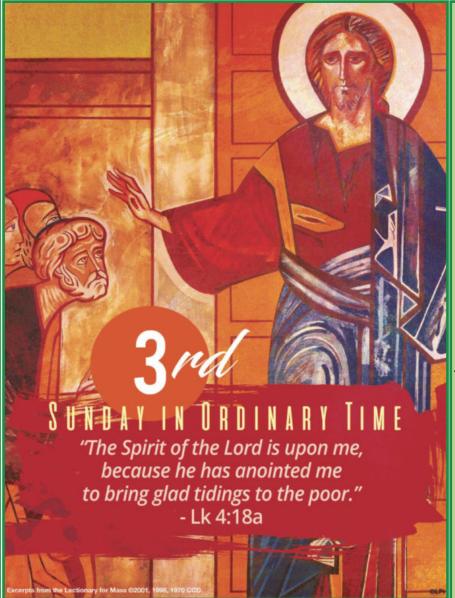


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JANUARY 23, 2022 | THE THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULES

Saturday Anticipated Mass | 4:30 p.m.
Sunday Mass | 9:30 a.m. - Mass will be Live
Streamed

Daily: Tuesday – Friday | 8:00 a.m. - Tuesday and Thursday Mass will be Live Streamed

SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Six month notification required Baptism: By appointment

Confession: Available the Second & Fourth Weekends each month.

Saturday: After 4:30 p.m. Mass Sunday: After 9:30 a.m. Mass

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PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR MASS

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

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)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent,

Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

Monday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Wednesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Thursday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Friday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

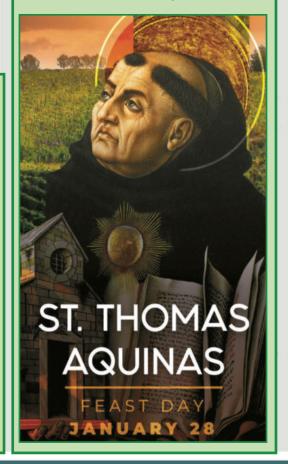
MEDITATIONS AFTER HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What did you do to prepare for Sunday Mass this weekend? Was there any spiritual preparation? If not, why did you not prepare? Were you too busy? Rushed in the morning? What would your ideal preparation look like? Create a checklist so you will know what you would like to accomplish before next Sunday's Mass.

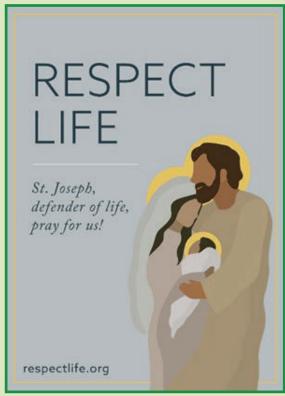
"Lord Jesus, in the busyness of life, sometimes I take Mass and the gift of the Eucharist for granted. Help me to slow down so that I can better appreciate what it is I celebrate and be prepared for my Eucharistic encounter."

"'If someone knows from experience that daily Communion increases fervor without lessening reverence, then let him go every day. But if someone finds that reverence is lessened and devotion not much increased, then let him sometimes abstain, so as to draw near afterwards with better dispositions.

--St. Thomas Aquinas--







January has become a month designated for the respect of all life, from the moment of conception until death. In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

As we mark this important anniversary, let us turn to St. Joseph, asking for his intercession for the respect of all life, at all stages, and in every way. I want to share with you a reflection that I came across on St. Joseph as he serves as a model for all as we strive to live out the call of respect for our own life, and the life of others.

Saint Joseph - Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ "came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph" (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God's plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, "God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child" (PC 5).

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, "in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat'" (PC 3). His "yes" to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him "an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble" (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say "yes" to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was "chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true 'miracle' by which God saves the child and his mother" (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were "able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence" (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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MASS SCHEDULE

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022 | ANTICIPATED MASS - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30 p.m. † Karen Kuznicki Houston (Joseph & Rose Mary Kuznicki)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022 | THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30 a.m. † For the People

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022 | SAINT FRANCIS de SALES, BISHOP & DOCTOR - NO MORNING MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 | CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

8:00 a.m. † Frank Nemchik (Marge Forish)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022 | SAINTS TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS

8:00 a.m. † Pat Watt (Cecelia Yurack)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022 | WEEKDAY

8:00 a.m. † Anna Loyacona (Jerry & Sally Watt & Family)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022 | SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST, RELIGIOUS AND DOCTOR

8:00 a.m. † Joseph & Margaret Gallek (Son Edward & Doris Gallek)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2022 | ANTICIPATED MASS - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:30 p.m. † For the People

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022 | FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

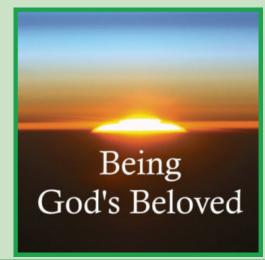
9:30 a.m. † Helen Suda & Rose Mary DeMary (Joann Havrilla)

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's

timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit.

We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.



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SAINT JAMES NEWS



We commend to your prayers the soul of Colleen Caviggia, daughter of our parishioners, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jack who died last week. We express our deepest sympathy to Bob and Patty and to her entire family.

Please keep Colleen and all of her family in your prayers. May God receive her soul into His everlasting Kingdom and grant comfort and peace to her family and friends.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered this weekend, *January 22nd and 23rd* after each weekend Mass.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY WINTER BREAKFAST

The dedicated men of the Saint James Holy Name Society hosted another delicious breakfast on **Sunday, January 16th**. They were assisted by our Rosary Altar Society members. Thank you to all those who attended. Our next Breakfast will be in the spring!



Financial Report

\$1,882.00 Income \$539.61 Expenses

\$1,342,39

\$257.50 Bake Sale \$325.00 Basket Raffle

\$1.924.89 Profit

Served 121 Adults Served 12 Children









BABY NEEDS COLLECTION

Thank you to all those that donated to this special collection for our local women's centers. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

SOUP SALE - SATURDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2022

The Rosary Altar Society Members are having their February Soup Sale.

Please note: Hours of pickup are from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Social Hall.

Chicken Rice:______ # of quarts - \$10.00 Quart Italian Meatball:_____ # of quarts - \$10.00 Quart

Name: _____

Telephone Number:

Soup Order Deadline: **Wednesday, February 2, 2022** via our website or completing this form and submitting to the Parish Office.



SAVE THE DATE!

Valentines Dinner & Dance

Saturday, February 5th, 2022 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Menu includes: chicken, rigatoni, parsley potato's, vegetable, salad, dessert \$15.00 Adult/\$7.00 for age 12 and under

Register by February 1st, 2022

Number of Adults: _____Number of Children: _____

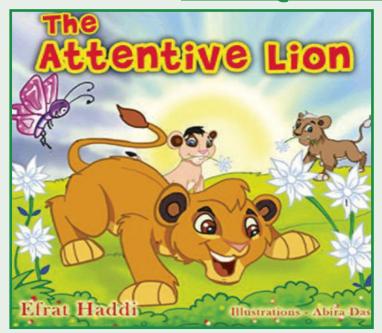




Join us for our Donut Social after Mass in the Parish Social Hall on Sunday, January 30th at 10:30 a.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

BY: MRS. CATYLN BAILEY, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS FORMATION EMAIL: CBAILEY@DIOCESEOFGREENSBURG.ORG



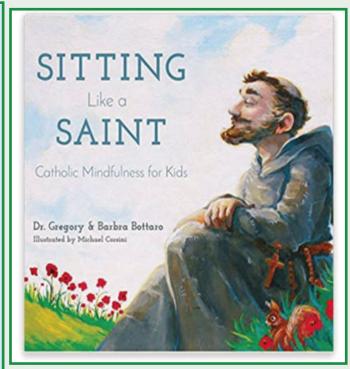
BE ATTENTIVE

In the Gospel of Luke this Sunday, we hear an invitation to not only be attentive with our ears, but our hearts too. There is a book titled, *The Attentive Lion* that relates to this Gospel story and leads to a good discussion about what it means to be attentive and how that can help us. It can be found on Amazon.

LEARNING TO BE STILL

Learning to be still, is something that takes patience and practice. It is something that can be beneficial for adults and young children. Start with small amounts of time and increase as your children get better at it. The first time, you try this it may not go as well as you would like. In my classroom we take time each day to sit in silence for individual prayer time. My students love it! I begin the year by just having the students sit on the carpet and close their eyes for a minute. The next time I have them repeat the name of Jesus when they feel like moving or opening their eyes. After we get good at that, before we begin, I tell them that this is their time to tell God anything they want. Then after awhile of doing that, we begin listening for what God is saying to us using scripture or a song. It seems so simple and yet it has a great impact on the students.

I have had students tell me that when they can't fall asleep at night, they meditate or when they get angry, they go to their room and meditate. I think sometimes we forget that children need time to be still. When we give them the tools, they can begin to use them when they need it. I have added a book that you can get on Amazon to introduce this type of prayer and it also tells the story of a few saints as well. It would be a great Easter gift for your children or grandchildren.



PRAYER

"Loving God, open our ears and heart to be attentive to all that you are calling us to do. Help me to listen to how we can love, serve and grow closer to you each day. Amen."

Diocese of Greensburg



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

Diocese of Greensburg announces "Synod" participation opportunities

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

What is a synod?

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

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

How you can participate:

1. Take the Pastoral Connectivity Survey.

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

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

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

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

3. Participate in a Zoom Town Hall Listening Session.

Check your bulletin or log on to www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/synod for more information.

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.
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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

COLLECTION REPORT JANUARY 8 & JANUARY 9, 2022

Offertory:	\$2,177.00
Offertory Loose:	\$210.00
Fuel & Maintenance:	\$365.00
Candles:	\$114.50
Flowers:	\$50.00
Catholic Accent:	\$128.00
Oplatki:	\$6.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$35.00
Christmas Offering:	\$10.00
Children Family Services:	\$10.00
Total:	\$3105.50

56 Adult Envelopes & **3** Holy Day Envelopes 24% out of 237 who choose to use regular Sunday envelopes

<u>Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	Difference
\$2,967.50	\$3,890.48	\$ -922.98

ELECTRONIC FUNDS JANUARY 1—11, 2022

\$3,370.00

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

COLLECTION REPORT JANUARY 15 & JANUARY 16, 2022

The Stewardship of Treasure Report for the weekend of January 15th and January 16th will be listed in next weekend's bulletin.



Saturday, January 29, 2021

4:30 p.m.

Lector - Jane Strittmatter **Eucharistic Minister** - Betty Nemchik

Sunday, January 30, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Lector - Nance Disciascio **Eucharistic Minister** - Fran Disciascio

MASS ATTENDANCE

JANUARY 15TH & JANUARY 16TH, 2022 **Second Week in Ordinary Time**

> 4:30 p.m. - 76 9:30 a.m. - 91 **Total - 167**

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning during the month of:

January 2022

In Memory of:

Mr. George Pastor, Mr. George Dickerson, Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie & Peggy Hamlin and Mr. & Mrs. Raymond & Marie McNaughton

Requested By:

Dave & Georgette McNaughton

A STEWARD'S WAY

The life of a Christian steward models the life of Jesus. It is challenging and even difficult, in many respects, yet intense joy comes to those who take the risk to live as Christian stewards. Women and men who seek to live as stewards learn that "all things work for good for those who love God" (Rom 8:28). After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. As the Mother of Christ, she lived her ministry in a spirit of fidelity and service; she responded generously to the call. We must ask ourselves: Do we also wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ and Christian stewards of our world and our Church? Central to our human and Christian vocations, as well as to the unique vocation each one of us receives from God, is that we be good stewards of the gifts we possess. God gives us this divine-human workshop, this world and Church of ours. The Spirit shows us the way. Stewardship is a part of that journey.

Reference usccb.org

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

Rummage Sale February 5-6 at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, East Vandergrift

Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, East Vandergrift, will host a rummage sale **Saturday, February 5th**, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and **Sunday, February 6th**, from noon-1:00 p.m.

<u>Vendor Fair February 12 at</u> <u>St. James Parish, Apollo</u>

St. James Parish, Apollo, will host a vendor fair *Saturday, February 12th*, from 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. All vendors are needed. Cost is \$15.00 (\$20.00 with electric). To register or for more information, call 724-882-8776.

'A Knight at the Races' February 26th in Indiana

Knights of Columbus Council 10960, serving the parishes of Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent, and Our Lady of the Assumption, Lucerne Mines and Coral, will host "A Knight at the Races #2" (ages 21 and over) **Saturday, February 26th**, at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Indiana. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and racing will start at 7:00. Tickets are \$25.00 and include a buffet and adult beverages; a cash bar will be available. Horses cost \$10.00 (chance to win \$50.00). For tickets or information, contact Norb Rayko at 724-422-1533 or nmrayk@hotmail.com.



'Luck of the Irish' Lottery Tickets Available at St. James Parish, Apollo

Saint James Parish, Apollo, is sponsoring a "Luck of the Irish" lottery ticket, with the winner determined by the **March 17th, 7:00 p.m.** Pennsylvania Lottery drawing. Tickets are \$10 (two numbers); prize is a roll of \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00 scratch-off lottery tickets. Tickets are available at the church after weekend Masses, at the parish office or by calling 724-882-8776.



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