



# Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

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

**January 23, 2022 · 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## DIRECTORY

## Church Hours

### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday  
9 a.m. - noon & 1 - 4 p.m.  
724-838-9480

### For assistance with utilities and other financial needs:

*St. Vincent de Paul Helpline*  
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*St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry*  
724-836-0175

### For other assistance:

*Catholic Charities*  
724-837-1840

### Pastoral Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Daniel L. Blout

### Parochial Vicar:

Fr. Ignatius Camello, OSB

**Director of Liturgy:** Marisa Cazden

**Director of Discipleship & Evangelization &**

**Youth Ministry:** Katrina Coleman

**Coordinator of Children's Discipleship &**

**Evangelization:** Kelly Dembiczak

### Office Staff

**Secretary:** Joyce Petrunyak

**Secretary:** Donna Stewart

**Administrative Assistant for Discipleship &**

**Evangelization & Social Media:** Itzia Peluso

**Custodian:** Jeff Andrejcik

### 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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# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. (Neh 8:8)



## PSALM

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)



## SECOND READING

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)



## GOSPEL

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 1:21)

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### 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

### MONDAY, JANUARY 24

7:00 a.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

7:00 a.m.

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

7:00 a.m.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

4:00 p.m. Richard Sackett  
by Mrs. Stella Sackett

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

## VISITS TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

*Monthly visits to the sick & homebound by a lay minister of communion have resumed.*

*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



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	Sean Bialecki - AF
John Petrucci - AF	Tara McGuire - Nat. Guard
Baylee Gardner - AF	Zachary Daigle - Army
CPO Cole Terrell - USN	Nathan Daigle - Nat. Guard
Peyton Smith - Nat. Guard	Ryan Daigle - Army
Lt. Col. Thomas Naughton - AF	WO Andrew Couchenour - Nat. Guard
Capt. Thomas Shine - AF	Staff Sgt. Nicholas Baker - AF
CPO Eric Cain - USN	

## ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

*Norma Japalucci*

*John Bacco*

*Antonio L. Galbier*

*father of Marisa Cazden*

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

## SANCTUARY LAMP

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

*Frank & Julia Barbero*

*by Nancy Barbero.*

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**Parish Support — January 16, 2022**

**Offertory (from mail & collection basket): \$ 8,891.00 (2022)**

**Offertory (from mail & collection basket): 70.00 (2021)**

**Online Giving: 5,947.27**

**\$ 14,908.27**

**Thank you for your continued faithful support of our parish!**

### Part-Time Maintenance Position

Our Lady of Grace Church is looking to fill a part-time (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.

### Catholic Engaged Encounter

A wedding is a day, a marriage is a lifetime. Please join us for a weekend to prepare for your life together. For reservations and more information:

[Greensburg.engagedencounter.com](http://Greensburg.engagedencounter.com).

*Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend dates:*

*Feb. 18-20, June 10-12 & Sep. 23-25.*

### Become a Knight

The membership promotion has been extended until June 30, 2022. You can become a knight for free online membership for the first year.

Visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus);  
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### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Congress passed another continuing resolution to fund the government through Feb. 18. By not passing the 2022 federal budget, Congress risks losing the additional \$4 billion proposed for poverty-reducing accounts. Please ask your member of Congress to speak with Congressional leadership to ensure the highest funding levels possible for international humanitarian assistance. Visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) for more information!



### Liturgical Ministers Jan. 29-30

#### 4 PM Mass

EM: Carol Teacher

EM: Susanne Mayhugh

EM & Sacristan: Toni Herroscheck

Lector: David Karr

**Servers: Needed**

**Teen Server: Needed**

#### 8 AM Mass

**EM: Needed**

**EM: Needed**

**EM & Sacristan: Needed**

Lector: Janice Lantz

**Servers: Needed**

**Teen Server: Needed**

#### 10:30 AM Mass

**EM: Needed**

**EM: Needed**

**EM & Sacristan: Needed**

Lector: Carla Colello

Servers: Brandt and Linnea Sandstrom

**Teen Server: Needed**

#### 6 PM Mass

EM: Anna Marie Pacione

EM & Sacristan: Katrina Coleman

**Lector: Needed**

**Servers: Needed**

Teen Server: Rachel Tinney

### 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.

## 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.

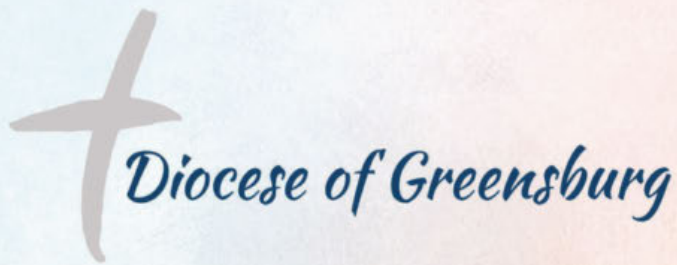
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## **Holy Father Asks Us All to Share Ideas In Survey, Town Hall Listening Sessions**

### ***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](http://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](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod) for more information.

#### **3. Participate in a Zoom Town Hall Listening Session.**

Check your bulletin or log on to [www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod) for more information.



# 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 current 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.

## February Children's Ministry

**February 6 & 20**

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*

***Camryn Riley Hassler***

daughter of Valerie (Gassner) & Patrick Hassler



**Our Lady of Grace & St. Benedict  
Middle School and High School  
Youth Ministry**

## 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  
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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