

August 6, 2017

The Transfiguration of the Lord

# 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 Hol Day Masses: Please see inside bulletin.



Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Parish website: www.ourladyofgracechurch.org

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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



Aurelia Sabol, Business Manager

> Don Sabol, Maintenance

Dorothy Skoloda, Secretary

Donna Stewart,
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.



The second collection next weekend, August 12-13, will be for the Foundation for Children in Need. Foundation for Children in Need is a Catholic lay organization based in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Dr. Geetha Yeruva, Co-founder/President of FCN, is very happy to visit us and share about their mission work in the interior villages of India. She will speak at all the Masses. FCN sponsors 2,500 children and college students. They have been responsible for building several schools, boarding homes, a community health center and a home for the elderly. They provide free medical check-ups and medicine to thousands

of needy people and children. We welcome Dr. Geetha and encourage you to support their mission work generously. To know about their mission work, please visit: www.fcn-usa.org.

**Prayers of Intercession** ~ This form of prayer is prayer on behalf of others. This form of prayer can be a resource 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, there will be a group of parishioners in the Daily Chapel to pray with individuals for their personal intentions next Sunday, August 13, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**Celebrating Baptism** ~ We recently welcomed Mack James Muchoney, son of Mark and Carina (Stewart) Muchoney, into the Catholic community of faith. May our community embrace Mack and may our word and example be a reflection of God's love to him. Let us offer our joy-filled prayers and congratulations as a sign of our support and welcome.

Bishop Malesic invites all couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during the calen-



dar year 2017 to participate in a special Golden Jubilee Mass to be held at the Blessed Sacrament nniversary Cathedral on Sunday, October 15, at 3 p.m. Parishioners celebrating

this milestone, or their family members or friends, should contact Our Lady of Grace 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.

Solemnity of the Assumption Mass, rosary and candlelight procession ~ Bishop Edward C. Malesic will host a special celebration of the Solemnity of the Assumption, the patronal feast of the diocese, on Tuesday, August 15, 7 p.m., in the St. Joseph Chapel of the Bishop Connare Center. Immediately following the Mass, a candlelight procession and recitation of the rosary will take place in honor of the 100th anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima.

### Updating parish membership as youth become adults ~

Our parish maintains the registration of youth members under their parent's household registration until they turn 21 years old or upon college graduation. Our office relies on your help to keep our records up-to-date as your children grow into adulthood. Therefore, we encourage you, or your adult children living at your address, to take time to 're-register' as members of our parish community. This will not only help our parish to have up-to-date information, but will also be beneficial if they need a sponsor certificate verifying their active membership.

Registering at Our Lady of Grace is as convenient as stopping by the parish office during regular office hours or by visiting www.ourladyofgracechurch.org and completing the online registration form found under "Newcomers & Visitors" - parish registration.

Active membership in a Catholic parish is a requirement to be eligible for:

- the Sacrament of Marriage
- the Sacrament of Confirmation
- the Sacrament of Baptism of a child
- the reception of Frist Communion
- a sponsor certificate for Baptism/Confirmation

# Our Lady of Grace

Summer Adult Formation Speaker Series 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!

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

# **COURTESY NOTES**

- Historic Gettysburg ~ The Greensburg/Indiana Ancient Order of Hibernians extends an invitation to join them, October 13-15, for a weekend in Gettysburg. Tour includes: the battlefield with a focus on the "Irish Brigade," Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, Eisenhower Farm and Sunday Mass at the Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg. Two nights lodging in Gettysburg, two dinners/breakfasts, and motor coach from Greensburg is included in the price of \$475 pp/do. For flyer/reservation, please contact Fr. Jerry O'Shea, Chaplain, at rorrunjto@yahoo.com or 724-832-0482.
- The partner parishes of Sacred Heart and Ascension churches, Jeannette, are seeking a qualified person for the position of Director of Faith Formation. This will be a full-time position and this person will oversee religious instruction and faith formation in both parishes. The pastor is always looking for programming and ideas that will benefit the parishioners and their families. Qualified candidates must be practicing Catholics with training in religious education, formation or theology. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to: Fr. Paul Lisik, Sacred Heart/Ascension Churches, 54 Cowan Avenue, Jeannette, PA 15644.
- The youth group of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, Route 981, Trauger, is sponsoring an "all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet," on Sunday, August 13, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Adults: \$6; children ages 5-10: \$3; ages 4 and under are FREE.



# 🚣 Aquinas Academy News:

- Students in preschool through grade 6 are still being accepted. Applications can be completed online or call the school office for a personal tour.
- Girls in our parishes in grades 3-6 may play basketball for Aquinas Academy. The season starts soon, so please inquire at the school office for registration. Contact information: 724-834-7940 or <a href="mailto:rice@aquinasacademy.org">rice@aquinasacademy.org</a>.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Joseph DeFail, Elizabeth Gibson, Robert Yamber, Margaret Moyer and James Long Jr., 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.

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### ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOME-ONE WHO —

- + 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 or by calling the parish office.

## **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, August 5

4 p.m. Parents, Edward/Mary Sobota & brother,

Edward by Mark/Brenda Sobota

#### Sunday, August 6

8 a.m. George/Mary Seranko & Carole Pacelli

by Seranko family

10:30 a.m. Ron Vid by Fred/Janet Pevarnik

#### Monday, August 7

6:45 a.m. Anthony/Katherine DeBone by Jackie/Toni/Eddie

#### Tuesday, August 8

# NO MASS Wednesday, August 9

6:45 a.m. Rev. Joseph DiStefano by Mary Lou/Dan Andrews

#### Thursday, August 10

#### NO MASS

#### Friday, August 11

6:45 a.m. Mary Cirelli by a friend

#### Saturday, August 12

1:30 p.m. Wedding: Mary Anne Stunja & Kasimir Revers 4 p.m. For the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace and

St. Benedict parishes

#### Sunday, August 13

8 a.m. David Zappone by Zappone family

10:30 a.m. Nazzio/Rose Dalicandro by Dalicandro family

### **ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**

#### Annamarie Denis, D.M.D.

General Dentistry - Adults and Children

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### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

7/30/17 Offertory: \$12,785.00

Online: <u>4,300.00</u> TOTAL: \$ 17,085.00

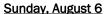
In order to meet our ordinary expenses entirely from our Sunday collection, Our Lady of Grace needs about \$18,715 per week in the regular collection. Thank you!

# Prayers for the Sick

Mary Ann Burns

Kathleen Mancuso Marie Marscelli Virginia Patrick Chris DiCola Shirley Good Shirley Vitale Rose Stabile William Stillwagon

### Calendar of Events



Picnic sign-up after Masses — *Gathering Area* 9:15 a.m. Baptism prep — *Albanese Hall* 

5 p.m. Girl Scout Marian Medal session — Albanese Hall

Monday, August 7

2 p.m. Baptism prep team meeting — Albanese Hall

Tuesday, August 8

6:30 p.m. Catholic Committee on Scouting — *Albanese Hall* 7 p.m. Formation-Evangelization Commission meeting—

Parish Office

Wednesday, August 9

10 a.m. Bible Sharing – Shepherds Hall7 p.m. Adult Speaker series – Albanese Hall

Thursday, August 10

10 a.m. Legion of Mary – Shepherds Hall
3:30 p.m. Finance Council – Rectory dining room
6:30 p.m. Men's Discipleship Group – Day Chapel
7 p.m. Adult Women's Faith Sharing – Shepherds Hall

Saturday, August 12

3 p.m. Confessions — Church

Picnic sign-up after Mass — Gathering Area

Sunday, August 13

Picnic sign-up after Masses — Gathering Area

5 p.m. Girl Scout Marian Medal session — Albanese Hall

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK** 

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13;

Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;

Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26 Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28 Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;

Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Basket raffle donations are being accepted for our upcoming social events. You may donate a readymade 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.