



August 27, 2017 21st 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. 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*



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Secretary

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Secretary

Tom Stumpo,
Maintenance Supervisor

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.



Come join us today, Sunday, August 27,
for the **ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC!**

Noon - 4 p.m.

This year we are offering family games in Albanese Hall following Bingo. DJ Larry will be outside offering games for the little ones. We hope to see many of you there sharing good food and good times.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Marie Marscelli; Dorothy Rohrbacher, mother of Barrie Rohrbacher; and Virginia Patrick, 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.

Older children and teens in need of sacraments ~

Our parish would like to assist families who have children and teens who, for some reason, missed receiving their First Holy Communion or Confirmation at the normative age. This includes anyone in grades 3-12 in need of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, and any teenager in grades 8-12 who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. If your son or daughter falls into one or both of these categories, our parish would love to help them complete their initiation into our Catholic faith by receiving these sacraments. For more information, please contact Katrina Coleman at the parish office.

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

The Diocesan Heritage Center will host a **First Saturday Mass and devotion at the Bishop Connare Center, September 2**, in observance of the 100th anniversary of the Marian apparitions at Fatima. Mass begins at 9 a.m. in the St. Joseph Chapel and will be followed by recitation of the rosary. The Diocesan Heritage Center exhibit "Petals of Love, the Rosary in Art and Faith" will be open after the devotion and from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, in addition to the exhibit's regular hours, 1-4 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information, call Dennis Wodzinski, curator of the Heritage Center at 724-552-2505.

PATHWAYS can awaken your mind and refresh your spirit. Discover how this process of prayer, learning, and reflection strengthens your ability to know and share the good news of Jesus Christ. Sites are St. Mary Parish, Uniontown, on Wednesday evenings and St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish, Indiana, on Thursday evenings. The opening workshop is September 23. For more information or to register online, visit us at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/pathways or contact the Office for Lay Ecclesial Ministry at 724-552-2598; pathways@ioeseofgrenburg.org. **PATHWAYS** registration closes September 11. Financial assistance is available.

Lottery calendars benefiting St. Anne Home will be sold in the Gathering Area after all Masses next weekend, September 2-3. The cost is \$25 per calendar with 365 days to win! Your generosity has made this fundraiser successful in the past, and we hope you will support St. Anne Home again this year. God bless you!

Transitional Deacon Assigned to our Partner Parishes ~ Our parish welcomes Deacon Brother Martinho Zevallos, O.S.B. Brother Martinho is a very likable person with an unusual background. He is a native of Peru, he has a Ph.D. in physics and worked for a Center of Nuclear Energy in Sao Paulo, Brazil. While in Brazil, he developed an interest in a religious and finally in a monastic vocation, joining the Priory of Sao Bento in Vinhedo, Brazil. He was ordained as a Deacon last month in Brazil, and will complete his seminary program at St. Vincent Seminary in Latrobe. Brother Martinho is fluent in Spanish, Portuguese and English.

We are blessed to have Brother Martinho assigned to us for his fourth year of seminary formation in anticipation, God willing, of his priestly ordination. He will be with us most weekends during the academic year. He will also be here for a two-week practicum where he will stay continuously at our partner parishes for two weeks during the fall and spring semester. We look forward to being an important part of his fourth year seminary formation, offering our prayerful support and encouragement of his vocation to the priesthood. Also, let us continue to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life.

Young adult listening sessions with Bishop Malesic in advance of synod ~ The diocese will host two listening sessions for people ages 16-29, in preparation for the 2018 Synod, "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment." The sessions are: Tuesday, September 5, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon; and Thursday, September 7, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Thomas More University Parish, Indiana. Register at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod.

COURTESY NOTES

The Greensburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will host a prayer event as part of the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, Wednesday, September 13, at Our Lady of Grace Parish, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Please join the parishioners of **Blessed Sacrament Cathedral** for the very first **organ recital** given on their new organ on Sunday, September 10, 3 p.m. During the recital, the new organ will be blessed by Bishop Edward C. Malesic. Mr. J. Christopher Pardini, the Director of Liturgy and Music for Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, will perform along with Mr. Thomas Octave, baritone and Director of the Greensburg Diocesan Choir, and pianist, Dr. Josie Merlino. There is no charge to attend the recital and no reservations are required. Everyone is welcome! Please plan on joining Bishop Malesic and the parish family of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral for this joyous occasion.

Las Vegas Super Bingo will be held Friday, September 1, in Marian Hall, St Bartholomew Church, Route 119, Crabtree. Doors open at 6 p.m. Early Bird begins at 7:40 p.m. For more information, call 724-837-0197.

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO —

- ????** + Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
✝RCIA✝ + 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 at kcoleman@dioceseofgreensburg.org or by calling the parish office.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 26

4 p.m. For the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace and
St. Benedict parishes

Sunday, August 27

8 a.m. Christine DeBone by Tom Angelo/Joyce Petrunyak
10:30 a.m. Helen Salandro by James Bizzak

Monday, August 28

6:45 a.m. Joseph Burkley, Jr., by Ken/Kathy Lepidi

Tuesday, August 29

NO MASS

Wednesday, August 30

6:45 a.m. Tony/Carm Germano by family

Thursday, August 31

NO MASS

Friday, September 1

6:45 a.m. Jim Sinwell/Dolores Becker/Florence/
Charles Palangio by Rose Marie Sinwell

Saturday, September 2

4 p.m. Vince Capozzi by wife/family

Sunday, September 3

8 a.m. Ronald Firmstone by Sharlane/family
10:30 a.m. John Kozlovic by Marisa Cazden

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

8/20/17 Offertory: \$ 12,272.50
Online: 3,905.00
TOTAL: \$ 16,177.50

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!

Prayers for the Sick

Shirley Good
Rose Stabile

Mary Ann Burns
Marie Marscelli

Chris DiCola
Mary Rose
Kathleen Mancuso
Robert Plisko

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Calendar of Events



Sunday, August 27

Food pantry collection after all Masses – *Gathering Area*
12 noon *PARISH PICNIC*

Monday, August 28

7 p.m. *Service Commission meeting – Parish Office*

Wednesday, August 30

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

Thursday, August 31

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

7 p.m. *Adult women's faith sharing – Gathering Area*

Saturday, September 2

9 a.m. *Food Bank – Shepherds Hall*

3 p.m. *Confessions – Church*

St. Anne Calendar ticket sale after Mass – Gathering Area

Sunday, September 3

10 a.m. *Rosary for Life – Church*

St. Anne Calendar ticket sale after all Masses – Gathering Area

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17;
Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12;
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;
Mt 16:21-27



Please join the **St. Gianna Sodality Rosary for Life on Sunday, September 3**, 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.