THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of the Assumption

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Jesus said to his apostles:

"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."



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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

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The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Michael & Pauline Gatskie-C by the Gatskie Family

Gerald & Marie O'Hara-L by Daughters, Ronnie & Kitty





The Host is in honor of Michael Marusa-L by the Marusa Family In memory of

Gus & Rose Vilcek-C by Marianna Reed



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In need of helping hands!
We will be rolling halupki on July 11th &
12th starting at 9:00am at the Coral Hall.
Please consider helping out for a few hours.



In celebration of Independence Day, the parish office will closing at noon on Monday, July

3rd and closed all day on Tuesday, July 4th.

DON'T MISS OLOTA'S ORGAN RECITAL! FRIDAY, JULY 7TH @ 7:00PM

Come and hear our summer seminarian, Tyler Randolph, present a recital on our organ at our Coral site. A free-will offering will be taken to help fund the necessary repairs to the organ.

SAVE THE DATE!! August 27, 2023 End of Summer Bash!

Don't miss the huge Basket Bash, live band, delicious foods, and raffles!

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store will be closed Monday and Tuesday, July 3 -4 so our volunteers can celebrate the 4th of July. The rest



of the week clothing with Red, White, or Blue will be just \$1.00 (excluding jeans and white tag items). Hours of operation are 10am to 2pm Wednesday through Saturday, with donations accepted at the back door 10am-1pm (space permitting).

There will be no coffee & donuts on Sunday, July 2 after the 9 a.m. mass due to the July 4th holiday. See you August 6th!!

The rosary will be recited on Thursday, July 13 at 6 p.m. at the grotto at the Lucerne site. In case of rain, we will meet in Podowski Hall. All are welcome to participate



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"Why do we sing?" In my "former life" as a parish director of music and organist, this was a constant question raised by parishioners. Generally, the next question would be "Well, why are we singing that hymn?" or "Why can't we sing this?" While it would

take a 'month of Sundays' to get into the process that goes into choosing appropriate liturgical music for Mass, I do want to mention this – *pay attention to the text that you're singing!* Joe puts in much time to pick appropriate hymns for the liturgy, pay close attention to the text and I'm sure that you'll make the connection between the hymn text and the liturgy – whether it is a direct scriptural correlation to the readings or with the Mass Propers, or fitting in with the theme of the liturgy. Last Sunday, did you notice verse 3 of the offertory hymn and how it fit in so perfectly with the Gospel? "God tends the pines and the sparrows, And knows us and all our ways." As well as the communion hymns relation to the First Reading?

Getting back to the initial question... "Why do we sing?" It boils down to an even more fundamental issue of *participation*. We participate in the liturgy. The word "liturgy" comes to us from the Greek as meaning a "public work or work done on behalf of the people." The liturgy of the Church consists of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours (which will be the topic of the next article!). These are the public acts of worship of our faith. During the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we form one body "lifting up our hearts" as "we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim" as we hear in one way or another the conclusion of the preface to the Eucharistic Prayer.

Participation at Mass is so important because it is a communal prayer. Many of you might remember the days prior to the Second Vatican Council when the Latin Mass had much less participation. The reforms of the Council placed much emphasis on the renewal of the liturgy. The first document promulgated by the Council was *Sacrosanctum Concilium - "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy"* which celebrates its 60th anniversary this December. You might have heard it said that the Mass is the "source and summit" of Christian life – this saying comes from this document. Paragraph 10 reads – "The **liturgy is the summit** toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the *font from which all her power flows*. For the aim and object of apostolic works is that all who are made sons of God by faith and baptism should come together to praise God in the midst of His Church..."

"Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that **fully conscious, and active participation** in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy. Such participation by the Christian people as "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a redeemed people" (1 Pet. 2:9; cf. 2:4-5), is their right and duty by reason of their baptism." (SC paragraph 14)

It is our **right** and **duty** to participate in the liturgy in a full, conscious, and active way. So I urge you – sing! Even if you don't think that you have a good voice or can't sing, follow along with the text and make it a prayer. Actively participating in Mass can lead to a multitude of graces, so "Be Not Afraid" to "Sing a New Song!"

SUMMER ENRICHMENT SERIES

The Chosen (Season #1)

This summer, join us for an exploration of the phenomenal series, The Chosen, based on the public ministry of Jesus and His powerful interaction with His apostles and those whose lives He touched. Prayer journals will be provided for reflection questions, and, of course, refreshments! No charge! All are welcome!

All sessions will be held in Podowski Hall beginning at 6pm on the following Wednesdays:

June 28th (Episode 2, Shabbat)
July 5th (Episode 3, Jesus Loves the Little Children)
July 12th (Episode 4, The Rock on Which It is Built)
July 19th (Episode 5, The Wedding Gift)
July 26th (Episode 6, Indescribable Compassion)
August 2nd (Episode 7, Invitations)
August 16th (Episode 8, I Am He)



STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

Last week, the **Heritage Conference** announced its all-conference teams for spring sports.

Congratulations to **Julia King** for being named to the softball team, and to **Justley Sharp** for being named to the girls' track and field team. Julia and Justley are both recent graduates from Homer Center.

YOUTH GROUP ART OPPORTUNITY (students entering grades 6-12) CALL FOR ENTRIES

During the week of August 6th, our Parish will be hosting a traveling exhibit on "The Last Supper." Since part of the exhibit will be a display of interpretations of The Last Supper by various artists throughout history, we would like to invite our students to create their own interpretations of this event! Whether it is a drawing, painting, sculpture, collage, or any other media, you are invited to display your original artwork as part of this exhibit.

Interested in participating?

We will be happy to assist in providing resources to help you develop your project.

Brief Inquiry Sessions to be held on Saturday, July 1st immediately following 4pm Mass in Podowski Hall OR Sunday, July 2nd immediately following 9am Mass in the Coral Social Hall. This will be an opportunity to sign up or request materials for your project.

Questions? Please contact cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org Deadline for projects to be submitted is Sunday, August 6th.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, August 5th ANNUAL **COLOR RUN**

Our Youth Group Advisory Committee is already preparing for our upcoming Color Run to be held on Sunday, August 5th from 4pm-7pm at our Coral worship site! You won't want to miss it! Students entering grades 6-12 are invited to attend! Stay tuned for more details!



Youth Group Advisory Committee for 2023-24

Caleb Palmer (12th), Gigi Palmer (11th), Caden Costello (10th), Ella Kushner (9th), Jillian Howard (8th), and Carter Cortazzo (7th)



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Trip planned to 10th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, Ind., in 2024

Join fellow pilgrims from the Diocese of Greensburg at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, Ind., July 17-21, 2024. The Diocese has reserved 100 five-day adult tickets to the event and a block of hotel rooms for our delegation. Families with children are encouraged to purchase discounted family tickets directly from the National Eucharistic Congress website. Registration includes one adult five-day ticket, bus transportation, daily transportation to the event center and a four-night hotel stay. Reservations are available on a first-come, first-served basis at \$900/person for double occupancy \$1,200/person for single occupancy. Financial aid is available through the Francis Fund. Online reservations, at dioceseofgreensburg.org/evangelization/eucharistic-revival/national-eucharistic-congress/, are due by Sept. 1 with a 50% deposit. Final payment is due March 1.

Catholic Charities golf outing set Aug. 11

Only four openings for foursomes remain for Catholic Charities' 21st annual Paul R. Smiy Memorial Golf Outing, set for Friday, Aug. 11, at Ligonier Country Club, with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. To register or for the country of the c



more information, visit <u>CCharitiesGreensburg.org</u> or call 724-837-1840, ext. 1504.

TRASH 'N TREASURE EVENT

The Rosary Altar Society of Saint Paul Parish in Greensburg will be holding its annual Trash 'n Treasure Sale on Thursday, July 13, (9am-6pm) and Friday, July 14, (9am-6pm) with ½ off starting on Friday. A special Early Bird preview will be held on Wednesday, July 12, from 4-8 p.m. for a \$5 admission. There will be a \$5 "Bag Sale" on Saturday, July 15 from 9am-1pm (Large items will be ½ off original sticker price). The deadline for dropping off items for this event is Thursday, June 29. For more information, please contact the Church Office at 724-834-6880.

<u>Public Rosary Rally – Saturday, 8 July 2023, 10:00 a.m.:</u> Join localarea Catholics in praying a public Rosary on the sidewalk in front of the

Indiana County Courthouse, 825 Philadelphia St. In this month of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus, we will ask our Lord to cover our families, community, and nation with healing and protection. The Rally will occur rain or shine, so please dress appropriately. It will



last approximately 45 minutes. Call/text Marianne 724-717-3278 with any questions.

The Ascension Church Festival in Jeannette will be expanding this year in comparison to last year's post-covid festival. In addition to the normal Italian cuisine of pasta fagioli, meatball with penne pasta, roast beef and sausage sandwiches, we will also be having hot dogs, french fries, tacos, tamales and more. On Friday, July 7, there will be an *Italian Dance Workshop* from 6—7 pm along with the sounds of *DJ* 57 all evening. On Saturday, July 8 the *Jeannette Community Band* will be performing from 2—4 pm, *Mike Urick and the Modelaires* will be with us from 5—6:30 pm and *DJ Ken Garris and Colors* will be closing out the festival from 7—9 pm.

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SATURDAY, JULY 1

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ⊕John Zometsky (Donna Zometsky) 6:00 pm (Coral) ProPopulo

SUNDAY, JULY 2

9:00 am (Coral) ⊕John "JR" Reed (Daughters)
11:00 am (Lucernemines)⊕Carmella Clark (Daughter Patty Ferra & Family

MONDAY, JULY 3- NO MASS

TUESDAY, JULY 4- Lucernemines

9:00 am ⊕George Voytek (Cindy, Georgette & Families)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Chuckie Parchuke & Louise Dellafiora (Terri Tedeschi) 3:00pm—6:00pm Adoration—Lucernemines

THURSDAY, JULY 6- Coral

8:00 am Mother Alma Ruth Vargas, A.P. (Leslie Callan)

FIRST FRIDAY, JULY 7 - Coral

8:00 am ⊕August Bertig (Family)

Adoration following mass until noon

11:30 am Confession

12:00 pm Benediction

7:00pm Organ Recital-Coral

SATURDAY, JULY 8

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ProPopulo

6:00 pm (Coral) ⊕Dick Farabaugh (Jenny & Family)

SUNDAY, JULY 9

9:00 am (Coral) ⊕Ellio Bertig (Darrick Bertig)

11:00 am (Lucernemines) ⊕Verna Luscia (Husband & Daughters

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, July 8-3:00pm (Lucerne) Sunday, July 9-8:30am (Coral)

JUNE 24 & 25 2023	OFFERTORY
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$5559.00
Votive Candles	\$104.50
Maintenance	\$40.00
Diocesan Collections	\$454.00
Special Collections	\$10.00
Cemetery	\$51.00

Mass Attendance

Lucerne

June 24, 4pm—98 June 25, 11am—77

Coral

June 24, 6pm—63 June 25, 9am—116