TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of the Assumption

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Matthew 16:21-27: Jesus begins to explain that He must suffer, be killed, and resurrect. Peter rebukes Him, but Jesus says that Peter's thinking like a man, not God. He tells His followers to deny themselves, take up their crosses, and follow Him. Gaining the world but losing one's soul is futile. The Son of Man will come and reward each according to their deeds.



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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



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 George & Frances Vovtek -C by Cindy, Georgette & families

Eleanor Borzcik -L by The Altar Rosary Society



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The Host is in memory of Gary M. Welsh-L **Barbara Welsh & family**

Joseph & Stella Harkelli-C by Darrick Bertig



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The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day.

Fun was had by all at our Annual End of Summer Bash!



Hoodlebug Festival

Sunday, September 10 from 11am—7pm at the Firemen's Field at 25 W Church St, Homer City. Be sure to stop by the Christian Mother's booth and have a piece of pizza. Also the K of C will have a booth serving fresh lemonade.

Catholic University of America-Thank you for your support last week of the collection for The Catholic University of America!

Public Rosary Rally – Saturday, 16
September 2023, 10:00 a.m.: 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 September, we will honor The Seven Sorrows of Mary and pray for special grace for our Church and clergy. The Rally will last about 45 minutes and will occur rain or shine, so please dress appropriately. Call/text Marianne 724-717-3278 with any questions.

Dear Parishioners.

Memorial Day, Labor Day – What's it all about?

The two hinges of summer in the United States come from Memorial Day in May which officially starts off the summer holiday season and from Labor Day in early September. Surprisingly we have arrived at Labor Day,

2023, as of Monday, September 4. Both holidays in the United States once had rather narrowly defined purposes, Memorial Day, or Decoration Day, to recall those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in protecting our citizens from harm or potential loss of freedom, and Labor Day, to support men and women who labor to provide for them selves and their families. Our Catholic community of faith has long supported the cause of labor that participates in the creative force of the Almighty and thus "anoints" life with dignity, as Pope Francis says. Our bishops in the United States yearly offer some reflection on labor and on our common commitment to labor. [As I compose this reflection, I do not find statement for 2023 posted yet.]

Regarding Labor Day, doesn't it currently seem to be less concerned about human dignity and about jobs and much more concerned about a last gasp of summertime fun and about squeezing out one last long weekend before academics and responsibilities intervene until the next recognizable holiday arrived?

"When a movement to find some means to honor laborers first appeared way back in 1830, common people in manufacturing worked 70 hours each week. Sixty years later, in 1890, weekly hours of work had dropped, although the average manufacturing worker still toiled in a factory 60 hours a week."

These long-working hours caused many laborers to organize in order to advocate for something less strenuous and degrading to their health and to family life: union organizers focused on winning a shorter eight-hour work day. They also focused on getting workers more days off, such as the Labor Day holiday, and reducing the workweek to just six days. Even a religious organization for men, the Knights of Columbus, understood because of the ministry of Blessed Michael McGivney how demanding labor might lead to an early demise and deprive a household of its primary wage-earner.

These early organizers clearly won a lot since the most recent data show that the average person working in manufacturing is employed for a bit over 40 hours a week and most people work only five days a week. Surprisingly, some commentators say, many politicians and business owners were actually in favor of giving workers more time off, because workers who had no free time were not able to spend their wages on traveling, entertainment, or dining out. Have you followed those arguments today that people should now have a four-day work week instead of a five-day one? Those who have borne the heat of the day may wonder if people are becoming less productive, even lazy, about contributing to the common good of society. "As the U.S. economy expanded beyond farming and basic manufacturing in the late 1800s and early 1900s, it became important for businesses to find consumers interested in buying the products and services being produced in ever greater amounts. Shortening the work week was one way of turning the working class into the consuming class, something we have adopted as a life-time goal." Ever wonder where all those products in the average Wal-Mart end up?

Those same organizers also tackled unsafe working conditions to which some workers fell victim every year.

Our Catholic Church practices and teaches us at least six social values based on Jesus' teachings in the Holy Gospel. These shouldn't surprise us: 1. Work is an essential part of human dignity, as humans labor to keep creation and to grow it. 2. People do not exist to become tools for the greed of others. 3. Labor contributes to the mutual welfare of all women and men. 4. Work that fails to allow for rest violates God's plan for the world. 5. All people have the right to economic initiative, to productive work, to just wages and benefits, to decent working conditions, as well as to organize and join unions or other associations. 6. Work helps us individually and collectively to achievement fulfillment as human beings.

Do you have a job, a task to do? Are you well-employed? How does your labor contribute to others' well-being? Have a safe and productive holiday and enjoy what God has invited you to contribute to the welfare of your family, your sisters and brothers.

ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...

Wednesday, September 6th
"Mother Teresa" (approx. 2 hrs.)
Feast Day: September 5th

Admission is free. Light refreshments will be provided.
All movies will begin at 6pm in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines worship site.

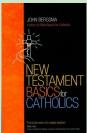


SAVE THE DATES

We are happy to announce that our next Adult Enrichment Series will include both The Chosen (Season 2) AND New Testament Basics for Catholics by John Bergsma. We will be alternating weeks for the video series and the book in order for participants to make it to either study...or both! Only \$10 covers the donation for one or both of the enrichment selections which will help to defray the cost of materials/refreshments. Please contact cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org or call the Parish Office at 724-479-9542 Ext. 15 to register.

Wednesday Evenings: The Chosen 8 Sessions

Podowski Hall beginning at 6pm 9/20, 10/4, 10/18, 11/8, 11/29, 12/13, 1/3, and 1/10



Thursday (Morning and Evening): Book Study 7 Sessions

AM Session following 8am Mass (Coral)
PM Session beginning at 6pm (Lucernemines)
9/14, 9/28, 10/12, 10/26, 11/16, and 12/7
Final session on 12/21 to be held at 6pm (L)

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

Elementary Grades K-5 9:30am-10:45am at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines) 9/10, 9/17, and 9/24

Middle School Grades 6-8 and Youth Group/Grades 9-12 5:30pm-7:30pm at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines) 9/10 and 9/24

END OF SUMMER BASH

A big thank you to Our Lady of the Assumption family who made our End of Summer celebration a success.

Our parishioners came together to help set up and clean up after the event. The beautiful baskets donated by you were again beautiful and generous.

Thanks to the ladies who prepared the food and worked diligently in the kitchen.

Thanks to the many volunteers who served food and to the men who helped with the heavier tasks.

Thank you to those of you who came and bought food and tickets.

HAPPENING AROUND THE DIOCESE

Tickets on sale for Catholic Charities' Farm to Table Dinner Oct. 4, Purse Bash Nov. 5

Join Catholic Charities and Bishop Larry J. Kulick for the third annual Farm to Table Dinner, a celebration of bounty and fellowship, Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 6-9 p.m. at Cavallo Fields, Pleasant Unity. Cost is \$125 per person. Seating is limited. Proceeds benefit Catholic Charities' services in the four counties of the Diocese. Menu and registration information can be found at charitiesgreensburg.org. Tickets are also on sale for the seventh annual Designer Purse Bash & Crystal Bake Sale, set for Sunday, Nov. 5, at the Barn at Ligonier Valley. Doors open at noon. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased at www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org or at the Catholic Charities office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. For information, contact Heather Rady at hrady@dioceseofgreensburg.org or 724-837-1840.

Healing service Sept. 15 at St. Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon

St. Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon, will host a Hem of His Garment healing prayer service Friday, Sept. 15, at 6:30 p.m. The evening will feature Eucharistic exposition and gospel, corporate prayer for healing, individual prayer ministry and worship led by Carolyn Cannizzaro. For information, contact Kim Hutchins at 412-817-5465 or healing@hemofhisgarment.org.

Black 'N' Gold Fish Fry set Sept. 10 at Sacred Heart Parish, Jeannette

Sacred Heart Parish, Jeannette, will host a Black 'N' Gold Fish Fry Sunday, Sept. 10, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Sacred Heart cafeteria. Lenten fish fry favorites, including fried fish sandwiches, baked fish and French fries, will be served. Takeout will be available. For information, call John Cramer at 724-396-9737

"Boomers and Beyond" lunch and learn session Sept. 12 at Mother of Sorrows Parish, Murrysville

"Our Youth in the Judicial System" is the topic for a "Boomers and Beyond" lunch and learn session Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 11:30 a.m. in the social hall at Mother of Sorrows Parish, Murrysville. Westmoreland County Assistant District Attorney Judi Petrush will discuss the impact of trauma and what happens when children are involved in the court system as victims or witnesses or are facing juvenile charges. Participants should take a lunch; beverages are provided.

St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City, cookbook available

The Ladies Guild of St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City, is selling St. Barbara's Taste of Heaven Cookbook. For information, call the parish at 724-744-7474.



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 to pass through grief and move forward with their lives. The next weekend program is Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2023, at Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Avenue, West View, PA 15229. Cost is \$205. 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 to learn more about this healing ministry.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:00 am (Coral) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish) 11:00 am (Lucernemines) ⊕Pauline Checlosky (Ed & Bernadette Palchesko)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4-Lucernemines (LABOR DAY)

9:00am ⊕Anthony & Eleanor Borzcik (Julie Mills)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Evelyn Irene Dean (Grandparents, Len & Carol Black)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Ron Krejocic (Paula & Joey)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Mildred Thomas (Daughter, Peggy)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 - Coral

8:00 am ⊕Bernard Murray (Jim & Chris Costello)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ⊕David & Anna Cusimano (Daughters) 6:00 pm (Coral) ⊕Mildred Dechman (Terri Tedeschi)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10-Grandparents Day

9:00 am (Coral) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish) 11:00 am (Lucernemines) ⊕Dennis Donahue (Jeremy & Jennifer Rega)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, September 9-3:00pm (Lucerne) Sunday, September 10-8:30am (Coral)



Congratulations on your nuptials Jaimie Rura & Cody Haynes. May God bless you with His Love, His Wisdoms and His Guidance.

AUGUST 26 & 27	OFFERTORY
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$5871.00
Votive Candles	\$112.00
Maintenance	\$29.00
Catholic Accent	\$18.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$160.00
Diocesan Collections	\$334.00
Special Collection	\$45.00
Cemetery	41.00

Mass Attendance Lucerne Aug 26, 4pm—80

Aug 26, 4pm—80 Aug 27, 11am—112

Coral

Aug 26, 6pm—51 Aug 27, 9am—112