



Our Lady of the Assumption

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg
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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

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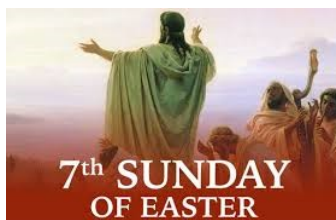
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Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said,
"Father, the hour has come.
Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you,
just as you gave him authority over all people,
so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him.
Now this is eternal life,
that they should know you, the only true God,
and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ.
I glorified you on earth
by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do.
Now glorify me, Father, with you,
with the glory that I had with you before the world began.



The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Mildred Thomas-C by daughter, Peggy & Jemma Zicha-L by the Zicha Family



The Host is in memory of Jemma Zicha-L by the Zicha Family & Joe & Emma Binando-C by Mel & Shirley Stella



Land of Peace and Bethlehem Christian Families mission would like to express humble appreciation to you for allowing us to visit Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, weekend of May 13 and 14 of 2023. With your kindness and through the generosity of you and your parishioners, the sales of the olive wood carvings received a total amount of \$1990. Thank you for your support in helping us and our brothers and sisters in Christ with compassion, dignity and respect especially in these difficult times. May you enjoy God's many glorious blessings!

URGENT NEED!! We are still in need of advertisers on the back page of our bulletin. Without advertisers, the publishing company will not renew our contract. Please call 1-800-477-4574.

Members of the Altar Rosary Society will be praying the Rosary on the 13th of every month from May thru October at the Grotto in Lucerne. You do not need to be a member to attend. Times will be announced. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Volunteer needed to clean the parish office bi-weekly. Call the office at 724-479-9542 ext. 10 for more information.

Summer Cash tickets are now available to purchase. Only 500 tickets will be sold. It's your chance to win \$500.00 a day beginning on August 7th thru August 11th. Tickets are available at the Parish Office.



Catholic Relief Services

Breaking news! We're accepting U.S. internship applications for Fall 2023! These are remote positions, so you don't have to live in a specific state. Visit <https://www.crs.org/about/careers/internships> and type "intern" into the search bar for a list of opportunities. The application deadline is 5/30/23. Live out your Catholic faith and help those in need!



Dear Parishioners,

A Dangerous Vocation

Throughout the Easter Season, the gospel readings for Masses most often come from the "Fourth Gospel," the one penned by John the Apostle, whom we also know as "the Evangelist" or "the Beloved Disciple." **This Gospel "runs deep,"** for example, in singling out signs of God's work in and through Jesus, in ways that build the case that Jesus acted as **so much more than a prophet and as Jesus revealed "I AM" to a generation longing to experience God** and discontented with religious practice and leadership. "Just the facts" fails to rise to an essential level for living Faith.

At daily and weekend Masses, we read **phrases and sentences** like these: "**If the world hates you, realize that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, the world would love its own; but because you do not belong to the world, and I have chosen you out of the world, the world hates you.**" (John 15:18) "**If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you.**" (15:20) The phenomenon written about here describes more than an historical occurrence, referring instead to a way of being with God. Were this phrasing referencing persecution only shortly after the Passion-Death-Resurrection-Ascension of Jesus, the Messiah, we might expect that we had passed through that phase to a calmer and gentler time of acceptance of Christ.

How ought we consider **what happened in recent weeks** on the far side of heady days in Jerusalem at a bloody hilltop and at an empty tomb? The Vatican reports that in a certain region of **India**, the local Archbishop, Peter Machado, said that there has recently been a **resurgence of harassment against Christians, instigated by Muslims and Hindus, in the state.** The Archbishop says, "We have received reports that **three churches built in 1974 and some houses have been set on fire**, and the people have been forced to flee to safer places." Reports of **over a dozen more churches being burned and desecrated, and Jesuit priests being threatened have also surfaced.** "It demonstrates the gravity of the danger faced by people who are being targeted for their religious beliefs and practices," the archbishop added.

Around **50 Christians, including 10 pastors, were attacked in an Indian village** in Chhattisgarh State on **Sunday, April 30**, following accusations of religious conversion by a radical Hindu party. Rumors held that Hindus were forced to convert; Christians replied that this fake news amounted to anti-Christian propaganda. The community had gathered to pray in a private home **when an armed mob, reportedly belonging to the militant Hindu nationalist organization, Bajrang Dal, surrounded the home, barged in, and stopped them.** Fearing for their safety, the Christians locked themselves inside the house and called the police. **But when the police arrived, they reportedly arrested the house's owner, the pastors, and a few other Christians for "disturbing the peace."**

Elsewhere, from **Egypt**, the **Patriarch of the Coptic Orthodox Church, Pope Tawadros II**, came to Rome to visit Pope Francis, with thanksgiving for an agreement signed fifty-years ago, affirming common belief in the Incarnation. **Pope Tawadros reported on the troubles endured by Christians and brought to Pope Francis relics of twenty-one Coptic Christian Martyrs who were beheaded in Lybia in 2015 by members of an extremist Islamic State.** On the video of their execution, viewers see the men praying and affirming their faith in Christ. Pope Francis added the names of these martyrs to the Calendar of the Roman Catholic Church. **Tawadros also spoke of how Muslims persecuted Christians from the first in Egypt by insisting on denial of Christ and harsh punishments and penalties if they refused, such as economically destructive taxation on Christians alone.**

Celebrate Jesus Christ's Ascension into heaven, but do not forget his warning to us that many in the world will hate us precisely because we have listened to and accepted the Voice of Christ directing and guiding us. We have come to know Christ and God the Father he has been revealed to us by Jesus.

English poet, Robert Browning once penned a brief poem that many know only in an incomplete context. The memorable line reads "**God's in his heaven, all's right with the world.**" The poem actually refers to a **context of sinful, criminal behavior to which the appearance of God brings a renewal of innocence.** We hope for the same through repentance, forgiveness, charity, and rebirth.

Father John

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA/RCIA)

Final Session: Tuesday, May 23rd @7:00pm

SAVE THE DATE

Inquiry Session for those considering becoming Catholic tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 27th at 7pm at Podowski Hall.

Faith Formation 2023

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

May 21st

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

May 28th

Summer Break begins for Faith Formation sessions.

Please watch emails and bulletin announcements for Summer Happenings in the Parish!

ENRICHMENT SERIES

Our current Bible Study series, The Healing Stories of Jesus,

will continue on the following Thursdays: 5/25, 6/1, and 6/8 (whole group).

Identical sessions will be held in the mornings immediately following the 8am Mass in the Coral Social Hall, and in the evenings beginning at 6pm in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines worship site. The entire group is scheduled to meet at 6pm on June 8th for the wrap up session at Podowski Hall.

2023 High School Graduates

If you are planning to attend the June 4th 11am Mass at Lucernemines in honor of your graduation, please contact cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org at your earliest convenience if you have not already done so.

May Crowning

Special thanks to Lenny Jendreski (Knights of Columbus) for reciting a decade of the rosary with our Faith Formation students at the Marian Shrine on Sunday, May 14th during both sessions. The students and teachers also received a set of rosaries from the Knights. Our May Crowning princesses were Mila Romanish and Quinn Garritano.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

An Exhibition on the Eucharistic Miracles will be held at Podowski Hall from Friday, June 9th through Monday, June 12th!

Watch the bulletin for further details on this very special event!

2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal as of 5/13/2023

Total Pledged: \$61,505.00

Diocesan Goal: \$50,231.00

Number of Gifts: 253 122.4% of Diocesan Goal
100.4% toward Parish Goal of an additional \$11,000.00

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

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HIP HIP HOORAY!!

Thank you to everyone who helped in reaching our goal and beyond!! Your kindness and generosity is appreciated now and always.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG MEN: QUO VADIS?

Where are you going?

Sports, great talks, eucharistic adoration, Mass, games, food, and time with the Diocese of Greensburg seminarians.

July 23-26, 2023
Register Online: GreensburgPriest.org

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QUO VADIS DAYS

Faithful Challenges

Diocesan Prayer for Eucharistic Revival

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

Diocese of Greensburg

MASS INTENTIONS

For May 20 thru May 28



SATURDAY, MAY 20

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Brian Rougeux (John & Hollie Uccellini)
 6:00 pm (Coral) †Teresa Yancy (Children & Grandchildren)

SUNDAY, MAY 21

9:00 am (Coral) ProPopulo
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) †Antonian Ferrent (Nieces)

MONDAY, MAY 22 - NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 23- Coral

8:00 am †Jim Yanoscsik (Niece, Colleen Horchar)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24- Coral

8:00 am †Louis Guerry (Gloria Oliver)

THURSDAY, MAY 25- Coral

8:00 am †John A Pavlik (Holly Donahue)

FRIDAY, MAY 26- Coral

8:00 am †Jean Bertig (Darrick Bertig)

SATURDAY, MAY 27

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Michael Chelosky (Daughter, Kathy)
 6:00 pm (Coral) †Patricia Stelman (Daughter, Chris)

SUNDAY, MAY 28

9:00 am (Coral) †Candice Bertig (Darrick Bertig)
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) ProPopulo

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, May 27-3:00pm (Lucerne)
 Sunday, May 28-8:30am (Coral)



Mass Attendance

Lucerne

May 13, 4 pm—106
 May 14, 11am—120

Coral

May 13, 6pm—61
 May 14, 9 am—106

MAY 13 & 14, 2023	OFFERTORY
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$6774.00
Votive Candles	\$135.00
Maintenance	\$494.00
Catholic Accent	\$16.00
Special Collections	\$75.00
Cemetery	\$155.00