



Our Lady of the Assumption

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2:00-4:00 pm

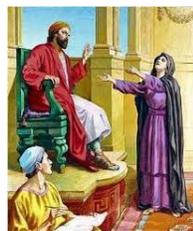
SUNDAY MASSES

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 in this bulletin

Parish Website: www.olaparishpa.org

The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says.
Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones
who call out to him day and night?
Will he be slow to answer them?
I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily.



The Sanctuary Candle
burns in memory of
Vilcek Family
by
Fred & Rosemary Perry & Family
(Coral)
&
Mary Macher
by
Ed & Bernadette Palchesko
(Lucernemines)

Congratulations to Lindsey Jones and Stephen Holt on their marriage that had taken place at Our Lady of the Assumption's Lucerne site on October 15th.

October 22 & 23 is World Mission Sunday and a special collection will be taken at Saturday and Sunday's masses.



Treat yourself to a homemade Italian dinner! Our parish

will once again have an Italian dinner on Election Day which falls on Tuesday, November 8th. Watch the bulletin for more information and opportunities to volunteer to prepare and serve the meal which will include stuffed shells, homemade meatballs, Italian bean salad, bun and dessert.

Daily manager specials will take place this week at the **St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana**.

The store is located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street with store hours Monday thru Saturday from 10am to 2pm. Donations are accepted at the back door from 10am-1pm as space permits

The Pastoral and Finance Councils will meet on November 3rd at 7pm. Please mark your calendar.

The Knights of Columbus Council 10960 would like to thank the parishes of Our Lady of the Assumption and Church of the Good Shepherd for their generous donations to the Seminarian Collections that were sponsored by the Knights. Our Council was able to present a donation of \$2400.00 to Bishop Kulik's Vocation Fund. This also enabled us to continue to sponsor our Seminarian, Kevin Richardson for the upcoming year. The Seminararians were a welcome addition to our parishes this summer. God Bless them in their journey.



Dear Parishioners,

A new survey shows that many people who identify themselves as Catholics may be **more likely to profess belief in Guardian Angels** than belief in the Catholic Doctrine of the Holy Eucharist.

According to an EWTN News/RealClear Opinion Research poll released this week, **almost 77% of Catholic voters believe in Guardian Angels**, 8.7% do not, and 14.6% are not sure. **Among the poll's respondents, about 80% of Catholics who attend Mass once a week profess belief in the Catholic teaching that "the transformed bread and wine are the Body and Blood of Christ and not symbols."**

This figure drops to 61% among those who attend Mass once or twice a month and to 42% among those who attend a few times a year. About 17% of those who never attend Mass profess this belief, as do 14% of those who attend once a year. **Careful about what we read in reports**, because one adjusted statistic says that only 50.3% of the total number of US Catholic believe in the Real Presence of Jesus.

Those of us who gather each Sunday in our two churches here in Indiana County in the Route 119 South "Corridor" **profess belief in Jesus as the very presence of God to us**, not as an historical fact alone, but as an ongoing reality, a "sacramental" reality, that is at once mysterious, sacred, and saving. Answering a young woman who asserted that she never met Jesus while she was a Catholic, Dr. John Bergsma asked her what she thought she was doing when she came forward in the communion Procession to receive the Body of Christ. Perhaps it never dawned on her that Jesus was meeting her personally and directly in the act we rightly name **Holy Communion**.

The **U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops** has launched a **two-year National Eucharistic Revival** to help Catholics "**renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist**," the initiative's website says. The revival hosts have planned events to teach about the Eucharist and inspire Eucharistic devotion as part of Catholic life and mission.

Self-professed Catholics' inconsistent beliefs about the Eucharist have been the focus of many catechetical and devotional efforts, especially since an older, similar poll, noted that many persons self-identified as Catholic could not articulate the doctrine in a meaningful way. Angels, however, have grown popular in imagination as people seem to search for some connection to God. Jesus spoke of guarding angels when he said, "**Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven.**" [Matthew 18:10] The latest poll results are both a challenge and an opportunity to grow in faith, commentators say. "The more you draw close to the angels, the more they will draw you to the Eucharist," Father Wolfgang Seitz, O.R.C. "If devotion to angels would increase, devotion to the Eucharist would also increase," said Seitz, who has been a priest for 20 years.

Want a direct and immediate connection to Jesus, to God the Father, and to heaven? Jesus said in John's Gospel, "**I am the Bread that came down from heaven,**" [Jn. 6:41]. Incidentally, the reaction of some listeners questioned who could believe this claim. Sr. Alicia Torres, a member of the executive committee for the Revival says that she finds it "particularly hopeful" that the majority of Catholic respondents still have "an awareness and acceptance of the supernatural."

May we be revived in our trust in God's Real Presence to us, too.

Father John

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Next Session: Tuesday, October 18th @7pm in Podowski Hall

Topic: God the Holy Spirit

Faith Formation 2022-23

All classes will be held in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines worship site.

October 16th

9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5

October 23rd

9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5

5:30pm-7:30pm Grades 6-7 and Youth Group (grades 8-12)

October 30th

9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5

Altar Server Training

Altar Server Training will be conducted on Friday, October 21st from 6-7pm at the Lucernemines worship site. Students in grades 3-12 are welcome to attend as well as any experienced servers who feel that they need a refresher course! Please contact cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org to register by October 19th. Certificates of completion will be distributed to students at the end of the training.

Adult Bible Study:

Biblical Women in Crisis

Our next Bible Study series is scheduled to begin on Thursday, October 20th.

Two identical sessions will be held on each of the following Thursdays:

10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, and 12/1.

Morning sessions will begin immediately following the 8am Mass in the Coral Social Hall.

Evening sessions will be held beginning at 7pm in Podowski Hall at Lucernemines.

Please contact cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org

or the Parish Office at 724-479-9542 Ext. 15 to register for this thought provoking series.

Commemoration of Our Beloved Deceased

Request envelopes for decorated novena candles for All Souls Day are available at both Parish sites beginning this weekend. Please submit your request by October 23rd so that the candles will be ready for the novena which will run from October 25th through November 2nd.

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

As members of the Homer Center Elementary Cheerleaders, **Sofia Costello**, **Quinn Garritano**, and **Addy Henry** completed another community service project by donating water and snacks to the Homer City Fire Department. Thanks for showing your appreciation of our First Responders!

Confirmation 2022

The Rite of Confirmation was performed by Bishop Larry Kulick at a regional service held at SS.Simon and Jude in Blairsville on Thursday, October 6th. Congratulations to the following students from our Parish, Carson Arone, Libby Brown, Mason Elkin, Joanna Howard, Ella Kushner, Shane McHugh, Ethan Palmer, and Isabelle Rowland.



Dear God, Look kindly upon our students as they continue their journey of Faith. Send Your Spirit to enlighten, guide, strengthen, console, and open their hearts. Fill them with the joy of Your presence. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Happenings Around the Diocese

Holiday Craft and Vendor Show

Saturday, October 22 –9 to 3

St. John the Evangelist Church

306 St. John Drive, Latrobe, 15650

Shop with over 45 Crafters and Vendors!

Receive a FREE ticket upon entry
for a chance to win the "Surprise" basket

Chinese Auction & Basket Raffle

Come Hungry! RACM will be preparing

Homemade Haluski and Halupki,

Hamburgers & Hot Dogs (Kraut, too)

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU!!!

Widowed, Divorced or Separated?

The loss of a spouse is a traumatic experience. The **Beginning Experience**® ministry provides a weekend program to help widowed, divorced, or separated men and women of all faiths pass through the grief and move forward with their lives.

The next weekend program is **October 21-23, 2022 at Christ Our Shepherd Center**, 2900 Seminary Dr., Greensburg, PA 15601 (Note location change from Martina Spiritual Renewal Center closed for construction). Payment arrangements and financial assistance may be available. Visit www.BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com to register or make a confidential call to **Kim at 412-352-2653** or **Dick at 724-255-7407** to learn more about this healing ministry.

Diocesan Rosary Rally at Christ Our Shepherd Center Oct. 22

Join Bishop Larry J. Kulick as he leads the annual Rosary Rally in the Diocese of Greensburg, Oct. 22 at St. Joseph Chapel at Christ our Shepherd Center. The day begins with Eucharistic Adoration and continues with the Scriptural Rosary at 11 a.m. Organizations planning to carry a banner at the Rosary Rally must register in advance by contacting Jerry Bertig at jbartig@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Prayer and Perfect Pairings Nov. 10 at Christ Our Shepherd Center,

Greensburg: Join Bishop Larry J. Kulick for Prayer and Perfect Pairings, a five-course dinner prepared by priests from the Diocese of Greensburg, Thursday, Nov. 10, at Christ our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Each course is paired with wine. Visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings for tickets or sponsor information. Proceeds will be used to support Eucharistic Revival efforts.

"Spirited," the first Diocesan Women's Conference, is set for Saturday, Nov. 12, from 8a.m.- 4 p.m. at Christ our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. The day will feature praise and worship, including Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick, plus speakers, witness testimonies, crafts, prizes and lunch. Visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/Spirited to register.

The Parish office will be closing at 1:00pm on Tuesday, October 18th and Wednesday October 19th. A volunteer will be staffing the office from 9:00am to 1:00pm on both days.

What is Life For? A special presentation by Fr. Dan Carr took place in Padowski Hall on October 11th. Father Carr is the Director of Pro-Life Activities for the Diocese of Greensburg.



MASS INTENTIONS

For October 15 thru October 23



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

- 3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Anticipated Mass–
- 1:30 pm Marriage of Lindsey Jones & Stephen Holt
- 4:00 pm (Lucernemines) +Ethel Bellas (Jerry & Cindy Michelone)
- 6:00 pm (Coral) +Deceased Members of the Bicego & Zicha Families (Zicha Children)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

- 8:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 9:00 am (Coral) +Andrew Chutorich (Son, Jerry Chutorich & Family)
- 11:00 am (Lucernemines) Pro Populo

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17- NO MASS

TUESDAY , OCTOBER 18- Coral
7:30 am +Robert Alexander (Kate & Mark DeRose)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19- Coral
7:30 am +Isabel Silveri (Sandra Michna)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 - Coral
7:30 am +Geneva Lazor (Cheryl & Bernie Lazor)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21- Coral
 8:00 am +JR Reed (Marianna Reed)

SATURDAY, -OCTOBER 22
 3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Anticipated Mass–
 4:00 pm (Lucernemines) +Joe Gonda (Colette Cipollini & Pablo Moncada)
 6:00 pm (Coral) +Gusty & Rose Vilcek (Family)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23
 8:30 am-Sacrament of Reconciliation
 9:00 am (Coral) Pro Populo
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) +Pat Mizerak (The Coury Family)

Host is in memory of **A. Jean Bertig**
 By **Darrick Bertig**
 Coral

OCTOBER 8 & 9 2022		Offertory	Mass Attendance
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$6836.00		Lucerne Oct. 8, 4 pm-82 Oct 9, 11 am-84
Votive Candles	\$148.40		Coral Oct 8, 6 pm-48 Oct 9, 9 am-92
Maintenance	\$290.00		
Seminary	\$70.00		Correction
World Mission	\$125.00		Lucerne Oct 1, 4 pm-76 Oct 2, 11 am-127
All Saints	\$50.00		Coral Oct 1, 6 pm-49 Oct 2, 9 pm-100
Cemetery	\$49.00		
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