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SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023 | FIFTH 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

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(724) 834-7940

### DAILY ROSARY

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



**2023 Communal Lenten Reconciliation Services**  
In our region will be held on the following dates:

<b>Sunday, March 26</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Holy Cross, Youngwood</b>
<b>Monday, March 27</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 28</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>St. Bruno</b>
<b>Wednesday, March 29</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>St. Benedict</b>
<b>Thursday, March 30</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Our Lady of Grace</b>
<b>Saturday, April 1</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Blessed Sacrament Cathedral</b>

**Please Note: Saturday, April 1 at 11:00 AM at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral is the last opportunity in our region to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. There are no confessions scheduled on Saturday, April 8, which is Holy Saturday.**

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

**READINGS FOR: Sunday, March 26, 2023**

**First Reading:**

I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

**Psalm:**

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

**Second Reading:**

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

**Gospel:**

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (Jn 11:25-26)

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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



**Marcia McCreery**

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.*

If you are interested in helping with the planning of the Resurrection Luncheon, **there will be a meeting on Monday, March 27 at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall.**



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

**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. ~

**WEEKLY LITURGICAL MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, March 25, 2023**

4:30 PM Catherine D. Rowe (Family)

**Sunday, March 26, 2023 - Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:30 AM John, Rita & Jay McFeeley (Family)

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

*RCIA Scrutiny*

**Monday, March 27, 2023 - Lenten Weekday**

11:45 AM Louis & Ruth Geary (Family)

**Tuesday, March 28, 2023 - Lenten Weekday**

11:45 AM Donna Henderson (Larry & Tracy Smith)

**Wednesday, March 29, 2023 - Lenten Weekday**

11:45 AM Paula Wesner (Wesner & Campi Families)

**Thursday, March 30, 2023 - Lenten Weekday**

11:45 AM Daniel J. Brean (Brean Family)

**Friday, March 31, 2023 - Lenten Weekday**

11:45 AM Doris Kutch (Bodnar Family)

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 1, 2023 - Lenten Weekday**

11:00 AM Regional Lenten Reconciliation Service

4:30 PM Francis X. O'Donnell (Mary O'Donnell)

**Sunday, April 2, 2023 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

8:30 AM Paula Wesner (Wesner & Campi Families)

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 March 25 through March 31

in Loving Memory  
*David Pascarella*

Requested by  
Family

### Adult Faith Formation Schedule 2023

How's your Lent been going? Are you looking for a way to continue this Lenten journey to prepare for Holy Week? Then please consider joining us at the Faith Formation Center on **Thursday, March 30 from 7:00-8:30 pm** for Reflections on the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. Sister Jeanne Marie will be guiding the prayers (with the help of Bishop Barron) as we continue our journey toward Holy Week. No registration required. Just come and pray with us. Please be sure to bring a friend and your rosary beads.

### Decorating the Church for Chapel of Repose and Easter

Help prepare our worship space for the Easter Season! We need volunteers to help set up the Social Hall for the Chapel of Repose after the Chrism luncheon on **Thursday afternoon, April 6 at 1:30 PM** and/or help to decorate our Church for Easter on **Saturday, April 8 at 9:00 AM**. Please give of your time and your talents, two very priceless gifts that contribute to the beauty of this season. Let us prepare for this sacred celebration together as a parish family. Call the Parish Office at 724-834-3710 to let us know you will be helping.

### The Bethlehem Project Advisory Board

currently has openings for committee members. Committee members would assist the board members in various areas, and would be required to attend committee meetings and events. 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*

### Bereavement Group

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral will be hosting a bereavement series beginning in April. The series will be run by Phil Jamison from Excelsa Health Home Health and Hospice Team. If you have experienced a loss and would like to join this group, please call Katie in the Parish Office at: 724-834-3710 ext. 11. The series begins on April 13, 2023 from 2:00 to 3:30 pm, and runs each Thursday through May 18, 2023.

### Third Scrutiny

The words of the hymn, "I Now Live," echo faintly in churches still decorated for Lent as the Third Scrutiny takes place and those who journey toward Easter hear about the raising of Lazarus. The Gospel story is about more than just the raising of a single man, but about the life that Jesus Christ offers to every one of us. But there are many powers that seek to steal this life from us. In the words of this Scrutiny we pray for those journeying toward Easter, as the presider says: "Free from the grasp of death those who await your life-giving sacraments and deliver them from the spirit of corruption." It is through the sacrament of the Church that Jesus Christ instituted that we receive a new life, but sin stands in our way. What Jesus did for his friend in this story, he did for us through his cross and resurrection. If we choose life, there is no spirit that can stand against us. May we stand with those before us who will be baptized at Easter and testify to the reality that we now live because we have died and risen with him and death's power is no more.

### 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](mailto:bhisker@dioceseofgreensburg.org) if you wish to participate. Dates are: April 19 and concluding on April 26.

### 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](mailto: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!

**Sunday, March 12, 2023**

**Offertory** \$17,378.00  
**Votive Candles** \$173.00

Families receiving envelopes 1,329  
 Envelopes used this week 156  
 Online Giving Transactions Processed 106

**Sunday, March 19, 2023**

**Offertory** \$11,039.00  
**Votive Candles** \$217.00

Families receiving envelopes 1,330  
 Envelopes used this week 114  
 Online Giving Transactions Processed 100

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.

**APRIL**

April 2 Palm Sunday  
 April 6 Holy Thursday  
 April 7 Holy Land/Good Friday  
 April 9 Easter Sunday

**2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal**

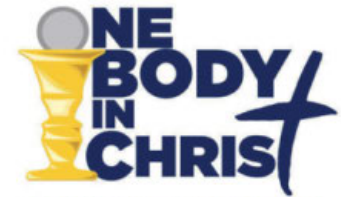
	<b>*Diocesan Goal</b>	<b>Pledged</b>	<b>% Achieved</b>
Dollar	\$201,450	\$99,143	50%
No. of Gifts	1453	225	17.5%

\*Please note that totals are received from the Diocese and published Monday or Tuesday. These totals are as of March 21, 2023.

Last year's return from the Diocesan Lenten Appeal allowed us to build our capital fund, get under contract for the replacement roof on the Faith Formation Center, and supplement our operating budget.

This year, we are hoping to replace the emergency battery back-up system in the the church with a gas generator as well as replace the aging lighting control panel and refurbish the boilers in the church, which have taken a beating this past winter.

Donating to the Diocesan Lenten Appeal helps to unite us as One Body in Christ. Prayerfully consider making your gift today.



2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

**Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish**



Scan this QR code to donate using your phone.

**Donate today at [DioceseofGreensburg.org/OneBody](https://DioceseofGreensburg.org/OneBody)**

**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.

**Church Cleaning**

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

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](mailto:andyb9530@comcast.net)) or  
 Michael (724-691-2191  
 or [zempyeer@gmail.com](mailto:zempyeer@gmail.com))  
 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 six months in advance. Do not set a date until contacting the Parish Office. Pre-marriage preparation classes are required.

**Encounter Him**  
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## WEEKLY INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

### **Sunday, March 26, 2023**

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

### **Wednesday, March 29, 2023**

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

### **Thursday, March 30, 2023**

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

### **Friday, March 31, 2023**

2:00 PM Aquinas Academy Stations of the Cross  
5:30 PM BSC Stations of the Cross [Church]

### **Saturday, April 1, 2023**

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

### **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](http://ccharitiesgreensburg.org) or call Heather Rady at 724-837-1840.

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



### **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](http://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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## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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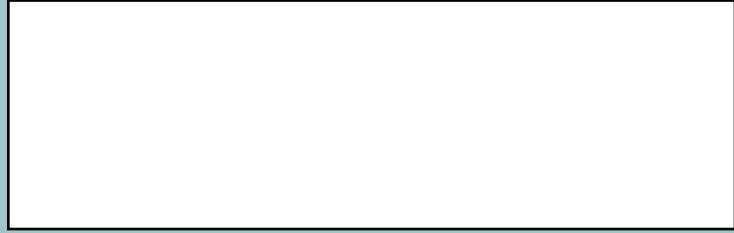
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