THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of the Assumption

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Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!'
But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'
Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."





Watch on Youtube





Prayer for Eucharistic Revival

Lord Jesus, You are the living bread who satisfies the hunger of the human heart. In the Eucharist, the bread and wine become Your Body and Blood, the gift of Yourself to the Church. Deepen our faith in Your Eucharistic presence and strengthen by a facility of the characteristic presence.

Church, the Body of Christ. As we encounter and revere Your Eucharistic presence, open us to the needs of our

brothers and sisters here and everywhere throughout the world. Help us to reveal Your love, Your promise, Your presence to them by our lives and in all we say and do. Amen. PAGE 2 NOVEMBER 12, 2023



"Father God,

Bless our veterans and all who give themselves to safeguard our freedom. And for those who bravely offered their lives in battle, may their souls rest eternally. We offer gratitude to our veterans. Holy Mary, Divine Mother, may you hold our dear veterans in your loving arms. Be their comfort and strength, especially in loneliness and desperation. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, Amen."

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

November 15, 7:00pm in the Parish Office.

The Altar Rosary & Christian Mothers are hosting a Christmas Party at Hoss's on December 3 at noon. Forms can be found at each church entrance. All are invited.



YOGA

Every Tuesday-Lucerne 9:00am-10:00am Chair yoga 10:30am-11:30am

Many thanks go out to all of our volunteers who helped with our annual Election Day Dinner! This is a huge accomplishment and we would not have been so successful without all of our volunteers!



Adult coats (excluding white tag items) are BOGO this week at the St. Vincent de Paul

Thrift Store AND
Christmas items are now available. Located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th
Street, store hours are Monday thru Saturday

from 10am to 2pm with donations accepted at the back door from 10am to 1pm (space permitting).

Dear Parishioners,

Our Deepest Connections

Fr. Charles Bober, pastor of a large suburban parish in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, amusingly recalls that when he asked third graders if they had any questions of him about Mass, one little guy said, "Father, why do you wipe you nose one the altar/tablecloth?" Father recalls being taken aback by the

unfiltered question, so he asked the guy to describe when this happens. "You know, right at the beginning, you walk up to the altar and bend down your head and wipe your nose." Of course, as Fr. Bober thought about it, he agreed that his kissing of the altar has no other reference point for a seven-year-old. Sure looks like Father wipes his nose on an altar cloth, but the gesture connects more to kissing a loved one or honoring something sacred to the memory of a loved one out of respect. A priest reverences the altar as a place where Christ will meet us.

Because the words and gestures at Mass have become so familiar and repetitious, we may be missing out on too much of the meaning our worship conveys. If you've ever wondered about the words and gestures at Mass, then you understand why Cindy Marcoline and I believe we should find opportunities to uncover the lost meaning of our prayers.

For example, when did you last hear me or other pastors call to mind the major and minor portions or segments of a Mass, chief among them being the *Liturgy of the Word* and the *Liturgy of the Eucharist?* The first portion of the Mass sets the stage for the day's worship with the repetition, almost word for word, of greetings of the apostles at the beginning of their pastoral letters.

More interesting, however, comes scholarly observations that the community called Christians continued to worship at the Temple in Jerusalem and at their own synagogues until about 85 AD (or, Common Era) when they were no longer welcomed and were identified as the "problem people." Christians then gathered on two days of the weekend, on Friday evening or Saturday in the Synagogues and on Sunday mornings in private houses large enough to hold an small congregation to commemorate the Resurrection and to share the Holy Eucharist. You can read in Paul's letter to the Romans how he agonized, twenty years before this excommunication, that his fellow Jewish believers chose not to admit/accept that God acted in and through Jesus of Nazareth, clearly indicating Jesus as the Messiah or the anointed, Christ. So, the Christians were identified as a sect or small group within Judaism, but once the Temple fell in the 70s, fulfilling Jesus' prophecy way back in 33 and considered a strike against Jesus' credentials and a crime, the Christians were deemed unwelcome in Synagogues. Invited out of those Friday evening/Saturday services, the Christians now gathered only on Sundays.

Are you still with me here? So, the Sunday gatherings now changed. Essentially the first part of the Christian service became the Synagogue's *Liturgy of the Word*, with readings from the Jewish scriptures (read, Old Testament), with a singing of one of King David's Psalms, with an exhortation in writings from the apostles. Eventually, as the words and deeds of Jesus are written and recorded, those words are shared. Yes, like in the Synagogue, the leader provided a reflection or homily upon "God's Word." Well before this, in the mid-60s St. Paul tells us that he felt privileged to speak God's Words to others.

How do we know some of these happenings that shaped our Liturgy of the Mass? Christian communities preserved a manuscript or manual to describe what they believed, how they ought to worship, and what morals they ought to uphold: the text was known as the *Didache*, or the Teachings of the Twelve Apostles, with consensus holding that this text was first composed in the mid-80s and continued to be used and revised well into the 200s.

So, we pray in an ancient way handed to us by the Apostles. More on this to follow.

Father John

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ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS... 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 features Season 2 of The Chosen.

Wednesday Evenings: The Chosen
Podowski Hall beginning at 6pm
11/29, 12/6, 12/13, and 12/20

NEW: Special Advent Bible Study Enrichment Series: The Infancy Narratives

Join us for a fascinating study on the Infancy Narratives as we prepare to make way for the Lord during the season of Advent! Our sessions are scheduled on the following Thursdays: 11/30, 12/7, and 12/14. We will be meeting for identical sessions immediately following the 8am Mass in the Coral Social Hall, AND at 6pm in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines site. All are welcome! No charge! Light refreshments and materials provided.

Listen to God's Word in Scripture and reflect on His surprising Presence with us!

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER Elementary Grades K-5

9:30am-10:45am at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines) 11/12, 11/19, 12/3, 12/10, and 12/17

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

5:30pm-7:30pm at Podowski Hall (Lucernemines) 11/12, 12/3, and 12/17

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

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

The breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, fruit, muffin, and drink for a suggested donation of ONLY \$6 per person!

Eat in or take out! Hope to see you there!

Upcoming Service Projects for Youth (grades 6-12)

If you are interested and available in volunteering for any of the following events, please contact cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org at your earliest convenience with the time that you would be available to help out. These service hours will count toward Confirmation for middle school students, and as community service for high school students.

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for Youth Group

Sunday, November 12th from 8:30am-11:30am at Coral Social Hall

Light Up Night at Homer City Fire Hall

Friday, December 1st from 4pm-8pm

Bell Ringing for Salvation Army at Ideal Market in Homer City

Saturday, December 2nd from 10am-6pm

HELP WANTED

CUSTODIAN POSITION OPEN: The Parish of SS. Simon & Jude, Blairsville, has an opening for a custodian. This position will be part-time, with approximately 25 hours per week. For more information or if interested in this position, please call the parish office at 724-459-7103.



November 4 & 5, 2023	Offertory	
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$7994.00	Į
Votive Candle	\$218.50	
Maintenance	\$100.00	(
St Vincent de Paul	\$65.00	•
Diocesan Collections	\$762.00	
Special Collections	\$1135.00	ľ
Cemetery	\$133.00	

Mass Attendance Nov 4 & 5

ucerne	4:00pm—93 11:00am—	
Coral		
	6:00pm—54 9:00am—104	

Month of October attendance-1,584

Families receiving envelopes- 462

Envelopes used this week—140

Online giving this week—30



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Diocesan Priest Chefs compete for Recipe of the Year

Voting is now open to determine which Priest Chef's recipe will earn the title of Recipe of the Year. Five Diocesan priests took to the kitchen. Now it's your turn to cast your vote to determine which of the five recipes will be named Recipe of the Year. Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle created a Roasted Red Pepper Bruschetta as a first course. That was followed by a Romaine Salad with Roasted Brussels Sprouts prepared by Monsignor Michael J. Begolly, Father Daniel J. Ulishney made pierogi from his grandmother's recipe. For the main course, Bishop Larry J. Kulick created a Cranberry Mango Chutney that topped off his smoked ham. A Basque Burnt Cheesecake was created by Father Tyler J. Bandura and former chef, now seminarian, Mario Porreca. You can view each recipe and watch the Priest Chefs in videos with The Catholic Accent team showcasing their recipes. The Priest Chefs are counting on their parishes and friends far and near to show support by voting for their creation to be named Recipe of the Year. Each vote is \$10. Vote as many times as you like. Voting continues until Saturday, Dec. 16. You can win too! Vote now for a chance to win a smoked ham, pierogi and a cheesecake in time for Christmas dinner. To see the recipes and videos and to vote, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org. Proceeds from the voting assist the Diocese of Greensburg's evangelization, outreach and communication efforts as part of our Eucharistic Revival and programs like the KNOW HIM series.

Celebration of St. Nicholas Dec. 15-16 at Christ Our Shepherd Center. Greensburg

Two special events are planned Friday and Saturday, Dec. 15 and 16, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. St. Nicholas the Gift Giver and the Gift of the Eucharist, a free immersive experience, is set for 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Dec. 15. The event will feature artist Pipka Ulvilden and her St. Nicholas-inspired collectibles, Christmas carols, cookies, vendors and St. Nick's workshop. Register at DioceseofGreens-burg.org/EucharisticRevival. Breakfast with St. Nicholas, a faithfocused event for children and families, is set for Dec. 16 at 9:30 a.m. The morning will include a buffet, visits from several cultural versions of St. Nick and St. Nick's workshop; Bishop Larry J. Kulick will lead a prayer, and children will make a craft with Ulvilden. Register at DioceseofGreensburg.org/StNickBreakfast.

Christmas Night Market and Mass with Bishop Kulick Dec. 16 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

The Diocese of Greensburg Christmas Night Market is set for Saturday, Dec. 16, from 3-8 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg, complete with dozens of food, craft and gift vendors. Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick starts at 4 p.m., followed by a talk with St. Nicholas-inspired artist Pipka Ulvilden in the chapel. Tickets are now on sale for festive beer and wine tastings and family crafting sessions that connect to our faith. For information, visit <u>DioceseofGreensburg.org/</u> christmas-night-market/.

Solemn Vespers planned for fall at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg

Faithful from the Diocese of Greensburg are invited to participate in Solemn Vespers at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg, on Sunday, Nov. 12, at 6 p.m. The evening prayer will include adoration and benediction.



MASS INTENTIONS

OF THE WEEK-

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11-VETERAN'S DAY

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ⊕Jim Yanoscsik (Mike & Irene Grimes) 6:00 pm (Coral) ⊕Larry McAdoo (Wife, Vicky)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:00 am (Coral) ProPopulo (for the people of the parish)
11:00 am (Lucernemines) In Honor of Mary Capitosti (Daughters & Family)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13- NO MASS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Mike Buzi (Sister, Jean)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15- Coral

8:00 am ⊕George Voytek (Cindy, Georgette & Families)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Mary Ann Barletta (Jim & Chris Costello)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17- Coral

8:00 am ⊕Mary Regina O'Hara Carnahan (Sisters, Ronnie & Kitty)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

4:00 pm (Lucernemines) ⊕Frank Arone (Sam & Betsy Arone & Family

6:00 pm (Coral) ⊕John & Mildred Dechman (Ted, John & Ann Marie)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:00 am (Coral) ⊕Anthony & Inez Spiaggi Family (Rita & Rick Stipcak)

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, November 18-3:00pm (Lucerne) Sunday, November 19-8:30am (Coral)



The Host is in memory of Regis Troxell-C By Rosalie Adamson

Mary Regina Carnahan-L By Dana & Kitty Henry The Sanctuary candle burns in memory of Mandy Thomas –L By Daughter, Peggy &

James & Helen Sandolfini By The Sandolfini Family