



September 24, 2017 25th 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.



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
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/

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

The **Rosary Altar Society** will resume their monthly meetings with a Salad Bar Covered Dish on Wednesday, September 27, 6 p.m., in Shepherds Hall. If you are interested in joining the Rosary Altar Society and would like more information, please call Esther at 724-834-3422.

This weekend is the annual *Seminarian and Clergy Formation Collection*. In addition to your financial support, Bishop Malesic is asking for your prayers for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and the religious life. Bishop Malesic also is inviting you to share your prayer intentions with him by using the commitment card, envelope, or going online: www.dioceseofgreensburg.org. If you forgot your envelope this week, you may use one of the envelopes in the pews or return your envelope next week. Please be generous in supporting this need of our Diocese.

Tickets are available for Catholic Charities 2nd Annual Purse Bash on Nov. 5. A limited number are available at \$35 each. To purchase your ticket, please call 724-837-1840 or stop by the office between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.



Please join the **St. Gianna Sodality Rosary for Life on Sunday, October 1**, 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.



Baptism preparation ~ New and expecting parents are requested to participate in a baptism preparation session prior to scheduling their baby's baptism. The next session will be on Wednesday, October 4, 7 p.m., in Shepherds Hall. Please call the parish office at 724-838-9480 to register. There will not be another class until December 6.

September Food Pantry Collection ~ At a time when so many people are suffering from the recent hurricanes, let us take a moment to also remember those in our immediate community who struggle from day to day. Last month we were fortunate to receive 580 items in our food pantry collection and it was deeply appreciated by the clients who, in turn, were the recipients of your gifts. We ask for your continued support and donations in this month's collection which will take place the week-end of September 30 and October 1. In particular, we are in need of items such as cereal, pasta items (including rice combos and hamburger helper), peanut butter and jelly, canned goods, healthy snack items (granola bars, cheese and crackers, etc.), diapers and personal care items. May God bless each and everyone as we continue to answer the call to "feed the hungry."

WELCOME



JOIN THE PARISH WELCOME TEAM

Our Lady of Grace is beginning a Welcome Team consisting of two ministries: Front Door Greeting Team and the Welcome Center Team. Persons called to this ministry should be able to arrive early for Mass, have good interpersonal skills, be friendly and conscientious, be disposed to be helpful, have a genuine interest in other people, to stand for at least a one-hour period of time, and be physically able to assist persons with special needs. Persons who take an interest in the Welcome Center Team should have a knowledge of, or be able to learn, the ministries and activities of the parish enough to answer basic questions from visitors and parishioners. In addition, these team members should have an ability to respect confidentiality. There will be a Welcome Team training for anyone who is interested on Monday, October 16, 7-9 p.m., in the Church. For more information or to RSVP for the training, please contact Katrina Coleman at the parish office at 724-838-9480, Ext. 16.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Marion D. "Mae" Crissman, great-grandmother of Fr. Tyler Bandura, 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.

Our Lady of Grace Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Novena Prayers to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal



Nine Consecutive Thursdays
6 - 7 p.m.
September 21-November 16

Exposition at 6 p.m.
Novena at 6:30 p.m.
Benediction at 7 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus Council 1480 Greensburg will be conducting their annual Baby Bottle Campaign



here at Our Lady of Grace after all Masses the weekend of October 7-8. Your generous monetary support will be appreciated. Funds will be used for parish pro-life activities and community pro-life projects.

COURTESY NOTES

- **St. Bartholomew Church, Crabtree, Las Vegas Super Bingo**, Friday, October 6, in Marian Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Early bird begins at 7:40 p.m. For more info, call 724-837-0197.
- **St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, will be having their monthly bingo** Sunday, October 1. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. and bingo starts at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be available.
- **St. Mary's Byzantine, Rte. 981, Trauger, "All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet,"** Sunday, October 8, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Adults: \$6; children ages 5-10: \$3; ages 4 and under FREE.
- **Holy Family Parish, Latrobe, is offering guided tours of their newly restored church**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., on the following Saturdays: September 30, October 21, November 18 and December 30. Reservations are not required. Group tours may also be scheduled on weekdays and some Saturdays. Groups of 15 or more may make arrangements to purchase a homemade lunch which will be served in the church social hall at a cost of \$8 per person. To schedule a group tour with/or without lunch, contact Charlene Nicholson at 724-532-4135 or cmnicholson54@gmail.com.

Pilgrimage prayer intentions being accepted until October 10 ~ Under the spiritual direction of Bishop Edward C. Malesic and led by Father William J. Lechnar, pilgrims from the Diocese of Greensburg will be making a spiritual and cultural pilgrimage to Italy October 19-30. You are invited to submit confidential prayer intentions, which will be carried to and remembered at each holy site the group visits. Visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/italy and register to make your requests via the diocesan Extranet; or email your requests to pilgrimprayers@dioceseofgreensburg.org or mail your requests to Diocese of Greensburg, 723 East Pittsburgh Street, Greensburg, PA 15601, Attention: Pilgrim Prayers.

Annual White Mass ~ Bishop Malesic will celebrate the 16th Annual White Mass for health care personnel on Sunday, October 8, 11:30 a.m., at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral.

CRAP! SHOW

co-sponsored by the Rosary Altar societies of the partner parishes of Our Lady of Grace and St. Benedict churches, will be held this coming Saturday, September 30, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be a bake sale, hot food, basket raffle, free parking & free admission.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 23

4 p.m. Vincent/Josephine Lepidi by Ken/Kathy Lepidi

Sunday, September 24

8 a.m. Special Intention by Linda Rennie

10:30 a.m. For the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace and St. Benedict parishes

Monday, September 25

6:45 a.m. Anthony L. Milito by family

Tuesday, September 26

NO MASS

Wednesday, September 27

6:45 a.m. John/Evelyn Gray by Dan/Cindy Painter

Thursday, September 28

NO MASS

Friday, September 29

6:45 a.m. Jennifer Lindberg-Singler by sisters, Jamie Golden/Lisa Trabucco

5 p.m. Wedding: Kimberly Hilliard/Frank Ness

Saturday, September 30

4 p.m. Andrew Patrick by Tony/Eileen Pereira

Sunday, October 1

8 a.m. Daniel Martchek by wife/children

10:30 a.m. Dorothy Heck by Rose Zaremba

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

9/17/17 Offertory: \$ 11,941.00
Online: 4,098.00
TOTAL: \$ 16,039.00

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

Shirley Good	Kathleen Mancuso	Janice Poole
Rose Stabile	Mark Skodak	Kathryn Conlin
Mary Ann Burns	Tim Fox	Robert Muscente
Chris DiCola	Francis Murrman	Lloyd Shaw
		Patricia Shavel

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

WILLIAM T. NEWMAN, M.D.

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Calendar of Events



Sunday, September 24

*American Girl luncheon tickets on sale after all Masses –
Gathering Area*

- 8:30 a.m. RCIA – Youth Loft/Albanese Hall
9 a.m. Faith Formation/Gr. 2-5 – Shepherds Hall
10:15 a.m. Faith Formation/Gr. PK-1 – Albanese Hall
6 p.m. HSYM – Albanese Hall

Tuesday, September 26

6:30 p.m. AGT planning meeting – Albanese Hall

Wednesday, September 27

- 10 a.m. Bible sharing – Shepherds Hall
6 p.m. Cantor practice – Church
6 p.m. Rosary Altar Society – Shepherds Hall
6:30 p.m. MSYM – Albanese Hall
7 p.m. Choir practice – Church

Thursday, September 28

- 10 a.m. Legion of Mary – Shepherds Hall
6 p.m. Miraculous Medal Devotional evening – Church

Saturday, September 30

Rosary Altar Society CRAFT SHOW – Albanese Hall
3 p.m. Confessions – Church
American Girl luncheon tickets on sale after Mass – Gathering Area
Food Pantry collection after Mass

Sunday, October 1

Food Pantry collection after all Masses
9 a.m. RCIA – Youth Loft/Albanese Hall
10 a.m. Rosary for Life – Church
6 p.m. HSYM – Albanese Hall

American Girl Doll Luncheon will be held at Our Lady of Grace, Saturday, October 14, noon to 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale in the Gathering Area before and after Masses beginning this weekend. Adults \$20 and youth \$10.



We are publishing a prayer list of friends and family of Our Lady of Grace parishioners who are currently serving in the military. If you would like a name to be added to our prayer list, please call the parish office or email dskoloda@dioceseofgreensburg.org or dstewart@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jake LeJeune - Marines John Petrucci - AF
Baylee Gardner - AF Tasha Simoncini - Marines
A01 Cole Terrell—USN
Peyton Smith -Army National Guard