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A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg "A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"

January 16, 2022

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule:

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & 1st Saturday8:30 am

Weekend: Saturday: 4:00 pm, Sunday, 8:30 am, 11:30 am

Church is open for private prayer from 8:00 am—4:00 pm daily. (Enter through side door by Mary's Garden)

Confession: (Eff 12/11/21) Saturdays at 11:00 am. For appointment, call the parish office.

Baptism: Contact the office. Weddings: 1:30 pm or earlier Saturdays. Contact the office.

Ministry to the Homebound: Contact Julie at the office for Holy Communion to be taken to the Homebound.

Parish Office hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri — 9:00 am-1:00 pm. (Closed on Wednesdays)

Bulletin deadline date is Thursday, 10 days prior to requested weekend.

Emergency Anointing of the sick: 866-455-0224



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, January 15, 2022 (No morning mass)

4:00 pm + Joan Bachorski (Tom Bachorski)

Sunday, January 16, 2022

8:30 am + John Rocco (wife, Nina Rocco)

11:30 am + Marie Brenzel (St. Elizabeth Morning Rosary Group)

Monday, January 17, 2022

8:30 am + Barry Barnett (SEAS Parish family)

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

8:30 am + Dorothy Ritchie (Morning Rosary Group)

Thursday, January 20, 2022

8:30 am + For the Parish family

Friday, January 21, 2022

8:30 am + Tom Kakos (Janet, Sister)

Saturday, January 22, 2022 (No morning mass) 4:00 pm + Irene Anselm (Julie & Kevin McNamara)

Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:30 am + Frank & Jane Macioce (Natalie & Terry Madden)

11:30 am + Tony & Dolly Bloise (LeDonne family)

For all of our faithful departed, may they be welcomed into the eternal reward of the heavenly kingdom.

Memorial Gifts—January 15-21, 2022

Sanctuary Candle: Marie Brenzel (St Elizabeth Ann Seton Morning Rosary Group)





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Sponsorship Forms

To request a sponsor form to be a Godparent or Confirmation sponsor, you must be registered in our parish for six months prior, and have all your sacraments. If married, it must be a Catholic marriage. You should be attending Mass regularly, and support the Church through time, talent & treasure.

Notes from The Pastor

Happy New Year and Thank You!

As we move into the "Ordinary Time" of our Liturgical Season I look back to the end of 2021 celebrating the Christmas Liturgies with great joy and look ahead to celebrating another year with you! I know that 2020, 2021 and now 2022 seem to be all the same with the Covid Virus challenging our health and sanity but the one constant through all of this is our Faith and the community of believers that bring strength to these ongoing challenges. I am well pleased each week to celebrate Sunday Mass in your presence and to have the Holy Eucharist be our true remedy in working through day to day life. I want to thank everyone for all the wonderful cards, gifts, cookies and prayers over the Christmas Holy Season! I read each card prayerfully and I am so thankful for your generosity. So many well wishes and prayers for my health I can not be anything but hopeful for what God has in store for me this year.

New Year Reminders: Sacramental Sponsorship and Cremation with Reverence

Two themes that I feel that are worth to repeat on a regular basis is the responsibility, as a Catholic, to take seriously the call to be a sponsor to baptism and Confirmation as well as the proper interment of cremains of our loved ones with proper burial. The more that the secular practices take hold of our society we must remember that our call in the Life, Death and Resurrection of Christ must be reflected in how we nurture Faith and prepare for the final day in the Resurrection! Having good sponsors in Faith for our children at baptism and again at confirmation is paramount to preserving the purity and holiness of our life in Christ. The proper interment of cremains also is paramount in showing the reverence and hope in the restoration of our lives in the resurrection. So I am posting two articles that everyone should read and pass onto others who may have a questions on these issues.

Following the celebration of All Saints and All Souls days, the question always arises about proper burial and internment of the deceased. The question usually concerns the Church's position on cremation and if it is permissible within the Catholic Church. This is a legitimate question in our world today. I think that it is very important that we, as Catholic Christians, know the what, where, how and the why we tend to the deceased in the way we do as a matter of Faith. Please find the explanation below what we should consider prayerfully and respectfully. Also please pass this article on to those who may need the following explanation as well.

Principles Regarding Cremation:

Reverence for the Sacredness of the Human Body:



Because the human body is integral to the human person, it is difficult to think of a person apart from their body. "Thus, the Roman Catholic Church's reverence and care for the body grows out of a reverence and concern for the person whom the Church now commends to the care of God." The long-standing practice of burying the body of the deceased in a grave or tomb *continues to be encouraged as a sign of Christian faith*. However, the Church does not forbid cremation as a means of disposition of the body, unless it has been chosen for reasons which are

contrary to Church teaching.

Preference for the Presence of the Body: The body of a deceased loved one forcefully



brings to mind the mystery of life and death. As Christians, the body of the deceased speaks also to our belief that we are destined for future glory at the resurrection of the dead. Therefore "the Church *clearly prefers and urges* that the body of the deceased be present for its funeral rites, since the presence of the human body better expresses the values which the Church affirms in its rites."

Funeral Rites: When cremation is chosen, the Church prefers that the body be cremated after the Funeral, thus allowing for the presence of the body at the Funeral Mass. When circumstances require it, however, cremation and committal may take place even before the Funeral liturgy. All the usual rites which are celebrated in the presence of the body of the deceased may

also be celebrated in the presence of the cremated remains.

The primary symbols of the Roman Catholic funeral liturgy are retained even when the funeral liturgy is celebrated in the presence of the cremated remains. The *cremains must be treated with the same dignity and respect as the body*. They may be carried in procession and/or placed on a table where the coffin normally would be. The Paschal Candle and sprinkling with holy water are primary symbols of baptism and should be used during the Funeral Mass. However, the pall is not used. *Photographs and other mementos may be used at the vigil, but are not appropriate for the Mass.*

Final Disposition and Memorialization of the Cremated Remains:

"Cremated remains may be buried in a grave, entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium or even buried at sea." The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground is not permitted. Likewise, "keeping cremated remains in the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires." The principle of respect for the cremated remains of a deceased Christian mirrors the respect afforded their body. The body is always laid to rest with solemnity and dignity.

All references taken from the Order of Christian Funerals, Appendix: Cremation; 1997.

Note: If you are aware of members of your family who have not properly interned the cremains of your beloved please share with them the above. It is out of respect for the relationship of the deceased with their eternal design that proper interment take place.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CEMETERY HAS CREMATION AND BURIAL PLOTS AVAILABLE

I am pleased, as a pastor, to have a wonderful cemetery to serve our Faithful Departed. In the past several years we have made great improvements to the cemetery by adding two new sections for the "Catholic" community of the Norwin area to intern their loved ones. The cemetery has both crematory and burial plots to offer the families of our community. If you have not yet made arrangements for yourself or loved ones I would encourage you to visit our cemetery or call for more information and availability @ 724-244-5831. Jerry Kunkle, the cemetery manager, will help you with all your questions and needs.



"GOOD STEWARDS OF BAPTISM" The Role of Godparents

The excitement that surrounds a birth generates a great desire to invite others to share in the life of the child. Many times the choice of Godparents is based on the relationship of the parents with their own brothers and sisters or life-long friends. Choosing from this group is most logical for they will have the greatest contact with the child throughout their lives. But the role of Godparent is more than an honorary one for it demands one to represent the Church and a life of Faith.

Godparents: "Are you ready to help these parents in their duty as Christian mothers and fathers?"

(Rite of Baptism) "For the grace of Baptism to unfold, the parents' help is important. So too is the role of godfather and godmother, who must be firm believers, able and ready to help the newly baptized on the road of Christian life. Their task is a truly ecclesial function (officium). The whole ecclesial community bears some responsibility for the development and safeguarding of the grace given at Baptism, but is secondary to the parents and godparents." (Catholic Catechism)

An Ecclesial function denotes sponsorship based on the profound faith and active life in the Church by one who is to fulfill the role of godparent.

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Prerequisites of the (sponsor) godparent to fulfill the role:

Sponsors are to be at least 16 years of age.

They must be Catholics who are already confirmed and have received the Holy Eucharist.

They must be leading a life of faith in harmony with the duty that they are undertaking, (valid sacramental marriage and weekly Mass attendance).

They must have the qualification for and intention of carrying out this duty.

Note: The proposed sponsor must be approved by their pastor according to the Canonical Law before they can be admitted as a godparent.

BEFORE YOU ASK...BE A GOOD STEWARD!

Many times parents fail to investigate whether the person in which they desire to be the godparent of their child meets the above criteria. This can cause great disappointment for the parent as well as the potential godparent if they are not properly disposed or qualified to act as sponsor. Before you ask.... Make sure they are more than a close friend or relative, make sure they a good practicing Catholic who can aid your child in accomplishing Eternal Life.

In your prayers, please keep those listed on our Parish Prayer List as well as our Homebound parishioners included in your prayer intentions.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers: Betsy Bachy, Ryan Bisignani, Sheldon Blon, Paul Boulware, Loretta Brkovich, Lucia Bulloch, Patty Bulloch, Joseph Campolo, Lucy Caperell, Vincent Cheripka, Beth Cicchino, Shari Coulehan, Rose Denicola, Maria DiBiase, Linda Davis, RoseAnn Downey, Taylor Ebert, Kathleen Fairchild, *Charles Fazio, Carmen Fennel, Sue Ference, Nancy Flenner, Ginger Flynn, Roger Galket, Mia Gill, Joann Guercio, Robb Guyer, Theresa Henninger, Regina Hipple, Luna Holt, Ken Horvath, Margie Howard, George Huss, Max Jackowski, Melissa Mathias Karabin, Michael Kaufman, Kelly Klein, Gary Kline, Ed Kohler, Bill Kohler, Ed Koncerak, Randy Kresic, Bernice Krupey, Rose Marie Kuhla, Pam Lapek, Ann Lofstrom, David Machek, Tom Maguire, John Malinowski, Hazel Manclark, Kevin McCabe, McGowan Family, Joy McKnight, Herbert



McLaughlin, Tosh Miklovic, Dan Miklovic, Harry R. Miller, James T. Miller, Father John, Doris Montore, Dave Morris, Maureen Nemcsik, Frances Nosich, *Carol Ann O'Rourke, Louis Patil, Debby Pazehoski, Karen Piper, Judy Ponitz, Sydney Puckey, Michelle Ratesic, Mickey and Patrick Ratesic, Dottie Richie, Kathy Sadusky, Sabrina (Bachorski) Safranski, Giovanna Bernadette Safranski, Maureen Serafin, Dee Simkovic,*Dave Stitely, Todd Shoaf, Daniel Slates, Mary Anne Sombo, Daryl Stanko, Fr. Len Stoviak, Karen Swenson, Baby Izak Szymczak, Shawn Teamnn, *Bev Unnone, *Debbie Wilson, John Wilson, Russ Yeager, Joan Yuhas, Michael Yuhas.

To add/remove name, call office. (*Recently added)

Pray for all those listed on our Parish Prayer list as well as our homebound parishioners, that God be with them and grant them healing, comfort and strength.





Holy Father Asks Us All to Share Ideas In Survey, Town Hall Listening Sessions

Diocese of Greensburg announces "Synod" participation opportunities

The Diocese of Greensburg is undertaking a massive effort to listen to a broad range of people throughout our faith community and discuss major issues together with a goal of hearing where the Holy Spirit is calling the Church. These efforts include a pastoral connectivity survey and a series of both in-person and virtual town hall meetings at which Bishop Larry J. Kulick will be present.

What is a synod?

A synod is a gathering of church leaders, both clergy and laity. In April 2021, Pope Francis initiated a synodal journey of the whole People of God, to take place in individual Dioceses in 2022 and culminating in October 2023 in the Assembly of the Synod of Bishops.

The USCCB says this "Synod on Synodality" is intended to inspire people to dream about the Church we are called to be, to make people's hopes flourish, to stimulate trust, to bind up wounds, to weave new and deeper relationships, to learn from one another, to build bridges, to enlighten minds, to warm hearts, and to restore strength to our hands for our common mission.

How you can participate:

1. Take the Pastoral Connectivity Survey.

This short survey is open to everyone and can be taken online at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod (click on "Take Pastoral Connectivity Survey").

Or, take the paper survey included in your parish bulletin on "Survey Saturday/Survey Sunday, January 22-23. The paper survey will also be available in the January 20 issue of *The Catholic Accent*. Please mail your response to: Office of Communications, 725 E. Pittsburgh Street, Greensburg, PA 15601.

2. Attend an in-person Town Hall Listening Session.

For a complete listing, check your bulletin or log on to www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod for more information.

3. Participate in a Zoom Town Hall Listening Session.

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A Synod on Synodality: Your Input is Needed!



Our Holy Father,
Pope Francis, is asking
that we assemble in a
"synod" by sharing our
thoughts on the pastoral
connectivity of our
Church.

All parishioners are invited to participate in town hall meetings, including our young people! Youth ministry leaders will be present to facilitate small group sessions.

Town Hall Meetings

Wednesday, February 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. St. James Parish 306 St. James Lane

New Alexandria, PA 15670

Thursday, February 3 from 6 to 8 p.m.

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish 200 Clairvaux Drive Indiana, PA 15701

Tuesday, February 8 from 6 to 8 p.m.

St. Rita Parish 116 South Second Street Connellsville, PA 15425

Thursday, February 10 from 4 to 6 p.m.

St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish 101 West High Street Kittanning, PA 16201

Wednesday, February 16 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Our Lady of Grace Parish
1011 Mt. Pleasant Road
Greensburg, PA 15601
Albanese Hall
Interpreted for the deaf and hard of hearing

Thursday, February 17 from 6 to 8 p.m.

St. Margaret Mary Parish 3055 Leechburg Road Lower Burrell, PA 15068

Tuesday, February 22 from 6 to 8 p.m.

St. Joseph Parish 180 Old Walnut Hill Road Uniontown, PA 15401

Zoom Town Halls

Wednesday, February 9 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Zoom Town Hall for Young Adults ages 18-30

Register for Zoom Link at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/townhall

Sunday, February 20 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Zoom Town Hall for Youth Under 18 Register for Zoom Link at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/townhall

Monday, February 28 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Town Hall for all parishioners Register for Zoom Link at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/townhall

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

GLORIA - Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us, . For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Join us as we sing Praises to our Lord Today's Hymns found in the Breaking Bread Hymnal Jan 15/16, 2022

Gathering: #550 Sing a New Song Presentation of Gifts: #408 Earthen Vessels

Communion: #344 Spirit and Grace Closing: #552 Glory & Fraise

Liturgical Ministers Mass: January 22/23

(Does not reflect recent changes)

Sat, Jan 22

4:00 pm Mass—Greeter: J. Gazda **Altar Server:** N. Kelly **EM:** J. Barkac, R. Lindow, J. McNamara **Lector 1:** T. Frankiewicz **Lector 2:** C. Becker **Cantor:** J. Perozich **Usher:** D. Campbell, J. Gergely, E. Wojciak, R. Vojtas

Sun, Jan 16

8:30 am Mass—Greeter: P. Yablonsky Altar Server: AJ Ireland, E. Slavin EM: C. Komondor, A. Peklansky, R. Pokrywka Lector 1: L. Veitz Lector 2: B. Unnone Cantor: C. Veitz Usher: R. Sabol, M. Unnone, L. Veitz, P. Yablonsky

11:30 am Mass—Greeter: S. Kovac Altar Server: H. Hoffman, B. Hoffman EM: R. Adams, G. Henderson, A. Santavicca Lector 1: R. Mikolajczyk Lector 2: J. Wilson Cantor: R. Guyer Usher: R. Henry, R. Hoffman, D. Kovac, J. Montore

Stewardship of Treasure January 2, 2022

Regular Offertory envelopes	\$ 8,827.31
Loose collection	398.10
OSV (3 weeks)	7,310.00

Thank you for your gifts!

New Confession Time:

Confessions will be heard at 11:00 AM on Saturdays here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. Please note this change in time.



Home with the Lord, in the Spirit of Christian charity, your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of *Robert Dansack*, brother of Father Tom Dansack. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

Norwin Lady Knights Basketball Annual Purple Out Benefit

Thursday,
January 27, 2022
7:30pm at The Norwin
High School Gym.



We all know how much
Father John enjoys
basketball so come
watch your Norwin
Lady Knights take on
North Allegheny Tigers.

*50/50 and Chinese Auction proceeds will be donated to Father John.



Come support Queen of Angels Catholic School at The Firepit on *Tuesday, January 25th from 11:30am-8:30pm*. During this Dining to Donate event, 15% of your check* will go to support Queen of Angels Catholic School. This event is dine-in only and you must present the flyer (printed or digital) for our school to receive credit. Thanks for your support! *excludes tax, gratuity, and beverages

The **Substance Addiction Ministry** (SAM) will host the next Rosary and prayers for recovery on Wednesday, January 19th at noon

January 19th at noon. Pray with us the 3rd Wednesday of each month as we gather for a time of prayer and support for those afflicted or affected by substance abuse.

Please use the following link: https://wiu7.zoom.us

Meeting ID: 999 4710 8646 Password: 250 763 S.A.M.
Substance
Abuse
Ministry

If you would like a copy of the prayers we use or for more information, email Jennifer Macioce at Jenn.macioce@gmail.com

Diocesan Happenings

St. Anne Home—2022 Mass requests

St. Anne Home, Greensburg, is accepting 2022 Mass requests, especially if a parish has more Mass requests than it can accommodate. The home has Mass at 9:30 a.m. daily. Weekly candles are available for \$2. For information, call 724-837-6070, ext. 3050.

Laurelville Retreat Center offers winter youth camp

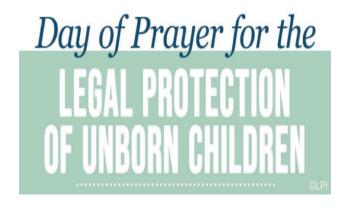
Laurelville Retreat Center will offer a Winterville Youth Camp Jan. 14-16 for ages 8-17, both individuals and church youth groups. The camp will feature winter activities, worship, music and Bible lessons. Cost is \$135 and includes two nights in a cabin and meals. For information, visit Laurelville.org or call 724-423-2056.

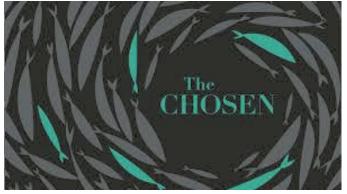
Millions in Catholic school tuition assistance available—SPREAD THE NEWS! The 12 Diocese of Greensburg Catholic schools now have millions of dollars in tuition assistance available! Become a TOP Student today. Visit

www.CatholicSchoolsGuide.org or call 724-552-2565.

Positions available at Christ Our Shepherd Center

Christ Our Shepherd Center, the Diocese of Greensburg's conference center and adjacent priests' retirement home, is seeking a part-time cook (culinary school education or equivalent experience in quantity cooking is desired; hours are mostly daylight). Forward a resume or standard application form **HR@dioceseofgreensburg.org** or Human Resources, 723 E. Pittsburgh St., Greensburg, PA 15601. For information, call 724-834-7350





Join us Saturday afternoon, January 22 from 1:00—3:00 pm in the Parish Center. We will be watching the Re-runs of "The Chosen". If you have not seen it, you don't want to miss this chance. And if you have seen it, come and watch it again with us.

This week we will watch the original Christmas episode that started the series, and then watch the new Christmas special that came out in December.

"People Must Know!!!!!"



Come and See!!!!!



Dementia Support Group --- The next meeting date is Tuesday, February 1 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. For more information, contact Gail Henderson at 412-848-2076.

Bible Study with Deacon Jeff will resume on Tuesday evenings in the Parish Center at 6:30 pm.

SVDP Clothing Collection: the next collection weekend will be Feb 12/13. For more info, contact Julie McNamara at 412-310-1505.

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP - Mark your calendars and plan to join us on the annual March for Life bus on Friday, January 21, 2022. The bus will leave from the St. Agnes (N. Huntingdon) parking lot at 6:00 a.m. (please plan to arrive and board the bus by 5:45 a.m.) and return late evening. Participants will travel to Washington DC for the National March for life, walk, and return home afterwards. The cost is \$15 for students and \$25 for adults and includes a bag lunch with a hoagie. The group will stop at a restaurant on the way home for dinner, which is on your own. To register, contact Mary Blythe at 412-996-2115; mblythe@dioceseofgreensburg.org or call Marti at the St. Agnes Parish office at 724-863-2626. All are welcome! If you can't make the trip, but would like to support those who are going, please send donations towards the cost of the bus to the St. Agnes parish office, 11400 St. Agnes Lane, N. Huntingdon, PA 15642. Mark *Pro-Life Bus* in the memo line. Thank you for your continued prayerful support.

Bishop Larry J. Kulick will celebrate Mass at the Immaculate Heart of Mary chapel at the National Shrine at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome (first come, first seated).

There are several opportunities for those who cannot attend but would like to participate:

- St. Emma Monastery, Greensburg, will host an event Tuesday, Jan. 18, from 2:30-5:30 p.m. that will include prayers, Eucharistic adoration, a reflection and vespers. For information, call 724-834-3060.
- The Greensburg Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women will host a "Pray for Life" day Friday, Jan. 21, from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center. The day will include a rosary for priests, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, a rosary for life, Stations of the Cross for life, a Divine Mercy chaplet and a litany for life. For information, call 724-537-2064.

The Youth Rally and Mass for Life will be a hybrid event – in-person for local youth only and virtual for others. The events will be livestreamed on the YouTube channel for the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington. Visit adw.org/youth-rally-mass-life/ for details.



Knights of Columbus Donations for Vocations - St Jude 9019 Knights of Columbus will be collecting for Vocations on *January 22-23* after all masses. All monies collected for vocations are in support of the Bishops

Project for Vocations, as well as Seminarians in the Greensburg Diocese. Last year we collected \$3,428 from the Parishes of Immaculate Conception, St Agnes, St Elizabeth Ann Seton and St Edwards. From that total last year we gave \$2,428 to the Bishops Endowment for Vocations, and we donated \$1,000 directly to a Designated Seminarian studying for the Priesthood in our Diocese. Thanks for supporting this worthy cause.

Conversations with Caffeinated Catholics: The Culture Project- Social Media

Description: Come join us for another awesome event with the Culture Project! This time, we will be discussing social media. We hope you can come for a cup of coffee, a snack, and great conversation!



Where?: Immaculate Conception Church Social Hall, Irwin, PA 15642

When?: Saturday, January 29 10AM-12PM Who?: Any young adult from the ages of 18-39

Memorial gifts: There are still plenty of weeks available for Memorial gifts in memory of loved ones. The memorials can be either the Sanctuary Candle, gifts of Bread & Wine, or the Altar Candles. Each memorial is \$20 and covers a one week time period of Saturday – Friday. Forms are available on the counter in the back of church or contact Julie at the parish office.

2021 Contribution letters—If you will be needing a tax contribution letter for the year 2021, contact the office. Letters will be mailed out by month end.



Did you know —the ads listed on the back cover of our bulletin pay for the cost of printing it. When all the ads are sold, our parish receives a cash rebate. If you have a contractor that would be interested in advertising and

helping to support our parish, contact the number on the back cover.

Pray for vocations



Angel's Corner

Queen of Angels Catholic School - With the New

Year on the horizon, Queen of Angels Catholic

School is preparing for a new celebration of Catholic Schools.

National Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. Now entering its 48th anniversary year, CSW has traditionally been held the last week in January. We want to help



showcase what makes Catholic schools the best when families are looking to find the right school for them. This year we will celebrate January 30 to February 5, 2022. This year's theme is Catholic Schools:

Faith. Excellence. Service

Queen of Angels Catholic School - Girls Volleyball sign-ups have started.

Jr JV - Grades 3-4, JV - Grades 5-6, and Varsity - Grades 7-8. Children interested in playing must attend Queen of Angels School **or** be an active member of one of the local Catholic Churches to be eligible for the programs. Registration forms for the Queen of Angels CYO Girls Volleyball program can be found on the counter in the back of church.. Please send your registration form along with your \$75.00 registration fee to the school office. More information and sign-ups can be found on our Queen of Angels Catholic School website. If you are interested in coaching or have any questions, please contact Jim Pepke at 724 454-6926.

Operation Lunch Bag— Our lunch bag program continues for the school children whose families receive help at the Food bank. Our lunch bag pantry is in need of non-perishable items to restock the shelves. We are in need of juice, small bottles of water, and individual microwavable meals. Donations can be made in the containers in the back of church. Items must be individually wrapped and able to fit in a lunch bag. Thank you to our committee and to all who donate to our lunch bag program.

High School Winter Retreat, Discovery

February 18-20

Friday, 6:00 p.m. - Sunday, 12:00 p.m

Register Here: https://permission.click/aL5VE/us#/ signee

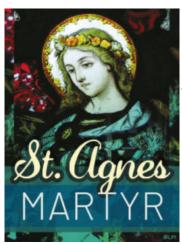
All High School teens are invited to join us for the annual Winter Retreat at Laurelville Retreat Center. Through prayer, live music, dynamic talks, small group discussion, and fun games, this year's retreat is focused on helping teens begin a faithful and lasting relationship with Jesus by recognizing how He works through the past, is present in the current moment, and provides hope for the future. Cost is \$150 per teen. Francis Fund scholarship is available for teens who are eligible. More details can be found on the <u>Diocese of Greensburg website</u>. Teens can register via the link above and any questions can be directed to your parish leader, Jen Wilson.

Our daily mass schedule is as follows—Mass will be celebrated: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday at 8:30 am.



There **will not** be a morning Mass on Saturday morning *EXCEPT* for the 1st Saturday when we have the Healing Mass.

Offertory Gifts: Now that we are permitted to carry up the gifts for the Offertory procession, if you had scheduled the mass intention and would like to carry the gifts, notify the ushers prior to mass.



Blessings to our friends at St. Agnes Parish on her feast day, January



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