



July 2, 2017

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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. Ryan C. Ravis, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Tyler J. Bandura, in Residence

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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.

Whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.



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Think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.
— Romans 6:11

The **Regional Mass for Independence Day** will be held 9 a.m. Tuesday, July 4, at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. Following the Liturgy, light refreshments will be served in the parish social hall. Let us all join together as we thank God for the gift of our country and ask Him to bless our nation.



**THE PARISH OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED
TUESDAY, JULY 4,
FOR THE HOLIDAY.**



The feast of La Madonna della Libera (the Blessed Mother patroness of Our Lady of Grace) has been celebrated on July 2 since the founding of the parish by Fr. Nicola Albanese in 1910. On July 2, 1991, Bishop Anthony G. Bosco dedicated the granite statue on our Memorial Walkway. Today marks the 26th anniversary of the dedication.

The **Saint Benedict Festival is this weekend.** It will kick off on Saturday with an outdoor Mass at the pavilion at 5:30 p.m. and will continue until 10 p.m. Music will be provided by The Last Resort. On Sunday, the parish hall kitchen will open at noon to serve chicken dinners. The festival will open at 1 p.m. Radio station WHJB will provide entertainment from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, followed by Kosmix (a polka band) from 4-7 p.m. The family friendly festival includes great food, entertainment, children's games, a bake sale, games of chance, bingo and much more.

We would like to thank all of our parishioners from the partner parishes of St. Benedict and Our Lady of Grace who volunteered their time and talents to make our Vacation Bible School such a huge success! We had in attendance approximately 85 children from both parishes, as well as around 40 adults and teens who served as volunteers. **Thank you all for a job well done!**



Voice classes will be offered here in July and August. We just completed the June classes with more than 30 attendees. The classes are for all who participate in our Music Ministry and especially for those who are considering joining the choir or serving as a cantor in the near future. The basics of vocal production are covered, along with exercises you can do at home. In the July sessions, we will be singing tunes from popular musicals. All are welcome! For more information, contact Marisa at 724-838-9480, Ext. 28, or mcazden@dioceseofgreensburg.org. Flyers with details are available on the book rack.

Prayers of Intercession ~ This form of prayer is prayer on behalf of others. This form of prayer can be a source of blessing upon others, the Church, and our world. Mary, the Mother of God and the saints, intercede for us before God. This form of prayer often gives us strength, love, courage and peace. If you wish to share in this experience, on the second Sunday of each month following the 10:30 a.m. Mass, there will be a group of parishioners in the daily Chapel to pray with individuals for their personal intentions.

Speaker Series

Our Lady of Grace Summer Adult Formation Albanese Hall, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m.

Open to all those 18 years and older. You do not need to be a parishioner or Catholic.

July 12 ~ “Everything You Wanted to Know About the Catholic Church Teachings on Divorce & Annulments But Were Too Afraid to Ask,” Fr. Dan Blout, Pastor of Our Lady of Grace

July 26 ~ “Welcoming the Stranger,” Sister Barbara Einloth, S.C.

August 9 ~ “For the Life of the World” Night at the Movies — Bring your lawn chair!

August 23 ~ “Medjugorje & My Journey to the Priesthood,” Fr. Ryan Ravis, Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of Grace

RSVPs suggested — not required. Come when you are able!



Please join the **Saint Gianna Sodality** as we celebrate the birth of our nation, and let's not forget the births of our newest citizens. The **Christmas Giving Tree** will be "trimmed" in the Gathering Area with "baby ornaments" on two consecutive weekends — this weekend and July 8 and 9. These ornaments represent infants from our community who are in need of clothing and other items. Each ornament will be labeled with a specific request for **new items** such as baby clothes, blankets and/or personal care products. Please consider taking an ornament and purchasing the listed gift and assist in making this a Christmas in July. All gifts will benefit Birthright and Alternative.Yes Pregnancy Support Center for moms and children. Please include your “Baby” ornament with your **unwrapped** gift and return them to Albanese Hall on the weekend of July 15 and 16 before and after all Masses. Thank you for your continued and generous support of this project.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Doris Galbraith, mother of Dan Galbraith, 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.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION ~ Independence Day is on Tuesday, and there is a link worth tracing between the Declaration of Independence and the language of liturgy. One of the signers of the Declaration on that July 4 long ago was Charles Carroll, probably the wealthiest man in the colonies and one of the few Catholics on the political scene. As a flourish to his signature, he sought to distinguish himself from other prominent citizens bearing the same name by penning “Charles Carroll of Carrolltown”— a defiant “come and get me if you dare” postscript aimed at the British.

Carroll's brother John was a priest and patriot who in 1789 was given the task of organizing the Catholic Church in this country. By 1791, he had assembled a synod, or assembly of delegates, to launch that task formally. Archbishop Carroll wanted to gain acceptance of our faith by American people who mistrusted our customs and could not comprehend our liturgy. He made the amazing proposal to Rome that our liturgy should be prayed not in Latin, but in the vernacular, English. His wish was denied, but 160 years later, his deep desire helped the American bishops and scholars at the Second Vatican Council to win the vote in favor of the vernacular, not just for the United States, but for the Church throughout the world.

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Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, July 1

4 p.m. Chip Funari by Josie Funari

Sunday, July 2

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

10:30 a.m. In honor of Madonna della Libera by Cercemaggiore

Monday, July 3

6:45 a.m. Jack Petroy by Kevin/Michele Kinsey

Tuesday, July 4

9 a.m. *Regional Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral*

Wednesday, July 5

6:45 a.m. Deceased members of Cercemaggiore

Thursday, July 6

NO MASS

Friday, July 7

6:45 a.m. Dolores Wolfe by sister, Joyce Ziance

Saturday, July 8

4 p.m. Frank/Carmella DiCriscio/DeCriscio family by Charles DeCriscio

Sunday, July 9

8 a.m. Peter Angelo by George/Debbie Gretz

10:30 a.m. Carmen Moffa by wife/children/grandchildren

Prayers for the Sick

Rose Stabile	Carmelita Detore	Kathleen Mancuso
Louise Mirolli	Marie Marscelli	Virginia Patrick
Pat Feret	Joseph DeFail	Karen Rega

Community News

- ◆ **St. Bartholomew Church, Crabtree, Las Vegas Super Bingo**, Friday, July 7, in Marian Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Early bird begins at 7:40 p.m. For more info, please call 724-837-0197.
- ◆ **Holy Family Church, Latrobe, Concert Series**, will present talented violinist Julia Simeone, on Saturday, July 8, at 7 p.m. She will present works by Medelssohn, Bach, Ralph Vaughan Williams and more. There will be a free reception held in the parish social hall after the concert. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Call the parish office at 724-539-9751 or email Aaron Gray at Agray@dioceseofgreensburg.org to reserve tickets.
- ◆ **St. Mary's Church, Trauger, All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet**, sponsored by the youth group, Sunday, July 9, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., in the St. Mary's Center, Route 981. Adults, \$6; children ages 5-10, \$3; ages 4 and under, FREE.

Calendar of Events



Sunday, July 2

Christmas in July Giving Tree – Gathering Space

Wednesday, July 5

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

Thursday, July 6

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

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

Saturday, July 8

3 p.m. Confessions – *Church*

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Sunday, July 9

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday, 6/25/17 Offertory: \$ 12,669.35
 Online: 3,786.00
 TOTAL: \$ 16,455.35

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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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27;
or, for Independence Day, any readings
from the Mass "For the Country or a City,"
nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice,"
nos. 887-891
Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5;
Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17;
Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14;
Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30