



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH  
APRIL 6, 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
4:30 p.m. Nicholas Colinear (Family)

**Sunday, April 6, 2025**

8:00 a.m. Robert Knight (Barbara)  
10:00 a.m. Anna, Andrew & Children of  
Kazimir Family (Christiana)  
11:30 a.m. Margaret Burg (Lisa)

**Monday, April 7, 2025**

7:45 a.m. Rita McElfresh (Friend)

**Tuesday, April 8, 2025**

7:45 a.m. Our Parish Family  
6:30 p.m. Penance Service

**Wednesday, April 9, 2025**

7:45 a.m. Theresa Lauffer  
(Carmela & Anna Marie)

**Thursday, April 10, 2025**

7:45 a.m. Agnes & Henry Turkowski (Family)

**Friday, April 11, 2025**

7:45 a.m. Eugene Manik (Wife)  
Noon - Stations of the Cross  
6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 12, 2025**

8:00 a.m. Paul Tucci (Boccabella)  
4:30 p.m. Joseph & Lilly Kuchar (Family)

**Sunday, April 13, 2025**

8:00 a.m. Irene Brooks (Cheryl)  
10:00 a.m. Bernard & Marion Arendas  
(Family)  
11:30 a.m. Dorothy Kacson (Family)

**Queen of Angels Catholic School**

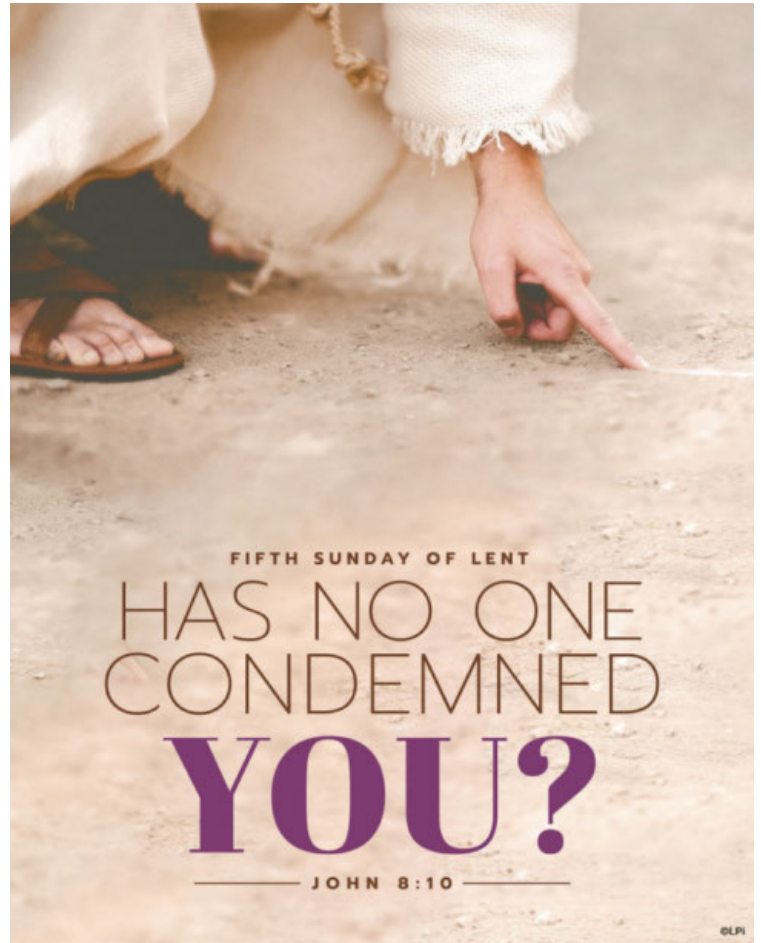
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**Parish Office Hours:**  
8 am to 3 pm

# PASTOR'S NOTES

## **"Neither do I condemn you"**

In order for this week's reading to make sense for the 5th Sunday of Lent we need to look at them in reference to the Exodus event that is mentioned in the first reading. Isaiah in the first reading recalls the Exodus from Egypt. So important was this event in the memory of the Jews that they have celebrated it as Passover for over 3,000 years. Memory is an important part of religious experience. The re-telling of past events makes them present, not historically, but symbolically or sacramentally. When the Exodus event is read at Passover the past becomes present. This is similar to what happens when we celebrate the Liturgy. The Eucharistic celebration is not just an event that happened in the past but continues to happen throughout time.

Isaiah recalls the past for the people of Israel. However, he does not want the people to remain stuck in the past. He is calling them to move towards the future. He is trying to get the people to see that that event which they celebrate each year is a repeatable experience of God's saving presence. He tells the people that God continually intervenes in the same way that it happened at the Exodus event. This event becomes the primary way for the people of Israel to define God; Isaiah is offering comfort and a promise of peace.

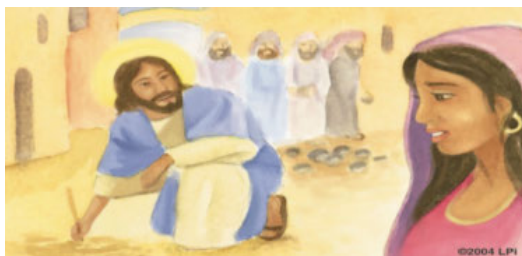
St. Paul is doing the same thing in the second reading. Many people who have experienced a religious conversion will often see their past in a negative light rather than as an event that has continuity with graced moments of past experiences. He is making the point that nothing is important now except faith in Christ. He is telling the people not to be burdened by their past. The gospel picks up on this same notion with the story about the woman caught in adultery.

The gospel presents us with a scene where the religious authorities are attempting to trap Jesus by quoting an ancient law that required the stoning of a woman caught in adultery. They could really have cared less about the woman; rather they wanted to catch Jesus in a contradiction in dealing with law. Jesus was really in a no win situation but managed to turn the table and his love of mercy wins. They were ready to condemn the woman for her past but Jesus opens up a new future for her. By not allowing her to remain in the past with sin, she is liberated to a new life of grace. By not being stuck in the past she is able to move into a future. Those who wanted to stone her wanted her to die *in* her past. Jesus wanted her to die *to* her past.

In saving the woman from the fate that the authorities wanted to impose, he was really able to save them from themselves. The focus of this gospel is not the woman or her sin of adultery, but a personal encounter with Jesus. Encountering Jesus always exposes the truth; both the woman and the crowd learn the truth about their own sin. Everyone who encounters Jesus go through two changes: those who are willing to condemn, no longer condemn and the ones condemned are no longer condemned. Encounter with Jesus enables repentance in our lives.

Deep down inside, too many of us fear that our sin is bigger than God's mercy. Jesus however responds to profound sin with even more profound mercy. Once we encounter Jesus, we are moved to repent, to change our behaviors. Repentance includes both dying and rising. Changing our ways is the dying; a new relationship with Christ is the rising. The closer we become to Christ the more able we are to recognize our own sinfulness and repent of our ways. Then we hear Christ say to us, "Neither do I condemn you."

*~Father Mike*



## CANDLES

### **Sanctuary Candle:**

In Memory of Barbara Dubosky

### **Divine Mercy:**

Special Intentions for Our Seminarians

### **St. Peregrine Candle:**

Special Intention for Cancer Patients

### **Easter Flame Candle:**

In Memory Fred & Betty Ruffolo (Daughter)

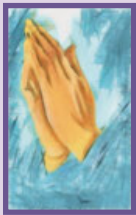
### **St. Joseph's Candle:**

In Memory Eugene Manik (Rose & Ray)

### **Altar Candles for the Month of April:**

In Memory of Patrick Newcomer (Family)

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 Marion Guiser and Stella Astley and all of our faithful departed.

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

### **Prayer of Community**

O God, Help us to see each other as You see us, not by our faults or failings, but by our identity as Your own. Give us Your eyes to see, Your heart to love. Amen.



### **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



## 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](mailto: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

March 23 - \$11,886.29

## Online Giving

March 24 - March 30 - \$4,010.35

**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.



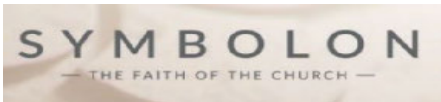
If you decide to switch to online giving and would like to discontinue your envelopes please contact the parish office. Thank you!

## HAPPENINGS ON THE CORNER & AROUND THE DIOCESE

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

Saturday, April 5th for the men's group (IMG) and Sunday, April 6th 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!



### Lenten Series

#### "Why We Believe What We Believe"

On Monday April 14th at 6:30 pm.

Fr. Mike will offer a presentation in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Office.

Please note there will not be a presentation Monday April 7th due to Seton's Penance Service.



### EASTER DECORATING HELP WANTED

Calling men, women, and teens -- We will be meeting on Friday April 18th after Tenebrae evening (7:45 p.m.) at the church to decorate for Easter. Call the parish office (724-863-9550) by April 16 to sign up to volunteer.

**To volunteer you must have up-to-date clearances on file at IC parish office.**



Noah! Live on Stage. St. Agnes Parish has an epic day trip on Friday May 16 to the spectacular Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA to see the production of Noah.

Includes transportation, reserved theater ticket and buffet dinner. \$221 for adults, \$168 for children 12 & under. Call Debbie with questions 412-956-3105.



### DONATIONS OF SODA POP & WATER ARE NEEDED FOR THE BURGER BASH

Keep your eye on the "Sales" & buy an extra cube or case for us!!

**Please drop it off at the garage between 8:30 am– 3 pm, Monday thru Friday.**

**If the garage door is closed please place it outside of the door.**



Immaculate Conception Parish Nut Roll Sale

Saturday April 12th, 2025 in

Our Lady's Plaza 11:30 am - 1:30 pm while supplies last.

They will be sold frozen.

Nut Rolls will be \$15.00 each.

### GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUPS

Two Grief Share groups are available:

Monday evenings Grief Share support group will be held at Immaculate Conception in the Children's Liturgy Room on Mondays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. beginning May 5. Contact Gerri Dornin at [gdornin@comcast.net](mailto:gdornin@comcast.net) to register or for additional information. You are welcome to start attending at any point, as each session is "self-contained."

Thursday afternoons Grief Share support group will be held at St. Agnes in the Bertolina Room in the Faith Formation Center (Old Convent), Thursdays from 1:00 pm - 2:30 p.m. Contact Audrey Quinlan at [audreyquinlan@comcast.net](mailto:audreyquinlan@comcast.net) to register or for additional information. You are welcome to start attending at any point, as each session is "self-contained."



In today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental. The Bible highlights the importance of caring for those who are in need, instructing us to be "openhanded"

toward them (Deuteronomy 15:11). We might be tempted to avert our eyes to the plight of the needy, holding tightly to our resources instead of sharing them. Yet God challenges us to recognize that we will always be surrounded by those who have needs and therefore to respond to them with generosity, not a "grudging heart" (v. 10). Jesus says that in giving to the poor we receive an enduring treasure in heaven (Luke 12:33). When we give to those in need, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in need.

The St. Agnes Conference of St. Vincent de Paul **thinks you** for your continuing generosity enabling us to provide needed assistance to our neighbors in need. You are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.

# Holy Week & Easter Triduum Schedule & Mass Times

You are invited to experience the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus through the Liturgy.



## Holy Thursday, April 17th

- 6:30 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
- 11:00 pm Closing of the Altar of Repose with chanted Night Prayer

## Good Friday, April 18th

- 12:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
- 3:00 pm Musical Stations of the Cross
- 6:30 pm Tenebrae

## Holy Saturday, April 19th

- 11:00 am Easter Basket Blessing
- 8:30 pm Easter Vigil

## Easter Sunday, April 20th

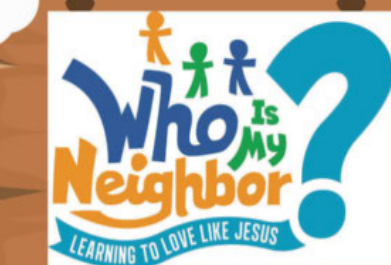
- 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am Easter Sunday Mass



# DONUT SUNDAY

## APRIL 27TH

AFTER ALL SUNDAY MASSES!  
PLEASE JOIN US!



### 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](mailto:skchePLIC@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

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



## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

# EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 19th

After the Easter Basket Blessing  
(11am)

Meet in the Lower Parking Lot

AGES 2-10. NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY

IN THE EVENT OF RAIN, EASTER EGG HUNT  
WILL BE CANCELLED

## 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.**

### WE FILLED OUR "ARK"

**Thank you to everyone who donated to Heifer International!**

|                        |          |                                                                                    |
|------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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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## 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.



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/  
WOMEN'S GUILD OF  
IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION PARISH  
MOTHER/DAUGHTER  
LUNCHEON

MAY 4, 2025

12:00 NOON

Ferrante's Lakeview Banquet  
Facility  
6153 US-30, Greensburg,  
PA 15601

**All women are welcome!**

**Women \$30 – Children (3-10) \$18  
Children under 2 are Free.**

### **Advance Ticket Sales Only**

Tickets for sale after all Masses:

**April 5 & 6 and April 26 & 27 and  
at the Parish Office Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Last Day to Purchase April 27**

## ANGELS CORNER—QUEEN OF ANGEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL



### It's Pizza and Cookie Time !!!!

Share it with your friends! Share it with your family! We have exciting news, Little Caesars® Fundraising and Mrs. Fields® Cookie Dough are back!

Our goal is 12 items per student

This is an important school-wide campaign and many hands make light work! Our school goal is 1000 items.

*We need your family's participation if we are going to reach our goal.*

*Even if you have not participated in the past, we ask you to please do so this year.*

On-line ordering at [PizzaKit.Com](http://PizzaKit.Com) Click "Products" then select "Shop" and then

"Support A Seller You Know" fundraiser ID is 453698

For "On Trend Treats" ordering go to [OnlineFundraisingStore.Com](http://OnlineFundraisingStore.Com) to register and take orders online. It is easy and takes just minutes. Our School / Group ID is... **EMGTS25QUEE**. Register with your parent information and email address; you will receive a confirmation email in a few minutes. Follow that link to register your student information.



Customers can pay with a Visa or MasterCard and have their products delivered with our group order on delivery day. Orders will be counted in your individual total – so be sure friends and family who order online include YOUR NAME so you get credit. **DO NOT** write online orders on your paper order form

- Turn in orders and money Monday, April 14th
- Put Little Caesars items on Little Caesars form and all Mrs. Fields brochure items on the single sheet.
- Check your orders to make sure all Little Caesars items are on the Little Caesars order form! □ Send a single check for your total orders payable to **Queen Of Angels Catholic School** □ Delivery will be during the week of May 5 - 9 date and time to be announced.

Thank you for your support of our school.

## 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](http://DioceseofGreensburg.org/JubileeConcert) today!



Diocese of Greensburg

# BURGER BASH 2025

## Dates

May 10

June 14

July 12

August 9

## Interested in Volunteering?

Please fill out the survey linked on the QR code



Pop and Water donations will be accepted at the Parish office!



*Lent is*  
a time to  
*Share*

**Forming Future Priests**

Immaculate Conception Parish has two seminarians studying for the priesthood: Tyler Randolph and Ryan Scavnicky. When you support the Diocesan Lenten Appeal, you are helping to fund their formation! Pray for our future priests this Lenten Season and commit your support because it truly is **A Time to Share**. Visit [DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025](https://DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025) to give a gift.



Scan to donate

**Donate today at [DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025](https://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.

**As of April 1st, total pledged is \$53,572.00. That is only 25.4% of our Diocesan goal.**  
**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.**

**It is important to note that every penny we raise above our Diocesan goal is ASSESMENT FREE.**

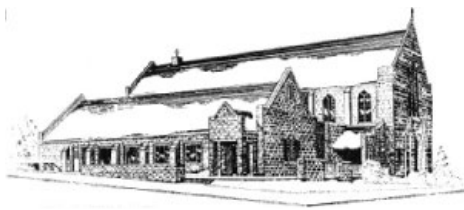
**That means all those dollars stay here at Immaculate Conception parish.**

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

*Thank you for your support!*

*To donate online visit - <https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/diocesan-lenten-appeal/dla-donate/>*

*Or scan the QR code above.*



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH  
Irwin, Pennsylvania

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*April 6, 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

### Take Up Your Cross

ERHALT UNS, HERR

1. Take up your cross, the Sav - ior said, If  
2. Take up your cross, be not a - shamed! Let  
3. Take up your cross, which gives you strength, Which  
4. Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, Nor

1. you would my dis - ci - ple be; De - ny your - self, the  
2. not dis - grace your spir - it fill! For God him - self en -  
3. makes your trem - bling spir - it brave: 'Twill guide you to a  
4. think till death to lay it down; For on - ly they who

1. world for - sake, And hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.  
2. dured to die Up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.  
3. bet - ter home And lead to vic - t'ry o'er the grave.  
4. bear the cross May hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

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Music: J. Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543.

### KYRIE

### Chant

(Then repeat the first Kyrie.)

Ky - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD,  
who opens a way in the sea and a path in  
the mighty waters, who leads out chariots  
and horsemen, a powerful army, till they lie  
prostrate together, never to rise, snuffed  
out and quenched like a wick. Remember  
not the events of the past, the things of  
long ago consider not; see, I am doing  
something new! Now it springs forth, do  
you not perceive it? In the desert I make a  
way, in the wasteland, rivers. Wild beasts  
honor me, jackals and ostriches, for I put  
water in the desert and rivers in the  
wasteland for my chosen people to drink,  
the people whom I formed for myself,  
that they might announce my praise.

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 126

Michel Guimont

*The Lord has done great things for us,  
we are filled with joy.*

### SECOND READING

Philippians 3:8-14

Brothers and sisters: I consider everything  
as a loss because of the supreme good of  
knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake  
I have accepted the loss of all things and I  
consider them so much rubbish, that I may  
gain Christ and be found in him, not  
having any righteousness of my own based  
on the law but that which comes through  
faith in Christ, the righteousness from  
God, depending on faith to know him and  
the power of his resurrection and the  
sharing of his sufferings by being  
conformed to his death, if somehow I may  
attain the resurrection from the dead. It is  
not that I have already taken hold of it or  
have already attained perfect maturity, but I  
continue my pursuit in hope that I may  
possess it, since I have indeed been taken  
possession of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and

sisters, I for my part do not consider myself  
to have taken possession. Just one thing:  
forgetting what lies behind but straining  
forward to what lies ahead, I continue my  
pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's  
upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

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

### GOSPEL READING

John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But  
early in the morning he arrived again in  
the temple area, and all the people started  
coming to him, and he sat down and  
taught them. Then the scribes and the  
Pharisees brought a woman who had been  
caught in adultery and made her stand in  
the middle. They said to him, "Teacher,  
this woman was caught in the very act of  
committing adultery. Now in the law,  
Moses commanded us to stone such  
women. So what do you say?" They said  
this to test him, so that they could have  
some charge to bring against him. Jesus  
bent down and began to write on the  
ground with his finger. But when they  
continued asking him, he straightened up  
and said to them, "Let the one among you  
who is without sin be the first to throw a  
stone at her." Again he bent down and  
wrote on the ground. And in response, they  
went away one by one, beginning with the  
elders. So he was left alone with the woman  
before him. Then Jesus straightened up and  
said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has  
no one condemned you?" She replied, "No  
one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I  
condemn you. Go, and from now on do  
not sin any more."

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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#### Only This I Want

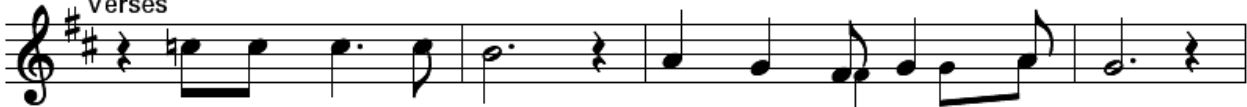
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Refrain




On - ly this I want: but to know the Lord,  
and to bear his cross, so to wear the crown he wore.

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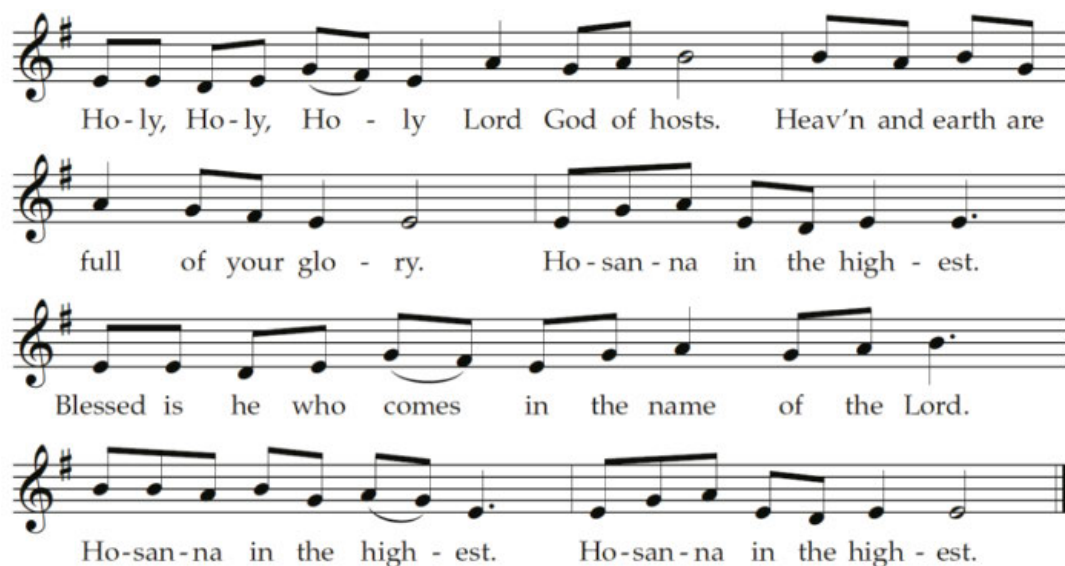
1. All but this is loss, worth-less ref-use to me,  
2. I will run the race; I will fight the good fight,  
3. Let your heart be glad, al - ways glad in the Lord,

to Refrain



1. for to gain the Lord is to gain — all I need.  
2. so to win the prize of the king-dom of my Lord.  
3. so to shine like stars in the dark-ness of the night.

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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.

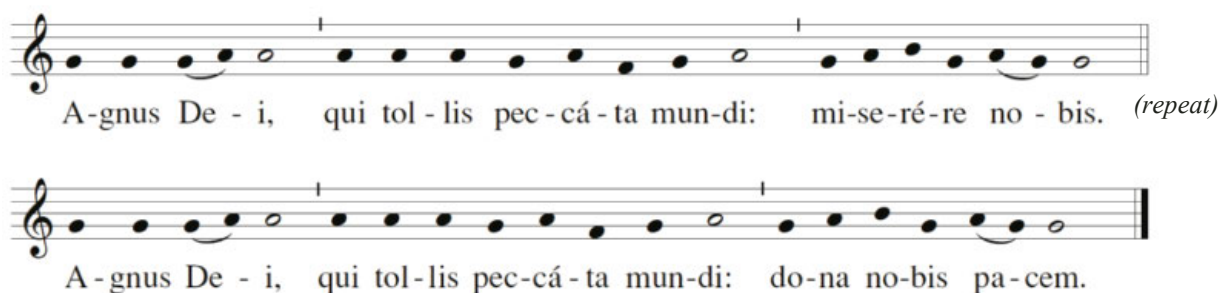


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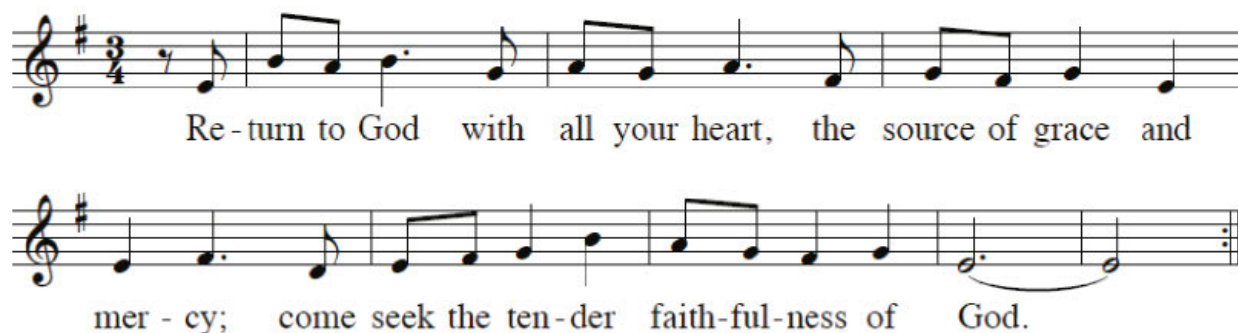
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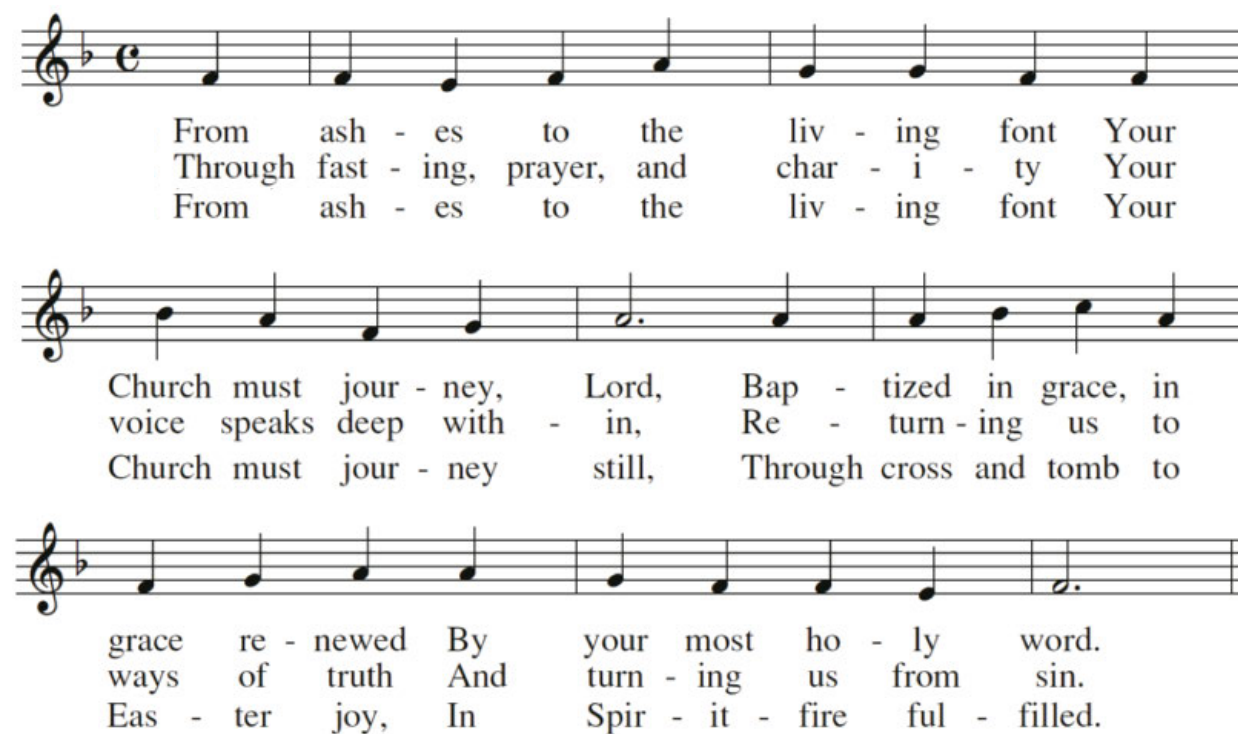
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A - gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.



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