

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

A Place to Grow in the Love and Knowledge of Jesus Christ

January 16, 2022 · 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Church Hours

Saturday Vigil

4 p.m.

* Interpreted Mass for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing.

Sunday

8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

Live-Streamed

Parish website, Facebook or YouTube. 4 p.m. and/or 10:30 a.m.

Weekday

7:00 a.m. M-W-F

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Noon to 1 p.m. Saturday in the Day Chapel

Private Prayer Schedule

The church is open Monday through Thursday, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Access limited to Gathering Space and Devotional Area

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FIRST READING

As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you. (Is 62:5)



PSALM

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations. (Ps 96)



SECOND READING

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these,

distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. (1 Cor 12:11)



GOSPEL

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

4:00 p.m. Tom & Helen Kissell

by Tom & Annette Rusnock

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 a.m. Charles Cunningham

by family

10:30 a.m. Joseph Marturano

by Paul & Michele DeFloria

6:00 p.m. Enricketta DeNunzio

by Joe & Francine Quicquero

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

7:00 a.m. Mario Paulone

by family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

7:00 a.m. Nicholas Zappone

by Ron, Gloria & Kristin Rossi

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

7:00 a.m. Joanne Wass

by Dick & Maria Kunkle

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

4:00 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady of Grace &

Saint Benedict churches

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

8:00 a.m. John Stangl

by Cathy & Dan Hammel

10:30 a.m. Don Dlugos

by Tom & Ellen Stas

6:00 p.m. Diana Seranko

by the Sleva family

VISITS TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Monthly visits to the sick & homebound by a lay minister of communion are resuming. Homebound ministers may contact Fr. Ignatius at the parish office with any questions.

Fr. Ignatius and Fr. Dan will provide Anointing of the Sick or the Sacrament of Reconciliation, if requested. If you or your loved one are in need of this spiritual care, please contact the parish office.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



Tom Angelo
Jim Ahearn
Gary Bailey
Marc Bryan
Lois Colligan
Estelle Dannhardt
Karen Davis
Jerry Feret

Pat Feret Norma Japalucci George F. Moreland II Joan Ross Donny Sabol Linda Santone Phil Sinclair Shawn Teamann

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family members may add loved ones to the prayer list by contacting the parish office. Names will be removed after one month, unless you notify the office.

PRAYERS FOR OUR ACTIVE MILITARY

Jake LeJeune - Marines
John Petrucci - AF
Baylee Gardner - AF
CPO Cole Terrell - USN
Peyton Smith - Nat. Guard
Lt. Col. Thomas Naughton - AF
Capt. Thomas Shine - AF
CPO Eric Cain - USN

Tara McGuire - Nat. Guard Zachary Daigle - Army Nathan Daigle - Nat. Guard Ryan Daigle - Army WO Andrew Couchenour - Nat.

Sean Bialecki - AF

Guard

Staff Sgt. Nicholas Baker - AF

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

May all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, continue their journey to new life in the presence of God in the heavenly kingdom.

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week in loving memory of

> John Stangl by Lou & Louella Zeminski.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Parish Support — January 9, 2022

Offertory (from mail & collection basket): \$ 10,494.00 (2022)
Offertory (from mail & collection basket): 1,330.00 (2021)
Online Giving: 6,419.00

\$ 18,243.00

Thank you for your continued faithful support of our parish!

Part-Time Maintenance Position

Our Lady of Grace Church is looking to fill a parttime (18 hours/week) maintenance position. The position involves thorough and comprehensive cleaning services (i.e., trash removal, mopping, vacuuming, restroom cleaning) in the church, Albanese and Shepherd halls, and maintaining surrounding outside areas. Interested individuals are asked to please submit a letter of interest and resume to the parish office before Jan. 31.

MASS BOOK OPEN

Our parish office has opened the Mass Book for 2022. Mass Request forms are available in the Gathering Area of the church and also on the parish's web page. Intentions must be submitted in writing using the Request Form and must include the Mass stipend of \$10 per Mass. PLEASE READ THE GUIDELINES printed on the back of the form. No Mass requests will be accepted over the phone.

** MASS INTENTION GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN REVISED. Each registered parish household can now schedule a third Mass intention for 2022 based on availability. All other guidelines remain the same.

Flowers on the Altar

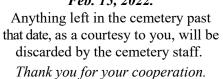
If you would like to donate flowers to decorate the parish altar for a particular weekend in memory of



someone or in honor of a special occasion, please call the Parish Office to make sure that the date is available and to give us the appropriate information. Your memorial or special occasion will be listed in the bulletin for that particular weekend.

Christmas Decoration Removal Greensburg Catholic Cemetery

If you wish to retain your Christmas decorations from your loved ones' graves, please remove the decorations by *Feb. 15, 2022.*







Our parish bids farewell to Don "Donny" Sabol, who is retiring after serving as our maintenance person for the past 5 years. We thank him for taking much pride in his work making sure that our church, halls, and surrounding grounds were clean and inviting. May he enjoy many years of retirement spending time with his family and friends.



The Knights of Columbus Council 1480 Support Pro-Life Gathering

The Knights of Columbus Council 1480 will hold a pro-life gathering Friday, Jan. 21, 11

a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Westmoreland County Courthouse, Greensburg. This is in conjunction with the National March for Life in Washington, DC. This event is open to anyone, including families from the diocese who are unable to go to Washington. The rosary will be recited and the group will have signs to display. Participants do not need to be there for the full two hours. If you have some time, please attend the gathering to peacefully support life.

Please visit the local council's Knights of Columbus webpage, www.knights1480.com, for information, links to newsletters, publications, and local parishes.

Flea Market

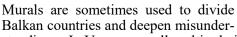
The annual Our Lady of Grace Flea Market sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society will be held Saturday, April 30, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For table reservations, call Debby at 724-836-1019.

Please leave a message with your name and telephone number and your call will be returned.

Cost is \$20 per table.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES





standings. In Vares, a small multi-ethnic town in Bosnia, we supported "Murals of Peace," which aims to connect people and send the message that working together can build a better future. Visit www.crs.org for more information. Thanks for your support!

"Peace is a daily commitment. It is a homemade peace." ~ **Pope Francis**

Diocese of Greensburg

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.

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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

DISCIPLESHIP & EVANGELIZATION

SACRED STEPS TO SACRAMENTS

Preparation for Baptism

First-time parents and typically those who last had a child baptized five or more years ago are expected to participate in a Baptism preparation session. Due to covid-19, the prep session will be offered online. After contacting the office to request Baptism, you will be provided with the information to complete the online preparation. Both parents are expected to participate in the prep session.

First Reconciliation & Communion

Our next Sacrament Prep sessions will be held on *Monday, Jan.* 31, and Tuesday, Feb. 1, from 6:30-8 p.m. in Albanese Hall. Please choose the night that best fits your schedule. A parent must attend with their child. Contact Kelly Dembiczak at the parish office, Ext. 17, with questions or concerns.

Confirmation

If you have a teen currently in 8th grade or above who has not yet received this Sacrament or is not currently in preparation for this Sacrament, please contact Katrina at the parish office, Ext. 16, to be included in the 2021-2022 preparation group.

Sacraments of Marriage

Prior to setting a wedding date, please contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance so that all of the formation and paperwork can be completed.

RCIA

If you have ever thought about becoming Catholic or returning to the faith, please call Katrina, our Director of Discipleship & Evangelization, or our pastor to have your questions answered and be welcomed home.

January Children's Ministry



January 23

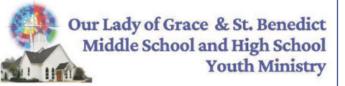
Grades 2nd-5th: 9-10:15 a.m., Shepherds Hall Grades PK-1st: 10:15-11:30 a.m., Albanese Hall



Through the
Waters of Baptism
Our Parish
Joyfully Welcomes

Owen Barry Griffith

son of Meghan (Stoddart) & Joseph Griffith



2022 UPDATED SCHEDULE

Sundays at Our Lady of Grace Upper Hall

Grades 6-8: 4 to 5:30 p.m. **Grades 9-12:** 7 to 9 p.m.

January

9th Youth Nite 16th Youth Nite 23rd Youth Nite 30th Youth Nite

February

6th Youth Nite 13th Youth Nite 20th NO YOUTH NITE - HS RETREAT 27th Youth Nite

March

6th Youth Nite 9th Candlelight Stations Practice (Wednesday) 10th CANDLELIGHT STATIONS @ OLG 7 p.m. 13th Youth Nite

13th Youth Nite 20th Youth Nite 27th Youth Nite

April:

3rd NO YOUTH NITE (King & Country Concert)
High School Teens Only

10th NO YOUTH NITE (Palm Sunday)

17th NO YOUTH NITE (Easter)

24th END OF YEAR FAMILY PICNIC

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