

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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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—World Day of Prayer for Vocations APRIL 21, 2024

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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 St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana is now stocked with Spring/Summer items. 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).



April 23rd is the first day of Passover, **What is Passover?** Passover is a festival of freedom. It commemorates the Israelites' Exodus from Egypt, and their transition from slavery to freedom. The main ritual of Passover is the seder, which occurs on the first two night (in Israel just the first night) of the holiday — a festive meal that involves the re-telling of the Exodus through stories and song and the consumption of ritual foods, including matzah and maror (bitter herbs).

The Paschal Candle and flowers in our Coral church were donated in memory of cousins, Joseph R and Rose Ann Rura by Mary Kay and Monica Rura.

The Paschal Candle and flowers in our Lucerne church were donated in memory of John and Jemma Zicha by the Zicha family.

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

*Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.

*Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.

*Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.

*Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call

Dear Parishioners,

At this point, four weeks after we commemorated Easter, the pivotal event in time that created our reason for being an *ecclesia* or community, we might pause to reconnect with the world, taking stock of the Universal in Catholic. What has been happening for, in, and about our Church?

From France, from Paris: on April 15, exactly five years ago, we were shocked to see the medieval Cathedral, dedicated to Our Lady, in full conflagration. I recall driving to visit my father at the nursing home, hearing dad on a cellphone call say that the famous Cathedral was all aflame. When I finally arrived at dad's room, I sat to watch with him what seemed to be the end of a comely, majestic Lady – a church unsurpassed in its delicate tracery and its modeling in stone. Youth and old age kept a tireless vigil as glory went to ash, especially the moment the single spire, totally aflame, crashed to the floor. The following morning we heard the President of France promise a rebuild in five years. Current photos show progress towards an opening on December 8, so that a building symbolizing both the French people's resolve and their faithful resilience. That night in the ashes, for some faith was reborn in a culture become dominantly secular (aside from the Muslims in their midst).

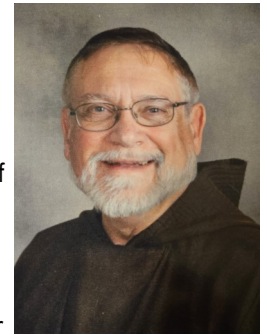
From Rome and the Vatican: The Holy See Press Office announced on Friday April 5, that Pope Francis will visit three nations in Asia and one in Oceania in early September. He accepted the invitation of the Heads of State and local Church authorities to make what will be his 45th Apostolic Journey abroad. The Pope is scheduled to depart Rome on September 2 and return on September 13. The visit will include Indonesia, the largest Muslim majority country in the world, where Catholics number about 8 million. Around 32 percent of Papua New Guinea's population are Catholic, numbering around 2 million, a place where the Capuchins from the Pennsylvania/Pittsburgh evangelized in the Southern highlands, beginning only in 1955. Timor-Leste is overwhelmingly Catholic, accounting for around 96 percent of the population, counting over 1 million people. Lastly, Some 395,000 Catholics live in Singapore, representing around 3 percent of the population. Considering the Pope's recently birthday, Francis shows courage in traveling through so many time zone to encourage the Catholic Faithful.

In the current month, the Pope appealed for Peace in Israel, noting the tragic loss of lives in Gaza and in Israel, met with the families of persons still held hostage by Hamas, advocated for the dignity of the disabled, prayed publicly for those slain in war in Ukraine or devastated by the earthquake in Taiwan. Read the news from the Vatican and you discover an international church in communication with member all over the world and a church that cares about its members everywhere.

After the Resurrection, the New Testament recounts that Jesus send the apostles out to preach repentance through the forgiveness of sins and the coming of the Kingdom. *Acts of the Apostles* tells us how the apostles and disciples responded obediently and what successes and failures they experienced. The breathing of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles in Jerusalem set much of this activity in motion, as it does now.

Sunday, April 21, 2024, the Church observes World Day of Prayer for Vocations (Good Shepherd Sunday). This particular day of prayer is designed to help raise awareness of the critical need to create a culture of vocations in our families, parishes, and schools as we pray for the intentions of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. A culture of vocations is born from the work of each individual's effort in raising the awareness that God calls all of us to a particular vocation in life.

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will call forth our precious young people to know Him, love Him, and serve Him in our Diocese.



Father John



Mass Intentions for April 20-April 28, 2024

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Lucernemines 4:00 pm †Richard Englert (Wife, Cathy)
 Coral 6:00 pm ProPopulo

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Coral 9:00 am †Deceased members of the Zoldak Family (John Zoldak)
 Lucernemines 11:00 am..... †Living & Deceased members of the Horchar Family (Mimi & Family)

MONDAY, APRIL 22—NO MASS

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Coral 8:00 am †Elizabeth Rellick (Peg)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Coral 8:00 am †Thomas Adams (Family)

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Coral 8:00 am †In honor of Theresa Mueller (William Mueller)

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Coral 8 am †Ron Jones (Nancy Isenberg)

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Lucernemines 3-3:30pm..... Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Lucernemines 4 pm †Elvira Martini (Daughter, Mary)
 Coral 6 pm ProPopulo

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Coral 8:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Coral 9 :00 am †Stephen & Nancy Cerovich (The Cerovich Children)
 Lucernemines 11:00 am..... †Alex Blaine (The Evanick Family)

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of:

Coral Charlotte & Primo Manfredi by Terri Tedeschi
 Lucernemines Mike Marusa by Janice Bell

The Host is in memory of:

Coral Rose & Gusty Vilcek by Family
 Lucernemines In honor of the First Communion Class

BRIEFS.....

April 23rd-the parish office will be closed from 11:00am until 2:00pm due to a diocesan meeting.

CRS Spotlight

Lal's family is 1 of approximately 4,000 families assisted by CRS after the 2015 earthquake in Nepal. It took skilled masons 25 days to build them a new brick home that's more resilient against natural disasters. The government and various humanitarian organizations, including Catholic Relief Services (CRS), launched a massive relief and reconstruction effort to help those affected. Visit www.crs.org to see how you can help!

2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal as of April 13, 2024

Total Pledged: \$66,940.00

Diocesan Goal: \$51,231.00

Number of Gifts:248

130.7% of Diocesan Goal

106.7% toward the combined goal of \$62,731.00 (Parish goal of \$11,000.00)

All money donated in excess of the Diocesan Goal are returned 100% to the Parish

Apr 13-14, 2024	Offertory
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$7561.00
Votive Candle	\$128.50
Maintenance	\$362.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$5.00
Accent	\$4.00
Special Collections	\$560.00
Cemetery	\$96.00
Families receiving envelopes—465	
Envelopes used this week—215	
Online giving this week—45	

Mass Attendance Apr 13-14

Lucerne 4:00 pm—121
 11:00 am—78
 Coral 6:00 pm—64
 9:00 am—117

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Save the Date – 2024 Diocesan pilgrimage to National Shrine

Mark your calendar and plan to join in a Diocese of Greensburg pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C., Saturday, Sept. 21, led by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. This will be the first Diocesan pilgrimage to our magnificent National Shrine since 2006, and is sure to be a very holy and special experience. Further information on the itinerary, transportation options and cost will be announced soon.

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Adult Enrichment Series with Brant Pitre (video/discussion)

Two identical sessions will be held on each of the following dates in the Coral Social Hall. The morning session will begin immediately following the 8am Mass, and the evening session will begin at 6pm. No charge.

Light refreshments will be provided along with guides to the presentation.

The Hidden King: The Jewish Roots of St. Joseph

April 25th (Part 3)

Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary

May 2nd

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to Noah Todd, a seventh grade student at Homer Center, who recently placed first in the Challenge 24 regional competition held by ARIN!

Christian Mothers/Altar Rosary Society

Scholarship Applications for High School Seniors

Applications were mailed out on April 8th to high school seniors who are currently registered with our Parish. If you have not received an application, please contact the Parish Office at 724-479-9542, Ext. 15. The deadline for applications is May 13th.

ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...

Bonhoeffer (2022, Drama, PG-13, 1h 25m)

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a clergyman of great distinction who actively opposed Hitler and the Nazis and was executed for "crimes against the Third Reich." Beginning at 6pm in the Coral Social Hall. No charge; light refreshments.

FAITH FORMATION FOR APRIL/MAY 2024

All sessions will take place in Podowski Hall

Sunday, April 21st

9:30am-10:45am...Grades K-5

5:30pm-7:30pm...Grades 6-12

Reconciliation for Confirmation students/families at 5:30pm

Sunday, April 28th

9:30am-10:45am...Grades K-5

Sunday, May 5th

Final sessions for this year!

9:30am-10:45am...Grades K-5

Special Closing for grades 6-12 (stay tuned for details!)

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Mark your calendars It's time to get your dancing shoes out! St. Thomas More University Parish will once again sponsor an Oldies Dance! Oldies Dance 2024 will be held on Friday, May 31, 2024 from 7-10 p.m. at the Cherry Run Lodge, 1925 Old Route 56 Highway West, Homer City, PA. DJ Mike Miller, Mixmaster will provide the music. Cost will be \$25 per person in advance and \$35 per person at the door. Refreshments and a cash bar will be available. Basket and 50/50 raffles will be held. Come join us for a fun night of dancing (or listening!) to the "oldies!" Tickets are available for purchase by calling the parish office at 724-463-2277, or Tim Petro at 724-388-9671 or Deb Lezanic at 724-349-1306.

"Renew & Refresh" program June 8 at St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City

"Renew & Refresh," a program for Christian Initiation catechists, will be offered Saturday, June 8, at St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City. It is free for those involved in Christian Initiation in the Diocese of Greensburg. The program is sponsored by the Diocesan Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship. Lunch is included. Space is limited. To register, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/christian-initiation. For information, email ffd@DioceseofGreensburg.org.

Golf outing May 18 to benefit St. Bernard Regional Catholic School, Indiana

St. Bernard Regional Catholic School's eighth annual golf outing is set for Saturday, May 18, at Chestnut Ridge Resort, Blairsville. Registration is at 8 a.m., with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Beer, cigars, prizes and food are planned. Cost is \$400 per foursome. Sponsorships are available. For information, contact David Mattini at 724-388-6695 or John Kopczyk at 724-465-7139.

With joy and thanksgiving to God, the Diocese of Greensburg announces that Bishop Larry J. Kulick, JCL, has called Deacons **Craig Alexander**, David Slusarick, and John Torres to the responsibility of the Presbyterate. **The priesthood ordination will be celebrated on June 1, 2024, at 10:00 AM in Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Greensburg, Pennsylvania.**



World Day of Prayer for Vocations – Parish – 4th Sunday in Easter Established in 1964 Pope Paul VI designated Good Shepherd Sunday to be World Day of Prayer for Vocations which is the day each year that all Catholics are asked to pray to God that he send more workers into the harvest.

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