



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg



Parish Office Hours: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact a priest of the parish one year in advance of the wedding. Diocesan regulations require that couples begin to work with the parish at least one year prior to a wedding.

Sacrament of Baptism

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized should call the parish office to register for Baptism Prep. Please call well in advance of birth of your child.

Confessions – Anytime by appointment

October 31, 2021

The 31st Sunday in Ordinary



Saturday, October 30

- 8:00 am Alberta Preston (Mary & Bob)
- 3:00 pm Wedding McNally/McIntyre
- 4:30 pm Bob Gutwald (Family)

Sunday, October 31

- 8:00 am Our Parish Family
- 10:00 am Jean Rogers (Paula)
- 11:30 am Dolores Nese (Family)

Monday, November 1

- 7:45 am No Mass
- 6:30 pm Nicholas Colinear (Family)

Tuesday, November 2

- 7:45 am No Mass
- 6:30 pm All Souls Memorial Mass

MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 3

- 7:45 am All Souls

Thursday, November 4

- 7:45 am All Souls

Friday, November 5

- 7:45 am No Mass

Saturday, November 6

- 8:00 am No Mass
- 3:00 pm Wedding Jordan/Papariello
- 4:30 pm Tom Kinsey, Sr (Wife)

Sunday, November 7

- 8:00 am Joanne Hensler (Christopher & Melissa)
- 10:00 am Al Bilesimo (Family)
- 11:30 am Our Parish Family



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724-691-3711

Notes from The Pastor



Three weeks ago, we honored Mary our Mother, on the Feast of the Holy Rosary by gathering for a candle light rosary procession at Immaculate Conception church. Over 150 people participated as we sang hymns to Mary as we processed around the church and spilled into the street facing the church to pray together the Holy Rosary. These types of traditions are the building blocks to understanding what it means to be a Catholic in prayer and devotion to Mary the Mother of God. In the article that follows please take time to read and learn more about the history of the Holy Rosary and the

significance of the prayers that are recited with great love!

Queen of the Holy Rosary: Meditation on the Holy Rosary

Growing up as a child the Holy Rosary was a part of our family prayer and the prayer while we drove in the car to visit relatives. My parents taught me that the rosary was a way to honor the Blessed Mother for her love of her Son in all the days of His life. This was the meaning behind the 15 mysteries (only 15 then) of the rosary that depicted the life of Mary and her Son. I remember that we prayed in time of trials within the family, during storms at night and of course faithfully in May and October when we honored Mary as our guide and council.

The rosary is still a wonderful and valid prayer that is offered to grow in love of Jesus' mother and the mysteries of Faith. The rosary is still a beautiful meditation of who Mary is and how she desires to lead us to the love and mercy of Jesus. I would like to share with you a meditation on the "Hail Mary" that I came upon in my study of Mother Seton. A meditation that is simple but engaging in many ways. Even though the rosary itself may take on a repetitive rote nature, the words have much to offer as comfort and strength on this journey as disciples of Christ.

History of the Rosary

I would like to share a little context on the development of the prayer of the rosary before I share my meditation. It is good to see how the Church has viewed this prayer and the successful intercession that it has had in the years of trial and tribulation.

Since the Rosary is composed, principally and in substance, of the prayer of Christ and the Angelic Salutation, that is, the Our Father and the Hail Mary, it was without doubt the first prayer and the principal devotion of the faithful and has been in use all through the centuries, from the time of the apostles and disciples down to the present.

It was only in the year 1214, however, that the Church received the Rosary in its present form and according to the method we use today. It was given to the Church by St. Dominic, who had received it from the Blessed Virgin as a means of converting the Albigensians and other sinners.

I will tell you the story of how he received it, which is found in the very well-known book De Dignitate Psalterii, by Blessed Alan de la Roche. Saint Dominic, seeing that the gravity of people's sins was hindering the conversion of the Albigensians, withdrew into a forest near Toulouse, where he prayed continuously for three days and three nights. During this time he did nothing but weep and do harsh penances in order to appease the anger of God. He used his discipline so much that his body was lacerated, and finally he fell into a coma.

At this point our Lady appeared to him, accompanied by three angels, and she said, "Dear Dominic, do you know which weapon the Blessed Trinity wants to use to reform the world?" "Oh, my Lady," answered Saint Dominic, "you know far better than I do, because next to your Son Jesus Christ you have always been the chief instrument of our salvation."

Then our Lady replied, "I want you to know that, in this kind of warfare, the principal weapon has always been the Angelic Psalter, which is the foundation-stone of the New Testament. Therefore, if you want to reach these hardened souls and win them over to God, preach my Psalter."

So he arose, comforted, and burning with zeal for the conversion of the people in that district, he made straight for the cathedral. At once unseen angels rang the bells to gather the people together, and Saint Dominic began to preach.

At the very beginning of his sermon, an appalling storm broke out, the earth shook, the sun was darkened, and there was so much thunder and lightning that all were very much afraid. Even greater was their fear when, looking at a picture of our Lady exposed in a prominent place, they saw her raise her arms to heaven three times to call down God's vengeance upon them if they failed to be converted, to amend their lives, and seek the protection of the holy Mother of God.

God wished, by means of these supernatural phenomena, to spread the new devotion of the holy Rosary and to make it more widely known.

At last, at the prayer of Saint Dominic, the storm came to an end, and he went on preaching. So fervently and compellingly did he explain the importance and value of the Rosary that almost all the people of Toulouse embraced it and renounced their false beliefs. In a very short time a great improvement was seen in the town; people began leading Christian lives and gave up their former bad habits.

Meditation on the “Hail Mary” – Through the Eyes of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Even though we pray the Hail Mary by memory it resonates within our hearts as a comfort in each of its phrases. Each Line of the Hail Mary can be a meditation in and of itself. Let's look at the prayer line by line.

Hail Mary – the Angel's greeting to Mary denotes her importance in the heavenly plan. The Angel greets her as royalty.

There is Honor to be paid. **Mother Seton reiterates that paying proper honor to Mary gives honor to her position** in the Holy Family, her role of Salvation as the mother of God. This honor, to be paid wins favor for us with her son, was in the word incarnate. To honor the Mother of God is to honor the moment in which God becomes man!!

Full of Grace- We know that Mary is full of grace. First: by her Immaculate Conception. Second: By remaining sinless as a response of the gift of original holiness that was disposed upon her. Third: Being “Full of Grace” Mary was always disposed to the Will of God and would respond accordingly. **Mother Seton would pray to imitate such a state of life.**

By the grace of a good confession and the reception of Holy Communion we too can be full of grace... giving us a chance to respond, with love, to the will of the Father imitating Mary's love for her son!

The Lord is with you – The most intimate moment of “oneness” with Jesus was from the time of her conception and throughout her pregnancy until Jesus' birth. **Mother Seton would encourage her religious community to receive Holy Communion as Mary received the moment of her conception.** There is no more intimate way to be one with the Lord. How often we forget to welcome Jesus in the form of bread as a transforming act of love. He is truly present within us.

Speak to him in this way!!

Blessed among women – Many refuse to give Mary her proper place of honor in the scheme of Salvation history. Mary becomes the vehicle of our salvation.... The new Eve. ... **Mother Seton embraced Mary as the model of motherhood and the example of nurturing love.** All mothers should count on Mary as the champion of their role in the family.

Blessed is the Fruit of her womb – “Fruit” is always denoted as the reward of what is planted. God planted a plan of salvation from the moment of Adam and Eve's sin. Each and every one of us was blessed fruit of the love of our parents. **Mother Seton always meditated on these words as a reminder of the value of every person created in the image and likeness of God....** They are true fruit. She prayed for the sick the lonely and the poor. She prayed for increase of Faith in the ignorant. This is the best of all Pro-Life prayers!!

Holy Mary – Being full of grace was awarded to Mary via the Immaculate Conception. But this disposition was kept by an act of her will to remain always in this perfect state with God. When Jesus was asked: “Who is my mother?... everyone who hears the word of God and Keeps it!” **Mother Seton dared to pray to Keep the word of God via a submissive will that preferred His over her own.**

Pray for us – Prayer of intercession to Mary was common practice of Mother Seton. Mary is the Queen Mother and she has the ear of her son who gives love and Mercy to all who honor His mother.

Sinners – One may always be thankful for moments of grace. For virtues lived and opportunity taken to further the Kingdom of God are the marks of the true disciple. **But Mother Seton acknowledges her sinfulness and all of her short comings for it was these that needed to be directed towards the loving son of Mary.**

Now and at the Hour of death – Prayer is an action that takes place outside of time and space. For every prayer raised for the soul today is as if it is being asked at the moment of death. **Mother Seton, with her gaze always on eternity, desired only from God through Mary what would benefit her in that final hour.** Living this hour as if it was the hour the Lord welcomes us home is a grace filled life!!

NOTE: *So when praying the rosary perhaps we can begin first by taking time to meditate on the words and the meaning of the Hail Mary in this way. Once we intend the same things as Mother Seton intended them the repetitive nature will be a more powerful rosary of conviction.*

Mary our Mother



All Saints Day this year falls on
Monday - November 1st.

This is **NOT** a holy day of obligation.

There is **NO** vigil Mass on October 31st.

Mass schedule for Monday November 1st:

Monday Morning at 8:30 am at Saint Elizabeth
Ann Seton; and
Monday Evening at 6:30 pm here at
Immaculate Conception.



All Souls Day is Tuesday -
November 2nd - 6:30 pm

All Souls' Day, also known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed and the Day of the Dead, is a day of prayer and remembrance for all of our parishioners and loved ones who we have lost during the year.



The Elijah Cup - Praying For Vocations

The purpose of the Elijah Cup, a blessed cup, is to provide a focal point for prayer for vocations.

Each week at Sunday Mass before dismissal, the celebrant calls a family, individual, or couple forward to receive the Elijah Cup. They receive a blessing and take the Cup home with its accompanying prayers, and put it in a place of honor in their home. Each day for a week, during prayer time (morning, bedtime or mealtime), they pray for an increase and perseverance in vocations. The following Saturday afternoon they return the Elijah Cup in its container before 4:30 P.M. Mass to the table beside the presider's chair in the front of the church.

Praying for vocations is the most powerful way to support vocations. The Second Vatican Council instructs us that it is the job of the laity to pray for and raise up vocations, and this has been echoed by Pope John Paul II in many of his teachings. We hope that those who bring the cup home will continue to pray for vocations daily after their Elijah Cup week concludes.

We sincerely thank all who have received the Elijah Cup in the past and faithfully prayed for vocations. We hope you will receive the Cup again in 2021-2022. If you have not taken part in this beautiful and powerful prayer opportunity, please consider signing up to pray for a week with the beautiful chalice in your home as focal point of your prayer for vocations.

We thank God for Fr. John and Fr. Roniel living out their vocations in such a loving way. We need to pray for them and to encourage and support young men to say "Yes" if God has chosen them to share their lives in His service.

Put your name beside your chosen date now before all are taken! The sign-up sheet for 2021-2022 is on the counter in the Narthex. Please sign up to receive the Elijah Cup and pray for vocations in a special way during one week.

Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only through prayer can they persevere and bear fruit.

-Pope Francis

Sanctuary Candle:

In Memory of Jessie Stark by Children

Easter Flame Candle:

In Memory of Joan Klassen

Divine Mercy Candle:

In Memory of Frank A. Rinella by Laber Family

St. Peregrine Candle:

Special Intentions for Shawn Teamann by Cheryl

Altar Candles for the Month of October:

In Memory of Nicholas Colinear by grandchildren Zane, Mackenzie, Vance, Nicholas and Nolan



Eucharistic Adoration is held every Tuesday starting at Noon. If you need to leave and there is no one else in the church during Adoration, please call the church office at 724-863-9550 and someone will come over. Thank you

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 PM.



Stewardship Corner:

Our Time, Talent and Treasures are the gifts that we share:
Sunday Offertory

The Week of October 17, 2021 \$15,440.22
Diocese of Greensburg Online Giving 9/23 - 9/30 \$717.50



31st Sunday Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 12:28-34

32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17:10-16
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

Prayers and Sympathy

Please pray for the families of Catherine Sherbondy and John Palicka, Jr. who died recently. May they rest in peace.

	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
MON	NO MASS	8:30 AM
TUES	NO AM MASS 6:30 PM	8:30 AM
WED	7:45 AM	NO MASS
THURS	7:45 AM	NO MASS
FRI	NO MASS	8:30 AM
SAT	8:00 AM (Except on 1st Saturday of the Month)	MASS IS ONLY ON THE 1st Saturday OF THE MONTH AT 8:30 am**

** 1st Saturday of the month – Anointing Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

**Confessions on the 1st Saturday of the month are at St. Barbara's at Noon and St. Agnes at 1:00 pm



Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people.

Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.

Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.

Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest.

Amen.



Grades 1-2 – Faith Formation for Public School Students,
Saturday, November 6th, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Formation Center

Grades 3-5 – Faith Formation for Public School Students,
Monday, November 8th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, Formation Center

6th and 7th Grade Faith Formation- The next class will be
Tuesday November 2 from 6-7:15 pm.

8th Grade Faith Formation- The next class will be Tuesday
November 2 from 7:30 to 8:45 pm.



‘Tis the Season to share our love! The Faith Formation children and families of the parish are making Christmas gifts for our homebound parishioners. In order to do this, we need to update our list of Homebound parishioners. If you have a family member or neighbor who is a member of our parish but unable to get out to attend Mass, please let us know! Please call the parish office or you can email Susan Cheplic skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org.



Christian Mother’s/Women’s Guild
Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 9, 2021 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady’s Plaza
Join us for Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Christian Mothers/Women’s Guild will begin their NO BAKE/ BAKE SALE
On November 14 after all Masses. Fundraiser will continue until December 5. Christian Mothers please call Lin 724-863-2703 for Envelopes



CASH BASH VOLUNTEERS -

A special thank you to all the volunteers who worked the Cash Bash and who donated file baskets and refreshments. Your efforts helped to make the evening a successful event!!!!

2022 Lottery Calendars are available now for purchase at Immaculate Conception Parish Office.



Each calendar is \$25 and offers chances to win each day of the year. Cash or checks (payable to St. Anne Home) are accepted. They make perfect gifts! Their sale expands programs and services for residents as well as their campus facility.

Thanks for your continued support of St. Anne Home. Proceeds benefit St. Anne’s Home in Greensburg.

The Bethlehem Christian Families Mission would like to express humble appreciation to you for allowing us to revisit Immaculate Conception Parish weekend of October 2/3 of 2021. With your kindness and through the generosity of your parishioners, the sales of the olive wood carvings received a total amount of \$4962. It was really a great excitement to observe so many kind people at your parish, who were interested in our religious articles and some expressed their intention to visit the Holy Land! Please remember that you, and the members of your Parish are included in our prayers. Thank you for your support in helping us and our brothers and sisters in Christ with compassion, dignity and respect especially in these difficult times. May you enjoy God's many glorious blessings! Peace be with you always!



Queen of Angels Corner

Part-time custodian. The hours will be Monday - Friday, 5 1/2 hours a day/ flexible times. Work involves routine cleaning and maintenance duties to ensure the premises is clean, orderly, properly maintained, and safe. Some electrical and plumbing experience preferred. If you would like to work in a school environment with the responsibility of the general upkeep and maintenance of the building and its fixtures, furnishings, and systems, please contact:



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Queen of Angels will once again be selling Christmas Sarris candy. You can find a brochure in the back of the church.

Please make note of the following dates:

- * All orders **AND PAYMENTS** are due **before** Wednesday, November 10th;
- * Pickup is Wednesday, December 8th from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM ;
- * Make checks payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School

Please support our local school by ordering sweets for the holidays. Candy makes great gifts for all, including teachers, co-workers, babysitters and clergy. If you are interested in ordering, please complete your order form along with payment (checks payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School) and mail to Queen of Angels School or return to the parish office in an enveloped marked, "Sarris Candy Order". Pick up is scheduled for **December 8th** at the Queen of Angels gym. Any questions please call the school office at (724) 978-0144. Thank you for your patronage, we appreciate your support!



Queen of Angels Catholic School would like to thank everyone who participated in and supported our school's online auction. This week-long online auction culminated in an evening full of spirited bidding and generosity! From current Queen of Angels families to alumni, past parents, donors, sponsors, faculty,

staff, relatives, and friends near and far, our Queen of Angels community proved that we really do THRIVE, as a community, when we all come together to support our wonderful school! We are truly blessed! A very special thanks to our supportive parishes and event sponsors:

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Around the Diocese

The George Onda District of the First Catholic Slovak Union invites you to attend its annual "Stedry Vecer" on Sunday, December 5, 2021 at Christ, Our Shepherd Center, Route 30 East, Greensburg, PA. The evening begins with Mass at 4:00 pm in the Chapel celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Larry J. Kulick. Our traditional Slovak Christmas Eve Dinner follows. Door prizes will be awarded. The Pittsburgh Slovaks will perform. Tickets: \$30 adults / \$10 children 3 to 11. Reserve early (tickets are limited) by calling Darlene Patty at 724-493-8712 before November 23rd.

The 9th Verna Montessori School (VMS) Italian Dinner will be held Sunday, November 7th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St. Pius X Social Hall in Mt. Pleasant. Come and enjoy Sister Lucy's famous meatballs, authentic Italian sauce, spaghetti, salad, fresh-baked Italian bread, homemade desserts and a beverage, all for just \$12 per dinner and \$6 for children ages 8 and under. A 50/50 and fabulous basket raffle will take place during the dinner. Please join us for delicious food and a fun-filled time with VMS students. Take-out dinners will be available.

St. Joan of Arc Parish, Farmington, parishioner, author to sign books Nov. 6-7 - St. Joan of Arc Parish, Farmington, will host a book signing by Christian author and parishioner Mariliz Ischi Saturday, Nov. 6, after the 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday, Nov. 7, after the 8 and 11 a.m. Masses. Her books, "Carol's Christmas Request" and "Luke Faces the Truth," will be for sale. For information, call 724-329-4522.

Craft Show and Soup Sale Nov. 6 at St. James Parish, New Alexandria - St. James Parish, New Alexandria, will host a craft show and soup sale Saturday, Nov. 6, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Wedding and chicken noodle soup can be preordered for \$10/quart; deadline to order is Wednesday, Nov. 3. Additional food will be available. For information, visit www.stjamesnewalexandria.org or call the parish office at 724-668-2829.

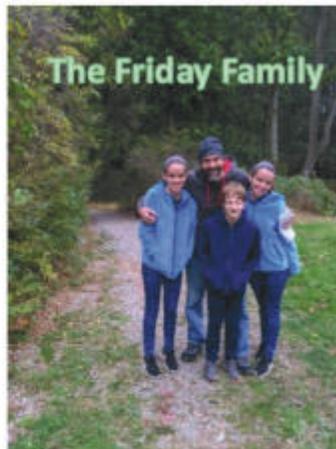
St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, Plans Bingo Nov. 7 - St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, will hold bingo Sunday, Nov. 7. Bingo is held the first Sunday of each month (except January, which is Jan. 9) in the parish hall; doors open at 12:30 p.m., and games begin at 2. Refreshments are. For information, call 724-423-3777.

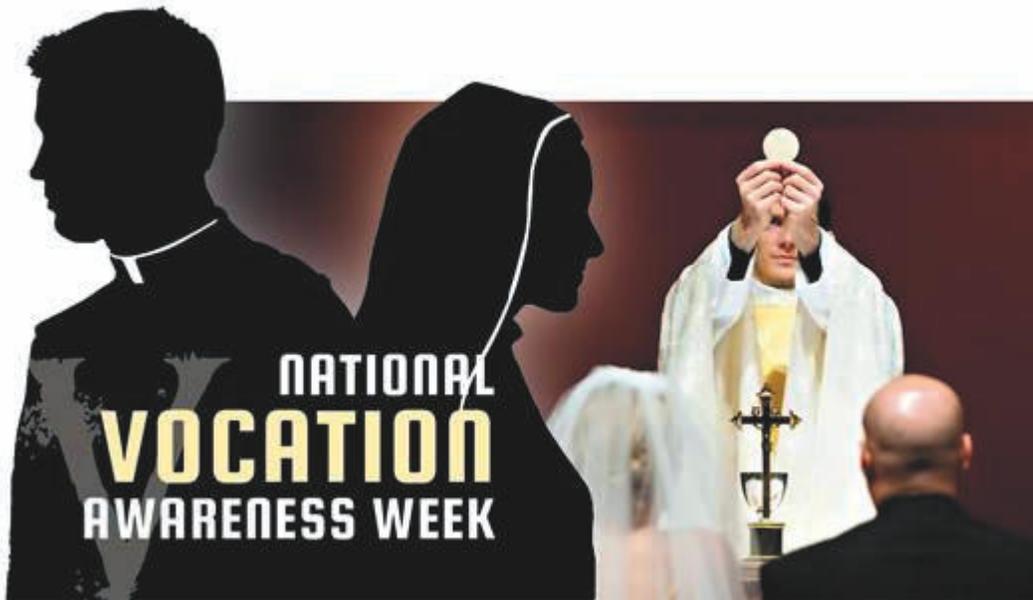
"Gabriel's Christmas Show" Dec. 11-12 at St. Bruno Parish, South Greensburg - Alabaster Performing Arts will present "Gabriel's Christmas Show," described as a "dynamic fusion of live performance, film, dance, singing and acting," Saturday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. in St. Bruno Parish Hall, South Greensburg. The show will feature St. Bruno parishioners and professional performers. Admission is \$12 (free for children 12 and younger).

**We couldn't have done it without your generosity!
See you next year!**

Scavenger Hunt Winners!

Thank you to all who came to participate in the Family Nature Walk and Scavenger Hunt at Bushy Run Battlefield. Congratulations to the following families who completed all 12 clues on the photo scavenger hunt successfully!





Get ready! National Vocation Awareness Week is just around the corner. This is an annual celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. Together, we can create a culture of vocations in the Diocese of Greensburg.

November 7th begins Vocation Awareness Week.

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God’s call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation

“Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit.” ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II

Your Unique Mission

Why does it matter that people discover their God-given vocations? Because the Church relies on the unique contribution of every soul. As St. John Henry Newman famously reflected: “God has created me to do some special service; God has committed some work to me which has not been committed to another. I HAVE A MISSION.”



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
Irwin, Pennsylvania
Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 31, 2021 - Order of the Mass

ORGAN PRELUDE

Meditation

J. Frederick Bridge

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father:
courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate,
faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage.
Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and
responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation



1. Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, the head and
2. To this tem - ple, where we call you, Come, O Lord of
3. Grant, we pray, to all your peo - ple, All the grace they
4. Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Praise and hon - or



1. cor - ner - stone; Cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
2. hosts, to - day; With your wont - ed lov - ing kind - ness,
3. ask to gain; What they gain from you for ev - er
4. to the Son, Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



1. Bind - ing all the Church in one, Ho - ly Si - on's
2. Hear your ser - vants as they pray, And your ful - lest
3. With the bless - ed to re - tain, And here - af - ter
4. Ev - er three and ev - er one, One in might and



1. help for ev - er, And her con - fi - dence a - lone.
2. ben - e - dic - tion, Shed in all its bright - est ray.
3. in your glo - ry, Ev - er - more with you to reign.
4. one in glo - ry, While un - end - ing a - ges run.

Text: 87 87 87; *Angularis fundamentum*, 7th cent., tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
Music: Henry Purcell, 1659-1695.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

"Fear the LORD, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you, and thus have long life.

Hear then, Israel, and be careful to observe them, that you may grow and prosper the more, in keeping with the promise of the LORD, the God of your fathers, to give you a land flowing with milk and honey.

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone!

Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.

Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 18
Owen Alstott



SECOND READING

Hebrews 7:23-28

Brothers and sisters:

The levitical priests were many because they were prevented by death from remaining in office, but Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away.

Therefore, he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them.

It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens.

He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself.

For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him,
 "Which is the first of all the commandments?"
 Jesus replied, "The first is this:
Hear, O Israel!
The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.
 The second is this:
You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
 There is no other commandment greater than these."
 The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying,
 'He is One and there is no other than he.'
 And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding,
 with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself'
 is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."
 And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding,
 he said to him,
 "You are not far from the kingdom of God."
 And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

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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 life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

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Heritage Mass

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na! Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res-ur-rec-tion un - til you come, un - til you come a - gain.

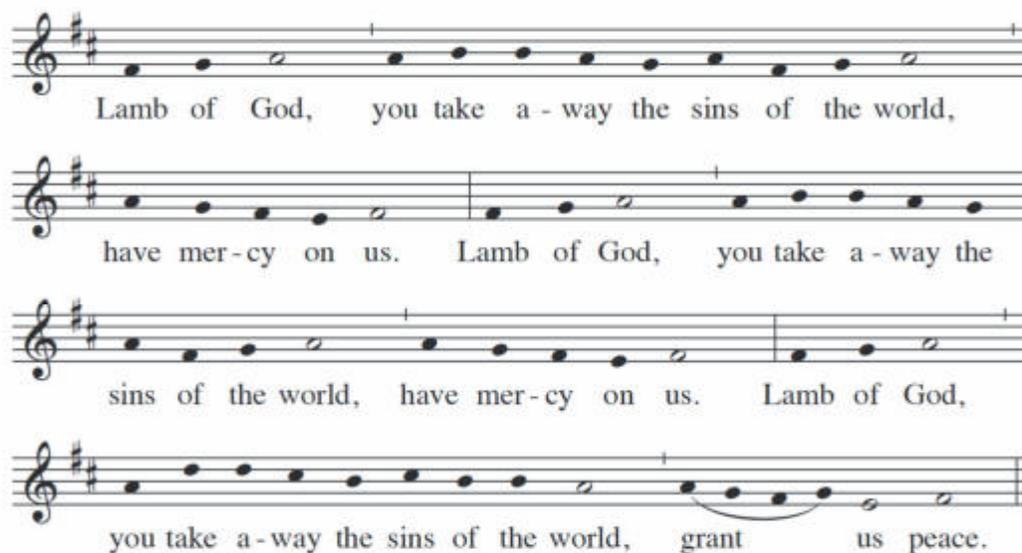


A - men, a - men, a - men.

LAMB OF GOD

New Plainsong Mass

David Hurd



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,
have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Taste and See

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the
 Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the
 good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

For the Healing of the Nations

1. For the heal - ing of the na - tions, Lord, we pray with
 2. Lead us now, Lord, in - to free - dom, From de - spair your
 3. All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing, Let it from the
 4. You, cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten Your great name on

one ac - cord; For a just and e - qual shar - ing
 world re - lease; That re - deemed from war and ha - tred,
 earth be banned; Pride of stat - us, race or school - ing,
 hu - man - kind; For our grow - ing in your like - ness

Of the things that earth af - fords. To a life of
 All may come and go in peace. Show us how through
 Dog - mas that ob - scure your plan. In our com - mon
 Bring the life of Christ to mind: That by our re -

love and ac - tion Help us rise and pledge our word.
 care and good - ness Fear will die and hope in - crease.
 quest for jus - tice May we hal - low life's brief span.
 sponse and serv - ice Earth its des - tin - y may find.

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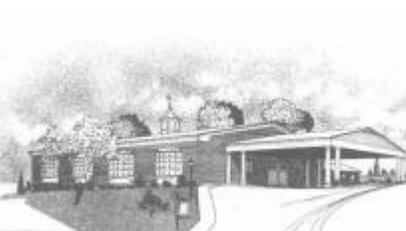
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