



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.

August 20 to September 3
Margaret Filitske
By
Gert Mlinarich
(Coral)

The Sanctuary candle for Lucerne will be lit on September 3 and the intention will be announced in the bulletin of September 5. We should then be back on track for a two week monthly interval.

Second Collection—Next Weekend

“The USCCB has asked every diocese in the United States to take up a special collection to help the Church and the people of Haiti who were devastated by the earthquake that occurred there on August 14, 2021. The collection will take place the weekend of September 4 and 5, 2021. Please be as generous as you can.

Mercy Meal Volunteers

We are in need of volunteers to work our Mercy Meals (funeral dinners). Since there is usually only a few days notice the coordinator of the dinners will call you for availability. If you are interested in helping in this ministry of mercy, please contact the parish office or ask a member of the Altar-Rosary Society or Christian Mothers. All volunteers must complete the clearance process, details can be found on the diocesan website at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org, scroll to “Obtain PA clearances”, or call Connie in the parish office at 724-479-9542, ext. 10 with any questions.

St. Joseph Candle burns for Men of the Mitchell and Ulicny Families by Christine Mitchell

WHY BE CATHOLIC?

Do you or someone you know have an interest in becoming a Catholic?

We will have an **inquiry session** on Tuesday, September 7th from 7-8pm at Podowski Hall in order to address questions and/or concerns about the RCIA process.

“All are welcome in this place!”



Dear Parishioners,

This August has brought **sad images** before our eyes and into our minds.

Watching television or internet news services reporting of the **fall of Afghanistan**, I find sadness on more than one front. A people seeking self-determination has also meant a people at war with one another. Russians and British before us sought to work for stability and peace in this region of the world. Our American service men and women, who sought to permit a government intent on rights with whom we share some values, now risk their lives to extract fellow Americans and those wishing not to be massacred by the Taliban for standing for values like equal education for all children, the rights of women to excel and to prosper, and the freedom of movement and belief. I have compassion for the people of yet another state in the throes of violence perpetrated by those claiming that God wants these restrictions for some good purpose. And, I empathize with Americans who gave their health and mobility for a greater good. **God got blamed for all sorts of things that people perpetrated.**

Equally sad images show **devastating flooding** in Tennessee, **ravishing fires** in California and other western states, **hurricanes** hitting the eastern coastal areas of the USA, along with sweeping photos of **Haiti in earthquake** ruins once again. Seems like Mother Nature has been in an uproar these weeks just about everywhere we looked.

On top of this mount of woe, many of our cities, including Pittsburgh, have erupted with **shootings in public places**, leaving citizens uncertain of who might protect them and their families as they go out for an evening meal or entertainment.

Add to all of this the **growth in infections** with the variants of COVID that even Indiana County is facing to some degree or another. Feeling a bit overwhelmed?

Throughout all of these events, you and I continue to **call upon God for assistance, protection, safety, and an end to the scourge of these things we lump together as “evils” that afflict us.** Some of these evils result from people’s choices over and against one another, while others seem free-floating causes of harm to us and to others.

In his first letter, written in the first century, St. John wrote: *“The whole world is in the power of the Evil One”* (1 John 5:19). The presence of the Evil One strives little by little to have man and society distance themselves from God. The shrewdness of Satan in the world is that of *leading men and women to deny his existence in the name of reason.* **Yet the power of Satan is not infinite.** He is only a creature, powerful to the extent that he is a pure spirit, but always a creature, limited and subordinated to the will and dominion of God. **The power of Satan cannot annul the power of God; and Christ conquers the prince of this world.** Christ made Himself participate in our human nature even to the Cross in order to reduce to impotence, through death, the one who has the power of death, the Devil: **“The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil”** (1 John 3:8).

What might God expect of us at moments like this? Look at the examples of brave Christians around us, like Sr. Marie Nassar, who directs a school in Lebanon where the Christian staff sees itself “working on **charity**, on **fraternity**, on **common life**, ... and **taking care of the poor.**” In countless small ways, Good triumphs. Our hope is not shallow.

Fr. John

Adult Bible Study:

Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit

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

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!

Faith Formation 2021-22

We are currently in the process of mailing
registration information to all of our Faith Formation families.

If you do not receive this mailing, forms are available at both Parish sites and at the Parish Office.

The forms do not have to be returned until the first day of class on

Sunday, September 19th: K-5 will meet from 9:45-10:45am and

Middle School and Youth Group (grades 6-12) will meet from 5:30-7pm.

All students entering Kindergarten will need to pick up registration info
at one of our Parish sites or call the Parish Office to have the info mailed to you.



**Congratulations to Ke'Hiwa Everett on her
First Reconciliation/Penance on August 24th.
Please keep Ke'Hiwa in your prayers
as she prepares to receive her
First Communion on September 18th.**

Confirmation Cohort

Congratulations and best wishes to the following students who received the
Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, August 24th.

Despite the challenges of the past year, they worked together
diligently to prepare for this special day! Thanks to Christian Mothers for
the wonderful reception following Confirmation!

Ava Sebastian King

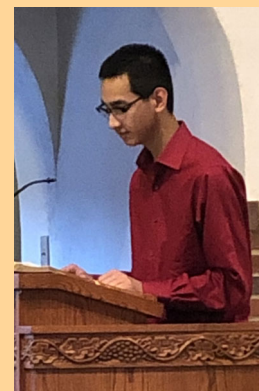
Julia Dymphna King

Colin Patrick Knickle

Oshen Xavier Maratita

Victorino Nicholas Maratita

*May the light of the Holy Spirit
inspire you, guide you, guard you,
and fill you with joy!*



Buses planned for Pennsylvania March for Life Sept. 27

Four buses, one from each county of the Diocese of Greensburg, are planned for those who would like to attend the Pennsylvania March for Life Monday, Sept. 27, in Harrisburg. The day will include a rally on the Capitol steps and the march at noon. Those who would like to attend can register with one of the following coordinators/parishes: Armstrong, Mary Anne Galonski, 724-664-4878; Fayette, Chuck Kosco, 724-437-3943; Indiana, St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish, 724-465-2210; Westmoreland, St. Agnes Parish, 724-863-2626.

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.

AUGUST 21/22, 2021	OFFERTORY
Adult Offertory	\$4,401.00
Loose Offertory	\$372.00
Children's Offertory	\$3.00
Votive Candles	\$123.40
Maintenance	\$72.00
Catholic Accent	\$18.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$60.00
Catholic University	\$60.00
Seminary collection	\$30.00
Assumption	\$660.00
Cemetery	\$71.00

MASS INTENTIONS



For August 28 to September 5, 2021

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28 -

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Anticipated Mass—Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary
Time
4:00 pm - +Joseph Gonda (Colette Cippollini & Pablo
(Lucernemines) Moncada)

6:00 pm Mass- +August & Helen Bertig (Family)
(Coral)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29-

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation
9:00 am +Nancy Cerovich (Cerovich children)
(Coral)
11:00 am- Pro populo
(Lucernemines)

MONDAY, AUGUST 30 —NO MASS

TUESDAY , AUGUST 31- Coral

8:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving to St. Joseph
(Rosalie Adamson)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 – Coral

8:00 am In honor of Anna Mae Lucas' 96th Birthday
(Stan & Peggy Lucas & Family)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2- Coral

8:00 am +Catherine Mistretta (Magdalene Volk)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 - Coral

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am +Beverly Zoldak (John Zoldak)
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:00 pm Benediction

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

8:00 +Helen Bender (Lee Rash)
3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Anticipated Mass—Twenty –third Sunday in Ordinary
Time
4:00 pm- +Louis Guerry (Bob & Mary Ann Ciranni)
(Lucerneines)
6:00 pm Pro populo
(Coral)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation
9:00 am - +Scott McAdoo (Mom & Dad)
(Coral)
11:00 am- + Doug Smith (Mom & Dad)
(Lucernemines)

**Host this week is in memory of
Edward & Katarina Rura by Marianna Reed
(Coral)**