

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

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

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule:

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & 1st Saturday ...8:30 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



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)

Monday, January 24, 2022

8:30 am + James Koscielniak (Janet Fazio)

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

8:30 am + JoAnn Luckasevic (Ed Luckasevic)

Thursday, January 27, 2022

8:30 am + For the Parish family

Friday, January 28, 2022

8:30 am + Tom & Betty Watson (Doug Watson)

Saturday, January 29, 2022 (No morning mass)

4:00 pm + Josephine J. Eastman (daughter, Barbara)

Sunday, January 30, 2022

8:30 am + John M. Fuga (Fuga family)

11:30 am + Nancy Veitz (Nancy Flenner)

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18

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JANUARY

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





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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.

Pastor Notes:

Rosary: Luminous

Mysteries as Enlightenment

- Father Johann Roten, S.M.

True Enlightenment - the Deeper Meaning of the New Mysteries

The word "Enlightenment" designates a period in history. It stands for modernity, and modernity supports liberation and freedom. The new mysteries of the Rosary, called "Mysteries of Light," are a message of enlightenment in their own right. They are called "mysteries of light" because they shed light on who Jesus Christ is. He is a light figure. He brings light into the world. He understands his public ministry, indeed his whole person and life, as a mission of light: "While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." (John 9:5) Being the light of the world, Jesus is our true liberator.

Each one of the new mysteries - situated between the Joyful (Incarnation) and the Sorrowful (Passion, Crucifixion) ones - represents a facet or a beam of light. Each mystery reveals a different aspect of Jesus' mission in the world, but all of them highlight his divine origin and nature.

Baptism Of Jesus

"John was in the desert baptizing, and preaching the baptism of penance, unto remission of sins."

-Mark 1:4

When meditating on the Baptism of Jesus, it may be useful to look at a picture of John the Baptist baptizing Jesus in the River Jordan. Or even listen to some uplifting music.

Be mindful that the fruit of this mystery is living your baptismal promises and recalling this scene as you meditate...

- John the Baptist was Jesus' cousin and the son of Elizabeth.
- Jesus and John had a special relationship that began when his mother and Mary were both pregnant with them.
- John leapt in his mother's womb when Mary came to visit her.
- John preached throughout the river Jordan. He encouraged people to get baptized to cleanse them of their sins to prepare for the coming of Jesus.
- He prophesized that the Messiah would come and baptize with fire and the Holy Spirit.
- Seeing Jesus, John exclaimed, "**behold the lamb of God.**"
- Sometimes St. John the Baptist is shown holding a banner that says "Ecce agnus Dei" which means behold the lamb of God.
- John at first refused to baptize him.
- Jesus told him "Let it be so now, for by us must all righteousness be fulfilled." And John then baptized him.
- When Jesus came out of the water, the voice of the Lord was heard as the Holy Spirit descended upon him in the form of a dove.
- The voice of God said, "This is my beloved Son, in who I am well pleased."
- Then after being filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus went out into the desert where He fasted and prayed for 40 days.

Wedding At Cana

"This beginning of miracles Jesus did in Cana of Galilee; and manifested his glory, and his disciples believed in him."

-John 2:11

When meditating on the occasion of Jesus' first miracle, the Wedding at Cana, you may find it helpful to look at a picture of the event or listen to some uplifting music.

The story below will help familiarize you with this second of the Luminous mysteries of the rosary prayers...

- Mary and Jesus were at a wedding in Galilee in an area called Cana. The hosts ran out of wine. Mary went to Jesus and told him they had no wine. Jesus responded to her, "Woman, what is that to me and to you? My hour is not yet come."
- This has been misinterpreted by some who say Jesus is rebuking His mother.
- This is not true. How could it be. Jesus is sinless and is the perfect son. **He would never rebuke His mother.**
- Mary did not respond. Rather she went to the waiters and told them, "Do whatever He tells you."
- Her remark her proves that she knew He was about to perform a miracle. She knew that he would fulfil her request.
- Jesus instructed the servants to fill some huge pots with water. Because of Mary's advice they obeyed. He told them then to draw some water from the freshly filled pots and take it to the head servant. They again obeyed and were amazed to see that the water was miraculously turned into wine.
- The head servant not knowing what had occurred, went to the bride and groom and congratulated them on serving the best wine last.
- As the Bible states, Jesus first miracle "manifested his glory, and his disciples believed in him." -**John 2:11**

Proclaiming The Kingdom of God

"Men must look for the peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ"

-Pius XI

When meditating on this mystery, remember that Jesus proclaiming the kingdom of God does so in His works and by His examples.

In this mystery, light is shed on the glory of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ.

Below you will find some verses that Pope John Paul II cited in his encyclical, Rosarium Mariae.

The fruit of Proclaiming the Kingdom mystery is **repentance and trust in God**.

Jesus calls His followers to conversion and repentance...

- "Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, And saying: The time is accomplished, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent, and believe the gospel." Mark 1:14-15
- Jesus forgives the humble who display faith in Him. The humble show sorrow for their sins. They also show love and hope.
- While Jesus was proclaiming the kingdom of God, he explained that His kingdom is filled with mercy and will last for all time...
- "When he had said this, he breathed on them; and he said to them: Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them; and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained." **-John 20:22-23**
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- "As long as individuals and states refused to submit to the rule of our Savior, there would be no really hopeful prospect of a lasting peace among nations." **-Pius XI from the encyclical *Quas Primas***

Transfiguration of Jesus

"And be not conformed to this world; but be reformed in the newness of your mind, that you may prove what is the good, and the acceptable, and the perfect will of God."

-Romans 12:2

The Transfiguration of Jesus is such an important Biblical event that three out of four Gospels recount it's events.

- Jesus chose to reveal His divine mission to Peter, James and John.
- He revealed Himself in all His glory that was to come after His suffering and death.
- Along side Jesus appeared Moses and Elijah. These two Old Testament men are of great significance.
- God gave the Ten Commandments to the Israelites through Moses. Therefore Moses represents the Law.
- Elijah, the greatest of the prophet represents all the Prophets.
- Jesus is the Messiah as the voice of God the Father proclaims.
- He is the fulfillment of the law and the long awaited savior prophesied by the Old Testament Prophets.
- "And after six days Jesus taketh unto him Peter and James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart: And he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun: and his garments became white as snow. And behold there appeared to them Moses and Elias talking with him. And Peter answering, said to Jesus: Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. And as he was yet speaking, behold a bright cloud overshadowed them. And lo, a voice out of the cloud, saying: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased: hear ye him.
- And the disciples hearing, fell upon their face, and were very much afraid. And Jesus came and touched them: and said to them, Arise, and fear not. And they lifting up their eyes saw no one but only Jesus. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying: Tell the vision to no man, till the Son of man be risen from the dead." **-Matthew 17:1-9**

The words of God and the significance of Moses, the Law, and Elijah, the Prophet confirmed without a doubt that Jesus truly is the long awaited Messiah, and yet at this point, Peter clearly didn't fully understand Jesus' mission that He must suffer and die for the sins of humankind.

The Last Supper Of Jesus

"And giving thanks, broke, and said: Take ye, and eat: this is my body, which shall be delivered for you: this do for the commemoration of me."

-1 Corinthians 11:24

- At the Last Supper the greatest of the miracles of Jesus was performed.
- This miracle was the Institution of the Eucharist.
- Pope John Paul II gave us this event as the final **Luminous Mystery** to be added to the meditations on the Rosary.
- This most wonderful event in the life of Jesus has been reenacted in the Church throughout the centuries in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.
- This perfect sacrifice is commemorated as Jesus commanded on the altars of Catholic churches throughout the world everyday.
- And now it has been given a fitting place of honor in Mary's Rosary.
- Below you will find the Bible excerpts of this the Last Supper and the institution of the Eucharist.
- And whilst they were eating, he said: Amen I say to you, that one of you is about to betray me. And they being very much troubled, began everyone to say: Is it I, Lord? But he answering, said: He that dipped his hand with me in the dish, he shall betray me. The Son of man indeed go, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man shall be betrayed: it were better for him, if that man had not been born. And Judas that betrayed him, answering, said: Is it I, Rabbi? He saith to him: Thou hast said it.
- And whilst they were at supper, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke: and gave to his disciples, and said: Take ye, and eat. This is my body. And taking the chalice, he gave thanks, and gave to them, saying: Drink ye all of this. For this is my blood of the new testament, which shall be shed for many unto remission of sins. And I say to you, I will not drink from henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I shall drink it with you new in the kingdom of my Father. And a hymn being said, they went out unto mount Olivet." **-Matthew 26:19-**

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 22/23, 2022
Gathering: #543 All Creatures of Our God & King
Presentation of Gifts: #605 Your Words are Spirit & Life
Communion: #586 We are Many Parts
Closing: #601 We are the Light of the World*

Liturgical Ministers

Mass: January 29/30

(Does not reflect recent changes)

Sat, Jan 29

4:00 pm Mass—Greeter: H. Bongartz Altar Server: N. Kelly EM: K. Bulloch, M. Fazio, R. Lindow Lector 1: K. Lindow Lector 2: V. Sabo Cantor: J. Woody Usher: D. Campbell, J. Gergely, E. Wojciak, R. Vojtas

Sun, Jan 30

8:30 am Mass— Greeter: P. Yablonsky Altar Server: AJ Ireland, E. Guyer EM: R. Anselmino, J. Butler Lector 1: L. Anselmino Lector 2: J. Antol Cantor: R. Guyer Usher: R. Sabol, M. Unnone, L. Veitz, P. Yablonsky

11:30 am Mass—Greeter: S. Kovac Altar Server: Z. Hoffman, B. Hoffman EM: J. Henry, J. Naylor, M. Wilson Lector 1: A. Santivicca Lector 2: D. Bayless Cantor: M. Fucich Usher: R. Henry, R. Hoffman, D. Kovac, J. Montore

Stewardship of Treasure

January 9, 2022

Regular Offertory envelopes	\$ 6,462.50
Loose collection	440.00
OSV (3 weeks)	2,488.00

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.



Please pray for all of our faithful departed, especially for **John T. Martin Jr** and **Bernard Los**, who were buried this past week. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.



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, ***Harry Bachorski**, 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)

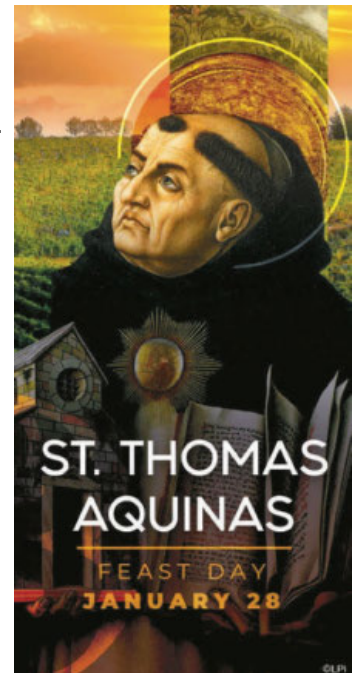
Pray for all those listed on our Parish Prayer list as well as our homebound parishioners, that God be with them and grant them healing, comfort and strength.

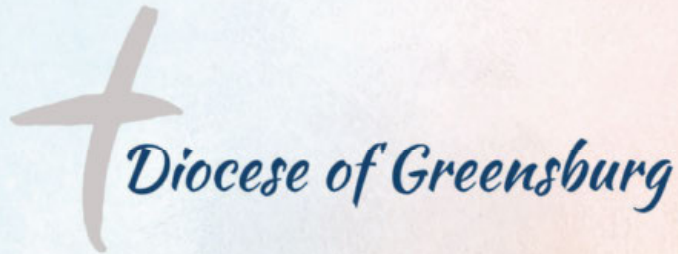
St. Thomas Aquinas | January 28

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, “The Summa Theologiae.” Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.





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



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 pudding cups in addition to 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 [Diocese of Greensburg website](#). Teens can register via the link above and any questions can be directed to your parish leader, Jen Wilson.

Knights of Columbus St Jude Council 9019 - will have their monthly meeting on Monday January 24, 2022, at St Agnes, in Resurrection Hall. The meeting



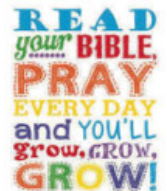
starts at 7:15 with the Rosary. St Jude Council covers the parishes of IC, St Agnes, and St Elizabeth Ann Seton. If you are interested in joining the Knights, or would like to transfer to our Council, please contact Al Borgony at

724-864-3487 or email a.borgony@comcast.net, or you can check out our website at kofc.org and join online.

Pull out those Bibles and re-read today's readings. QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE —

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Nehemiah 8:2-4a; 5-6; 8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21*

First Reading: Ezra and Nehemiah were the religious and political leaders of Judah in the mid-5th century BC. They grounded their leadership in Scripture ("the book of the law.") What role does sacred Scripture have in guiding your life?



Second Reading: Paul used the human body as an analogy for the "many parts" of the Christian community in Corinth that should unite as the "one body" of Christ. In what ways do you find this a challenging vision for community?

Gospel: Today's reading contains both the opening prologue to the Gospel of Luke and the initial reaction to Jesus' return to his hometown of Nazareth. Luke is the only Evangelist to provide us with a prologue outlining his motivation to write his Gospel. What details do you find most interesting from Luke's prologue?

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.**

DINING TO DONATE

THE FIREPIT
WOOD FIRED GRILL

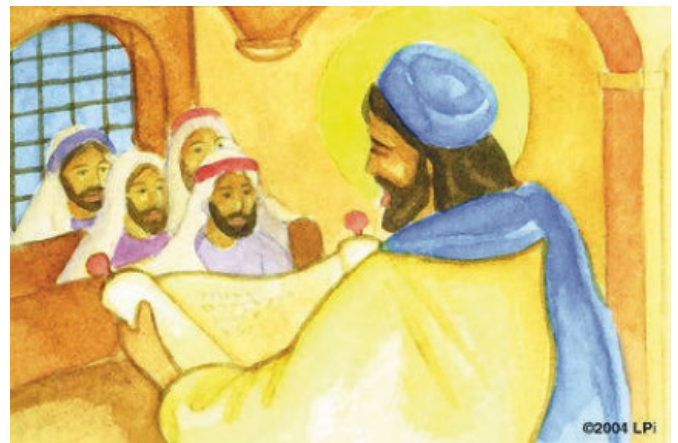
Help support
Queen of Angels Catholic School
Tuesday, January 25th
from 11:30am-8:30pm
at The Firepit when 15%* of food
sales will be donated to our school
with the presentation of this flyer.

Dine-in only.

THANK YOU!

*15% donation excludes tax, gratuity,
and beverages

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



Diocesan Happenings

Parishes seek facilities and business manager

The partner parishes of St. Pius X and Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mt. Pleasant, are seeking a full-time facilities and business manager. The position includes the finances of both parishes, which includes payroll, managing the day-to-day business requirements and financial reporting. The facilities portion includes the oversight and upkeep of the churches, social halls, office and rectory as well as the three parish cemeteries. A cover letter and resume can be sent to Father Paul A. Lisik at plisik@dioceseofgreensburg.org. The parish center is located at 740 W. Walnut St., Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666.

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.

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Parishes seek receptionist/bulletin editor

The partner parishes of St. John de La Salle, Delmont, and St. Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Export, are seeking a part-time receptionist/bulletin editor. Hours are Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (20 hours). The receptionist/editor will provide support services to the pastor, deacon and parish staff and coordinate office volunteers, as well as collaborate with the pastor, deacon and other staff in implementing the mission of the parish. The specific focus is on the parish's goal of being welcoming and hospitable to parish members and visitors to the parish office and ensuring a smooth office and timely, professional, effective communications. A knowledge of computer applications (Microsoft Suite), social media platforms and the ability to write routine reports/correspondence is preferable. Cover letter and resume can be sent to Father Daniel J. Ulishney at dulishney@dioceseofgreensburg.org or Michele Bloch at mbloch@dioceseofgreensburg.org. The parish center is located at 5900 Kennedy Ave., Export, PA 15632.

SUPER BOWL RAFFLE TICKET SALE— Ticket includes a Visio M- Series 50-inch TV, Steeler Commemoratives and \$500.00 Cash. Winner is taken from the First PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening Number on **February 6, 2022**. Tickets are **\$10.00**. 500 tickets sold. Benefits Immaculate Conception Church. A limited number of tickets will be available at our parish office.



CPSL Clearances—all staff and ALL volunteers who have direct contact with children, including all Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Adult and Youth Choir, Adult Altar servers, Religious Formation Catechists and aides, **Parent helpers for Faith Formation**, Vacation Bible School, Children's Liturgy, Greeters, Fish Fry workers, picnic volunteers, and anyone having contact with children are required to complete all six of the clearances/trainings listed below.

CPSL clearances **are only valid for FIVE years** and must be obtained again by both employees and volunteers every **FIVE** years.

The required trainings and clearances include:

Mandated and Permissive Reporting Training Course
Virtus – Protecting God's Children.
Diocese of Greensburg Code of Pastoral Conduct
Pa State Police Criminal History Report. **There is NO fee for a volunteer.**

Child Abuse History Clearances . **There is NO fee for a volunteer. Certification for the purpose of "volunteer" may be obtained free of charge once every 57 months. Do not apply for renewal prior to the 57 months – otherwise there will be a fee for volunteers.**

FBI Criminal History Report (Fingerprints required) – or
-if you have been a Pa resident for the past 10 consecutive years : a notarized Volunteer Affidavit.

In this new year, we are looking for volunteers to help at parish events and liturgical ministers. ***If you have a child attending Faith Formation Classes, and would like to volunteer to help, clearances are required.***

See the parish website, www.seashn.org for more information and for links to each of the clearances, or contact the parish office.

Upcoming Events

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.

“The Chosen” - Join us Saturday afternoons, 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.



COME AND SEE

“People Must Know!!!!”



Faith Formation News

Grades 1 through 5: For our in-person families- 2nd grade will meet January 23, regular formation for all grades on January 30, and 2nd grade has formation February 6. Faith formation will now offer a hybrid program. Any faith formation family who would like to go completely virtual for the remainder of the year (or until further notice) can reach out to Jen Wilson to register for virtual formation. If a family needs to quarantine for a week or two, they will receive that information for the missed work directly through their catechist.

6th & 7th Grade: The next class will meet Tuesday, Feb 8th from 6:00 –7:15 pm.

8th Grade—The next class will meet Tuesday, Feb 8th from 7:30 –8:45 pm.

The website for the Middle School Formation program is <http://www.tinyurl.com/middlefaithonline>

Our class sessions will be virtual through January. The dates for the rescheduled 8th grade Confirmation retreats are:

7th & 8th Grade—Virtual Matthias Project—Feb 6th from 6:00—7:30 pm

8th Grade—Name Calling Virtual project—Feb 13th from 6:00—7:30 pm

Please keep our students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on June 1st.

SYM is continuing their 5 part dating series. The 23rd will feature a “dating and discernment” panel of a consecrated single, a seminarian, and a married couple. The following weeks we will cover the subjects of lust, chastity, and love.

The diocesan winter retreat is coming up February 18-20.



Knights of Columbus Donations for Vocations - St Jude 9019 Knights of Columbus will be collecting for Vocations this weekend, *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.

Pray for vocations

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.



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.



A Synod on Synodality: Your Input is Needed!

Millions of Catholics across the country and around the world are being called to communion, participation and mission by our Holy Father Pope Francis. He is asking that we assemble in a "synod" by sharing our thoughts on the pastoral connectivity of our Church. This is the start of an important journey together, to listen to, and discern the realities, needs and hopes of the faithful. While individual responses are anonymous, the overall results of this survey will be presented to Bishop Larry J. Kulick and then to the Holy Father at the Ordinary Synod of Bishops in October 2023 in Rome. When you answer the questions in this survey, you have an opportunity to share your voice to help us fully live out our call to build communion, encourage participation and live out our mission.

Please take this written survey and return it to your parish or use the QR Code to take the survey online. The survey closes on February 14, 2022. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of your responses.

1. What is the name of your parish? _____

2. Please circle your age range: Under 18, 18-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 61-70, over 70

3. I can explain the mission of the church to others.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

4. I leave Mass feeling spiritually fed.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

5. My parish is sensitive to the major needs of parishioners.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

6. The music at Mass helps me enter into a prayerful attitude.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

7. The homilies at Mass are relevant and meaningful.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

8. The money spent by my parish reflects its commitment to the mission of the Church.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

9. The religious education at my parish is forming well-rounded disciples.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

10. My parish communicates with me about opportunities for worship and service.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

11. I feel that my parish welcomes my ideas and participation.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

12. I feel that I am an integral part of the parish community.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

13. I participate in activities of my parish beyond Mass attendance.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

14. The Church is a visible, integral part of my neighborhood and the larger community.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

15. The Church reaches out to those who feel disenfranchised.

- Yes Not at all
- Somewhat I don't know

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