



March 26, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Our Lady of Grace Church

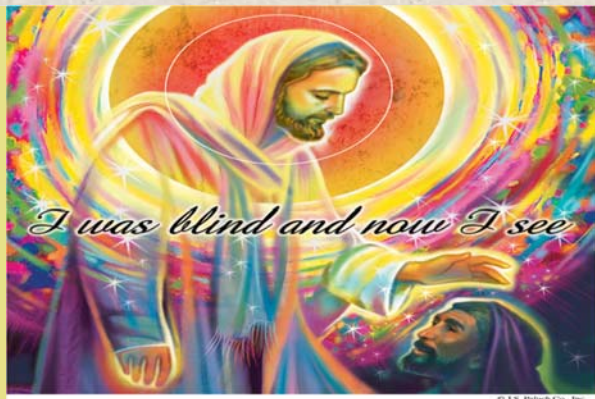
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Liturgical Schedule

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.



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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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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.

March 30 led by the Lectors, Ushers and EMs
April 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.

Temperature in the Church Building ~ Since the outdoor temperature has been fluctuating from one day to the next, it is almost impossible to keep a comfortable temperature in a large space, specifically the main church and in the daily Mass chapel. Please be patient when coming to Mass while we are in this transition stage from winter to spring.

Please join the St. Gianna Sodality Rosary for Life on Sunday, April 2, in praying the most holy rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the intentions of converting hearts to accept and work toward the culture of life from the very moment of conception at the beginning to the natural end of life at the close. The rosary is said at 10 a.m., before the 10:30 a.m. Mass, the First Sunday of each month.

Early transmission schedule for upcoming bulletins:
April 9 issue (Palm Sunday):
deadline Tuesday, March 28.
April 16 issue (Easter):
deadline Tuesday, April 4.

2017 DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

BECAUSE I AM CATHOLIC





Diocese of Greensburg I pray. I serve. I give.

Our parish diocesan target for the 2017 Diocesan Lenten Appeal 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. To date, 127 families have pledged \$26,974; \$18,425 was paid in full. You may donate online through the diocesan website, send your pledge card to the parish office or drop it off, or place it in the offertory basket. Please be as generous as you can so that we meet our goal in this Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Thank you and may God continue to bless you.

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 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!

In your charity of prayers, please remember Rev. James L. Popochock, a retired Diocesan priest, who recently passed away. May his 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.



Regional Reconciliation Services

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Please make use of the time to gain the grace of the Sacrament and prepare yourself for the celebration of Easter. There will be a group of priests available to hear confession at each of these services.

Sunday, April 2, 2 p.m., Holy Cross Church
 Monday, April 3, 7 p.m., St. Bruno Church
 Tuesday, April 4, 7 p.m., St. Paul Church
 Wednesday, April 5, 7 p.m., St. Benedict Church
 Thursday, April 6, 7 p.m., Our Lady of Grace Church
 Saturday, April 8, 11 a.m., Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

The Baptism of your child is truly something to celebrate! A **Baptism preparation class** will be offered on Sunday, April 2, 9:15 a.m., in Albanese Hall. The class is for new parents or if it has been more than five years since your last child was baptized. The session is meant to help parents prepare for and celebrate the Baptism of their child in a joyful and meaningful way. Please call the parish office at 724-838-9480 for more information or to register.



The St. Gianna Sodality is sponsoring a **Divine Mercy devotion** every day in the Church at 3-3:30 p.m., beginning Friday, April 14, through Saturday, April 22. Please join us for this nine-day Divine Mercy Novena devoted to God's great Mercy.

COURTESY NOTES

Clelian Heights School for Exceptional Children, a private, academic school, which is licensed through the Pa. Department of Education, will host an **open house, Thursday, March 30**. Tours are scheduled for 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. You are invited to learn more about the Clelian Heights school program for students ages 5-21 who have intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. RSVP to Jonni or Patty at 724-837-8120 x142 or at Clelian@aol.com.

Dr. Gabriela Abramac, a Fulbright Visiting Scholar, will present "European Refugee Crisis" at 7 p.m. in Cecilian Hall in the administration building at Seton Hill University. The event is free and open to the public. For information, contact 724-552-1706 or busch@setonhill.edu.

Our Lady of Grace Church



A place to grow in the Love & Knowledge of Jesus Christ

CHILDREN'S FORMATION: PK-5th

Next Session ~ Sunday, April 2

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

Grades 2-5: 9 a.m.-10:15 a.m., Shepherds 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 29, 6:30-8 p.m.,
 Albanese Hall

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY: 9th-12th

Next Session ~ Sunday, April 2, 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.

You may join us for any or all Mondays, which will end on April 10, 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.**

Our Lady of Grace Formation Office and Youth Ministry will be sponsoring two upcoming Lenten activities that are open to all parishioners:

Palm Burning Prayer Service ~

Sunday, April 2, 6:30 p.m. in the church and courtyard. Bring your used palms.

Candlelight Stations of the Cross ~

Sunday, April 9, 7 p.m. in the church.

Mass Intentions for the Week



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

Monday, March 27

6:45 a.m. Leonard Scuri by Betty Guzy

Tuesday, March 28

NO MASS

Wednesday, March 29

6:45 a.m. Joseph Avampato by Ralph/Helen Hofe

Thursday, March 30

NO MASS

Friday, March 31

6:45 a.m. Charles L. Donato by Genevieve Donato/daughters

Saturday, April 1

4 p.m. Anthony Louis Milito by family

Sunday, April 2

8 a.m. George/Bryce LeJeune
by Neil/Sharon/Jake/Mara LeJeune

10:30 a.m. Anthony/Gertrude Pecora by Mary Ann DeAngelo

Prayers for the Sick

Diane Perne	Amy Bovina	Patty Barbour
Rose Stabile	Jeff Zeminski	Joe Haley
Jennie Daversa	Joseph DeFail	Cecelia Grajcar
Irma Stuchell	Virginia Arandas	Ann Blatney
Pam Roll	Louise Mirolli	Pat Fitzpatrick
		David L. Novak
		Millie Roll

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
 Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
 Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
 Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

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.

Calendar of Events



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 – Shepherds Hall
10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. PK-1 – Albanese Hall
6 p.m. HSYM – Albanese Hall

Monday, March 27

6:30 p.m. First Eucharist Prep session #2 – Shepherds Hall
7 p.m. For the Life of the World – Albanese Hall

Tuesday, March 28

9 a.m. AARP Tax Aide – Albanese Hall

Wednesday, March 29

10 a.m. Bible Sharing – Shepherds Hall
6 p.m. Cantors – Church
6 p.m. Rosary Altar Society – Shepherds Hall
6:30 p.m. MSYM – Albanese Hall
7 p.m. Choir – Church

Thursday, March 30

4:30 p.m. Exposition/adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Church
6 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Benediction – Church
6:30 p.m. First Eucharist Prep session #2 – Shepherds Hall
7 p.m. Adult Women's Faith Sharing – Gathering Area

Friday, March 31

11 a.m. Fish Fry lunch – Shepherds Hall
4 p.m. Fish Fry dinner – Shepherds Hall

Saturday, April 1

9 a.m. Food Bank – Shepherds Hall
3 p.m. Confessions – Church

Sunday, April 2

9 a.m. RCIA – Daily Chapel
9 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. 2-5 – Shepherds Hall
9:15 a.m. Baptism prep – Albanese Hall
10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. PK-1 – Albanese Hall
6 p.m. HSYM – Albanese Hall

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

3/19/17

Offertory: \$ 14,407.60
Online: 4,258.00
TOTAL: \$ 18,665.60

Eastern Europe: \$2,170.85
Home Missions: \$2,070.00

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!

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