



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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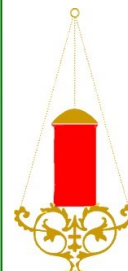
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"Why are you testing me, you hypocrites?
Show me the coin that pays the census tax."
Then they handed him the Roman coin.
He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?"
They replied, "Caesar's."
At that he said to them,
"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."

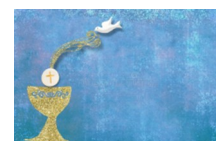


Watch on YouTube



The Sanctuary Candle burns in
memory of Joe & Emma Binando
-C
By Mel & Shirley Stella
&
Regis Troxell-L
By Rosalie Adamson

The Host is in memory of
Brian Gatski_C
By his Mother





Clothing for everyone, movies, books, and music are all available 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)

ANNUAL ELECTION DAY DINNER!



We will again have our Election Day dinner this year on November 7th from noon until 4

at the Coral Hall. The cost of the dinner is \$15.00. The dinner will include lasagna, salad, roll and dessert. New this year, we will also be offering hot sausage sandwiches. This will again be a takeout meal.



Volunteers will be needed to help prepare salads and desserts and to help the day of the dinner. We are asking that desserts be donated for the dinner. We ask that the desserts not require refrigeration. Desserts can be dropped off on Sunday morning, November 5th, after the 9:00 mass at Coral or Monday morning, November 6th at the Coral Hall.

Contact Terri at 724-459-8977 if you are available to help or with questions. Buon Appetito!

"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!



Make life easier, donate online! For those who choose online giving, we will discontinue the mailing of monthly envelopes.



A World Going Mad Again Dear Parishioners,

After the 9:00 AM Mass in Coral last Sunday, as I conversed with a family in the center aisle of the church, I saw a man whom I had never seen before coming rapidly towards me holding a cellphone and a photograph. He interrupted the family by saying "I am from Ukraine." This fellow looked disheveled, with long dark curly hair. He immediately blurted out that he had a wife with a child diagnosed with cancer (laminated photo with writing on the reverse reported the same). He came into our church having seen the parking lot filled with cars as Mass concluded but waited until only a few persons remained. He used his cellphone for translation, claiming that he spoke Ukrainian, but as I observed the screen of his phone and listened to his speech in a foreign tongue, I realized that he was speaking in Romanish (as even the screen identified), a language that Gypsie groups use in Europe.

For a few, long minutes this man told me that he needed money and food for his children. Parishioners afterwards told me that he had arrived in a large van. Other children were also in the van.

As with anyone claiming special need, I told him that Catholic parishes assist but not without interviews and some verification, and I offered to put him immediately in touch with our people at the St. Vincent de Paul Society who have perfected techniques to ascertain the genuine needs of people who contact us and who can refer to helping agencies. He rejected all reasoning and spoke strongly against us for not handing over to him large amounts of cash. I told him what is true: priests do not give cash without verification of real need and like many Americans today, personally I rarely carry any cash. When he realized that I would hold my line and not provide immediate cash, he asked me for food (or once again, for money for food). I explained that we do not keep food at the parish office. He said that he could not understand our refusal.

Later, I learned that this same man had accosted the pastor of the Christian & Missionary Alliance Church up the road from us, and that although the pastor said they had a practice of giving out only \$100 to someone claiming need, the man left that church in a huff, denouncing the people there for offering so little.

Let me explain that I responded as I did to this fellow because of multiple experiences with similar scams in Italy (Rome) and in this country. When people like this man come on strongly and demand money, they often deprive people truly in need of the charity that might sustain them. As an apostolic Church, even our prayers at Mass instruct us that we each seek unity in charity with our Holy Father, church leadership, and the church universal. Pope Francis bravely invites us to real charity that serves those in the battlefields where our church becomes a trauma center. And, the Cardinal Archbishop of Jerusalem, Peter Pizzabello teaches us of Jewish and Christian families caught in the exchange of gunfire and rockets in vengeful responses. The Cardinal pleaded that we fast and pray to control these demons of war.

From wherever this man came, he brought a little of the chaos of evil-intent to Indiana County and into our church last Sunday. Ukraine can seem to be thousands and thousands of miles away; we have heard pleas for the people of Ukraine whose only error was to be in the path of Russian expansion. I find it amazing that since the Hamas offense in Palestine, we learn little of the progress of the destruction and resistance of Ukraine.

The evil of the world rushing headlong into war is not so far away from Indiana County that we would not pray for those initially attacked. These mortally deadly attacks might result in the destruction of all life. Please pray and exercise justice and mercy.

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 **Thursday (Morning and Evening): Book Study**

Podowski Hall beginning at 6pm

AM Session following 8am Mass (Coral)

11/8, 11/29, 12/13,

PM Session beginning at 6pm (Lucernemines)

1/3, and 1/10

10/26, and 11/9

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Elementary Grades K-5

9:30am-10:45am at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines) 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/12, and 11/19

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

5:30pm-7:30pm at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines) 10/29 and 11/12

Mark Your Calendars!

Our Youth Group members will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on Sunday, November 19th immediately following the 9am Mass in Coral.

SAVE THE DATE: UPDATED

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Students in the News

Initiated by **Nicky Todd**, a crew of Homer Center high school students also including **Angelo Alexander, Jaxson Arone, and Caleb Palmer** from our Parish, created a service project by revitalizing the elementary school courtyard. Thank you for your service to the community!

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. Our Youth Group members did a beautiful job decorating the candles!



OCT 14 & 15, 2023	OFFERTORY
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$6819.00
Votive Candles	\$114.00
Maintenance	\$147.00
Diocesan Collections	\$184.00
Special Collections	\$75.00
Cemetery	\$115.00

Mass Attendance

Oct 14
Lucerne
4pm— 97
11am— 94

Coral
6pm— 64
9am— 104

Families receiving envelopes—489

Envelopes used this week—171

Online giving—28



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Catholic Relief Services

On Saturday 10/7/23, a 6.3-magnitude earthquake struck Herat province in western Afghanistan, killing more than 2,000 people, leveling buildings and devastating communities. CRS and local partners are providing relief to families impacted, deploying medical and trauma support, and shelter and food assistance in affected areas. Please give a vital gift today by visiting www.crs.org. Thanks for your support!

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

Men's retreat Oct. 27-29 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

A Men's Emmaus Retreat is planned Oct. 27-29 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg, for all men 18 and older. Only 30 seats are available. For information and registration, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/mens-emmaus-retreat or call Jim Pencola at 724-726-5315.

Christmas Shoppe Nov. 3-4 at St. Emma Monastery, Greensburg

The Benedictine sisters of St. Emma Monastery, Greensburg, will host their annual Christmas Shoppe Friday, Nov. 3, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (earlybird admission \$5 from 9 a.m.-noon) and Saturday, Nov. 4, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (50% off from 1-3 p.m.). The sale will feature both Christmas and general items, including books. Food will be for sale. **Volunteers and donations are needed.** For information, visit stemma.org or call 724-834-3060.

Special Pro-Life Presentation

Listening a Person into Life: The Art of Being Present

Special thanks to Carolyn Cannizzaro, Director of **Pro-Life Advocacy for the Diocese of Greensburg**, for an inspirational presentation on the Art of Listening on October 17th! A great follow-up resource is an informative online video series called "Into Life" by the Sisters of Life (Intoliferies.com).





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish)

Celebrant will be Fr Stephen Bugay

6:00 pm (Coral) †Stephen Andrascik (Ann Marie Dechman)

Celebrant will be Fr. John Euker

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23-Celebrant will be Fr. John Euker

9:00 am (Coral) †Andrew Chutorich (Jerry Chutorich & family)

11:00 am (Lucernemines) †Anthony & Eleanor Borzcik (Julie Mills)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23- NO MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24- Coral-Celebrant will be Fr. Mash

8:00 am †James Yanocsik (Dennis Unterreiner)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25- Coral-Celebrant will be Fr. Mash

8:00 am †Donna Kurcsics (Carolyn Violi)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26- Coral-Celebrant will be Fr. Mash

8:00 am †John Zometsky (Donna Zometsky & family)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 - Coral-Celebrant will be Fr. Mash

8:00 am †Charles Adamchik, Sr & Nora Swasy (Barb Kindlin)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28–Celebrant will be Fr. Bob Marva

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) †Clarence Walters (Wife, Rose Walters)

6:00 pm (Coral) †James McHenry (Children)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29– Celebrant will be Fr. Bob Marva

9:00 am (Coral) †Stephen Andrascik (Tom & Paula Andrascik)

11:00 am (Lucernemines) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, October 28-3:00pm (Lucerne)

Sunday, October 29-8:30am (Coral)



Fr. John A. Pavlik, OFM Cap.



In the hustle and bustle of our daily lives, you always find time to be there for your Parish family with your unwavering commitment, devotion and guidance.

Our Lady of the Assumption Staff and Parish Family