



Our Lady of the Assumption

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"Neither he nor his parents sinned;
it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him.
We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day.
Night is coming when no one can work.
While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."
When he had said this, he spat on the ground
and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes,
and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" —which means Sent—.
So he went and washed, and came back able to see.



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olaparishpa

OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday
9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Closed 1:00 pm– 2:00 pm
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 Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of
Daniel Thomas (Lucernemines)

by Sister, Peggy

&

Gusty Vilcek (Coral)

by the Vilcek Family

The Host is in memory of

Frank & Mary Gatskie (Lucernemines)

By the Gatskie Family

Our final Meager Meal

will be held Monday, March 20th, 11:30am-1:00pm. Meet us in the hall at Coral for delicious soups, bread and fellowship. Free will offerings are accepted to benefit local charities.

**This Week's Regional Lenten Penance Service**

Monday, March 20—Church of the Resurrection, Clymer 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 21—St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Indiana 7:00pm

Thursday, March 23—S.S. Simon & Jude, Blairsville 7:00pm

Friday, March 24th, 12:00 pm we will have the honor of **Bishop Kulick** joining us for Stations of the Cross at Coral. Following the Stations, there will be a reception in the hall.

2023 Lenten Luncheon Series is presented by the Homer City Area Ministerium. We will gather at 12:00pm for worship followed by a light lunch at 12:35pm.

March 22nd -Hope Lutheran Church

March 29th -Homer City United Methodist at which Father John will be the celebrant.

Assumption Cinema Lenten Series 6:00pm in Podowski Hall

March 22nd "*The US and the Holocaust, Part 3*"

March 29th "*Devotion*" (Addresses racism during the Korean Conflict)

Mark your Calendar!

Live Stations on April 2nd at 4:00pm, Lucernemines

Online Giving

You can easily sign up for online offertory at www.olaparishpa.org and click on Giving, then Donate Online.

Adoration During Lent

Fridays at 6:00pm at our Lucernemines location followed by confessions at 6:30pm

Stay Connected! Receive monthly text message update about the Eucharistic Revival Events. Text the word FAITH to 724-305-3057.



Diocese of Greensburg
**SHARE
FAITH
MISSION**



Dear Parishioners,
Found by Reading my Mail

Granted that I could have more rigid "walls" or boundaries for email, but I can receive more than fifty communications each day on three different e-mail providers. Some communications amount to yet more commercials advertising everything from cruises on the oceans to candles to chiropractic services. Occasionally I can break free to read something that arrives courtesy of the US Postal Service. That's exactly what I did this weekend and discovered a gem of a reflection between a grandmother and her young adult granddaughter. The two-page article appeared in a newsletter or magazine published for Franciscans.

The article recounts an in-person conversation, as Kathleen and her granddaughter "sat with a cup of tea, enjoying each other's company," and begins with a startling admission, "A while ago I talked to you when you were struggling with depression and a lack of enthusiasm for going to church or even praying." The response: "I was going through a rough time. Going to Mass seemed like a burden, something I had to do. **I didn't believe I had any relationship with God.** As a highschooler, I also felt a bit used [to assist with church functions]....And I really didn't feel like I belonged in any meaningful way. There was **something missing in my life, and I didn't know what it was.**"

Grandmother continued the conversation: "Now you seem focused and strong in your faith. **What caused that change, do you think?**" The granddaughter responded that she felt lost and alone when her family moved, without friends, even without a school with which to identify, so that with COVID full blown, the only socializing she had with people her age happened on-line. "When I shared my feeling of loss and confusion with a stranger in a blog, she encouraged me to pray for God's will for my life." The stranger told me, "**God has a purpose for you. Pray for God to reveal it to you.** You may be in for a surprise. **There's something waiting for you.**" The granddaughter admitted that this simple conversation caused her to "ponder for quite a while. That **little comment stirred a change in me.**"

The conversation over tea continued as Grandmother asked her about a bigger significant event that influenced her granddaughter, namely the **loss of a friend in a car accident.** "I had to **make a choice. I could run from God and wallow in despair and anger,** or I could seek God to help me through. I really believed if I wanted to see my friend again someday in heaven, I **would need to live a worthy life** and keep my eyes on the Kingdom....**I chose the path toward God,** and now I have a desire to encourage others to walk the same path. Maybe purpose isn't necessarily going to school or choosing a job or vocation. Instead, living with purpose might mean choosing a way of life, living with holy intention."

This young adult admitted her frustration that there are so few opportunities to find community with other young people, where youth might take leadership and encourage one another.

Grandmother returned to the thoughts about **finding purpose: what does it take?** Response: **Determination and follow through.** 1. Take action. 2. Pray consistently with determination. 3. Create a healthy spiritual community. 4. Develop a deep relationship with God.

Not a bad way to talk with a grandchild, with or without a cup of tea.

Father John

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA/RCIA)

Next Session: Tuesday, March 21st @7:00pm

Faith Formation 2023*All sessions will be held in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines worship site.***March 19th**

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

March 26th

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

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

LIVE STATIONS PRACTICE**April 2nd**

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

3pm Dress Rehearsal for **LIVE STATIONS** (Youth Group)*****4pm LIVE STATIONS at Lucernemines (Everyone Welcome!)* ******ASSUMPTION CINEMA LENTEN SERIES**

Wednesday evenings from 6pm-8pm

Podowski Hall/no charge

Light refreshments will be served (popcorn/water)

March 22nd "US and the Holocaust" (Part 3)**March 29th "Devotion"***Addresses racism during the Korean Conflict; new release***ENRICHMENT SERIES****SAVE THE DATE**Our next Bible Study series, The Healing Stories of Jesus, will begin on Thursday, April 20th. Watch bulletin for details.**STUDENTS IN THE NEWS****ALL-AMERICAN HONOR:**

Congratulations to Justley Sharp, a senior at Homer Center, who recently finished **second in the nation** in the shot put at the New Balance Indoor Track and Field Championships in Boston, MA!!! Justley was also just named IRMC's Athlete of the Week in the Indiana Gazette!

Best of luck to the King family (David, Ava, and Julia) as participants in the district competition as YMCA of Indiana County swimmers!

SACRAMENTAL PREP WORKSHOP REMINDER

Second grade students are to be accompanied by one parent or caregiver to the "Table of the Lord" workshop on Monday, March 27th from 6pm-8pm in Podowski Hall in preparation for their First Holy Communion on May 7th. Light refreshments will be provided.

IRISH BLESSING

May the road rise up to meet you.
 May the wind be always at your back.
 May the sun shine warm upon your face;
 the rains fall soft upon your fields,
 and until we meet again,
 may God hold you
 in the palm of His hand.



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

THE WELL, Diocesan Men’s Conference, planned March 25

Men in the Diocese of Greensburg are invited to get out of their comfort zone and make t Catholicism a way of life at “THE WELL – BE NOT AFRAID,” the Diocesan Men’s Conference, Saturday, March 25 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. It will be a day of inspiring speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and Mass celebrated by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. Cost is \$50 and includes lunch. Scholarships are available through the Diocesan Francis Fund. Register now at DioceseofGreensburg.org/TheWell.

PRAYER FOR EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

All Lord Jesus, You are the living bread who satisfies the hunger of the human heart. In the Eucharist, the bread and wine become Your Body and Blood, the gift of Yourself to the Church. Deepen our faith in Your Eucharistic presence and strengthen us as members of the Church, the Body of Christ. As we encounter and revere Your Eucharistic presence, open us to the needs of our brothers and sisters here and everywhere throughout the world. Help us to reveal Your love, Your promise, Your presence to them by our lives and in all we say and do. Amen.



2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal as of 3/11/2023

Total Pledged: \$18,640.00

Diocesan Goal: \$50,231.00

Number of Gifts: 110 37.1% of Diocesan Goal

30.4% toward Parish Goal of an additional \$11,000.00

All money donated in excess of the Diocesan Goal are returned 100% to the Parish.

Parish Goal: \$61,231.00

Regional Lenten Mission

“How To See Jesus In The Eucharist”

Presented by Dcn. Ralph Poyo

Main Sessions March 27-29 Music & Rosary 5:45pm Session 6:30pm	Mini Sessions March 28-29 12:10pm Mass and Q&A
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Hosted at
St. Thomas More University Parish
1200 Oakland Ave Indiana, PA 15701



Founder Of New Evangelization Ministries With over forty years experience, Dcn. Ralph is a national speaker able to lead all ages to Jesus Christ!

Supported by the region's Knights of Columbus

MASS INTENTIONS

For March 18 thru March 26



SATURDAY, MARCH 18

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Mary Arone (Sam & Betsy & Family)
 6:00 pm (Coral) ProPopulo

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

9:00 am (Coral) Living & Deceased Members of F.C.S.U. (Jednota)
 St. Joseph Society, BR 484
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) †Frank & Mary Gulakowski (Family)

MONDAY, MARCH 20 - NO MASS

7:00pm REGIONAL PENANCE –Church of the Resurrection (Clymer)

TUESDAY, MARCH 21- Coral

8:00 am †Johnathan Rado (Stephanie Reed)

7:00pm REGIONAL PENANCE –St . Bernard’s of Clairvaux (Indiana)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 - Coral

8:00 am †Elizabeth Marano (Peg McHenry)

THURSDAY, MARCH 23- Coral

8:00 am †James Solo (Brothers, Bill & Ed)

7:00pm REGIONAL PENANCE-SS Simon & Jude (Blairsville)

FRIDAY, MARCH 24- Coral

8:00 am †Elizabeth Guerry (Helen & Denny Ferry)
 12:00pm Stations of the Cross with Bishop Kulick-Coral
 6:00pm Adoration-Lucerne
 6:30pm Confession-Lucerne
 7:30pm Stations of the Cross-Lucerne

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Gary Welsh (Monica Rura)
 6:00 pm (Coral) ProPopulo

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

9:00 am (Coral) †Ann Stipcak (Children)
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) †James Yanoscsik (Loving wife, Mimi & Family)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, March 25-3:00pm (Lucerne)
 Sunday, March 26-8:30am (Coral)



MAR 11 & 12, 2023	OFFERTORY
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$5491.00
Votive Candles	\$104.50
Maintenance	\$391.00
Catholic Accent	\$16.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$100.00
Flowers	\$310.00
Ash Wednesday	\$5.00
Cemetery	\$105.00

Mass Attendance

Lucerne
 Mar 11, 4pm—88
 Mar 12, 11am—86

Coral
 Mar 11, 6pm—62
 Mar 12, 9am—101