



Our Lady of the Assumption

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PARISH OFFICE

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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
Burns for
July 16 to July 30
Michael Checlosky
By Kathy
(Lucernemines)**

**&
From July 23 to August 6
Stephen & Nancy Cerovich
By
Cerovich Children
(Coral)**



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.

Recite the Rosary

The parishioners of St. Bernard of Clairvaux invite you to recite the rosary with them at the Marian Shrine in the Church parking lot, every Wednesday at 8 PM. (Fall/Winter hours to be announced).



Please join us on August 1st for coffee and donuts after the 9 am

Mass at Coral and the 11 am Mass at Lucernemines. Hope to see you there.

Novena for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 6-15, 2021

Envelopes for candles in memory or in honor of some one are available at each church. The cost of the candle is \$3 and will have the name of your memoriam or intention on the candle. You may drop the envelope in the offertory basket, bring it to the parish office between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday or mail to: Our Lady of the Assumption, P. O. Box G, Coral, PA 15731, **no later than August 4th** to allow sufficient time for the candles to be prepared.



Dear Parishioners,

How do you know that you are living “a spiritual life?” All sorts of persons speak about being spiritual rather than being religious.

One Catholic pastor, Fr. Michael Heintz, identifies **ten principles of the spiritual life for people like us**. He says that living a spiritual life “means nothing more, but also nothing less, than **being animated and guided by the Spirit of the Lord Jesus which is received at baptism**. This is what St. Paul means by ‘living according to the Spirit’ or being ‘spiritual. It does not necessarily mean some intense, extraordinary experience or idiosyncratic interiority.”

That’s a helpful place to begin. The good pastor adds that we need to **know the goal of keeping a spiritual life**: “as **the reformation by grace** (particularly by the Holy Spirit, often called ‘uncreated’ Grace) of **the image of God within us**, wounded by original and actual sin. Grace purifies our intellect in knowing the truth and rectifies our will in loving the good.”

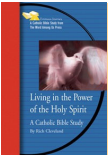
Pastor Heintz believes that **three activities essentially keep us in the Lord**: the first is some **deliberate silence to listen**; the second is **prayer to speak with the Lord**; and the third is **nourishment for our spirits**.

An Orthodox Christian sees four components to keep ourselves focused on living in the Holy Spirit: **acceptance of where we are** rather than comparing ourselves to others; **initiate tiny steps** rather than major leaps (Fr. Michael Gillis says “Remember that living in the Holy Spirit is a marathon, not a sprint.”); **pray throughout the moods of the day to keep ourselves in God**; and, **remember the goal** of living in the Spirit is to see more clearly ourselves before God. The **goal is not to do more things**, as “spiritual” as they may seem to be.

In a more generic sense, Dr. Karl Albrecht writes that people should begin to desire an openness to living spiritually by cultivating these aspects: **gratitude** for our lives; **humility** and honesty about ourselves; **optimism** about our lives; **generosity** for sharing with others; **forgiveness** as essential in all human experiences; **intention** rather than passivity; and, **expectation** of achievement. His list sounds like similar listings that Peter and Paul gave us in the first days of our common faith.

One additional thought comes to my mind as a pastor and as a person wanting to be authentically in the Lord: remember that even our bodies hold the Holy Spirit, function as **“temples of the Holy Spirit.”** Two thoughts come to my mind immediately: my body may appear to be a well-used temple, nicked, scratched, scarred, showing signs of stress. **In this “person” the Holy Spirit chooses to dwell**. The second thought concerns **how to clean, to purify, (in the current phrase) to sanitize the interior to be a well-prepared place for the Spirit to find space**. You know our Catholic sacramental practices well enough to understand the role of the Sacraments. However, Bruce Stan once reflected that he found the most persuasion to care for his physical body in the thought that God sees his body a worthy place to dwell.

Be of good cheer. God still seeks us.
Fr. John



SAVE THE DATES!!!
Adult Bible Study Sessions:
"Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit"
 (A Catholic Bible Study from The Word Among Us Press)

Due to popular demand, we are offering Adult Bible Study sessions beginning on July 29th!

Two identical sessions will run on each date to accommodate work schedules, etc.

The morning sessions will run from 9am-10am in the Coral Social Hall.

The evening sessions will run from 7pm-8pm in Podowski Hall
at the Lucernemines worship site.

Light refreshments and writing materials will be provided to participants.

There is a **\$5 fee** to cover the cost of the book, Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit.

Our initial study will run bi-weekly from July 29th until November 18th.

(7/29, 8/12, 8/26, 9/9, 9/23, 10/7, 10/21, 11/4, and 11/18)

PRE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Email cmarcoine@dioceseofgreensburg.org OR

call the Parish Office at 724-479-9542 to reserve your space!

FAITH FORMATION TEAM 2021-22

We are looking for a few good people to join a dynamic team of catechists to instruct our children during the upcoming catechetical year! Currently, we are in need of a **fifth grade catechist, substitute teachers**, and those who would be willing to **assist teachers in grades K-7**. Teaching assistants could include teens who are interested in seeking service hours or experience working with children. *Interested? Questions?* Please email cmarcoine@dioceseofgreensburg.org OR contact our Parish Office at 724-479-9542. Thanks!

Introducing our Youth Group Advisory Committee for 2021-22

We would like to welcome an outstanding group of students who will be representing our Youth Group by generating ideas and spearheading projects for our teens throughout the year!

12th grade...Beth Shirley
 11th grade...Justley Sharp
 10th grade...Caleb Palmer
 9th grade...Gigi Palmer
 8th grade...Caden Costello
 7th grade...Ella Kushner

"On Being Mary in a Martha World"

After a few wrong turns, Sr. Marie Theresa finally arrived to a warm welcome from our parishioners! Many thanks to Christian Mothers who provided a wonderful brunch to about thirty people following the morning Mass on Wednesday, July 14th! The morning was spent conversing with friends, and sharing insights with Sr. Marie Theresa! Hopefully, this will be the first of many opportunities to gather together to talk about and reflect upon our Faith!



Volunteers Needed at Saint Vincent de Paul Store

Our Saint Vincent de Paul thrift store is seeking individuals to help at the store. We especially need store managers. Please consider giving a few hours a week to this ministry that serves our friends in need in Indiana County. Contact Pete Alexander at 724-463-0614 for more information.

Virtus Session

St. Florian Church will hold an in person Virtus "Protecting God's Children" Training session on Saturday August 14, 2021 from 9:00 am to 11:30 am in our Social Hall. Please contact the parish office to register at 724-423-4431. **If you have never taken the actual Virtus, Protecting God's Children in-person or online course, you will need to take this course AND the Mandated Reporter course (a separate course).** St. Florian is located in United, PA.

Meeting for Pot Luck Dinner

Anyone interested in helping in any way with the pot luck dinner that will be held on Sunday, August 15th please attend an informational/organizational meeting on Wednesday, August 4, 7 pm in Podowski Hall.

Sanctuary Candle, Hosts & St. Joseph Candles

There has been a very favorable response for the Sanctuary Candle and the slots are filling fast, there are a few left. We still have several weeks left for the St. Joseph Candle and the host.

JULY 17/18, 2021	OFFERTORY
Adult Offertory	\$3,687.00
Loose Offertory	\$331.00
Children's Offertory	\$3.00
Votive Candles	\$121.00
Maintenance	\$72.00
Mission of Faith	\$10.00
Online-06/27-7/4, 2021	\$270.00
June WeShare	\$2,885.00
Cemetery Collection	\$36.00

MASS INTENTIONS

For July 24 to August 1, 2021



SATURDAY, JULY 24

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Anticipated Mass—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time

4:00 pm +Irene Mitchell Page (Barbara Mitchell)
(Lucernemines)
6:00 pm Pro populo
(Coral)

SUNDAY, JULY 25

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am+John Orehowsky (Theresa & Mike Griffith
& Dave Stossel)
(Coral)
11:00 am +Dr. Christina “Tina” Benamati Doll
(Lucernemines) (Godfather, Uncle Joe &
Aunt Martha)

MONDAY, JULY 26 —NO MASS

*Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents
of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

TUESDAY, JULY 27- Coral

8:00 am Baby Conner (A friend)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28 – Coral

8:00 am +Joseph Palkowski (A friend)

THURSDAY, JULY 29 - Coral

Saint Martha

8:00 am +Margaret Filitske (Gert Mlinarich)

FRIDAY, JULY 30 - Coral

*Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the
Church*

8:00 am +Terry Zavada (Griffith Family)

SATURDAY, JULY 31 -

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

Anticipated Mass—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm +Mary Louise Bell (Jack & Janice Bell)
(Lucernemines)

6:00 pm Mass- Pro populo
(Coral)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation

9:00 am - +Julius & Elizabeth Manfredi
(Coral) (Fred, Toni & Family)

11:00 am- +Mary Rose Green (Daughter, Holly)
(Lucernemines)

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be offered
at 3 pm on Saturday, July 31st at the Lucerne Site
due to a wedding taking place at 2 pm. It will be
offered on Sunday, August 1st at 8:30 am in Coral.