



July 23, 2017

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Our Lady of Grace Church

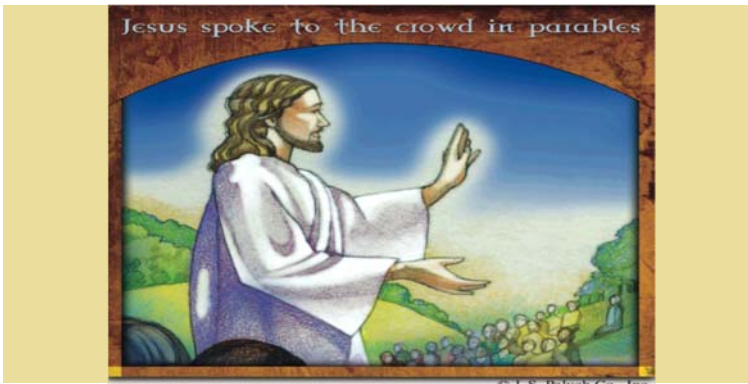
A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg | A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust  
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## Liturgical Schedule

**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.



## 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.

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

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

Parish website: [www.ourladyofgracechurch.org](http://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

[www.facebook.com/OLGGreensburgPA/](http://www.facebook.com/OLGGreensburgPA/)

## 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.

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

**Marisa Cazden,**  
*Music Minister*

**Bob Chappell,**  
*Youth Minister*

**Katrina Coleman,**  
*Director of Parish Formation  
 & Evangelization*

**Kelly Dembiczak,**  
*Coordinator of Parish Faith  
 Formation*



**Aurelia Sabol,**  
*Business Manager*

**Don Sabol,**  
*Maintenance*

**Dorothy Skoloda,**  
*Secretary*

**Donna Stewart,**  
*Secretary*

**Tom Stumpo,**  
*Maintenance Supervisor*

In your charity of prayers, please remember Lourdes Leonida and Alan John Riding, who recently passed away. May their souls 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.

???? Are you someone or do you know someone who. . .

✠RCIA✠

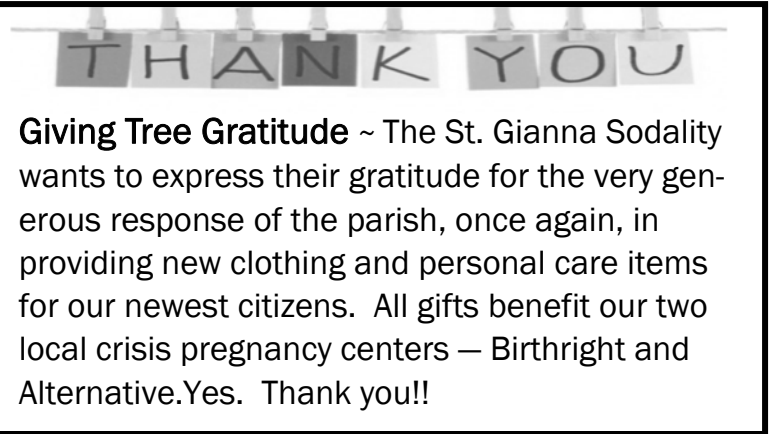
+ Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

+ Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

**We are looking to reach out to you!** Our parish offers the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) just for you. RCIA is an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. These sessions focus on scripture, faith, and Church teachings, to help you prepare for the celebration of the Sacraments. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm and accepting environment. Participation in RCIA does not require a final commitment; that decision is made at the beginning of Lent. You have five months to explore before making a final decision! If you wish to join in the journey that begins this fall, please contact Katrina Coleman at [kcoleman@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:kcoleman@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or by calling the parish office.

*Please accept my sincere appreciation for the kindness, good wishes and thoughtfulness extended to me on the occasion of my recent celebration of 50 years in the priesthood. I would like you to know that in my prayers, especially at Mass, you will be remembered in a special way, and I ask you, please, to pray for me.*

Rev. Robert R. Byrnes  
2900 Seminary Drive  
Greensburg, PA 15601-3700



**Giving Tree Gratitude** ~ The St. Gianna Sodality wants to express their gratitude for the very generous response of the parish, once again, in providing new clothing and personal care items for our newest citizens. All gifts benefit our two local crisis pregnancy centers — Birthright and Alternative.Yes. Thank you!!

**Bishop Malesic to lead drug education and prayer service evenings** ~ In his recently released Pastoral Letter on the current drug abuse crisis, Bishop Edward C. Malesic poses the question that all of us have been asking: “What can we do about it?” In response to that question, he challenges us as Catholics to do the two things that we do best — **Pray and Teach!**

So, on Thursday, August 3, Our Lady of Grace Church will be hosting one of the seven Summer Diocesan Drug Education and Prayer Service Evenings as part of the diocesan response that Bishop Malesic announced in “A Pastoral Letter on the Drug Abuse Crisis: From Death and Despair to Life and Hope.” The session will begin at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. There will be an educational presentation about the opioid epidemic in the region, a question-and-answer session in Albanese Hall; a prayer service led by Bishop Malesic in the Church at 8 p.m.; concluding with refreshments at 8:30 p.m.

The other evenings are scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 2, St. Joseph Parish, Uniontown; Tuesday, Aug. 8, St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Kittanning; Thursday, Aug. 10, Mary, Queen of Apostles School, Greenwald Site, New Kensington; and Wednesday, Aug. 16, St. Thomas More University Parish, Indiana.

I encourage you to make every effort – and invite your friends, co-workers, and acquaintances to come and gather to learn and pray – to rally around this initiative of our Diocesan Bishop. With God’s divine inspiration, guidance, wisdom, and courage we can confront and defeat this drug crisis while proclaiming our desire to help and heal those affected by an opioid addiction.

May our church bring to those affected by and entangled in the web of addiction our Lord’s renewed hope and healing love.

Father Dan

*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.*

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

**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

**Food Pantry collection for July** ~ This month’s food pantry collection will take place next weekend, **July 29 and 30**. Since the children are home for the summer, we suggest kid-friendly foods such as cereal, peanut butter and jelly, pasta and rice items, soups, canned goods, beverages, as well as personal hygiene items, diapers, soap and cleaning products. We received 576 items from parishioners and the Greensburg Business and Professional Women for the May collection. In June, we received 510 items for our collection. We are truly humbled and thankful for the sacrifices you make to care for those in need in our community. Please help us again this month through your donations of items and your continued prayers to address the needs of those in our community who are struggling.



Bishop Malesic invites all couples celebrating their **50th Wedding Anniversary** during the calendar year 2017 to participate in a special Golden Jubilee Mass to be held at the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral on Sunday, October 15, at 3 p.m. The Jubilarians, their children, relatives or friends **should contact the couple’s parish office to register for this celebration**. Even though they may not be able to attend the Mass, they will receive a scroll signed by the Bishop commemorating their wedding anniversary.

**Young adult listening sessions with Bishop Malesic in advance of synod** ~ The Diocese of Greensburg will host three young adult listening sessions in preparation for the 2018 Synod on “Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment.” Young adults ages 16-29 are invited to attend one of the sessions. After refreshments and a brief introduction, participants will be separated into small groups by approximate age to discuss questions focused on the young Church in today’s world. Then they will be invited to discuss in a large group setting some of the most relevant questions with each other and with Bishop Edward C. Malesic. Registration is available online for the following sessions:

Tuesday, July 25, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Paul Parish, Greensburg;

<https://tinyurl.com/STPGBG>

Tuesday, September 5, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon; <https://tinyurl.com/STSBV>

Thursday, September 7, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Thomas More University Parish, Indiana; <https://tinyurl.com/STMUP>

**We welcome the following newly trained altar servers:** Annaliese See, Jack Butler, Aislynn Berich and Luke Semelka. Please pray for them as they so willingly take part in this important ministry. We also thank the following current servers who graciously helped with the training: Nick Dzurica, Anthony Semelka, Joseph Semelka and Elena Weirs.

**Basket raffle donations** are being accepted for our upcoming social events. You may donate a ready-made basket, new items to put in a basket or give a monetary donation to the church to purchase items for a basket. Your name may be included on the basket if you wish. Our upcoming events include the parish picnic, August 27; the American Girl Doll luncheon, October 14; and a Mardi Gras in February 2018.

## Mass Intentions for the Week



### Saturday, July 22

4 p.m. Elizabeth Brucker by Phil/Judy Sinclair

### Sunday, July 23

8 a.m. Joseph/Elizabeth Eannotti by daughter, Barbara

10:30 a.m. Paul Krivacek by Donna Krivacek/children

### Monday, July 24

6:45 a.m. Angelo E. Rose by wife, Mary/family

### Tuesday, July 25

**NO MASS**

### Wednesday, July 26

6:45 a.m. Joseph/Josephine Nalevanko  
by Nagy and Nalevanko families

### Thursday, July 27

**NO MASS**

### Friday, July 28

6:45 a.m. Mike/Mary Spino by Tracy Lewis

### Saturday, July 29

4 p.m. Jack McGinley by McGinley family

### Sunday, July 30

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

10:30 a.m. Helen/Louis Pollono by Diana/Za Amatucci

### *Prayers for the Sick*

Rose Stabile

Marg Moyer

Joseph DeFail

Carmelita Detore

Marie Marscelli

Kathleen Mancuso

Virginia Patrick

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28;  
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56;  
Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or  
Lk 10:38-42

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77,  
127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52  
[44-46]



## Calendar of Events



### Wednesday, July 26

- 10 a.m. Bible Sharing – *Shepherds Hall*  
7 p.m. Building/Grounds committee – *Parish Office*  
7 p.m. Adult Speaker series – *Albanese Hall*

### Thursday, July 27

- 10 a.m. Legion of Mary – *Shepherds Hall*  
6:30 p.m. Men's Discipleship – *Day Chapel*  
7 p.m. Adult Women's Faith Sharing – *Gathering Space*

### Saturday, July 29

- 3 p.m. Confessions – *Church*  
Picnic sign-up after Mass – *Gathering Area*  
Food Pantry collection after Mass – *Gathering Area*

### Sunday, July 30

- Picnic sign-up after Masses – *Gathering Area*  
Food Pantry collection after Masses – *Gathering Area*

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

<u>7/16/17</u>	Offertory:	\$ 10,548.25
	Online:	<u>4,073.00</u>
	TOTAL:	\$ 14,621.25

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!

## ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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

The **Men's Ministry Leadership Team of the Diocese of Greensburg** is organizing an afternoon of fraternity, faith, and the outdoors, on Saturday, July 29, at the Laurel Hill State Park from 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Join the group as they hike the trail to the Jones Mill Run Dam. You may contact Ryan Coyne at 216-978-9982 or [rcoyne@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:rcoyne@dioceseofgreensburg.org) for more information and driving directions. Ryan will be the contact on the day of the trip.