



# Our Lady of the Assumption

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg  
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olaparishpa

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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](http://www.olaparishpa.org)**

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The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of  
**Penner & Rachael Tuscano-L**  
by Jody Tuscano  
&  
**Frank Greczek-C**  
by Darrick Bertig



The Host is in memory of  
**Bruce Bodnar-L**  
by Barbara Welsh & Children  
&  
**Stephen & Nancy Cerovich-C**  
by the Cerovich Children



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On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying:  
"A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots.



**Ministry Fair after each mass this weekend**—let Tyler and Mario know if you and /or your children are interested in attending any of the training sessions listed below.

### Altar Server Training

July 18th @ 6pm-Lucernemines  
July 20th @ 3pm-Coral

### Eucharistic Minister Training

July 18th @ 7pm-Lucernemines  
July 20th @ 4pm-Coral

#### 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:**

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**Those who have been selling the Summer Cash tickets**, please return your tickets and money by Thursday, July 26th. Thank you to all who sold and bought tickets.

Thank you to all who helped make the halupki this past week. Many hands helped make our work lighter. They will be available at our **End of Summer Bash on August 27th**.

**Fantastic recital by Tyler Randolph last Friday, July 7th!**



What would you do if your phone rang or began to vibrate, but instead of a familiar family member or friend showing up on your caller ID, the name of God appeared? Seriously, if God was calling you would you answer?

Our phones demand our attention in so many different ways and most of us get that pleasant feeling of a dopamine release when someone we enjoy talking to calls or texts us. But what do we do when God reaches out?

Prayer is a response. Much like when we answer our phones when someone we love calls, when we pray we are answering God. God always goes first and we can't exist, breathe, or even pray without him. We are conditioned to believe that when we pray it is really ourselves who are doing something—we are talking the initiative. But in reality, our initiative when it comes to prayer is in the form of a response to God who calls us into communion with him first and then we answer him by entering into prayer.

In the midst of our busy and often chaotic lives, it is easy to lose sight of the importance of prayer. Yet, we must keep in mind that prayer is not merely some religious duty but rather it is a transformative practice that can profoundly impact our daily lives. It is in prayer that we create and foster a personal relationship with the Lord which is the very basis of our faith. In prayer we also find comfort in times of stress, and seek guidance in navigating the complexities of daily life. Today, I would like to invite you to reflect upon the significance of a regular prayer life as together we explore ways to overcome excuses that hinder us from embracing this transformative practice.

By regularly engaging in prayer, we open ourselves up to the possibility of experiencing profound moments of clarity and a deep sense of purpose—that can only come from God himself. As nice as this sounds however, excuses always seem to be present in our human condition, tempting us to neglect our time with the Lord. For many reasons, we all find ourselves saying things like, "I'm too busy," "I don't know how to pray," or "God doesn't listen to me." We know these excuses are not based in reality and that they are not coming from the Lord. In fact, these excuses tend to originate when we turn in and focus on ourselves and all of the "things we have to do" or all of the "things we want" instead of looking toward God and asking for his help and guidance with the challenges we are actively facing. In any case, let's dismantle these barriers and explore five simple yet effective strategies to cultivate a faithful prayer life:

**Prioritize Time:** In the hustle and bustle of our routines, it is crucial to carve out dedicated time for prayer. Treat it as an appointment on your calendar with God, honoring the real personal relationship with him in your life.

**Embrace Simplicity:** Prayer doesn't require grand gestures or eloquent words. It is a deeply personal and intimate conversation with our Lord. Speak from the heart, expressing your joys, sorrows, and desires in genuine simplicity.

**Seek Guidance:** Prayer can often be messy, as our lives are often messy. God does not ask us to hide this from him, in fact just the opposite—he wants us to reveal our full selves to him and invite him to sit in the mess with us. The Psalms are a perfect example of this, whenever times are difficult or you just can't seem to find the words, turn to the Psalms where God provides the words and examples of prayer for us. Sacred Scripture, The Divine Office, Mass, and the other Sacraments are great places to look when we feel we need a little guidance in how to open ourselves up to God.

**Find Moments of Stillness:** Amidst the chaos of daily life, seek moments of stillness and solitude. Whether it's a quiet corner in your home, a serene park, or even during a peaceful walk, these moments provide an opportunity for prayerful reflection. A dedicated comfortable prayer space is also a great way to anchor consistency and to help us go from the business of everyday life to the calmness of spending time with the Lord.

**Adapt to Life's Seasons:** Recognize that prayer may evolve over time. Embrace the ebb and flow of your relationship with God, understanding that your prayer life may change in different seasons of life.

Remember, prayer is not an isolated event but a continual conversation that shapes and transforms us. Through prayer, we cultivate a sense of peace, resilience, and purpose, enabling us to face life's challenges with grace and clarity.

As we embark on this journey towards a more faithful prayer life, let us cast aside excuses and embrace the extraordinary power that lies within ordinary moments. May our prayers become a source of strength, inspiration, and connection, leading us towards a deeper understanding of ourselves, others, and most importantly God.

Mario

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**STUDENT ART OPPORTUNITY (students entering grades 6-12)****CALL FOR ENTRIES**

During the week of August 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 medium, 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! Questions? Please contact [cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org) **Deadline for submissions is Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>****ANNUAL COLOR RUN**

*hosted by our Youth Group*

4pm-7pm

Coral Social Hall/Hoodlebug Trail

Students entering grades 6-12 welcome! No charge!

2K Run (almost!), games, food, friends, fun!!!

To register, please contact [cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

***Interested in becoming Catholic?*****OCIA/RCIA**

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Join us for an informational session to find out more about our Faith and how to pursue full membership in the Catholic Church!

Date: Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

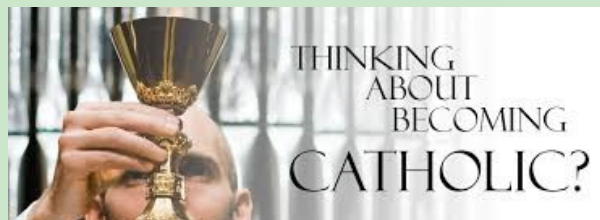
Time: 7pm-8pm

Location: Podowski Hall

Questions? Contact [cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or call the Parish Office at 724-479-9542, Ext. 15

Active Catholics seeking spiritual enrichment are also encouraged to attend.

We look forward to sharing this experience with you!



## HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE!

### **Blue Mass July 20 at Holy Family Parish, Seward**

A Blue Mass honoring first responders is set for Thursday, July 20, at 7 p.m. at Holy Family Parish, Seward. A blessing of emergency response vehicles, equipment, and K9 officers and handlers will follow. For information, call 814-446-5759. The Mass coincides with the 46th anniversary of the Johnstown Flood; all who were impacted by the flood are encouraged to join together in prayer to help remember all who suffered loss and those who served the community during the disaster.

### **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 more information, visit [CCharitiesGreensburg.org](http://CCharitiesGreensburg.org) or call 724-837-1840, ext. 1504

### **Magnificat breakfast July 29 in Crabtree**

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat – A Ministry to Catholic Women will hold a breakfast Saturday, July 29, from 9 a.m.-noon at Rizzo's Banquet Hall, Crabtree. Guest speaker Mary Sampey will talk about her journey from the pain of losing her sister to the disease of addiction to learning how to "suffer well" and find joy. Cost is \$25 (students \$20). To register, call Brenda Concannon by July 24 at 724-836-2094 or visit [www.magnificatgreensburg.com](http://www.magnificatgreensburg.com) to download a registration form (there is no online registration).

### **Bishop Kulick to concelebrate liturgy at Kennywood Slovak Day**

Bishop Larry J. Kulick, along with Pittsburgh Bishop David A. Zubik, will concelebrate a Slovak liturgy for the centennial celebration of Western Pennsylvania Slovak Day at Kennywood Park, West Mifflin, Thursday, July 20. The celebration will include displays, authentic costumes, folk dance performances, a sing-along, Slovak food, children's activities and music for dancing. A centennial party at the Main Stage from 2-3 p.m. will feature, birthday cake and a meet and greet with Radovan Javorcik, Slovak ambassador to the United States, who will also speak at the 3 p.m. program at the Main Stage. The liturgy will be in the Main Pavilion at 4 p.m. Special-priced Slovak Day tickets are \$25 (good only July 20) and are available by mailing a check (made out to WPSDA) to Sue Ondrejco, 234 Ilion St., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15207. For information, call 412-462-1957.

### **Masses in Spanish in Jeannette**

All are invited to Mass in Spanish Sundays at 6 p.m. at Ascension Parish, Jeannette, with reconciliation at 5 p.m.

Todos están invitados a la Misa Espanol en Domingos en Jeannette: La Santa Misa en Espanol, Todo los Domingos a 6 p.m., reconciliación a 5 p.m., Iglesia La Ascensión.





**July 15 thru July 23**

**SATURDAY, JULY 15**—St. Bonaventure, bishop & Doctor of the Church  
 4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Richard Englert (Wife, Cathy Englert)  
 6:00 pm (Coral) ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, JULY 16**  
 9:00 am (Coral) †Julius & Elizabeth Manfredi (Fred, Tony & family)  
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) †Jim Yanoscik (Paula Reed)

**MONDAY, JULY 17- NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, JULY 18-** Coral  
 8:00 am †Steve Andrascik (Debbie Kanick Davidson)

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 19-** Coral  
 8:00 am †George Scribe (Mimi Yanoscik)  
**3:00pm—6:00pm Adoration (Lucernemines)**

**THURSDAY, JULY 20-** Coral  
 8:00 am †Arthur Prato (Len & Carol Nocco Black)

**FRIDAY, JULY 21-** Coral  
 8:00 am †Deacon Peter Solan (Leslie Marie Callan)

**SATURDAY, JULY 22**  
 4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Edward & Ann Plowcha (Family)  
 6:00 pm (Coral) †Cynthia Huntley (Family)

**SUNDAY, JULY 23**  
 9:00 am (Coral) ProPopulo  
 11:00 am (Lucernemines) †Pauline Wilson (Donna Zometsky)



**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday, July 22--3:00pm (Lucerne)  
 Sunday, July 23-8:30am (Coral)

JULY 8 & 9, 2023		OFFERTORY	Mass Attendance
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving		\$9005.10	<b>Lucerne</b> July 8, 4pm—74 July 9, 11am—72
Votive Candles		\$130.00	
Maintenance		\$445.00	<b>Coral</b> July 8, 6pm—77 July 9, 9am—117
Diocesan Collections		\$65.00	
Cemetery		\$108.00	