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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023 | SEVENTH 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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Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Office Hours) (724) 836-4384

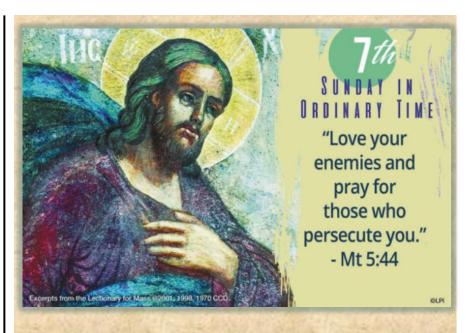
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aquinasacademy.org (724) 834-7940

DAILY ROSARY

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





Ash Wednesday, February 22, marks for Catholics the beginning of the season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption.

Why receive ashes?
Following the example of the Ninevites, who did penance in sack cloth and ashes, our foreheads are marked with ashes, to humble our hearts and remind us that life passes away on Earth. We remember this when we are told: "Remember, man is dust, and unto dust you shall return." Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice.

<u>The ashes</u>
Made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of the utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer, and penance.

Ash Wednesday Schedule - February 22, 2023

7:30 AM - Liturgy of the Word; distribution of Ashes

11:45 AM - Mass with distribution of Ashes, Bishop Kulick, presiding

5:30 PM - Mass with distribution of Ashes





READINGS FOR: Sunday, February 19, 2023

First Reading:

"Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD." (Lv 19:18)

Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Ps 103)

Second Reading:

All belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God. (1 Cor 3:22-23)

Gospel:

"You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." (Mt 5:43-44)

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The Parish & Cemetery Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2023 in observance of President's Day

The Offices will reopen on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

Keeping in our prayers and trusting that God will bring to their families comfort in the days ahead, we commend to your prayers the souls of



Amelia Forys and Robert Rhody

Our parish community extends its deepest sympathy to their families on their loss.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

Stations of the Cross

Stations are scheduled at 5:30 pm every Friday but Good Friday. We could use your help. We will need up to 3 people to help serve: a cross bearer and 2 candle



bearers. This is a great opportunity for service hours. Please contact Katie at extension 11 in the parish office to sign up to help. The dates we have available for help are:

February 26, March 10, March 17, March 24, and March 31.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 18, 2023

4:30 PM Peggy J Bell (Thomas & Family)

Sunday, February 19, 2023 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM For the Living and Deceased Members of

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

11:00 AM Jim Valdesalice (Wife)

Monday, February 20, 2023 - Weekday

11:45 AM **No Mass**

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 - Weekday

11:45 AM Marian Sackett (Joanne Brahosky)

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 - Ash Wednesday

7:30 AM Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Ashes

11:45 AM Mass with distribution of Ashes

Joseph John Matvey, Son (Mother & Daughter)

1:30 PM Aquinas Academy Prayer Service

with distribution of Ashes

5:30 PM Mass with distribution of Ashes

For the Living and Deceased Members of

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

Thursday, February 23, 2023 - Thursday after Ash Wednesday

11:45 AM Verene Harvey (Albina Smith)

Friday, February 24, 2023 - Friday after Ash Wednesday

11:45 AM Jim Morrison (Wife)

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 25, 2023 - Saturday after Ash Wednesday

11:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation4:30 PM Bob Dranzik (Betty-Wife)

Sunday, February 26, 2023 - First Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM For the Living and Deceased Members of

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

11:00 AM Barbara Mazenko (Piasecky Family)

with Rite of Sending

3:00 PM Rite of Election

SANCTUARY CANDLE



In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Tabernacle Candle will burn from February 18 through February 24

in Loving Memory

Emma Fetkovích

Requested by Mom, Dad & Luke

The Catholic Accent Television Program

The much anticipated 'Faith and Food' edition of **The Catholic Accent** television program premiers on WPXI, Channel 11, on Sunday, Feb. 19 and on Sunday Feb. 26 at 11:30 a.m.

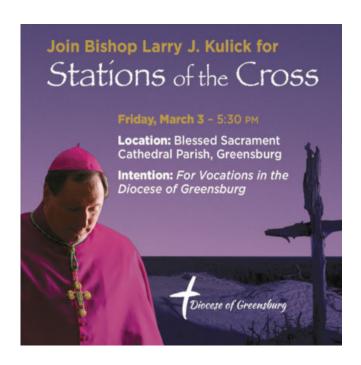
Just in time for Lent, the upcoming 'Faith and Food' edition of The Catholic Accent is fresh out of the fryer with the highly popular Diocese of Greensburg Fish Fry Guide. All Lenten Fish Fry locations, dates and times are available at the accentonline.org.

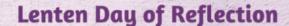
This edition of *The Catholic Accent* television program will feature a story about Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle, Rector at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish, and Vicar General of the Diocese of Greensburg. Monsignor Riffle is being honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from Catholic Charities at the annual Salt and Light Awards Dinner in April. Monsignor Riffle served as director of Catholic Charities from 1995-2020 and is being honored for his leadership and service to the organization.

We are in the kitchen with Fr. Christopher Pujol, Episcopal Master of Ceremonies and Parochial Vicar of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg. Fr. Pujol, makes his recipe for "Spaghetti, Frutti di Mare" a perfect dish for Lent and one pasta lovers will enjoy.

The program will also air on MeTV on Feb. 19 at 8:00 am and again at 8:30 a.m., on Sunday Feb. 24 at 1:00 a.m., Sunday Feb. 26 at 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. and Sunday, Mar. 3 at 1:00 a.m.







"I Must Stay at Your House..." (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.

For planning purposes, registration is required by February 28, 2023 www.blessedsacramentcathedral.org OR

Contact Katle Zuzik at 724-834-3710 x 11

Sponsored by the Greensburg Area Parishes of Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of Grace, St. Benedict, St. Bruno & St. Paul

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

Our next meeting is on *February 27th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Social Hall*. We invite all parishioners to join us.

We are continuing with our inventory process of local resources for moms in need. As we finish this process, 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.

We will continue to list the items that Catholic Charities need for their baby pantry. Below is a list of what is most needed. Please bring them to the parish office or drop them off at Catholic Charities. Thank you for your help!

Diapers in sizes 4, 5, 6, 7 and pull ups, wipes, boys clothing newborn to 12 months, girls clothing newborn and 12-24 months

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.

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!

February 12, 2023	
Offertory	\$10,321.00
Votive Candles	\$205.00
Families receiving envelopes	1,331
Envelopes used this week	170
Online Giving Transactions Processed	98

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 22	Ash Wednesday
February 26	Home Missions of the Americas

MARCH

March 12 Parish Social Ministry

Women's Faith SharingThe 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.

Bible Study

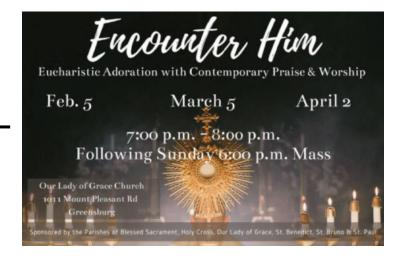
Bible study will meet on Wednesday Evenings 7:00 -8:30 PM in person in the Parish Formation Center and simultaneously via Zoom. The program assumes no previous training and is open to all who are interested on how God's word impacts their journey of faith. We will be discussing the Gospel of Matthew. 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.

> Adult Faith Formation Schedule 2023 Focus on the Saints Thursdays 7:00-9:00 pm in the Faith Formation Center

Series: Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained

February 23 Session 4: The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall and

Redemption



KNOW HIM

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 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 <u>DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival</u> to register.

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 <u>six months</u> in advance. Do not set a date until contacting the Parish Office. Pre-marriage preparation classes are required.



WEEKLY INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 19, 2023

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation [FC] 6:00-8:00 PM Youth Ministry

Monday, February 20, 2023 Parish & Cemetery Offices Closed

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

7:00-8:45 PM Diocesan Choir Rehearsal [Church]

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

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

Thursday, February 23, 2023

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

7:00-9:00 PM Adult Faith Formation - The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall and Redemption [FC]

Friday, February 24, 2023

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

[Church]

5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross [Church]

Saturday, February 25, 2023

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

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

A Night at the Races

Aquinas Academy is having its 18th annual gala "A Night at the Races". It is Saturday, March 4, 2023 from 5:00 to 11:00 PM held at Rizzo's Malabar Inn. If you would like to be a sponsor, advertise, donate an auction item or attend, please contact Kelly Watkins at kwatkins@aquinasacademy.org or call 724-834-7940 ext. 7102.

St. Paul Church - Lenten Bible Study

We are excited to announce our new Bible study, *Parousia: The Bible and the Mass*. With videos and commentaries presented by **Scott Hahn**, it traces the two thousand year evolution of the Mass from the Old and New Testaments down to our present day. The more we understand the depth and beauty of our liturgy, the better able we will be to live out our Lord's final words, *"Go out and teach all nations."* In these days where more and more of our family members and friends are drifting away from our faith in record numbers, we need to act on St. Peter's words: "...always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope." If we fully appreciate the Truth of our Catholic Faith and why the Mass is so important to us, we should be more willing and able to communicate to others just how much God loves us and is always waiting for us to come home. Ray and Nina DeFazio, Co-ordinators. **SCHEDULE:** Classes: Ten sessions, February 21 - April 25 in Sullivan Room. Day, Time: Tuesday afternoons - 1:00 p.m. and evenings - 7:00 p.m. Book Fee: \$22.00 (Scholarships available). Sign up: After Masses on the week-end of February 11/12 or call: 724 838 1607. If you are able to attend either the afternoon or evening class, please consider choosing the evening class. If the classes are more balanced in size, this will permit greater opportunities for discussion.

Local Lenten Fish Fries

Crabtree: St. Bartholomew Parish with Crabtree Volunteer Fire Department (Marian Hall), fish fries Fridays, 4:30-7 p.m., dine in or takeout. Orders: 724-834-9789 or 724-834-1028.

Greensburg: Our Lady of Grace Parish hall, fish fries Fridays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-7 p.m., drive-thru only. Information: 724-836-8157 (call for preorder and payment option details).

Greensburg: St. Bruno Parish center, fish dinners Fridays, 4-7 p.m. (Good Friday, 2:30-7 p.m.), dine in or takeout. Information: 724-836-0690 or ourladyofgracechurch.org.

Jeannette: Sacred Heart Parish school cafeteria, fish fries Fridays (including Good Friday), 4-7 p.m., dine In or takeout. Orders: 724-527-9940 (beginning at 2 p.m.).

Latrobe: St. John the Evangelist Parish hall, fish fries Fridays, noon-6 p.m., dine in or takeout (delivery with minimum order).

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724-834-3710 x 44

SVdP Food Pantry:

724-836-0175

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Joanne Hudock 724-834-1718

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.



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