Mass Times

SATURDAY 4:00 PM at Lucernemines 6:00 PM at Coral

SUNDAY 9:00 AM at Coral 11:00 AM at Lucernemines

WEEKDAY 8:00 AM at Coral (Tues-Fri)

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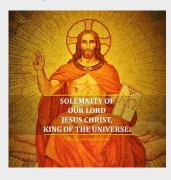
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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 26, 2023



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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 us as members of the 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.

The Parish Office will be open from 9am—1pm on Wednesday, November 22nd and will be closed on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24.

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.

Once again Christmas tags will be in the back of the churches for those in our community who are in need. Please return the item with the tag attached no later than December 10th. If you have any questions please call Patty Pavolko at 724 479 2290 or Janice Bell at 724 479 2568. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

New deadline for bulletin announcements As we begin our new adventure with our weekly bulletin, it was necessary to change our deadline for having announcements turned into the parish office for publication. Announcements will be due on the Monday preceding the Sunday that you are wanting your announcement published.

We are accepting donations again for the Pathway House. The Pathway House is a homeless shelter located on Main Street in Black Lick, PA. People go there with just with the clothes on their back. They are in desperate need. The Pathway House accepts new or slightly-used items. Bedding, towels, cleaning supplies, kitchen items or any household items are much needed. Drop off locations at the Coral site will be in the church hall and at the Lucerne site, the back of the church or in the basement of the church. We will collect items now until December 9. The Pathway phone no. is 724-248-9555. Please contact Rosemary Perry at 724-915-8044 with any questions.

St Anne Home Lottery Calendars The Knights of Columbus Council #10960 are selling the St. Anne Lottery calendars with chances to win all year! The cost is \$30.00. Contact Norb Rayko at 724-422-1533, other K of C members or call St Anne Home, 724-837-6070.

WELCOME, KOLBY!

May God bless you with a lifetime of faith, happiness, and love!



Congratulations and best wishes to Brittany and Charlie Livingston on the Baptism of their son, Kolby Blake, on Sunday, November 19th, 2023! Dear Parishioners,

Christ, our King



Come to this Sunday at the end of the "green season," the color used in vestments and various accoutrements, commonly thought to keep us focused on hope in God's Promises, and we pause to honor Jesus, the anointed One of God, as our Leader, Ruler, Director, Guide, and King. The title "Christ" means the anointed one, chosen by God to reconcile us to God our Father.

The earliest Christians gathering after the resurrection addressed Jesus with a word that in Greek was rendered *kurie*, roughly equivalent to "Sir." In the language Jesus used commonly, Aramaic, the equivalent word was *mar* or *mareb*. But the same word or term was also used to address God as Lord. The Aramaic form was used in the Book of Daniel (2:47) and the Greek form, *Kurios*, may be found throughout the Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible known as the Septuagint and in other Jewish texts as well, designating the Lord God. Both words, the Greek and the Aramaic, could be used for God (our Lord) and for a human (my lord, or sir). Which of the two meanings did the first, post-resurrection Christians have in mind? Were they addressing Jesus respectfully as "Sir," "Master" or "Teacher," or were they associating Jesus with God?

Some Christians argue that Jesus was first called Teacher or Sir, and only later was he called Lord. However, in some of the earliest New Testament passages Jesus is clearly thought of as more than a man and as more than a teacher. For example, St. Paul quotes (or, some say, composed) an early hymn: "so that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." That hymn may be found in the letter to the Philippians, written either in the mid-50s or early 60s when Paul was in custody in Rome. Paul wrote with gratitude for the kindness of the people from the city of Philippi. Similarly, a very early Aramaic prayer, *Marantha*, speaks the appeal for the Lord to come (see 1 Corinthians 16:22). In that prayer's appeal, believers look for much more than the return of a great teacher.

Scholars who study the words used and the customs practiced, say that in light of the belief that Jesus was truly risen from the dead (as it says in Acts 2:32-36), it seems clear from the start that those believers who accepted Jesus as the Anointed One, the Messiah, the Christ, also associated him directly with God as Lord. The Resurrection not only demonstrated that God was able to overcome death, but also vindicated Jesus and his message to us as truly of God. Some New Testament passages unmistakably apply to God and also to Jesus. For example, the letter to the Hebrews in chapter 1:10-12, affirms Jesus' lordship over the whole cosmos as affirmed in First Corinthians, 8:6 and in Colossians 1:15-20. Because Jesus is risen from the dead, he is the One who has control over life and death. (Romans 14:9)

So, on the last Sunday of our ordinary worship and study of Jesus and his ministry among humans, we in the Catholic Church acclaim Jesus as our King. More precisely, we name Jesus as the very Lord of our Church (it is Jesus' church before it is ours). We recognize that Jesus as the Lord of the Church, the one who brings salvation or rescue, the one who send the Holy Spirit to empower our Church for mission to bring his Word to the world and who gives gifts to the Church for its expansion.

Perhaps more remarkable yet, the New Testament writers emphasize something different about Jesus when they point out consistently that Jesus exercises power, authority, and wisdom. These first believers associated Jesus with God as Lord because through Jesus, the power, authority, and wisdom of God are vividly alive among us.

So, please join the first and the last believers and name Jesus as Christ the King and Lord. It's something we are keen to manifest in our Sunday worship.

Father John

Mass Intentio	ons for November 25 thru December 3	November 11 & 12, 2023
SATURDAY, NOV		Adult, Loose, Children &
Lucernemines Coral	4:00 pmProPopulo (for the people of the Parish) 6:00 pm	Online Giving
		Votive Candle
SUNDAY, NOVEN Coral	Maintenance	
oorai	9:00 am ⊕Phil, Eva & Yvonne Cravotta (Denise Cravotta Rowley & family)	St Vincent de Paul
Lucernemines	11:00am & Stanley Lucas (Kathy & Alex Yarkowski)	Catholic Accent
MONDAY, NOVEN	Christmas Flowers	
TUESDAY, NOVE	Diocesan Collections	
Coral	8:00 am	
WEDNESDAY, NO	Special Collections	
Coral	8:00 am & Living & Deceased Members of the Zoldak Family (The	Cemetery
	California Zoldaks)	Families receiving envelope
THURSDAY, NO		Envelopes used this week-
Coral	8:00 am	Online giving this week—25
FIRST FRIDAY, D	November 18 & 19,	
Coral	8 am	2023
	11:30 amConfessions	Adult, Loose, Children &
	NoonBenediction	Online Giving
FIRST SATURDA	Votive Candle	
	8:00 am	Maintenance
Lucernemines Lucernemines	3-3:30pmSacrament of Reconciliation 4 pm	St Vincent de Paul
Coral	6 pm	Christmas Flowers
SUNDAY, DECEM		Catholic Accent
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Coral	9 :00 amProPopulo (for the people of the parich)	Special Collections
Lucernemines	11:00 am	Cemetery
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Coral	Marie Greczek by Darrick Bertig	Families receiving envelope
Lucernemines	Gary M Welsh by wife, Barbara	Envelopes used this week-
The Host is in me	mory of:	Online giving this week—36
Coral	Michael J & Pauline Gatskie by Family	Mass Attendence New 19.4
Lucernemines	Mary Popp by OLOTA Money Counters	Mass Attendance Nov 18-1 Lucerne 4:00 pm—79
		11:00 am—89
	ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES 2023	Coral 6:00 pm—55
DECEMBER 4, M	ONDAY, 7:00 PM AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, SEWARD	9:00 am—127

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Maintenance	\$339.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$160.00
Catholic Accent	\$4.00
Christmas Flowers	\$45.00
Diocesan Collections	\$1098.00
Special Collections	\$204.00
Cemetery	\$141.00
Families receiving envelope	s—462
Envelopes used this week-	-256
Online giving this week—25	
November 18 & 19, 2023	Offertory
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$553800
Votive Candle	\$185.03
Maintenance	\$57.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$250.00
Christmas Flowers	\$50.00
Catholic Accent	\$6.00
Diocesan Collections	\$572.00
Special Collections	\$260.00
Cemetery	\$165.00
Families receiving envelope	s—460
Envelopes used this week-	-221
Online giving this week—36	i .
ass Attendance Nov 18-19 Lucerne 4:00 pm—79	9
11:00 am—89	

Offertory

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HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

St. Bartholomew's Christmas Pag-

eant We invite you to come and experience a night in Bethlehem, and the story of our Saviors birth put on by our young children. Join us for our Christmas Pageant, which will be on Saturday, December 16th, at 6:30 PM in Marian Hall (388 Cemetery Rd, Crabtree, PA 15624). For any questions, please call the Parish Rectory at 724-834-0709. Refreshments will be offered during the show and a dinner will follow. ... Continued on page 4

KENT DECEMBER 16, SATURDAY, 10:00AM AT ST BERNARD'S, INDIANA DECEMBER 18, MONDAY, 7:00PM AT CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, CLYMER

DECEMBER 12, TUESDAY, 7:00PM AT ST. THOMAS MORE, NDIANA

DECEMBER 19, TUESDAY, 7:00PM AT OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, LUCERNEMINES

DECEMBER 6, WEDNESDAY, 7:00PM AT SS SIMON & JUDE, BLAIRSVILLE

DECEMBER 13, WEDNESDAY, 7:00PM AT ST. MATTHEW'S, SALTSBURG

DECEMBER 14, THURSDAY, 7:00PM AT CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD,

LAST CHANCE DECEMBER 22, FRIDAY, 6:00PM-8:00PM, OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, LUCERNEMINES

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...

<u>NEW: Special Presentation, Sunday, December 10th (2pm-5pm), Addressing HUMAN</u> <u>TRAFFICKING</u> We will be hosting a special viewing of *Sound of Freedom (PG-13)* at Podowski Hall of this newly released film based on the true story of Tim Ballard, a former US government agent, whose mission it is to rescue children from sex traffickers in Columbia. The movie will be followed by an update and resources on Human Trafficking by Sr. Mary Norbert Long, Sisters of Charity at Seton Hill. We will also be participating in the Red Sand Art Project focusing on those members of our society who "fall through the cracks." Although the movie is not graphic, it is suggestive about Human Trafficking encounters. Parents are encouraged to accompany any teens. Begin the conversation! Admission is free. Light refreshments will be served.

<u>ADULT ENRICHMENT</u>Our current Adult Enrichment Series features *Season 2* of *The Chosen*. Wednesday Evenings: 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) 12/3, 12/10, and 12/17 (immediately following 11am Mass)

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

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

<u>Please note:</u> Faith Formation for both Elementary and Middle School/Youth Group will be held from <u>noon until 2:30pm on Sunday, December 17th at Podowski Hall</u>. We are preparing a very special afternoon focusing on Family Catechesis for all of our students and their families as we explore "Christmas Around the World!"

<u>Upcoming Service Projects for Youth (grades 6-12)</u> If you are interested and available in volunteering for any of the following events, please contact <u>cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org</u> 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.

Light Up Night at Homer City Fire Hall—Friday, December 1st from 4pm-8pmBell Ringing for Salvation Army at Ideal Market in Homer City—Saturday, December 2nd from 10am-6pm

<u>STUDENTS IN THE NEWS</u>—Congratulations to <u>Nicky Todd</u>, a senior at Homer Center, who was recently recognized as the Kiwanis Student of the Month for November! Another very special November award was given to <u>Collin Dunn</u>, an eighth grader at Homer Center, for receiving the Wildcat Recognition Award which is based on exemplary behavior and achievements! Congratulations to <u>Olivia Zimmerman</u>, a senior at Indiana Area High School, who recently signed to play softball for Palm Beach Atlantic University in the Fall!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER—Many thanks to everyone who supported our Youth Group fundraiser on Sunday, November 19th in the Coral Social Hall!



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Rorate Mass Dec. 12 at Christ, Prince of Peace Parish, Ford City

A candlelight Rorate Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe is planned Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. at Christ, Prince of Peace Parish, Ford City, in the ancient Catholic tradition of celebrating a candlelight Mass during Advent to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and to prepare for the arrival of the son of God.

St. Anne Home selling lottery calendars

St. Anne Home, Greensburg, is selling lottery calendars for 2024, with chances to win all year. Cost is \$30. To purchase, call 724-837-6070.

CRS Spotlight

One hour. That's the average amount of time it takes to walk and fill one water basin in northeastern Nigeria. So what are CRS and USAID doing about it? It's called "Water for Agriculture." Because of this project, local residents now have access to clean water within their communities, which has saved time, increased productivity, and enhanced their overall wellbeing. Please visit <u>www.crs.org</u> for more information and to see how you can help!

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 DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival. Breakfast with St. Nicholas, a faith-focused 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.

Sacrament of Anointing Dec. 3, 9 at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, East Vandergrift, and St. James Parish, Apollo The Sacrament of Anointing will be administered at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, East Vandergrift, Sunday, Dec. 3, after the 11 a.m. Mass and at St. James Parish, Apollo, Saturday, Dec. 9, after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Those who are sick, facing surgery or dealing with other issues are encouraged to attend.