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SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023 | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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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8:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Office Hours)

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DAILY ROSARY

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

SECOND WEEK OF LENT



Prayer

Resolve this Lent to pray more.

Avoid telling yourself that there is no time for prayer. Be inventive. As you get ready for the day, in the shower, on your way to work, during lunch, on your way home, while preparing dinner - there are always a few moments for prayer.

Fasting

Resolve this Lent to fast.

Start your fasting with small things: no jam on your toast, no soft drink for lunch, no afternoon snack, no dessert with dinner. Fasting has been called "the prayer of the body." When we consciously deny ourselves some small pleasure, we almost automatically become more attentive to things that really matter, like our relationship to God.

Almsgiving

Resolve this Lent to remember the needy.

We think of fasting as giving something up. Think of almsgiving as giving something back to those less fortunate than ourselves and to our Church. Part of our almsgiving each year is the Annual Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Without the money raised by DLA, both the diocese and our parish would have an impossible time paying the expenses of our mission. Without the Parish Social Ministry collection, our help to the needy and the work of the St. Vincent DePaul Society here would be greatly hampered. Lots of people count on our gifts, and seeing that need can change our hearts.



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READINGS FOR: Sunday, March 5, 2023

First Reading:

I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. (Gn 12:2)

Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

Second Reading:

Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God. He saved us and called us to a holy life. (2 Tm 1:8-9)

Gospel:


Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun. (Mt 17:1-2)

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Congratulations to
Joshua & Katie (Katonka) Kempka
who were married here on
February 17, 2023.
May the Lord bless our newly married couple as
they begin their new lives together and deepen
their love for one another.
*Congratulations and God bless
our newly married couple.*



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



Rose M. Polczynski
mother of Fr. Alan Polczynski

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.*

Church Cleaning

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

WEEKLY LITURGICAL MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 4, 2023

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

Monday, March 6, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM James & Elizabeth Coletti (Janice)

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Jay Frank Moore (Wife)

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Anthony Conte (Wife)

Thursday, March 9, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Jim McDonald (Joanne Juliane & Family)

Friday, March 10, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM James & Lena Prioletto (Family)

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 11, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 PM John J. Gannon (Gannon Family)

Installation of Ministry of Acolyte

Sunday, March 12, 2023 - Third Sunday of Lent

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

11:00 AM Emma Lynn Fetkovich (Family)

RCIA Scrutiny



SANCTUARY CANDLE



In acknowledging the
Real Presence of Christ,
the Tabernacle Candle will burn from
March 4 through March 10

in Loving Memory
Thomas Crowe

Requested by
Family

Thank you to all who made the Mardi Gras Dinner/Dance a wonderful evening:

Thank you to Pantalones for their generous donations. 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



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

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 8, 15, 22, April 19 and concluding on April 26.

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. ~

Confirmation Update

Just a reminder that our 7th grade candidates preparing for Confirmation will have their retreat on Sunday, March 12. The retreat will begin with the candidates and their families at the 11:00 am Mass, followed by a luncheon in the Social Hall. After this, all the candidates will continue their retreat at the Faith Formation Center. This day is designed to help them grow closer in their relationship with God and with each other. There are many varied activities included in this retreat. The day will end at 5:00 pm.



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

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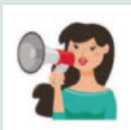
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Hey Ladies,

It's 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: FFC
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!*



Walking with Moms in Need

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 26, 2023

Offertory	\$11,949.00
Votive Candles	\$205.00
Families receiving envelopes	1,330
Envelopes used this week	137
Online Giving Transactions Processed	114

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.

MARCH

March 12 Parish Social Ministry

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.

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 11	Saturday: Lenten Women's Retreat 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
March 16	Session 6: Who is Jesus? Just a Good Man or Lord of our Lives?

Dear Members of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish, We want to sincerely thank each of you who responded to the **Uplift Our Faith Community** letter that you received from us this past December. To those of you who made an end-of-year gift and to those of you who pledged to increase your offertory contributions in 2023, we are very grateful. Your contributions help to keep our parish moving forward through the prayer, formation, service and outreach opportunities which we offer. Please know that you are in our prayers every day.

Blessings,
 Msgr. Riffle, Father Pujol, Deacon Bill and the Parish Staff

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.

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 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.

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

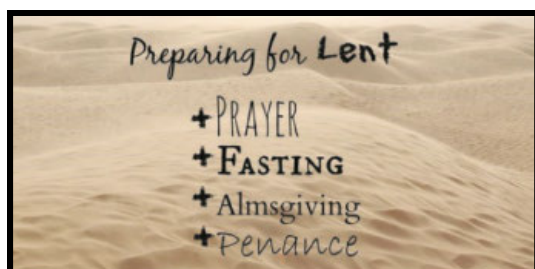


By appointment only. Contact Katie Zuzik in the Parish Office at least three months in advance of the Baptism. A class for parents is required to reflect on the meaning of the sacrament, review the Ceremony and to highlight the importance of family commitment to practicing the Catholic Faith. The requirements 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.



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, March 5, 2023

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

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

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

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

Thursday, March 9, 2023

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

Friday, March 10, 2023

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross [Church]

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

Saturday, March 11, 2023

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

9:00 AM-2:00 PM Lenten Women's Retreat [FC]

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

THE WELL, Diocesan Men's Conference, planned March 25

Men in the Diocese of Greensburg are invited to get out of their comfort zone and make Catholicism a way of life at "THE WELL – BE NOT AFRAID," the Diocesan Men's Conference, Saturday, March 25 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. It will be a day of inspiring speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and Mass celebrated by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. Cost is \$50 and includes lunch. Scholarships are available through the Diocesan Francis Fund. Register now at DioceseofGreensburg.org/TheWell.

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; Kindness Closet, St. Edward Parish, 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 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.

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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.



Name: _____

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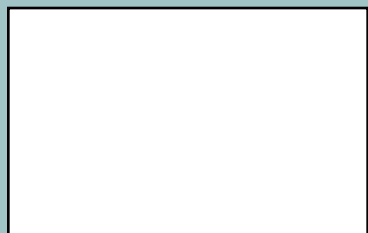


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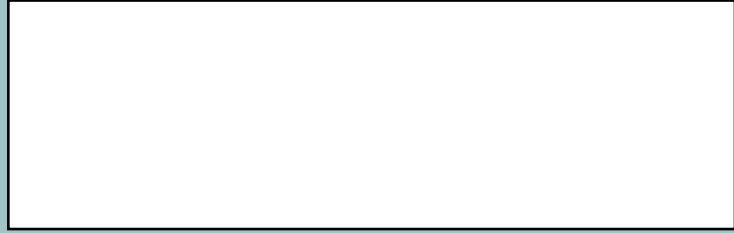
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