



Our Lady of the Assumption

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:00 am - 1:00 pm—Walk-in
1:00 pm– 2:00 pm—Lunch
2:00-4:00 pm—By appointment

SUNDAY MASSES

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

Schedule for daily Masses, Holy Days, & other services can be found inside.

**The Sanctuary Candle
for August 13 to August 27
Robert & Tucker Biller
By
Jenny
(Lucernemines)
&
August 6 to 20
Frank, Teresa, Greg & Alicia
Binando
(Coral)**



Share the Joy

Once again we are placing tags at the back of

both churches to help families in need with back to school clothing. Please return the clothing items with tag attached no later than August 22nd. If you have any questions, please call Patty Pavolko at 724-479-2290. Thank you for your continued support.

Baskets for Fundraiser



You may begin to drop off your baskets for the

basket raffle at the church office during regular hours. Baskets can also be placed after weekend masses in the Coral Hall or the back of the Lucerne church. We request that you drop off your basket no later than August 22nd. Please include your name and title of your basket.

The St. Joseph Candle Burns for

Brian M. Gatskie

By

Mother, Patricia Gatskie Call
(Coral)

The Host at Lucernemines for the weekends of August 14/15 and August 21/22 is in memory of

Helen Bender

By Ed & Bernadette Palchesko

&

For the week of August 15 in Coral for

Ronald Vilcek

By

Family



Praying Like Jesus Prayed – How I learned to Pray the Psalms

Dear Parishioners,

As a young man beginning formation as a Capuchin-Franciscan friar and seminarian, I arrived for novitiate at a stately old Georgian mansion at Winchester on the Severn River in Annapolis, Maryland, a couple of miles upriver of the Naval Academy. One of the first friar-priests to welcome me was Patrick McGann, a name with which I was familiar, but a person I had not met. Persons who knew him spoke glowingly of him. He stood about five feet six inches tall and looked like “Mr. Magoo” of cartoon fame: ever so slightly pudgy, shaved bald head, wire-rimmed glasses, and a smile that squinted at you. Patrick had served the friars in many important administrative and advisory positions, yet he was universally respected and fraternally loved. I learned that his two “vices” were a weekly cigarette or cigar and a glass of scotch on Sunday evening.

Everyone, I learned, sought Patrick as a confessor and as a spiritual advisor because he always spoke kindly and unequivocally, truth-telling at its best. One of his tasks to my group of fourteen, at first, later seven, fellow novices, involved teaching us that the **Divine Office, the Breviary, the “Liturgy of the Hours,” constituted prayer as we voiced the Psalms.** Every friar and every priest must pray daily and must pray the Breviary. Father Patrick wanted us to be men aware of what we were doing when we carried breviaries and entered the chapel seven times a day. **He didn’t want us to misunderstand the Breviary to be an obligation without heart or purpose.** Fr. Patrick spent weeks in a class devoted to the Book of Psalms from the Bible, spelling out which **psalms were happy, sad, lamentations, festive, penitential, pilgrimage, reconciling, forgiving, didactic (teaching), and condemnatory.** It’s hard to discover an emotion or a situation or a condition or a sorrow not addressed. He pointed out that the Psalms contain essential and enduring spiritual truths and principles that help and sustain us in life.

Father also impressed on us that **people like us** and those who joined our community for Mass had been praying the Psalms **daily for thousands of generations.** He liked to point out to us memorable phrases penned by David, or later by some other unidentified great leader in Israel who invited people to call out to God. **Patrick also insisted strongly that Jesus prayed the Psalms, as his own prayer-book.**

After many years of daily prayer, I concur that **praying in the language of the Bible becomes second nature.** St. Francis of Assisi once commented that if all the copies of the New Testament Gospels were lost, he could dictate the text anew by heart. In the “new order” for Catholic worship at Mass after the Second Vatican Council, the scholars selecting the daily scripture readings restored a fuller version of the Psalms for each weekday and weekend in all cycles to replace the succinctly beautiful, chanted “graduals and tracts” of the liturgy in Latin. In our Lectionary, a Psalm bridges the first reading to the Gospel, on weekends sung with evocative music so that the refrain instructs us about the working of God in human life.

Catholic thinkers about God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, say the working of God, in “grace,” conforms us to Christ, the Incarnation. What does that mean except that when we minister to one another, we want to do what Jesus does. Our own voices should become more like Jesus’ voice so that our own spirits join him. **Want to grow in understanding of our faith? Read, study, pray the following Psalms to begin with: 65**

(Thanksgiving); 43 (Lament – plead for me); 37 (help me with evil in my world); 19 (God revealed in creation); 115 (Where is our God?); 139 (You know me, God); or, 118 (God’s love endures forever). **Take your pick, there are 150 Psalms.**

Adult Bible Study:

Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit

Adult Bible Study sessions will continue to be held on the following Thursdays:

8/26, 9/9, 9/23, 10/7, 10/21, 11/4, and 11/18.

Identical sessions will be held at 9am in the Coral Social Hall,
and 7pm in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines site.

Light refreshments and writing materials will be provided.

Continue your Faith journey in the company of friends!

Altar Server Training Session: New and Refresher

An additional training session for Altar Servers will be held for those students entering grades 3-12.

It will take place at the Lucernemines worship site on Wednesday, August 18th from 7-8pm.

Whether you are new to this ministry or would like to have a refresher course

(if you have not served recently), this training is for YOU!

Please keep in mind that if you are working toward service hours for Confirmation,
serving as an acolyte (Altar Server) will count! Again, this is a great opportunity for ALL students!

If you are interested, please email cmarcoine@dioceseofgreensburg.org or contact the Parish Office.

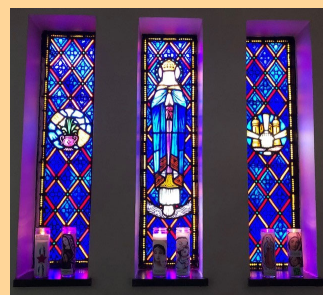
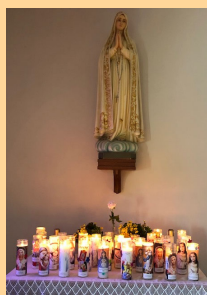
Novena Candles Workshop

The following students helped to decorate candles for this year's Novena

for the Feast of the Assumption:

Libby Brown, Taylor Rado, Mason Elkin, Owen Elkin, and Caden Costello

Many thanks for their creative skills in decorating over 70 candles which are on display
at both worship sites. All of the candles have been labeled to identify those being honored.



Blessing of Backpacks

Students! Have your backpack blessed on Sunday, August 22, 2021 at the 9 am & 11 am Masses.

Volunteers Needed

We are still in need of volunteers to help at our End of Summer basket raffle and food sale on August 29th. If you are able to help, please call Terri Tedeschi at 724-459-8977.

Host Requests

Thank you to those sponsoring the host in memory or honor of someone. In order to be fair, the host will be sponsored for two weekends at the Lucerne church or one week at the Coral Church. Since Coral has daily Mass, we felt this is the only way to be fair to those sponsoring the host at the Lucerne Church. This will encompass eight Masses at both sites. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the parish office at 724-479-9542, ext. 10.

Office Closed

The parish office will be closed on Monday, August 16, 2021 in observance of the Feast of the Assumption. We will reopen on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 9 am.

Clearances

I will be fully opening up the ministries on our next Schedule. Anyone who is interested in returning to serve, please make sure your clearances are up-to-date. Many people have updated them during COVID, however there are still some that need to take the Virtus (full session) or the re-certification. If you work or volunteer where clearances are required, and they are less than five years old, we can accept those, the only thing you would need is the fingerprint affidavit, unless you have actual fingerprinting done already, and the Virtus and Mandated Reporter sessions. All ministries need them as well as any volunteers. If you have any questions regarding your clearances call Connie in the parish office during regular office hours Monday-Friday, 9 am to 4 pm. 724-479-9542, ext. 10.

Mass Requests

There have been some requests made for Mass for 2022. The Mass book for 2022 has not yet been opened. Before the book is opened for scheduling we must first look at the schedule for any Mass time changes. This eliminates the need to call someone should we have a change. Also, please have the forms ready BEFORE you come in to schedule. If the date you request is not available, the Mass will be scheduled on the closest date to it. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the parish office at 724-479-9542, ext. 10. When the book is opened new forms will be in each church and will have the year at the top. Please use these and not the older forms. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

AUGUST 7/8, 2021	OFFERTORY
Adult Offertory	\$6,016.00
Loose Offertory	\$148.05
Children's Offertory	\$3.00
Votive Candles	\$98.07
Maintenance	\$193.00
Catholic Accent	\$99.00
Catholic University	\$20.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$110.00
Assumption	\$96.00
Cemetery Collection	\$75.00

MASS INTENTIONS



For August 14 to August 22, 2021

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Anticipated Mass– The Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin
4:00 pm +Patricia Stelma (Mike & Irene Grimes)
(Lucernemines)
6:00 pm+John Luksih, Sr. & John Luksich
(Coral) (Son, John Luksich, Jr.)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00 am+Aldo & Katherine Tedeschi (Tom & Terri)
(Coral)
11:00 am Pro populo
(Lucernemines)

MONDAY, AUGUST 16 —NO MASS OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17 - Coral

8:00 am +Joe Gonda (Tim & Teresa Mitasky)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18– Coral

8:00 am +Louis Guerry (Don Luscia & Family)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19 - Coral

Saint John Eudes, Priest

8:00 am - + Sister, Dorothy Morrow (Lazor Family)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 - Coral

Saint Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am - +John “Slugger” Golba (Brian Short &
Family)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21 -

Saint Pius X, Pope

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Anticipated Mass–Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary
Time
4:00 pm - +Gloria Jackson (John & Peggy Caruso)
(Lucernemines)
6:00 pm Mass– Pro populo
(Coral)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation
9:00 am - +Loving parents & sister, Phil, Eva, &
(Coral) Yvonne Cravotta (Family)
11:00 am- +Rose Menegatti Benamati
(Lucernemines) (Joe & Martha Benamati &
Family)