mountain where we live. It is there that we must “listen to him.”

~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 Donnelly Family (Kathleen)

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



Please pray for the families of Margaret Zigarovich and Eugene Manik and all of our faithful departed.

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



Prayer of Listening

Attune the ears of my heart, Lord, to the soft and still ways You are inviting me today. And then give me the strength and courage to respond to what You say. Amen.



St. Patrick | March 17

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world. St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family. His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

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 9:00-10:00 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 on Tuesdays after 7:45 am Mass & continuing 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

March 2 - \$13,499.75

Ash Wednesday Offertory

March 5 - \$6,327.65

Online Giving

March 3 - March 9 - \$3,211.90

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 ON THE CORNER & AROUND THE DIOCESE

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

Starting Saturday, March 15th for the men's group (IMG) and Sunday, March 16th for the women's group (IWG) at 6:30am, we will be starting 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



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

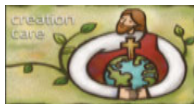
There will not be Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday March 25th or Tuesday April 1st.

The church floors are being cleaned.

There will still be 7:45 am Mass, Confessions & 6:30 pm Mass.



Immaculate Conception Parish
Office Hours on Wednesday
March 19th will be 8 am -Noon.
Thank you.



The Immaculate Conception Creation Care Team will meet the first Wednesday of each month at 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 of Lent 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. 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.



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.



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 27, 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.

HAPPENINGS ON THE CORNER & AROUND THE DIOCESE



Christian Mothers/Women's Guild
Annual Mother/Daughter luncheon
May 4th, 2025 at
Lakeview Restaurant after 11:30 Mass.

Save THE Date!

Immaculate Conception Parish Nut Roll Sale
Saturday April 12th, 2025 in Our Lady's Plaza
11:30 am - 1:30 pm while supplies last.
Nut Rolls will be \$15.00 each.

St. Stephen Pirohi Sale

Potato/cheese - \$14, Sweet Cabbage - \$14, Sauerkraut - \$15, Lekvar - \$16, Cottage Cheese - \$17 all per dozen.
Call 412-627-1678 or order on line at our website
<https://saintstephenbcc.org/pirohiorderform> for pick-up
March 28. Also on Fridays during Lent at Noon we have
haluski, and home-made soups for sale.

SAVE THE DATE

Volunteer Clearance Event

If you are in need of new volunteer clearances OR updated clearances please attend the Virtus meeting at Immaculate Conception Parish in Our Lady's Plaza on April 5th, 2025 from 9:00 am - Noon. Information on the clearance process will be from 9:00 am - 10:00 am. Virtus training will follow from 10:00 am to Noon.

Please remember clearances need renewed every five years. Any questions please call the parish office.

**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

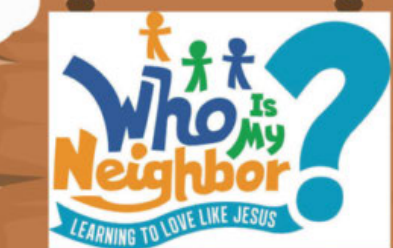
\$15.00 light lunch included

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



**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!



4 12

1 Timothy

2

Game Night

Celena is visiting us tonight to share about her recent trip to Rome!

9

Bring your Bible

See the Kingdom in the parables.

16

Theology of the Body

Come learn about Saint Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body with us and how we can apply it to our daily lives.

23

High School Musical

Let's discuss the "status quo" with how to live in the world, but not be of the world.

30

Stations of the Cross

Please join us tonight for a Lenten Reflection.

6-8pm @ Youth Building

KWaterhouse@dioceseofgreensburg.org or 724-552-1807

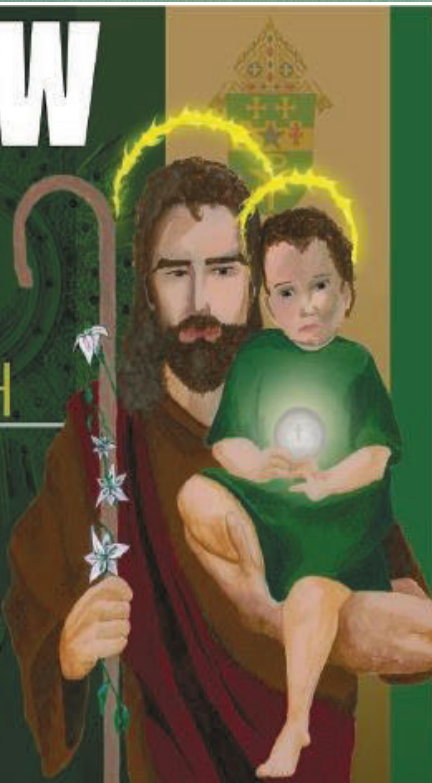
KNOW HIM

GO to JOSEPH

The Protector of the Eucharist, Foster Father to Jesus and Patron of the Universal Church is the center of this experiential evangelization event.

Visitors will hear his story, see a real St. Joseph Altar, immerse themselves in Adoration, partake in a celebration of The Saint Joseph Altar and experience a one-of-a-kind replica of Joseph's workbench and the Home of the Holy Family.

An experiential event presented by the Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship.



MARCH 19
2 and 6 PM

Christ Our Shepherd Center
2900 Seminary Drive - Greensburg



Diocese of Greensburg

In order to help those in need in our Diocese, we ask that you please consider bringing a non-perishable item (pasta, canned goods, cereal or diapers) to place at the Saint Joseph Altar as a work of mercy and charity in this Jubilee Year.

Seating is limited. Scan the QR code or follow the link below to register today!

DioceseofGreensburg.org/KNOWHIM



NCYC
2025

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November 20 - 22

Indianapolis

Teens currently in 8th - 11th Grade are invited to join us on a 3 day Journey of Faith

All will experience prayer, community, and the transformative power of God's presence. Join us for an unforgettable encounter with Christ that will shape your spiritual journey.

Registration: \$100

limited number of tickets available

Total Cost: \$550 includes: hotel, bus, tickets, swag and a Diocesan group dinner

Check with your Youth Minister for fundraising opportunities and parish specific costs / additional information or email ffd@dioceseofgreensburg.org



SCAN TO REGISTER

or visit

www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/ncyc/



STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

MAIN CAMPUS 3

JULY 18-20, 2025

Franciscan University of Steubenville
1235 University Blvd
Steubenville, OH 43952

Inviting high-schoolers into a life-changing encounter with Christ!

Registration is Open!

The Diocese of Greensburg will be attending the Steubenville Youth Conference from July 18-20, 2025, as a Diocese!

Diocese of Greensburg

Deposit is Non-Refundable \$50 paid to the diocese. Additional fees and permissions will be submitted by spring 2025. The total cost is \$325



The price includes room, board, and 3 t-shirts. Participants are responsible for their own travel. Please contact your local Youth Ministry or Parish for more information on carpooling. For an questions please contact the diocese at ffd@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Registration Here!



Mari Pablo



Fr. Leo Patalinghug



Nic Frank



Sarah Swafford



John Paul Von Arx

MINISTRY TEAM



Lent is
a time to
Share

Catholic Charities

The Lenten Season is **A Time to Share** the many blessings God has given us. Prayerfully consider making a contribution to the Diocesan Lenten Appeal to support the work of Catholic Charities. Each year, Catholic Charities assists more than 5,000 families. Many of them have children who are among the neediest in our community. Visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025 to give a gift to a family in need.

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.

ANGELS CORNER—QUEEN OF ANGEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Queen of Angels Catholic School - Save the date!

Our school's Drama Club Production of Aladdin Jr will be held on April 25th and 26th and we need your help! If you would like to purchase items for our show, please visit the Amazon Wishlist below.

Any questions, please contact the school office at 724-978-0144. Thank You!

<https://a.co/0s5upac>

JUBILEE CONCERT OF HOPE

Friday, April 11 🎵 7:00 PM
Blessed Sacrament Cathedral
FREE EVENT



This concert will feature the world premiere of the "Stabat Mater," a moving new composition by Nancy Galbraith. The second piece of music is the "Passion According to Saint Matthew" by Dr. Thomas Octave.

Reserve a seat, become a patron, sponsor the event or register for the pre-concert reception at DioceseofGreensburg.org/JubileeConcert today!



Diocese of Greensburg

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, payable to Immaculate Conception Church, 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



North Huntingdon Parishes

Lenten Penance Services

St. Elizabeth
Ann Seton
Monday,
April 7th
6:30 PM

Immaculate
Conception
Tuesday,
April 8th
6:30 PM

St. Agnes
Thursday,
April 10th
6:30 PM

As we await the resurrection of Christ, prepare your heart for his coming and join us for the sacrament of reconciliation.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Fish Fry Fridays during Lent from 3 pm - 7 pm

*Credit Cards Payment available at
a 4% surcharge per order*



2025 ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON FISH FRY MENU

DINNER: \$18

All dinners come with 1 fish option and choice of 2 side dishes

Choice of 1: Hand-breaded Fried Haddock, Baked Haddock, Baked Cod Sandwich, or Fried Shrimp

Choice of 2: Homemade Haluski, French Fries, Coleslaw

A LA CARTE:

BAKED COD SANDWICH	\$14
HAND-BREADED HADDOCK, FRIED	\$12
BAKED HADDOCK IN BUTTER	\$12
FRIED SHRIMP (1)	\$2 / PIECE
HOMEMADE HALUSKI	\$5
FRENCH FRIES	\$3
COLESLAW	\$2
BOTTLE OF WATER (16.9OZ)	\$1
SODA	\$1
UNLIMITED COFFEE	\$1
DESSERT	\$1

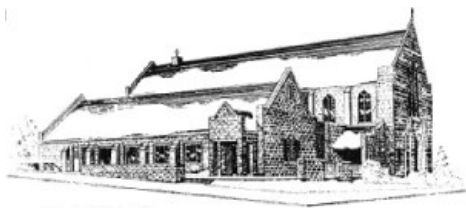
little minnow menu

*\$5 Kids' Meal available for dine-in only
in the Kids' Corner and comes with:*

Choice of 1: Kraft Mac & Cheese, Dino Nuggets (3), or
PBJ Sandwich from the PBJ Bar

Choice of 2: Applesauce Pouch, Carrot Cup with Ranch,
Cheese Stick, Chips, Fruit Snacks, Goldfish

Choice of 3: Apple Juice, Capri Sun, Little Buggie, Water



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Irwin, Pennsylvania

Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 16, 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.

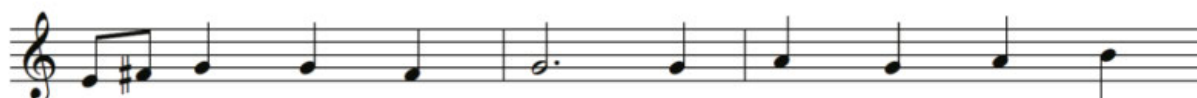
Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here



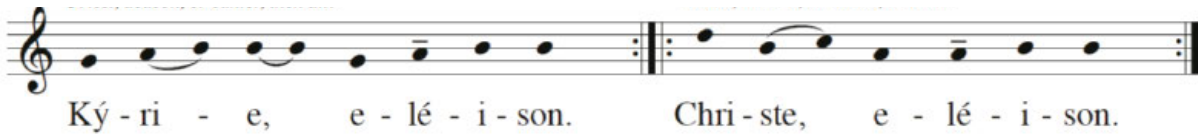
1. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Your
2. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Your
3. Ful - fill - er of the past! Prom -
4. Be - fore we taste of death, We
5. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet



glo - ry fills the night; Your face and gar - ments,
beau - ty to be - hold, Where Mo - ses and E -
ise of things to be! We hail your bod - y
see your king - dom come; We long to hold the
we may not re - main; But since you bid us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.
li - jah stand, Your mes - sen - gers of old.
glo - ri - fied, And our re - demp - tion see.
vi - sion bright, And make this hill our home.
leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.



(Then repeat the first Kyrie.)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. He then said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." "O Lord GOD," he asked, "how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He answered him, "Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him. When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Philippians 3:20-4:1

Brothers and sisters: Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, beloved.

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GOSPEL READING Luke 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 27
John Schiavone

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

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.

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Transform Us



1. Trans - form us as you, trans - fig - ured,
2. Trans - form us as you, trans - fig - ured,
3. Trans - form us as you, trans - fig - ured,


Stood a - part on Ta - bor's height.
Once spoke with those ho - ly ones.
Would not stay with - in a shrine.

Lead us up our sa - cred moun - tains,
We, sur - round - ed by the wit - ness
Keep us from our great temp - ta - tion—

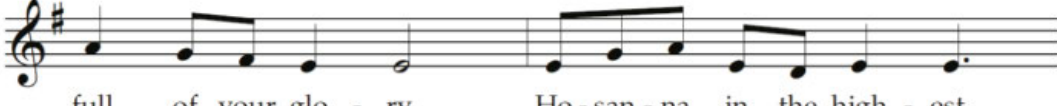
Search us with re - veal - ing light.
Of those saints whose work is done,
Time and truth we quick - ly bind.

Lift us from where we have fall - en,
Live in this world as your Bod - y,
Lead us down those dai - ly path - ways

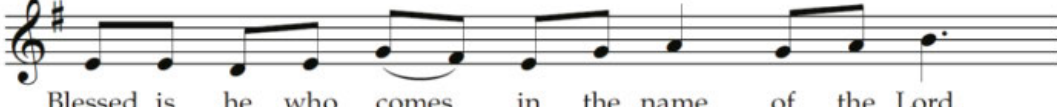
Full of ques - tions, filled with fright.
Cho - sen daugh - ters, cho - sen sons.
Where our love is not con - fined.




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.

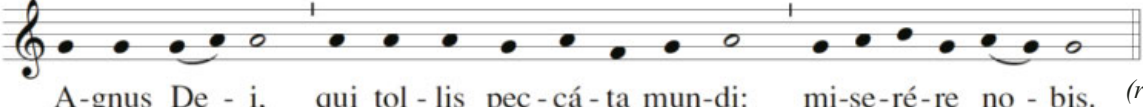


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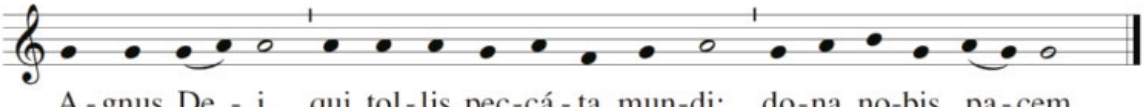
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AGNUS DEI

Chant, Mass XVIII



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.

Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx

Refrain



Trans - fig - ure us, O Lord, trans - fig - ure us, O Lord.

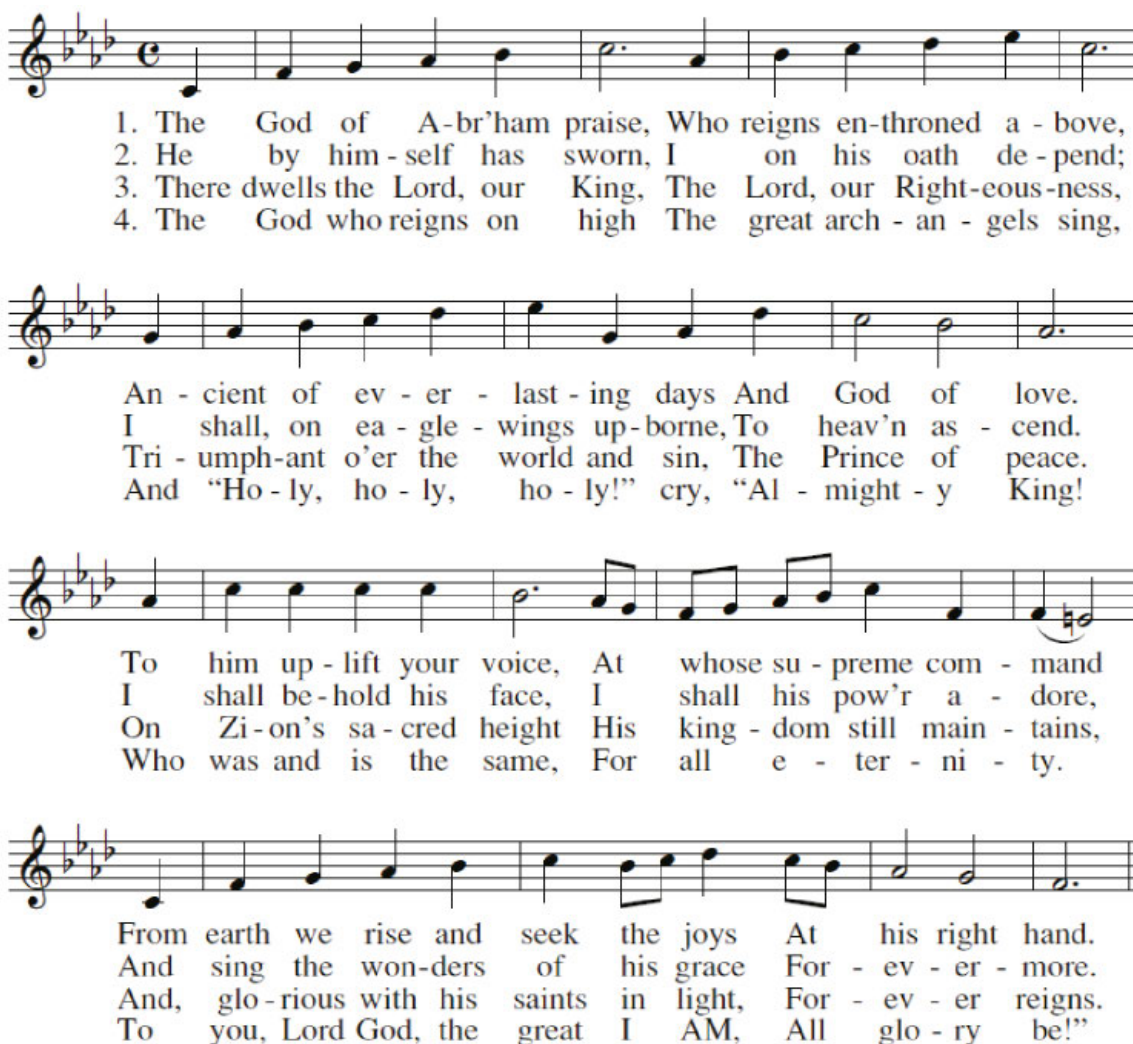
Break the chains that bind us; speak your heal - ing word, and

where you lead we'll fol - low. Trans - fig - ure us, O Lord.

Text: Based on Matthew 17:1-9; Mark 9:2-10; Luke 9:28b-36. Text and music © 2002, Bob Hurd.
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RECESSIONAL HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise



1. The God of A-br'ham praise, Who reigns en-throned a - bove,
2. He by him - self has sworn, I on his oath de - pend;
3. There dwells the Lord, our King, The Lord, our Right-eous-ness,
4. The God who reigns on high The great arch - an - gels sing,

An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
I shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, To heav'n as - cend.
Tri - umph - ant o'er the world and sin, The Prince of peace.
And "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!" cry, "Al - might - y King!

To him up - lift your voice, At whose su - preme com - mand
I shall be - hold his face, I shall his pow'r a - dore,
On Zi - on's sa - cred height His king - dom still main - tains,
Who was and is the same, For all e - ter - ni - ty.

From earth we rise and seek the joys At his right hand.
And sing the won - ders of his grace For - ev - er - more.
And, glo - rious with his saints in light, For - ev - er reigns.
To you, Lord God, the great I AM, All glo - ry be!"

Text: *Yigdal Elohim Hai*, ascer. to Daniel ben Judah Dayyan, fl.1400; para. by Thomas Oliver, 1725-1799, alt.
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