



April 23, 2017

Divine Mercy Sunday

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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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.

Joyful appreciation for the glorious celebration of Easter.

Our parish celebration of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum was filled with prayer, devotion, and praise of Our Risen Lord. We are grateful to all the liturgical ministers who served during the liturgies, the numerous altar servers, lectors, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, who carried out their ministry with reverence; the musicians and singers who helped our parish to “make a joyful sound to the Lord”; the ushers who made all of us feel welcomed in our spiritual home; those who worked to keep our church clean and created our liturgical environment for the services.

In particular, thanks to our parish RCIA team for their service and dedication in helping to foster the faith of Alice Clara Wade, Haley Rose Wade, Owen Adler Schneider, Michael Caleb Stevens, Alyssa Ann Acevedo, Baylee Marie Gardner, and Frederick Charles Hoffman III, who were fully initiated into the Catholic Faith during the Easter Vigil. (Their picture is on the front cover.) Also, our parish is grateful to the hospitality committee for hosting a wonderful reception after the Easter Vigil to welcome them into our Catholic faith and parish community.

Finally, thank you to the parish youth ministry who volunteered to help at the Easter party on Saturday afternoon. The event was a huge success, allowing the children to experience the joy of hearing the story of Christ’s Resurrection, to enjoy various games and activities, and to receive some Easter candy!

Bishop Edward C. Malesic will lead a Divine Mercy Sunday outdoor service and Eucharistic procession today, Sunday, April 23, 3 p.m., in St. Clair Park, Greensburg. The service will include Eucharistic exposition and adoration, readings, recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Benediction. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be moved to Blessed Sacrament Cathedral.

With gratitude to Almighty God, on May 7, Fr. Robert Byrnes will celebrate his 50th Anniversary of the Priesthood. There will be a concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving at 2 p.m., here at Our Lady of Grace Church, followed by a reception in Albanese Hall until 8 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend the Mass and/or the reception. Keep Father Byrnes in your prayers as well.

2017 DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

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Diocese of Greensburg



The parish is sincerely grateful to all who have responded to the Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Our parish diocesan target for this year 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. To date, 436 families have responded. The total of pledges is \$97,681. \$73,991.70 has been paid in full. If you have not made your gift, you may return your pledge card at Mass or return it to the parish office. In addition, you may make your pledge online at DLA.dioceseofgreensburg.org.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
 Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

FOOD PANTRY NOTES ~ It is with heartfelt gratitude that we extend our thanks to all those who answered the call to share in February. With the support of our parishioners, as well as the Greensburg Business and Professional Women's Club, we collected over **1,100** items that we, in turn, were able to distribute to the clients. That was also true in March when we received almost 800 items. Your kindness and generosity were truly a gift to those in need. As we continue our journey to answer the call to serve, may we keep in mind those less fortunate in our community. Our monthly collection will take place next weekend, April 29 and 30. Requested items include cereal, peanut butter and jelly, canned goods, pasta items, personal care and cleaning items, diapers and paper products. May God bless you for all you do to respond to Christ's call to serve as disciples and minister to those in need.

The St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry at Our Lady of Grace Church would like to sincerely thank all the parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. The Westmoreland County Food Bank presented us with a certificate of appreciation for distributing over 196,000 pounds of food and providing over 164,000 meals in 2016. These figures, plus all the items you have so generously donated throughout the year, has enabled us to feed over 6,000 people. *On behalf of all our neighbors in need, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.*

Our Lady of Grace Church



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

CHILDREN'S FORMATION: PK-5th

Final IGNite session ~ TODAY, Sunday, April 23, 5-7 p.m., Albanese Hall

Final Eucharist Prep session ~ Monday, April 24, or Thursday, April 27, 6:30-8 p.m., Church

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY: 6th-8th

Final IGNite session ~ TODAY, Sunday, April 23, 5-7 p.m., Albanese Hall

Next weekly session ~ Wednesday, April 26, 6:30-8 p.m., Albanese Hall.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY: 9th-12th

Final IGNite session ~ TODAY, Sunday, April 23, 5-7 p.m., Albanese Hall

Next weekly session ~ Sunday, April 30, 6-8 p.m., Albanese Hall.

COURTESY NOTES

Knights of Columbus Greensburg Council #1480 is sponsoring their 4th Annual Golf Outing on Saturday, May 13, at Mt. Odin Golf Course, Greensburg. Tee time for the event is 1 p.m. The format is a four-man scramble. Prizes and a meal, along with refreshments, are included in the price of only \$65. All money raised will benefit the K of C Foundation and its charities. For more information, contact Grand Knight Jeff Peterinelli at 724-838-0869.

Our Lady of Grace Rosary Altar Society

Spring Flea Market



Saturday, April 29
7 a.m.-1 p.m.

Albanese/Shepherds halls

Refreshments and a bake sale will be available.

As you are doing your spring cleaning, consider donating sellable items to the Rosary Altar table for their flea market. All donations would be greatly appreciated and may be dropped off in Shepherds Hall this week, between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, April 22

4 p.m. Amedio/Virginia/John Vitale by daughters/families

Sunday, April 23

8 a.m. For the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace and St. Benedict parishes

10:30 a.m. Alphonso/Pasqua Madonna by Mary Rose/family

Monday, April 24

6:45 a.m. David Zappone by Zappone family

Tuesday, April 25

NO MASS

Wednesday, April 26

6:45 a.m. Louis Nicolai by Ann

Thursday, April 27

NO MASS

Friday, April 28

6:45 a.m. Joseph Nava by wife, Valeria

Saturday, April 29

4 p.m. Michael Reno by daughters, Donna/Kathy Reno

Sunday, April 30

8 a.m. Antoinette Spinelli by Jackie/Toni Farzetti

10:30 a.m. Anthony Dominick by family

Prayers for the Sick

Diane Perne

Rose Stabile

Jennie Daversa

Irma Stuchell

Pam Roll

Amy Bovina

Jeff Zeminski

Joseph DeFail

Louise Mirolli

Pat Feret

Joe Haley

Ann Blatney

Pat Fitzpatrick

David L. Novak

Millie Roll

Marie Marscelli

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Calendar of Events



Sunday, April 23

5 p.m. IGNite – *Albanese Hall*

Monday, April 24

6:30 p.m. Eucharistic prep (#3) & practice – *Church/
Albanese Hall*

Tuesday, April 25

6:30 p.m. GIG team – *Parish Office*

Wednesday, April 26

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

6 p.m. Rosary Altar Society – *Shepherds Hall*

6:30 p.m. MSYM – *Albanese Hall*

Thursday, April 27

10 a.m. Legion of Mary – *Shepherds Hall*

6:30 p.m. Eucharistic prep (#3) & practice – *Church/
Albanese Hall*

7 p.m. Adult Women's Faith Sharing – *Shepherds Hall*

Saturday, April 29

7 a.m. Rosary Altar Society flea market – *Albanese/
Shepherds Hall*

3 p.m. Confession – *Church*
Food pantry collection after Mass

Sunday, April 30

Food pantry collection after all Masses

6 p.m. HSYM – *Albanese Hall/Church*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday, 4/9/17 Offertory: \$16,342.40
 Online: 5,023.00
 TOTAL: \$21,365.40

Holy Thursday: \$1,350.00

Good Friday: \$ 1,789.00

Regular Sunday, 4/16/17 Offertory: \$ 12,039.00
 Online: 4,118.00
 TOTAL: \$ 16,157.00

Easter Sunday, 4/16/17 Offertory: \$ 11,289.25
 Online: 813.00
 TOTAL: \$ 12,102.25

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!

CONFIRMATION
practice and wrap-up,
Thursday, May 11,
7 p.m., in Church.