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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023 | FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

WELCOME

PARISH OFFICE

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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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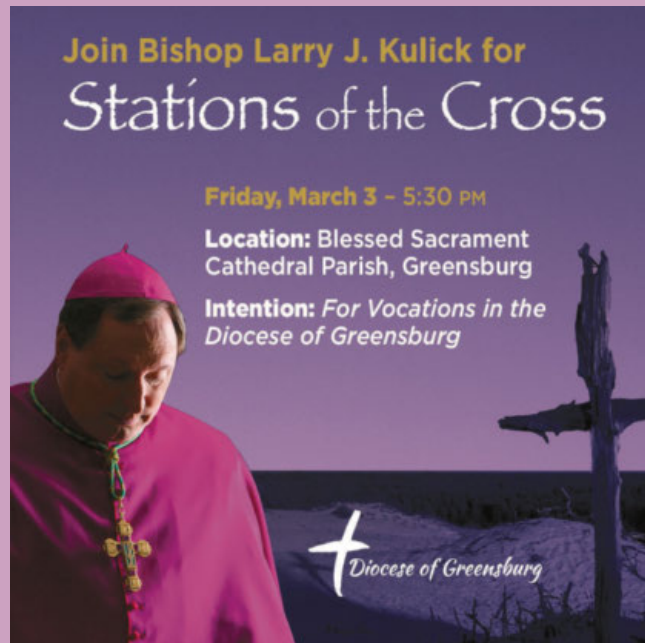
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DAILY ROSARY

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

FIRST WEEK OF LENT



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READINGS FOR: Sunday, February 26, 2023

First Reading:

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life. (Gn 2:7)

Psalm:

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. (Ps 51)

Second Reading:

For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous. (Rom 5:19)

Gospel:

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the Desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights. (Mt 4:1-2)

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Keeping in our prayers and trusting that God will bring to her family comfort in the days ahead, we commend to your prayers the soul of



Irene Pisula Foschia

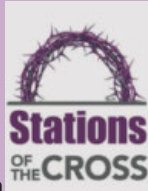
Our parish community extends its deepest sympathy to her family on their loss.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul 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:

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



Bible Study

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 are discussing the Gospel of Matthew. Contact Deacon Bill Hisker at bhisker@dioceseofgreensburg.org if you wish to participate. Dates are: March 1, 8, 15, 22, April 19 and concluding on April 26.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 25, 2023

4:30 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)
RCIA Rite of Sending

3:00 PM Rite of Election

Monday, February 27, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Joseph Wertz (Shirley Wertz & Family)

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Joan Nickoloff (George & Paul Nickoloff)

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Thomas & Emily Wisneski (Susan Wisneski-Daughter)

Thursday, March 2, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Robert G. Mazenko (Piasecky Family)

Friday, March 3, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Mary & Rudy Kolbosky (Esther - Daughter)

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross with Bishop Kulick

Saturday, March 4, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 PM Karen Stoltz (Family)

Sunday, March 5, 2023 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM Lorraine Jarr (The Szwerc Family)

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



SANCTUARY CANDLE



In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Tabernacle Candle will burn from February 25 through March 3

in Loving Memory
Josephine Hravatic

Requested by
Daughters

Lenten Day of Reflection

"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 Katie Zuzik at 724-834-3710 x 11

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Home for the Holidays & Tree of Hope Thank you!

The Bethlehem Project would like to extend its sincere gratitude to all who contributed to our recent Home for the Holidays and Tree of Hope fundraiser.

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise over **\$35,000.00** which will be used to provide both emergency shelter and rental assistance to our brothers and sisters who are in danger of homelessness in Central Westmoreland County.

We thank you very much for your support of this mission.

The winners of the Home for the Holidays Twelve Baskets of Christmas raffle are as follows:

Season's Scratching and Shoveling - C A Yanitz

Basket of Cheer - Dave Raimondo

Play the Course - Jim Silvis

Golf Strong, Go Long - Sally Loughran

Penelope's Trinkets and Treats - Patsy Morrison

Calling All History Buffs - Sue Connelly

Jaffra Spa Basket - Pat Nandor

Saint Vincent Gristmill Goodies - Linda Ralph

Sparkle and Shine
from Beeghley and
Keim- Carol Ross

Satisfy Your Sweet
Tooth- T. Jacobson

Think Summer-
Jude Symphony
Date Night-
Suzanne
English

The bonus basket
donated by
Little E's was won
by Tamera Swank.



The Catholic Accent Television Program

The much anticipated 'Faith and Food' edition of **The Catholic Accent** television program premieres 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.



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!

<u>February 12, 2023</u>	
Offertory	\$14,382.00
Votive Candles	\$190.00
Families receiving envelopes	1,330
Envelopes used this week	134
Online Giving Transactions Processed	108

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 26 Home Missions of the Americas

MARCH

March 12 Parish Social Ministry

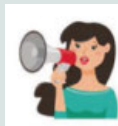
Adult Faith Formation Schedule 2023 Focus on the Saints Thursdays 7:00-9:00 pm in the Faith Formation Center

Series: The Catholic Faith Explained

March 9 Session 5: Who is Jesus? Just a Good Man or Lord of our Lives?

Hey Ladies,

Its time for our Lenten Retreat. Please join us for this day of prayer and reflection with other women from our parish.



*March 11, 2023, Time: 9:00-2:30 pm. Place: JFC
Bring a Bible & a Friend. Lunch provided.
RSVP by March 8.*

*Contact Sister Jeanne Marie, 724-834-3710 ex 35
Encountering Jesus With the Woman at the Well
Gift yourself this Lent the only cost is your time!*

Encounter Him
Eucharistic Adoration with Contemporary Praise & Worship
Feb. 5 March 5 April 2
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Following Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass
Our Lady of Grace Church
1011 Mount Pleasant Rd
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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 idactic 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.

The Bethlehem Project Advisory Board

currently has openings on the Board. The Bethlehem Project Advisory Board is a working board that plans fundraising events, develops long-range goals for the ministry, and assists in the work of preventing homelessness. Please call Katie Zuzik in the parish office, 724-834-3710 ext. 11, if you would like to be a part of this very special ministry that has been helping to prevent homelessness for over 25 years.

*"Because there was no place for them to stay..."
Luke 2:7*

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.

Thank you to all who made the Mardi Gras Dinner/Dance a wonderful evening: Msgr Riffle, Katie Zuzik, Cindy Cope, Linda DeFrancesco, Denny and Dottie Dominick, John and Debbie Wilson, Mary Szala, Rebecca Zuzik and everyone who attended the party. We celebrated in fine style!



Now save the date for the Resurrection Luncheon on Sunday, April 23, in BSC Social Hall. Reservations will be necessary. Watch the bulletin for details! Lyn and John Kedzierski

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).

WEEKLY INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 26, 2023

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation [FC]
6:00-8:00 PM Youth Ministry [FC]
3:00 PM Rite of Election [Church & Hall]

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

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

Thursday, March 2, 2023

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

Friday, March 3, 2023

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross [Church]
5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross [Church]
with Bishop Kulick - Intention: Vocations in the Diocese

Saturday, March 4, 2023

6:45 AM BSC Catholic Men's Fellowship [Social Hall]
9:00 AM-4:00 PM Greensburg Parishes Lenten Day of Reflection at Christ Our Shepard Center

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.

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724-836-0175

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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: _____

Address: _____

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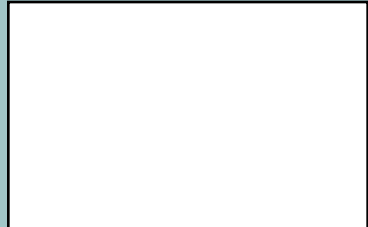
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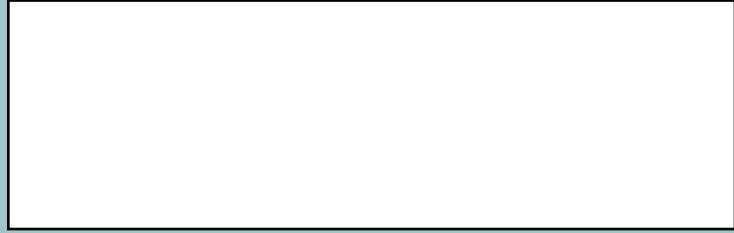
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