



Our Lady of the Assumption

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg
A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust



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OFFICE HOURS
Monday thru Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed 1pm-2 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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Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests."



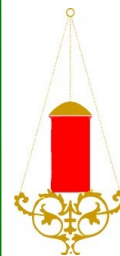
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The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of JR Reed—C
By His family
&
Mildred Carpinello—L
By Jenny Farabaugh

The Host is in memory of
Mary & Pete Bondra—C
By The Yevchak &
Bondra Families
&
Regis Troxell—L
By Rosalie Adamson



The Christian Mother's Koeze Nut & Candy Fundraiser!



Impress your friend and family with gourmet nuts and candies. Sweets make a great gift for the holidays. Plan ahead and call Barb at 724-388-3758 or Irene at 7247-248-3465 to place an order. You can

also drop off your order at the parish office from 9am to 4pm., Monday thru Friday. Orders are due no later than Monday, October 30th.

**SAVE THE DATE!!
ELECTION DAY**
Lasagna Dinner
More information to follow!



In addition to fall and winter items, manager's specials pop up daily at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana. The store is located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street with store hours Monday thru Saturday from 10am to 2pm. Donations are accepted at the back door from 10am to 1pm (as space allows).



Volunteers needed at the masses for All Saints' and All Souls' Day.

- Oct 31**-Servers at the 7pm mass-L
- Nov 2**-Server, Eucharistic Minister and Lector at the 12pm mass-C
- Nov 2**-Servers and Eucharistic Minister at the 7pm mass-L

"El Camino de los Peregrinos!"
(The Pilgrim's Way)

Join our pilgrimage from Indiana to Coral on the **Hoodlebug Trail** on Sunday, November 12th from 12-5pm...

Bike it!...Walk it!...Run it!
All are welcome!
Details coming soon!



Donate to OLOTA Online!

Dear Parishioners,

Three Years and Counting, Part 2

Attendance at Daily or Weekday Masses

I have followed tradition here and **do not celebrate a Mass on the pastor's day off**, for which I chose Monday in order to rest after busy weekends. Truth be told, quite often a funeral or a faith formation event, or a diocesan or a regional deanery obligation make a greater claim on a Monday. I have often heard parishioners caution me to take a real day off from duty, and while that remains my fondest intention, I am the only priest to serve this parish and I have not found other priests available to assist us, with the exception of the pastor of St. Mary's in Homer City, a Byzantine Rite priest who has permission to, who knows how, and who likes to celebrate in our "Latin Rite." Fr. Wesley Mash has been well received when he fills in for us and has been a true brother to me in offering assistance for daily Masses, something I cannot rely upon my Capuchin counterparts to provide.

We average 15 to 35 persons attending daily Mass. I strive to keep those morning Masses to 30 – 35 minutes. More persons attend on certain days of the week coming from other local churches.

Negotiate for a Visiting Priest

Do you know that a parish must pay for additional clergy assistance? As a parish with very limited resources, we would struggle to come up with the cash to pay a priest to come from afar (greater than 5 miles) since we would pay the priest the intention for the Mass (\$10); the cost of travel (circa \$40 from Greensburg); and a stipend for celebrating the Mass (\$35 on weekdays). Weekend Masses require more payment for Masses (\$75/Mass) and would include the going rate for Masses and for confessions (\$50) as well as the distance traveled. With four Masses per weekend and two periods of Confessions would cost the parish approximately \$470 off the top of our collection for that weekend.

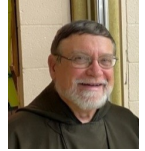
Mortality of our Parishioners

Another chart will show how many of our parishioners have passed away, that is, died, in the time of my pastorate, ninety-one (91). As I write this reflection, I am filing paperwork on the five funerals held recently at the parish, that is, the first funeral [L] was held a week ago (Monday), the second [C] on Tuesday, the third on Thursday [L], and the fourth on Friday [L]. Owing to a Wedding on Saturday, the fifth funeral was held on Monday, October 9. This past Friday marked the first funeral for which I have cancelled another parish activity, because with a pending wedding on Saturday, along with rehearsal on Friday evening, we could not do business as usual and hold Eucharistic Adoration for First Friday as customary even though we usually attract a steady 30 minutes of confessions and 15 persons to the Midday Benediction. We also hold a morning Mass for First Saturday at 8 (we are one of a few churches in the Diocese to observe First Saturday devotions). The wedding happened at 1:30 PM with Mass and the customary 4 PM and 6 PM Masses followed. Only the 3 PM Confessions were cancelled. Pause to count that since late August, we have buried ten (10) parishioners. On All Souls' Day we will see their names and their ages and realize again how blessed this part of Indiana County has been with such wholesome, generous, and faithful people. Deaths of those in their 80s and 90s tell us how this parish has aged. Granted that parishioners of advanced age have often contributed less than they did in their earning years, still they often gave something to the work of the Church. Yet rarely does an obituary invite donations to the parish or to the physical churches.

Another Stewardship Campaign

As you know from the last two years, our bishop continues the practice begun by Bishop Milesic to encourage greater offertory collections to extend the fiscal lives of our parishes. Too many parishes rely upon their savings. While I have made every effort to match expenses to our real income and to the real cash flow on hand, we have to carefully watch the funds available, for example not ordering as many candles when we do not have the funds on hand to meet the bill. Hit with numerous unexpected repairs, in the last year we needed to find capital to fund those necessary repairs. At the same time, every businessperson knows that sometimes you must spend money to raise money. What does this pastoral report tell us about ourselves? We are alive as a community of faith in two venerable locations.

We are only as dead as we wish to be. There's a solid core of parishioners in our parish to keep our churches open and alive. But there must be supplemental income.



Father John

ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...

Wednesday, October 25th

“God’s Not Dead” movie series (Film #3 of 4)

A Church destroyed. A congregation silenced. A relationship shattered. Yet even in darkness, a small flame can light the way to healing.

Wednesday, November 15th

“God’s Not Dead” movie series (Film #4 of 4)

Freedom of choice and Christian liberties are at stake when homeschooling families oppose local government.

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

ADULT ENRICHMENT

Our current Adult Enrichment Series includes both **The Chosen (Season 2)** and the **New Testament Basics for Catholics by John Bergsma.**

Wednesday Evenings: The Chosen

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

Thursday (Morning and Evening): Book Study

AM Session following 8am Mass (Coral)
PM Session beginning at 6pm (Lucernemines)
10/19, 10/26, and 11/9

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER

Elementary Grades K-5

9:30am-10:45am at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines)
10/15, 10/22, and 10/29

Middle School Grades 6-8 and Youth Group/Grades 9-12

5:30pm-7:30pm at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines)
10/15 and 10/29

Special Pro-Life Presentation

Listening a Person into Life: The Art of Being Present

Carolyn Cannizzaro, the Director of Pro-Life Advocacy, will be presenting a talk on learning the practical tools on how to love others. Discover the importance of being present to others and how it can strengthen our Parish Community. **Coral Worship Hall at 6pm on Tuesday, October 17th, 2023.** Light refreshments will be served. All ages are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE: UPDATED

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Students in the News

Congratulations to Carter Cortazzo, a member of the seventh grade Indiana team, who placed first in the Indiana County Envirothon competition at Blue Spruce Park recently!

ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA CANDLES

Envelopes are now available at both worship sites to request a memorial or special intention novena candle for All Souls Day. The deadline for requests is Sunday, October 29th

Mass Attendance October 7 & 8, 2023

Lucerne

4pm—82
11am—82

Coral

6pm—52
9am—112

Oct 7/8, 2023	Offertory	Oct 7/8, 2023	Offertory
Adult, loose, children & online	\$7494.00	Cemetery	\$163.00
Votive Candles	\$161.50	Families receiving envelopes	492
Maintenance	\$390.00	Envelopes used this week	145
Diocesan Collection	\$30.00	Online donations	32
Special Collection	\$55.00		

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE!

Support Ukrainian Refugee Fund

Support is needed for the Ukrainian Refugee Fund administered by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg, which provides assistance to individuals and families who have been forced to leave their homelands because of war. Visit ccharitiesgreensburg.org/donate/donate-now/ to donate. More than 100 families are on a waiting list to resettle in Western Pennsylvania.

Tickets on sale for Catholic Charities' Nov. 5 Purse Bash

Tickets are on sale for Catholic Charities' 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.

Prayer and Perfect Pairings registration open

Registration is now open for our Prayer and Perfect Pairings event on Friday, Oct. 20, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. This five-course dinner features delicious recipes from local priests paired perfectly with wine. Reserve your sponsorship and seat today! Seating is limited. Visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings for tickets and sponsorship information. Proceeds will be used to support Eucharistic Revival efforts in the Diocese of Greensburg.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Greensburg is looking for team members who embrace our mission to carry on the love and mercy of Christ in Armstrong, Fayette, Indiana and Westmoreland Counties.

Our employment opportunities offer excellent health benefits, vacation time and certain positions with flexible hours.

APPLY NOW:

Greensburg Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School Principal

School Resource Officers

Coordinator of Development Database and Records

School Counselor

Regional Director of Faith Formation and Discipleship

Regional Director of Youth Formation and Discipleship

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) Living & Deceased Members of OLOTA
Alar Rosary Society (Altar Rosary Society)

6:00 pm (Coral) †Deceased Members of the Zicha & Bicego
Families (Zicha Children)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00 am (Coral) †James Yanoscik (Wife, Mimi)
11:00 am (Lucernemines) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 - NO MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 - Coral

8:00 am In honor of Kathleen DeSantis (Mike DeSantis)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 - Coral

8:00 am †Beverly Zoldak (John Zoldak)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 - Coral

8:00 am †Mary & John Senick (Jack & Janice Bell)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 - Coral

8:00 am †George Scribe (Sister, Peg)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish)
6:00 pm (Coral) †Steve Andrascik (Ann Marie Dechman)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 am (Coral) †Andrew Chutorich (Jerry Chutorich & Family)
11:00 am (Lucernemines) †Anthony & Eleanor Borzcik (Julie Mills)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, October 21-3:00pm (Lucerne)

Sunday, October 22-8:30am (Coral)



Next weekend, we will unite with the global Church in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year, Pope Francis illuminates our path with the theme: **“Hearts on fire, feet on the move.”** As we prepare to observe this special day, we are reminded to ignite our hearts with Christ’s Love and extend that warmth to the most vulnerable corners of our world. Your fervent prayers and upcoming generosity in the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith will bolster the missionaries working in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and certain regions of Latin American and Europe. Let us come together to support them in their mission of love and service.

Thank you!