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**SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023 | THIRD 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

#### **GREENSBURG CATHOLIC CEMETERY**

**Monday - Friday** 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Office Hours) (724) 836-4384

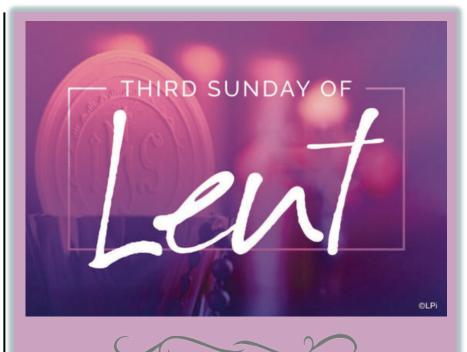
#### **AQUINAS ACADEMY**

aquinasacademy.org (724) 834-7940

#### **DAILY ROSARY**

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

### THIRD WEEK OF LEN



Meet those in our RCIA who are preparing to enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil, April 8, 2023

During these days of Lent, the Elect and Candidate are now in an intense time of preparation and purification, to celebrate the Easter Sacraments. They have been journeying with us for over a year and are ready to take the final steps of their journey.

Please pray for our Elect: Robert Breckenridge, Steven Freund, and Jacob Tyznik will be entering the Church through the waters of Baptism, sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and will join us at the table of the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

Please pray for our Candidate (for acceptance into full Communion with the Catholic Church): Chelsea Capretti will make her profession of faith and complete her initiation sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.







#### **READINGS FOR: Sunday, March 12, 2023**

First Reading:

"Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." (Ex 17:6)

#### Psalm

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

#### **Second Reading:**

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. (Rom 5:5)

#### Gospel:

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (Jn 4:13-14)

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#### Confirmation Update

Just a reminder that our 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

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



#### **WEEKLY LITURGICAL MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday, March 11, 2023

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 Sacrmanet Cathedral

11:00 AM Emma Lynn Fetkovich (Family)

RCIA Scrutiny

Monday, March 13, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Verene Harvey (Beth Kinzer)

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Thomas E. Priest (Kathleen & Farrah Priest Family)

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Sean Nolan (Nolan Family)

Thursday, March 16, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM Ruth & Charles Conley (Daughter)

Friday, March 17, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:45 AM James Colletti, Jr. (Sandy - Wife)

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18, 2023 - Lenten Weekday

11:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 PM Albert L. Grillo (Janet Shugarts - Friend)

Sunday, March 19, 2023 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM For the Living and Deceased Members of

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

11:00 AM Doris Kutch (Bodnar Family)

RCIA Scrutiny



#### **SANCTUARY CANDLE**



In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Tabernacle Candle will burn from March 11 through March 17

in Loving Memory

Joseph Kellner

Requested by Paula Korber - Sister

#### **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.



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.

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 16 Session 6: Who is Jesus? Just a Good Man or Lord of our Lives?

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



#### Two Things To Remember In Life:

"Take care of your thoughts when you are alone, and..... Take care of your words when you are with people."



The Bethlehem Project Advisory Board

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. to prevent homelessness for over 25 years.

"Because there was no place for them to stay... Luke 2:3

#### **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. ~

#### Attention Bakers!

With parish social events coming back into full swing, we need to gather our bakers once again! If you would be willing to bake for parish social events and wish to be put on the bakers list, please call or email Lyn Kedzierski at: ljemrick12@gmail.com or 724-836-2568. Thank you!

#### Walking with Moms in Need

Thank you for all of your continued prayers as we have completed our process of identifying resources in our area for moms in need. We are very excited to complete this initial step, and to share these results and plans with our parish community.

Please continue to pray for the Walking with Moms in Need core team as we prepare a plan for implementing this new ministry in our parish.

We will also continue to list the items that Catholic Charities need for their baby pantry. Thank you so much for your generous donations to help moms in our community! Please drop off donations at the parish office.

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!

Offertory	\$21,391.00
<b>Votive Candles</b>	\$163.00
Families receiving envelopes	1,327
Envelopes used this week	186

114

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

Online Giving Transactions Processed

Online Giving is an easy way to make your weekly contributions by going to <a href="https://osvhub.com/blessed-sacrament-cathedral/funds">https://osvhub.com/blessed-sacrament-cathedral/funds</a>. 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
APRIL	

April 2 Palm Sunday April 6 Holy Thursday

April 7 Holy Land/Good Friday

April 9 Easter Sunday

#### **Church Cleaning**

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

#### 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

	*Diocesan Goal	Pledged	% Achieved	
Dollar	\$201,450	\$62,253	30.9%	
No. of Gifts	1453	143	9.8%	

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that totals are received from the Diocese and published Monday or Tuesday. These totals are as of March 5, 2023.

#### **Dear Friends in Christ,**

Here in the Diocese of Greensburg, we are embarking on our 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Our theme this year is *One Body in Christ*. As



members of the Church, we are *One Body in Christ* through our baptism. As Saint Paul reminds us, the body, although one, has many parts with Christ as the head. The contribution that each part makes is valuable and important to the function of the whole. We have all been blessed individually with unique gifts, and we offer these gifts in service of the one body, the Church, with Christ as our head. At the end of each Mass, we are sent forth into the world, as members of His Mystical Body, with the mandate to carry the message of Christ into the world.

We see many instances of this being done across our Diocese. One example is the wonderful ministry of our international priests who are currently serving in roughly one third of our parishes. Another is our faith formation within parishes including catechesis, youth ministry, and numerous volunteer opportunities. An additional important example is the outreach to the less fortunate in our communities through Catholic Charities by feeding the hungry, helping the homeless, and providing counseling services. All of these ministries, along with many others, are supported by the Diocesan Lenten Appeal.

During Lent, I encourage you to support the work of the Diocese of Greensburg through your participation in the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. I ask you to prayerfully consider your support which will assist our mission of strengthening the Body of Christ in our Diocesan Church. Your participation in the past has been generous and humbling to me. Thank you for all you have done.

I pray that we may continue to serve the Lord as many unique components that come together to form *One Body in Christ*. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend Larry J. Kulick, J.C.L.

Bishop of Greensburg



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 <a href="mailto:zempyeer@gmail.com">zempyeer@gmail.com</a>)
for more information.

#### 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.



FISH FRY

#### **Donate Your Used Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids**

The Lions Club collects old or unused eyeglasses and hearing aids to distribute to those who need them. There is a drop-off container in the vestibule of the church where these items can be placed for pick-up. Help the Lions Club by bringing your old or unused eyeglasses and hearing aids in for those who are less fortunate.

#### **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 12, 2023**

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation [FC] 11:00 AM-5:00 PM Confirmation Retreat [FC] 6:00-8:00 PM Youth Ministry [FC]

#### Wednesday, March 15, 2023

5:30-6:30 PM BP Advisory Board [Social Hall] 7:00-8:30 PM Bible Study [FC & Zoom]

#### Thursday, March 16, 2023

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

7:00-9:00 PM Adult Faith Session 5: Who is Jesus? Just a Good Man or Lord of our Lives? [FC]

#### Friday, March 17, 2023

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

[Church]

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

#### Saturday, March 18, 2023

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

#### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

# Bus trip to Sight and Sound Theatre's 'Moses' planned June 23

St. Paul Parish, Greensburg, is planning a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theater, Lancaster, to see "Moses" Friday, June 23. Cost is \$178 (\$75 deposit due by Friday, March 17). The bus will leave at 10 a.m. The trip will include an Amish-style dinner at Plain & Fancy. Participants can register, pay the deposit and sign waivers at <a href="https://scholasticatravel.groupcollect.com/go/15477a">https://scholasticatravel.groupcollect.com/go/15477a</a>. For information, call 724-989-6034.

## 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 t 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 <a href="mailto:ccharitiesgreens-burg.org">ccharitiesgreens-burg.org</a> or call Heather Rady at 724-837-1840.

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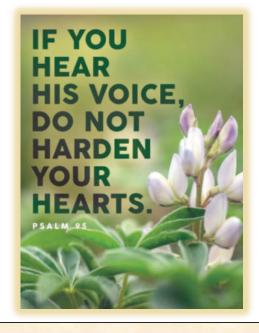
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Linda Cooper Paul Niemiec
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Kirsten Lieberum Mike Rzempoluch

#### **SVdP Assistance:**

724-834-3710 x 44

#### **SVdP Food Pantry**:

724-836-0175

**Prayer Chain:** 

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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