



March 19, 2017

Third Sunday of Lent

Our Lady of Grace Church

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg | A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust
1011 Mt. Pleasant Road | Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601

Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 8 & 10:30 a.m. (Interpreted Mass for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing)

Weekday and Holy Day Masses: Please see inside bulletin.



Parish Office.....724-838-9480

Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

Parish website: www.ourladyofgracechurch.org

Aquinas Academy.....724-834-7940

St. Vincent de Paul Helpline.....724-837-5154

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank.....724-836-0175

Albanese Hall.....724-836-8157

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Rev. Ryan C. Ravis, Parochial Vicar

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Music Minister

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Secretary

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Secretary

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Mission Statement

Our Lady of Grace, founded in 1910 as an Italian ethnic parish, is now a territorial parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Greensburg to which all people are welcome. The responsibility of each member of Our Lady of Grace is to hear the Word of God and live it by sharing in worship, especially at Eucharist; by nurturing our Catholic faith through formation and prayer; by reaching out to identify and serve the needs of our parish and the community; and by welcoming others into our faith community. Through our actions, we strive to share, and to encourage others to share, in the fullness of God's kingdom.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday afternoon, 3-3:30 p.m.

Baptisms

By appointment only. Please call the parish office at least four months in advance of the birth. A class for parents is required to reflect on the meaning of the sacrament, to review the ceremony, and to highlight the importance of the family's commitment to practicing the Catholic Faith.

Sponsorship Forms

Forms for our members to serve as sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation must be filled out in person at the Parish Office. To serve as a sponsor, you must be at least 16 years old and a practicing Catholic who has received Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If you are married, it must be within the guidelines of the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment to fill out the form.

Weddings

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Do not set a date until you have contacted the parish priest. Pre-marriage preparation classes are required and are available in a couple of forms.

Exposition ~ Adoration ~ Stations of the Cross ~ Benediction is offered every Thursday during Lent beginning at 4:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Mar. 23 led by the IGNite families
 Mar. 30 led by the Lectors, Ushers and EMs
 Apr. 6 led by the Knights of Columbus & the
 St. Gianna Sodality



Lent is a special time in our Liturgical Year for reflection, prayer, almsgiving and sharing our faith with others as we prepare for the joyful Feast of Easter. Please join us for this special devotional offering.



You have recently received your letter regarding the Diocesan Lenten Appeal from our Pastor, Fr. Dan. Our parish diocesan target is \$107,292. This amount will go directly to the diocese to help them with their expenses for all the services that they provide directly or indirectly to our parish as a whole or to individual parishioners. All funds received after reaching that goal will remain in our parish and are free from any diocesan assessment. Our parish needs an additional \$50,000 from this year's DLA to fund the costs associated with the capital repair or replacement of certain sections of our church roof. Therefore, our parish is attempting to raise a total of \$157,292. You may send your pledge card to the parish office or place it in the offertory basket. If you wish to give online, you can do so at the diocesan website: www.dioceseofgreensburg.org.

New Eucharistic Ministers for Mass, the homebound, and the nursing home will be commissioned after each Mass this weekend, March 18 and March 19, in the Day Chapel.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Grace Rohal, who recently passed away. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, continue their journey to new life in the presence of God in the heavenly kingdom.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;

Our annual Fish Fry is held each Friday until April 7. Lunch is served 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and dinner 4-7 p.m. We are asking for donations of pop — Coke/Pepsi products of all flavors in 12 oz. cans — and cases of water. You may deposit these items in the Gathering Area. Also, a tradition here at Our Lady of Grace Parish is for certain groups or organizations to work the Fish Fry.

The FISH FRY MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

March 24: Catholic school families; Renew group
 March 31: Music Ministry
 April 7: Altar servers; Lectors; Ushers



Ministry members are reminded to bring a dessert for the dessert table. And, as always, desserts are welcome from anyone who is willing to donate!

2017 National Catholic Youth Conference: The Youth Ministry is again hosting its biennial stock sale to send parish youth to the NCYC in Indianapolis in November 2017. This fall we will be sending 9 teens, 2 adults, and 1 priest from our parish. You can financially assist our young people by purchasing "stock." Forms for our stock sales can be found on the book rack in the gathering space, online under Parish News, or by contacting Katrina Coleman at the parish office at 724-838-9480. Thank you!

The **St. Benedict Children & Youth** programs will hold a **"BIG Breakfast"** today, Sunday, March 19, from 8 a.m. – noon in the Parish Center, 260 Bruno Road. Menu includes eggs/cheese, pancakes, French toast, bacon, sausage, fruit cup, coffee, tea & juice. Cost is \$7 for adults; \$5 for seniors and \$3 for children ages 3-10. There will also be a bake sale. All proceeds benefit Feeding the Spirit, a local non-profit organization providing meals and support to people who are homeless or at high risk right in Greensburg. Takeout is available.

COURTESY NOTES

Faustina: Messenger of Divine Mercy, a moving, live production by St. Luke Productions, will be presented at St. Paul Church, Greensburg, on **Wednesday, March 22, at 7 p.m.** Experience first-hand the life and message of St. Faustina, whose personal encounters with Jesus have inspired a world-wide devotion to Christ's Divine Mercy. The drama is suitable for ages 13 and up. Admission is a free-will offering. For additional information, contact St. Paul parish office at 724-834-6880 or visit www.pbcatholic.org.

October 2017 Pilgrimage to Italy ~ All are invited to join Bishop Malesic on a soul-stirring pilgrimage to Italy from October 19-30. Sites include Rome and Vatican City, Assisi, Loreto, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo, and more. Information: Fr. William Lechnar, Director for Pilgrimages, at 724-552-2645 or email wlechnar@dioceseofgreensburg.org. Space limited.

St. Mary, Mother of God Church, Freeport, will sponsor an 11-day pilgrimage to Spain with Fatima & Lourdes from July 6–16. Cost is \$3,599/person from Pittsburgh. For details, call the church's administrative office at 724-295-2281 or Jeff at 724-596-0503.

Our Lady of Grace Church



A Place to Grow in the Love and Knowledge of Jesus Christ

CHILDREN'S FORMATION: PK-5th

Next Session ~ Sunday, March 26

Grades PK-1: 10:15-11:30 a.m., Albanese Hall

Grades 2-5: 9 a.m.-10:15 a.m., Albanese Hall

Eucharist Prep session #2 ~ Monday, March 27, OR Thursday, March 30, 6:30-8 p.m., Shepherds Hall

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY: 6th-8th

Next Session ~ Wednesday, March 22, 6:30-8 p.m., Albanese Hall

With Joy — Middle School Faith Night — Friday, March 31 ~

Teens in grades 6-8 are invited to attend an evening faith night with our Diocese's own Mary Sampey. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 9 p.m. and includes exciting talks, music, games, a snack, and a t-shirt. It will be hosted at Geibel Catholic Junior-Senior High School. Cost is \$5 (the parish will cover the other \$10). You must register by March 23! Late registrations will be charged an extra \$5. Forms and more information are available on the website at www.ourladyofgracechurch.org or you can call Katrina Coleman at the parish office, 724-838-9480.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY: 9th-12th

Next Session ~ Today, Sunday, March 19, 6-8:30 p.m., Albanese Hall

ADULTS

For the Life of the World Lenten Series — you can still join us ~ Christians are always being told to be "in the world but not of it." But what does that really mean? What is my place and purpose in their God-created world that surrounds me?

For the Life of the World is a series of short films that offers a fresh perspective, by exploring God's surprisingly beautiful plan for his creation, the world, and us. Preview this powerful series on our parish website.

Join us for any or all seven Mondays in Lent beginning February 27 and ending April 10. Sessions will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. in Albanese Hall. There is a \$5 donation for a book or you may borrow a book for the length of the series. Register online at www.ourladyofgracechurch.org or by calling Katrina at the parish office, 724-838-9480. **Limited childcare is available upon request.**

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, March 18

4 p.m. Genevieve Sheffo by Anthony Moschetti

Sunday, March 19

8 a.m. Helen Tempero Isola by Anna Marie/Carmela Tempero

10:30 a.m. Joseph/Josephine Nalevanko by Nagy/Nalevanko families

Monday, March 20

6:45 a.m. Charles Kozak by Sue/Jim Obringer

Tuesday, March 21

NO MASS

Wednesday, March 22

6:45 a.m. Mary Jo Grimm by Sue/Gene Leonard

Thursday, March 23

NO MASS

Friday, March 24

6:45 a.m. Edward Handke by Neil/Sharon/Jake/Mara LeJeune

Saturday, March 25

4 p.m. Joseph Nava by wife, VaLeria

Sunday, March 26

8 a.m. Wass family (Lou/Peggy/Lou, Jr./Tyler)
by Mario/Kathy/Nick Sollecchio

10:30 a.m. For the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace and
St. Benedict parishes

Prayers for the Sick

Diane Perne

Rose Stabile

Jennie Daversa

Irma Stuchell

Amy Bovina

Jeff Zeminski

Joseph DeFail

Jim Petzel, Jr.

Virginia Arandas

Louise Mirolli

Patty Barbour

Joe Haley

Cecelia Grajcar

Ann Blatney

Pat Fitzpatrick

Rosaries are needed for the patients of Westmoreland Excelsa Health hospital. There is a container on the book rack in the Gathering Area that you may leave any rosaries that you would like to donate. The patients of Excelsa Health thank you!

**Early transmission schedule
for upcoming bulletins:**

April 9 issue (Palm Sunday):
deadline Tuesday, March 28.

April 16 issue (Easter):
deadline Tuesday, April 4.

Calendar of Events



Sunday, March 19

DONUT SUNDAY after all Masses — *Albanese Hall*

9 a.m. RCIA — *Daily Chapel*

9 a.m. Institution of new Eucharistic Ministers — *Church*

11:30 a.m. Institution of new Eucharistic Ministers — *Church*

6 p.m. HSYM — *Albanese Hall*

Monday, March 20

7 p.m. For the Life of the World — *Albanese Hall*

7 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul — *Daily Chapel*

Tuesday, March 21

9 a.m. AARP Tax Aide — *Albanese Hall*

Wednesday, March 22

10 a.m. Bible Sharing — *Shepherds Hall*

6 p.m. Cantors — *Church*

6:30 p.m. MSYM — *Albanese Hall*

7 p.m. Choir — *Church*

Thursday, March 23

2 p.m. Grief support — *Daily Chapel*

4:30 p.m. Exposition/adoration of the Blessed Sacrament — *Church*

6 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Benediction — *Church*

6:30 p.m. Men's Discipleship Group — *Daily Chapel*

7 p.m. Adult Women's Faith Sharing — *Gathering Area*

Friday, March 24

11 a.m. Fish Fry lunch — *Shepherds Hall*

4 p.m. Fish Fry dinner — *Shepherds Hall*

Saturday, March 25

3 p.m. Confessions — *Church*

Food Pantry collection after Mass — *Gathering Area*

Sunday, March 26

Food Pantry collection after all Masses — *Gathering Area*

9 a.m. RCIA — *Daily Chapel*

9 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. 2-5 — *Albanese Hall*

10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. PK-1 — *Albanese Hall*

6 p.m. HSYM — *Albanese Hall*

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

3/12/17

Offertory: \$ 13,272.00

Online: 3,996.00

TOTAL: \$ 17,268.00

In order to meet our ordinary expenses entirely from our Sunday collection, Our Lady of Grace needs about \$18,715 per week in the regular collection. Thank you!