



June 11, 2017

The Most Holy Trinity

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 & 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. Daniel L. Blout, Pastor
Rev. Ryan C. Ravis, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Tyler J. Bandura, in Residence

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Youth Minister

Katrina Coleman,
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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.



A Banana and the Trinity

~ My favorite religion teacher in grammar school would often use everyday items to explain a term particularly difficult for us to grasp. When it came to describing the reality of the Holy Trinity, we were all surprised to see her hold up a banana at the front of the room. She peeled back the skin of the banana and sliced a half-inch thick piece from the center of the banana. She began to slowly roll the slice back and forth between her fingers and our eyes nearly popped out of our heads when the one slice seemed to separate magically into three equal sections. She said, "each section is still a banana, yet each is distinctly taken from the whole banana." There was something about this that made sense to each of us, as we struggled to figure out exactly how the Trinity "worked" — three persons in one God. I remember quite clearly running home that day and trying the exercise on a banana on our kitchen counter. I sliced that banana into about ten pieces and each time I rolled a slice back and forth in my fingers, behold, three distinct equal sections fell into my hand.

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Celebrating Baptism ~ We recently welcomed Meredith Ellen Conte, daughter of Daniel and Malena (Buckley-Ess) Conte; and Zuri Marie Gordon, daughter of Craig and Natalie (Taylor) Gordon, into the Catholic community of faith. May our community embrace them and may our word and example be a reflection of God's love to them. Let us offer our joy-filled prayers and congratulations as a sign of our support and welcome.

We extend our congratulations to all of our graduates from kindergarten to high school to college, as they complete an educational step in their lives. May your hearts be filled with the blessings of God's grace and the fullness of His love.



We also wish all of our administrators, teachers, staff, and students a very relaxing summer recess. May you all use this time to rejuvenate yourselves and appreciate what you have accomplished and learned this past academic year.

Blessing prayer for a family about to leave on a journey ~

Blessed are You, Lord our God, for You have created a wide and wonderful world in which we can travel. We ask Your blessings upon us as we are about to leave on a journey. Be our ever-near companion, O Holy Guide of Travelers, and spread the road before us with beauty and adventure. May all the roads of ours be free of harm and evil. May we be accompanied by your Holy Spirit, your angelic messengers, as were the holy ones of days past. On this trip may we take with us, as part of our traveling equipment, a heart wrapped in wonder with which to rejoice in all that we shall meet. Along with the clothing of wonder, may we have room in our luggage by which we can find the invisible meanings of the events of this journey — of possible disappointments and delays of breakdowns and rainy-day troubles. Always awake to Your Sacred presence, to Your divine compassionate love. May we see in all that happens to us, in the beautiful and the bad, the mystery of Your holy plan. May the Blessing of God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon us throughout this trip and bring us home again in safety and peace. Amen.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Victor DeRubis, 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.

Bishop Edward C. Malesic will lead a Corpus Christi celebration in New Kensington on Sunday, June 18. He will be the principal celebrant and homilist at the 11 a.m. Mass at Mount St. Peter Parish and lead a Eucharistic procession after Mass to St. Mary of Czestochowa Parish, where mid-day prayer will be celebrated. The procession will continue to St. Joseph Parish, where the closing celebration and blessing will be held at approximately 1:30 p.m. A reception will follow in the St. Joseph Parish Hall.

Courtesy News

St. John, Latrobe, festival committee will have a flea market on Friday, June 16, 4-8 p.m. and Saturday, June 17, 8 a.m.-12 noon. It will be held indoors in the parish hall, so come rain or come sunshine. Food will be available: hot dogs, hamburgers, donuts, cake, coffee, soda, etc. Proceeds are for the benefit of St. John The Evangelist Parish Festival.

The **St. Bruno Festival, South Greensburg**, will be held on Friday, June 16, and Saturday, June 17, 5-11 p.m. and Sunday, 5-9:30 p.m. Friday evening will be a car cruise and entertainment by *The New Holidays*. On Saturday, *The Last Resort* will provide music for the evening, and on Sunday, John Noble as "Almost Sinatra" and the *Murphy Band* with special guest vocalists J. Alex and Elly Noble will appear. There will also be a chicken dinner on Sunday in the Parish Center beginning at noon, until all dinners are gone. Each evening there are children's games, face painting, a bake sale, a strolling clown, games of chance, bingo in an air-conditioned hall and much, much more. For more information, please call 724-836-0690.

Seven Dolors Church, Yukon, is sponsoring a pilgrimage to three shrines in Washington, DC, on Thursday, June 29: the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, the St. John Paul II Shrine, and the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America. (*The three shrines are within a ½ mile radius.*) Departure will be from the church at 6 a.m., returning after 11 p.m. Cost is \$45, which includes transportation. Mass and lunch will be at the Basilica and dinner at a local restaurant. Contact Laretta for reservations prior to June 22 at 724-722-3143 or LStanley@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

St. Edward Parish, 120 St. Edward Lane, Herminie, will sponsor a flea market on Saturday, June 24, 8 a.m.- 1 p.m., in the church hall. A pre-sale will be held on Friday, June 23, 6-8 p.m. (A \$5 entry fee will be charged for the pre-sale on Friday only.) Donated items will be accepted in the church hall June 19-22. For information, call the church office at 724-446-5197.

The **Department of Public Safety and Hempfield Township** has been reinforcing the fire codes in our area. Because of this, we were put on notice to address these issues:

- No parking is allowed along any curb. This includes around all parish buildings and the front and rear driveway entrances. Should there be an emergency, emergency vehicles would not be able to gain access to the parish buildings.
- No parking is allowed anywhere near the four-car garage. The priests cannot get their vehicles in or out of the garage, if necessary; and vehicles cannot get around you to park in the upper lot.
- If there are "no parking lines," do not park there.

If we fail to adhere to the above, the parish and you could be fined.

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, June 10

4 p.m. Ronnie Firment by sisters, Elissa/Monica

Sunday, June 11

8 a.m. John Banashak by wife, Carol

10:30 a.m. Frank Madonna by Madonna/Rose families

Monday, June 12

6:45 a.m. Dorothy Heck by Patsy/Patty Zello

Tuesday, June 13

NO MASS

Wednesday, June 14

6:45 a.m. Angela Santia by Kathy Slivko

Thursday, June 15

NO MASS

Friday, June 16

6:45 a.m. Jerome S. Urban by Joe/Pat Kalasky

Saturday, June 17

4 p.m. Becky Milowicki by mom/dad

Sunday, June 18

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

10:30 a.m. Barbara Castille by Linda/Joe Kozuch

Prayers for the Sick

Rose Stabile

Louise Mirolli

Pat Feret

Carmelita Detore

Joe Haley

Marie Marscelli

Joseph DeFail

Kathleen Mancuso

Virginia Patrick

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To date, **486** families have responded to the Diocesan Lenten Appeal. The **total pledged is \$134,709** and

\$109,491.40 has been paid in full. This means we have exceeded our diocesan parish goal of \$107,292. *At this point, all dollars pledged or given will be returned to our parish* and be used here to fund the costs associated with the capital repair or replacement of certain sections of our church roof. If you haven't made your gift, please prayerfully discern your gift and return your pledge card at Mass next weekend or return it to the Parish Office. In addition, you may make your pledge online at DLA.dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Calendar of Events



Sunday, June 11

3 p.m. 50th Anniversary Mass/reception
Charismatic Renewal — *Church/Albanese Hall*

Thursday, June 15

6:30 p.m. Men's Discipleship Group — *Daily Chapel*
7 p.m. Adult Women's Faith Sharing —
Gathering Area

Saturday, June 17

3 p.m. Confessions — *Church*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday, 6/4/17 Offertory: \$ 16,330.50
 Online: 5,380.00
 TOTAL: \$ 21,710.50

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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Thank and utilize the services of our sponsors. It is through their support that this bulletin is made possible.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135;
Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Mt 5:20-26
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58