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SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Friday

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Office Hours)

Closed for lunch from 12:00 - 1:00 PM

MASS

Monday - Friday

11:45 AM

Saturday

4:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday

11:00 AM until finished

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DAILY ROSARY

The public recitation of the Rosary is suspended until further notice.



4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of
evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be
great in heaven." - Mt 5:10-12a

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Join us for Donut Sunday, January 29 after the
8:30 & 11:00 AM Masses in the Social Hall.

READINGS FOR: Sunday, January 29, 2023

First Reading:

But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly. (Zep 3:12)

Psalm:

Blessed the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Ps 146)

Second Reading:

Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong. (1 Cor 1:27)

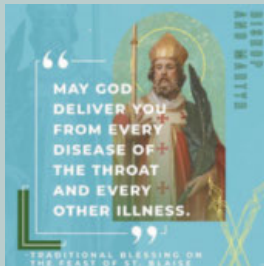
Gospel:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 5:3)

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St. Blaise | February 3

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in



the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

We remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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Blessing of Throats will be during the 11:45 AM Mass on Friday, February 3, 2023.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 28, 2023

4:30 PM Annette Jioio (Chris & Karen Skatell & Family)

Sunday, January 29, 2023 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Rosemary Schimizzi (Schimizzi Family)

11:00 AM For the Living and Deceased Members of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

Monday, January 30, 2023 - Weekday

11:45 AM Lena & Albert Tollari (Debbie & Jack Chiado)

Tuesday, January 31, 2023 - Saint John Bosco, Priest

11:45 AM Verene Harvey (Georgiane Flanigan)

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 - Weekday

11:45 AM Marian Sackett (Stella Socket)

Thursday, February 2, 2023 - The Presentation of the Lord

11:45 AM Doris Kutch (Gareth Kutch)

Friday, February 3, 2023 - Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

11:45 AM Verene Harvey (Bill & Carol McKeown)
Blessing of Throats during Mass

1:00 PM Aquinas Academy Mass

Saturday, February 4, 2023 - Weekday

11:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 PM Louis & Kathryn Agnell (Bonnie Angell-Seman-Daughter)

Sunday, February 5, 2023 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

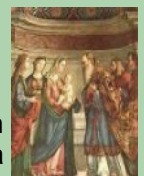
8:30 AM For the Living and Deceased Members of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

11:00 AM Carlo Bisignani (Tish Bisignani)




Presentation of the Lord - February 2 - Blessing of Candles


On the 40th day after Christmas, the church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. In the gospel Simeon calls Jesus a "light to the nations," and so this day is also Candlemas, a feast of lights on which candles for the year are blessed. Join us for the Candlemas at the 11:45 AM Mass on Wednesday, February 2. There will be candles available for a suggested donation of \$3.00 per box.



Women's Faith Sharing
 The Women's Faith Sharing group meets in the Formation Center on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8 PM. For information please contact Caroline Andros at 724-420-7469.

 **Save The Date**
 February 17, 2023 for the Mardi Gras dinner dance.

Watch the bulletin for further details
 Hope to see you there!



Lenten Day of Reflection

"I Must Stay at Your House Today" (Lk. 19:5)
Jesus visits Zacchaeus: Then and Now
 Presenter: Msgr. James Gaston

Saturday, March 4, 2023 - 9:00 a.m.
Christ Our Shepherd Center
Closing Mass with Bishop Kulick at 4:00 p.m.

A free-will offering will be taken to defray the cost of the day.

SAVE THE DATE!
REGISTRATION INFORMATION TO FOLLOW


*Sponsored by the Greensburg Area Parishes of
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Revised Mass Intentions for 2023
 If you have not requested a Mass for 2023 OR if you would like to request more Masses, we have in February the 7 & 9 and March 22. We have mass dates available after April through the end of the year. Most of the dates that we have are for weekday Masses. All Masses are \$10 each, please pay with a separate check from the Sanctuary Candles.

You can stop by the Parish Office to pick up a form or call the Parish Office at 724-834-3710 and speak with Linda ext. 23, Cindy ext. 16 or Sister Jeanne Marie ext. 35.

2023 Sanctuary Candles

We have openings for anyone who would like to request a candle or second candle for the year 2023. Donation is \$15.00. Please stop by the Parish Office or call Cindy at the Parish Office at 724-834-3710 ext. 16.



Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Catholic Men's Fellowship meets in person in the Church Hall at 6:45 AM on Saturday mornings and via Zoom 8:00 PM Monday evenings. We would be happy to welcome men at either session.

Please contact:
 Andy (412-759-1715
 or andyb9530@comcast.net) or
 Michael (724-691-2191
 or zempyeer@gmail.com)
 for more information.

Church Cleaning

As a reminder the church will close after the 11:45 Mass on Fridays to disinfect the church.

Walking with Moms in Need

We invite all parishioners to join us in **Walking with Moms in Need**. Our next meeting is on **January 30th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Social Hall**. You can continue to pray for the WWMN team as we begin our inventory process of identifying resources for moms in our community.


We are also asking parishioners to help us in supplying the baby pantry at Catholic Charities with items they are in need of. Below is a list of what is most needed. Please bring them to the parish office or drop them off at Catholic Charities.

Diapers in sizes 4, 5, 6, 7 and pull ups, wipes, Boys clothing newborn to 12 months, Girls clothing newborn and 12-24 months.

As we continue to complete our inventory process, we will update the parish community with these results. Please join us in praying that our efforts will help ensure pregnant women indeed know that they can turn to our parish for support and assistance.

If you would like more information please contact Brenda Matthews at brenmatt3@gmail.com. Or you may contact the parish office at 724-834-3710 ext. 11.

Check out the LightHouse Kiosk in the vestibule of the Church for excellent spiritual reading materials at a reasonable cost.



PARISH SUPPORT

In order to meet our budgetary needs, Blessed Sacrament Cathedral requires an average of **\$18,000** per week in the regular offertory collection. Thank you for your generosity and support of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish!

January 22, 2023

Offertory	\$19,192.00
Votive Candles	\$214.00
Catholic Accent	\$999.00

Families receiving envelopes	1,333
Envelopes used this week	138
Online Giving Transactions Processed	99

Thank you for your generosity and support of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish!

Online Giving is an easy way to make your weekly contributions by going to <https://osvhub.com/blessed-sacrament-cathedral/funds>. If Online Giving is not an option for you, please consider writing a check for added security as opposed to putting cash in your weekly envelope.

FEBRUARY

February 5	Eastern European Collection
February 12	Parish Social Ministry
February 22	Ash Wednesday
February 26	Home Missions of the Americas

Help for Ukraine

Bishop Larry J. Kulick asks the faithful of the Diocese of Greensburg to assist Ukraine and its people by praying for them as this tragic conflict unfolds. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has released a list of reputable Catholic agencies collecting donations to aid people as they flee to escape Russian bombing and shelling. Visit DioceseOfGreensburg.org/HelpForUkraine to learn more about Catholic Relief Services, Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy, Catholic Near East Welfare Association, Aid to Church in Need, Knights of Columbus Ukraine Solidarity Fund, Jesuit Refugee Service and International Catholic Migration Commission, among others.

Save the dates

Adult Faith Formation Schedule 2023

Focus on the Saints

Thursdays 7:00-9:00 pm

in the Faith Formation Center

New Series: Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained

February 9	Session 3: The Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity
February 16	Session 4: The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall and Redemption

Bible Study

Deacon Bill Hisker started the Bible Study Program on January 18 for the parishes in the Greensburg regional area. Bible study will meet on Wednesday Evenings 7:00 – 8:30 PM in person in the Parish Formation Center and simultaneously via Zoom. The program assumes no previous training and is open to all who are interested on how God's word impacts their journey of faith. We will be discussing the Gospel of Matthew. Contact Deacon Bill Hisker at bhisker@dioceseofgreensburg.org if you wish to participate. If you are interested in joining our group please send your email address to bhisker@dioceseofgreensburg.org so Deacon Bill can send you the Zoom link for the meeting.



Reserve Parking Space Reminder

Given that we are receiving regular assistance from visiting clergy, we need to leave the Visiting Clergy parking sign up in the small Church parking lot so that the parking space is available whenever it is needed.

~ We would appreciate it if you **do not** park in any space that has a reserve sign present. ~

Greensburg Catholic Cemetery

Christmas Decoration Removal Greensburg Catholic Cemetery



If you wish to retain your Christmas decorations from your loved ones graves, please remove the decorations by February 15. **Anything left in the cemetery past February 15, as a courtesy to you, will be discarded** by cemetery staff. Thank you for your cooperation.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Sponsorship Forms



Forms for parish members to serve as sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation can be completed in the Parish Office or with a priest at a weekend Mass. To act as a sponsor, you must be at least 16 years old, a practicing Catholic who has received Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If married, it must be within the guidelines of the Catholic Church. Call and speak with any of the ladies in the office, our office hours are 10 AM - 3 PM.

Baptisms



By appointment only. Contact Katie Zuzik in the Parish Office at least three months in advance of the Baptism. A class for parents is required to reflect on the meaning of the sacrament, review the Ceremony and to highlight the importance of family commitment to practicing the Catholic Faith. The requirements for Godparents are the same as for sponsors and can be found above and on the Parish website. Please contact Katie with any questions.

Weddings



Contact Sister Jeanne Marie Vonder Haar, A.S.C.J. in the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Do not set a date until contacting the Parish Office. Pre-marriage preparation classes are required.

Annual Salt and Light Awards Dinner set April 20

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg will host its largest annual fundraiser, the Communities of Salt and Light Awards dinner, Thursday, April 20, at 6 p.m. at Stratigos Banquet Centre, North Huntingdon. All proceeds are redistributed to the most vulnerable and at-risk residents of the Diocese. This year's awardees are Gerald Wilcox, Humanitarian; Reagan's Journey, Organization; and Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle, Lifetime Achievement. Tickets are \$130 per person. Advertising and sponsorship opportunities are also available. For information, visit ccharitiesgreensburg.org or call Heather Rady at 724-837-1840.



Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

WEEKLY INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 29, 2023

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation [FC]

6:00-8:00 PM Youth Ministry [FC]

Monday, January 30, 2023

6:30 PM Walking with Moms in Need [Social Hall]

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

7:00-8:30 PM Bible Study [FC & Zoom]

Thursday, February 2, 2023

6:30-8:00 PM Women's Faith Sharing [FC]

Friday, February 3, 2023

11:45 AM Throat Blessing at Mass

2:00-3:30 PM Excelsa Bereavement [FC]

Saturday, February 4, 2023

6:45 AM BSC Catholic Men's Fellowship [Social Hall]

Paper Products Reminder

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society is still collecting paper products for our food pantry. Please help our neighbors in need and leave your paper products in the baskets in the church vestibule.



KNOW HIM: The Last Supper and the Gift of the Eucharist set March 9 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

Registration is now open for **KNOW HIM: The Last Supper and the Gift of the Eucharist**, set for Thursday, March 9, at 2 and 6 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. This experiential event, part of the Diocese of Greensburg Eucharistic Revival efforts, begins with a prayer service led by Bishop Larry J. Kulick followed by a keynote address regarding the gift of the Eucharist from Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle, Vicar General of the Diocese of Greensburg and Rector of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg. Afterward, attendees will make their way through the rooms at Christ Our Shepherd Center for an unforgettable Eucharistic journey. One room will feature a life-sized print of The Last Supper mural created by Italian Renaissance artist Leonardo da Vinci, along with an explanation of its scriptural nuances from art historian Liz Lev, a former didactic consultant for the Vatican Museums. Another room will feature Monsignor Michael J. Begolly, Pastor of Mother of Sorrows Parish, Murrysville, discussing his recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land and preparing to receive the Eucharist. Father Christopher J. Pujol, Parochial Vicar of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish, will lead a discussion and demonstration in another room about the significance of washing feet. Bishop Kulick himself will discuss the bread of life and the symbolism of Easter bread while guests sample paska bread. This event is free of charge as part of the Diocese of Greensburg's Eucharistic Revival efforts. Seating is limited. The public is welcome.

Visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival to register.

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Become a Member of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

Welcome! It is a great joy to welcome new members to our parish community. Please register as soon as possible in order to participate in our various programs, ministries and activities. Drop this form in the collection basket and we will send you a detailed registration form. If you are already a member and have changed any of your personal information please call the Parish Office or return the changes on the form below.



Name: _____

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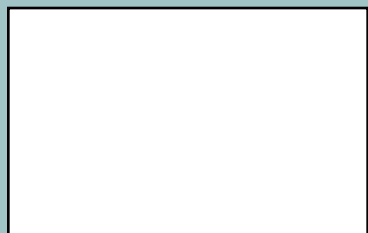
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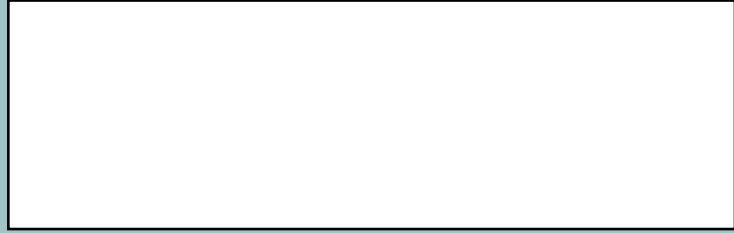
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