



# Our Lady of the Assumption

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg  
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## OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri  
9:00 am - 1:30 pm  
Afternoon—by appointment only  
Closed Wednesday

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm - Lucernemines  
Saturday 6:00 pm - Coral  
Sunday 9:00 am - Coral  
Sunday 11:00 am - Lucernemines

**Sanctuary Lamp for  
April 16 to April 30 burns in  
memory of**

**Michael & Pauline Gatskie  
By The Gatskie Family  
(Coral)**

**&**

**In honor of Julie Carr by  
Jenny Farabaugh & Family  
(Lucernemines)**

**Host in memory of  
Gusty & Rose Vilcek by  
Marianna & Daughters  
(Coral)**

*Thank  
You*

Thank you to those who have already taken the opportunity to "Be the Light"

for their faith community by donating to the 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Even a small gift can make a big difference. We have met our diocesan target and any money contributed at this point will be returned to the parish. If you still haven't had the opportunity to give, please do so by dropping your contribution in the offertory basket, mailing to the diocese directly or make your gift online at [www.DiocesefofGreensburg.org/BeTheLight](http://www.DiocesefofGreensburg.org/BeTheLight). We are appreciative of every donation!

### St. Joseph Candle

Burns for

Joseph Mlinarsky

by Mary Kay Yarchak

(Coral)

Andrew Boczar

By Daughter, Dolly Smith

(Lucernemines)



### Sacred Heart of Jesus Council 10960 / Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus meet in the church hall of the Lucerne Worship Site the third Wednesday of the month. Rosary at 7:15 pm followed by the business meeting at 7:30 pm.

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## A Doorkeeper to God

Dear Parishioners,

Have you noticed that after Easter, at almost every Mass, we read some passage or the other from the **Acts of the Apostles**? In the opening paragraph of this book, the author, Luke, tells the reader (perhaps mostly to his patron, Theophilus or Lover of God) that in his first book (Gospel), he wrote about "all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen." [1:1-2] Luke continues by saying that **after Jesus' suffering [Jesus] presented himself alive to them "by many convincing proofs" over a forty day period [1:3].**

After forty days, Jesus disappeared from the view of the disciples and apostles, not without imparting to these men and women a mission. In short, the "mission," or, as it's commonly termed, "**The Great Commission,**" requires these men and women to **tell others about Jesus, about Jesus' teachings, about Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection, and to invite people to repent of their opposition to God.** The message they carried and which they spoke might be succinctly expressed: stop fighting the God who seeks you.

These people became **doorkeepers to the mysteries of God** which unfolded in Jesus' person and in Jesus' words and deeds. These men and women who traveled about **recounted what they had seen and heard when new and profound mysteries opened up and out before them.** They **learned in the doing how to draw people to the beauty of life in God and how to open their listeners to the Living Word of God in Jesus, the very Voice of God without Whom life ends tragically.** They went to cultures foreign, even repugnant to them at first blush. These women and men had to know Jesus to introduce him to others.

It seems appropriate that within these post-Easter days we **remember a little-known but great doorkeeper, a sainted Capuchin Friar, Conrad of Parzham** in Bavaria, Germany, as a man whose sole ministry in his religious life involved answering the door of the friary monastery with welcome to whomever stood on the other side. Even in the 1870s greeting the unknown and unsuspected must have carried stress; Conrad stood there for forty years. A man who grasped that he wished "to keep the things of heaven in view" while working, positioned himself physically so that he could see the tabernacle in the church and so converse with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. People came to Altotting in Bavaria because they wanted to pray at an ancient shrine of the Mother of Jesus, dating to 660, a place in Germany considered the equal of Lourdes in France. **The man at the door became known as a kind man sharing food and bread, both physical and spiritual. The spiritual wisdom of this man drew hundreds of people to the mysteries of God and God gave Conrad a gift of healing for others from physical and interior ills. He died in 1894. Conrad's feast day is April 21.**

To whom do we come with a key to introduce others to the mysteries of God? Act like an Apostle or at least like doorkeeper at a Shrine.

*Fr. John*

## Faith Formation Schedule

April/May 2021

4/18 K-5 from 9:30-10:30am

4/25 K-5 from 9:30-10:30am  
Grades 6-7 and Youth Group from 5:30-7pm

5/2 K-5 from 9:30-10:30am

5/9 K-5 from 9:30-10:30am  
Grades 6-7 and Youth Group from 5:30-7pm

5/16 K-5 from 9:30-10:30am

5/23 K-5 from 9:30-10:30am  
Grades 6-7 and Youth Group from 5:30-7pm

### SALVATION ARMY PLAQUE

Dear Friends at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish,

Thank you so much for participating in the 2020 Create-a-Kettle Challenge.

I am thrilled to share with you that this year, your group raised \$1,044.63.

As the challenge winner, please accept the accompanying plaque as a token of our appreciation and your participation. Thank you again for your support.

May God bless you.

Lt. Candace Horsman  
Corps Officer



### Attention High School Seniors

Scholarship applications were mailed out to each of our graduating high school seniors on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact our Parish Office immediately if you did NOT receive one. We want to be sure that our graduate list is up-to-date! Watch for additional information on upcoming events for high school graduates!



### Mark Your Calendars

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish will be having a take out lasagna dinner on Friday, May 14th from 3:00 to 7:00 PM. The cost of the dinner is \$10.00 and includes lasagna, salad, bread and a dessert. We will need volunteers to help with the preparation before and the day of the dinner. Contact 724-459-8977 if you are able to help.



### For Sale

The Christian Mothers have microfiber cleaning cloths for sale at \$5 each. If interested, call Jackie at 724-549-8119.

### Job search information available on Catholic Charities Facebook page

Finding a job is hard. Don't do it alone! Catholic Charities has information posted about a series of education opportunities for creating a resume, interview skills and more. Visit the Facebook page of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg for more information.

### Thank You

We received a thank you for the free-will donation from Laura McLaine, Program Coordinator of Hopeful Hearts, one of our presenters on bereavement during our Lenten Series. Hopeful Hearts is a center for grieving, children, adolescents and their families. They a service of the VNA of Indiana County.

Diocesan Lenten Appeal as of 04/13/2021		
Goal	Pledged/Received	Percent
\$48,768.00	\$55,298.00	<b>113%</b> <b>259 donors</b>

APRIL 10/11, 2021	OFFERTORY
Adult Offertory	\$3,914.00
Loose Offertory	\$212.00
Children's Offertory	\$3.00
Votive Candles	\$115.00
Maintenance	\$191.00
Catholic Accent	\$8.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$10.00
Holy Thursday	\$80.00
Good Friday	\$80.00
Easter	\$615.00
Cemetery	\$81.00

## MASS INTENTIONS



*For April 17 to April 25, 2021*

### **SATURDAY, APRIL 17**– Lucernemines

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Anticipated Mass– Third Sunday of Easter  
4:00 pm Mass - +Jenny Sontag (Tom & Terri  
(Lucernemines) Tedeschi)  
6:00 pm Pro Populo (Coral)

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 18** - Coral

Third Sunday of Easter  
9:00 am +Jerry Solar (Holly Donahue  
(Coral)  
11:00 am+Richard Liebal (Sister, Judy)  
(Lucernemines)

### **MONDAY, APRIL 19—NO MASS**

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 20** - Coral

Easter Weekday  
8:00 am +John Popp, Jr. (Mary Popp, mother)

### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21** – Coral

Saint Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
8:00 am +George “Corky” Sabota (Marianna Reed)

### **THURSDAY, APRIL 22**- Coral

Easter Weekday  
8:00 am - +LaRue Terloin (Daniel Binando &  
Kathleen Vargo)

### **FRIDAY, APRIL 23**- Coral

Saint George, Martyr  
Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr  
8:00 am - +Richard Englert (Friends)

### **SATURDAY, APRIL 24**

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Anticipated Mass–Fourth Sunday of Easter  
4:00 pm Mass - +Barbara Bearer (Monica Rura)  
(Lucernemines)  
6:00 pm Mass- +Frank & Donna Galasso (Galasso  
(Coral) Family)

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 25**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation  
9:00 am - +JR Reed (Wife Marianna)  
(Coral)  
11:00 am- Pro populo  
(Lucernemines)