

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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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 Rosary will be recited by members of the Altar-Rosary Society at the Grotto in Lucerne at 6:00 pm on the 13th of each month, May through October. (Weather permitting) ALL are welcome to join in, you do not need to be a member!
 First is Monday, May 13th. Hope to see you there!

Coffee & Donuts following the 9:00 am mass in Coral, Sunday, May 5.

**Holy Day of Obligation
 Ascension of the Lord—Mass Schedule,
 May 8th & 9th**

Vigil Mass at 7pm—Lucernemine
 Morning Mass at 8am—Coral
 Evening Mass at 7pm—Lucernemines
 The Parish office will be closed on May 9th.



Tuesday Yoga—Lucerne
 9am—10am
 Chair Yoga
 10:30am—11:30am

**FAITH FORMATION FOR APRIL/MAY
 2024**

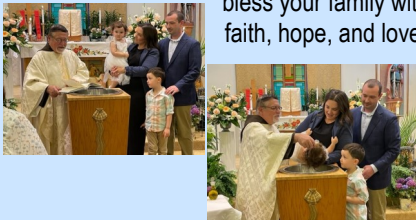
All sessions will take place in Podowski Hall
 Sunday, May 5th

Closing sessions for this catechetical year!
 9:30am-10:45am...Grades K-5
 5:30pm-7:30pm...Grades 6-12 (Cookout!)

Baptism

Welcome Kallan Mae!

Congratulations to David and Jennifer Jendrejiski Johnson on the Baptism of their daughter Kallan Mae on Sunday, April 28th! Big brother Conall helped to celebrate this very special occasion! May the Holy Spirit bless your family with faith, hope, and love!



So many thanks go out to all who have made our Diocesan Lenten Appeal a great success. As of April 27th we have reached the total of \$18,914.00 that will stay here in our parish to help with the many projects needed to be done.

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ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...

“Father Stu” (PG-13,2022,Drama,2h4m)

Back by popular demand!

“Father Stu” is based on the true story of a boxer-turned-priest, whose journey from self-destruction to redemption inspired countless people along the way!
Beginning at 6pm in the Coral Social Hall. No charge; light refreshments.

Confirmation

Congratulations to Braden Bonatch, Collin Dunn, Hailey Greer, Jillian Howard, Taylor Rado, Beau Raykes, and Eli Turk upon receiving their Confirmation on Saturday, April 27th at a regional Mass held by Bishop Larry Kulick. Special thanks to Terri Tedeschi as our 8th grade catechist in helping them to prepare for this very special Sacrament!
 Many thanks to Noah Todd (Altar Server) and Sherry Renosky (greeter) for representing our Parish at Confirmation!



A League of Their Own!

Youth Group members animated the alleys of Mohawk Lanes on Sunday, April 28th.



Mark Your Calendars: Ignatius Book Fair!!!

We will be hosting an Ignatius Book Fair from May 18th through the 21st at Podowski Hall. The fair will include both quality children’s literature and Catholic literature for students in grades PreK-8th. Stock up on summer reading!!! These books also make great gifts!!!
 Watch for more details on this special event!

Special Devotion

Many thanks to Lenny Jendrejiski, a long-standing member of the Knights of Columbus, who visits with our students each year to promote the rosary, and present gifts which reflect our Faith. We appreciate his generosity of time and talents, and always look forward to reciting a decade of the rosary with him. A special presentation was also made to our First Communicants on behalf of the Knights of Columbus.



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.

Stay tuned for info on our upcoming Adult Enrichment Series!

Mass Intentions for May 4-May 12, 2024

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Lucernemines 4:00 pm †John Biconik (Mother, Rose Walters)
 Coral 6:00 pm ProPopulo

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Coral 9:00 am †Angelo & Mary Lorelli (Toni, Fred & Family)
 Lucernemines 11:00 am..... †Stanley Lucas (Mike & Irene Grimes)

MONDAY, MAY 6—NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 7

Coral 8:00 am †Andrew & Helen Danko (Rick & Katherine Danko)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Coral 8:00 am †Mike Marusa (Bob & Mary Ann Ciranni)
 Lucernemines 7:00 pm **Vigil mass**..... †Dolores Morgan (Monica Rura)

THURSDAY, MAY 9—Ascension of the Lord

Coral 8:00 am †Leonard Evansic (The Leonard Evansic Family)
 Lucernemines 7:00 pm †Justine Sammarco (Faith Formation Catechists & Students)

FRIDAY, MAY 10

Coral 8 am †August Bertig, Jr. (Jerry & Cindy Bertig)

SATURDAY, MAY 11

Lucernemines 3-3:30pm..... Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Lucernemines 4 pm †Patsy Semelsberger (Andy & Georgette Ostinowsky)
 Coral 6 pm ProPopulo

SUNDAY, MAY 12

Coral 8:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Coral 9 :00 am †Rose & Gusty Vilcek (Family)
 Lucernemines 11:00 am... †Antonian Ferrent (Nieces: Joanne, Linda & Rosanne)

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of:

Coral Rick Adamson by Mom, brother & sisters
 Lucernemines Troy Langham by The Zicha Family

The Host is in memory of:

Lucernemines The Mueller Family by William Mueller

Apr 27-28, 2024

Offertory

Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$6700.00
Votive Candle	\$214.75
Maintenance	\$14.00
Diocesan Collections	\$20.00
Special Collections	\$53.00
Cemetery	\$57.00
Families receiving envelopes—461	
Envelopes used this week—142	
Online giving this week—26	

Mass Attendance Apr 27-28

Lucerne 4:00 pm—114
 11:00 am—62
 Coral 6:00 pm—68
 9:00 am—121

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Priesthood ordinations planned June 1 at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg
 With joy and thanksgiving to God, the Diocese of Greensburg announces that Bishop Larry J. Kulick has called Deacons **Craig Alexander**, David Slusarick and John Torres to the responsibility of the Presbyterate. Their priesthood ordinations will be celebrated Saturday, June 1, at 10 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg. Please keep those to be ordained, as well as all men discerning God's call to the priesthood, in your prayers.

Novena to St. Anthony prayed for 13 Tuesdays at Ascension Parish, Jeannette
 The Thirteen Tuesdays in Honor of St. Anthony will be prayed at Ascension Parish, Jeannette, Tuesdays at 7 p.m. through June 11. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction will also take place.

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BRIEFS.....

Students in the News

Congratulations to **Jaxson Arone and Noah Turk** for representing Homer Center at the Quiz Bowl which was held in Chicago last weekend.
 Congratulations to **Ashlyn Kerr** who was recently recognized as Senior of the Month for April by the Homer City Kiwanis Club.
 Congratulations to **Olivia Zimmerman**, a senior at Indiana, who was recently profiled as Athlete of the Week by IRMC for her achievements in softball!

2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal as of April 27, 2024

Total Pledged: \$70,145.00

Diocesan Goal: \$51,231.00

Number of Gifts: 263 136.9% of Diocesan Goal

111.8% 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
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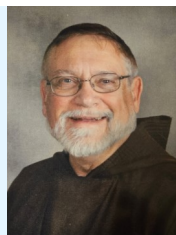
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Dear Parishioners,

Making a Pilgrimage

Have you ever made a pilgrimage? Did you visit Lourdes or Fatima or Jerusalem or Rome? **A pilgrimage is a visit to a place considered to be Holy, a place where at least some persons experienced the transcendence or the visitation of God upon one person or many.**



In the **autumn** our Bishop intends to sponsor a **Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.** Pilgrimages like this intended one happen weekly at the "National Shrine," and many dioceses bring busloads of pilgrims. When I lived and ministered in the Nation's Capital, I often was invited to hear confessions for the pilgrims in the chapel devoted exclusively to the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Penance. **I found it a moving experience to see thousands of people make a pilgrimage and affirm their faith as a Catholic.**

Why do we make pilgrimages? Usually because **we have been invited** to do so or because **we wanted to learn more** about the place to be visited, or because **God tugged at our soul through some grief, tribulation, or appeal**, or because the timing seemed to be right in that we could be freed up, and because someone invited us to join the trip. **I'd like to invite you to a Sunday afternoon pilgrimage to a place nearby, namely to Loretto.**

In my lifetime, **I have made pilgrimages** to Shrines in **Canada** (St. Joseph; St. Anne de Beaupre; Cape de Madeline), to the **Holy Land** (all the places where Jesus lived and taught and manifested the signs of God the Father for us); to **Turkey and Greece**, especially to where the converted **Paul preached** Christ Jesus as Crucified Lord to sophisticated, educated persons; to **Rome**, where **Peter** allowed himself to be the Rock of Faith for new believers and where Paul also gave up his life to bring non-Jewish believers to Faith and where so many later saints ministered, like **St. Felix of Cantalice, St. Philip Neri, St. Charles Borromeo, St. Frances of Rome, and St. Ignatius of Loyola.** I also went to **Ephesus** where St. John cared for Mary and where he governed a faithful church until his death by natural causes. In **Germany**, we took a very local train from Munich to a countryside town where a saintly Capuchin brother, **Conrad of Parzham**, served as a doorkeeper to welcome visitors to **an ancient shrine dedicated to our Lady of Altotting.** Youth and adults sought Conrad because of his **reputation for wisdom and holiness.** Similarly, I visited the shrine church in **Detroit dedicated to Blessed Solanus Casey** where a simplex priest welcomed the spiritually needy at the door. In **New York city**, I prayed at the tomb of **St. Frances Xavier Cabrini** on the upper west side of Manhattan; later I would visit a site in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains in Denver where God allowed her to do what Moses did in striking a rock to find water for an apostolate she wished to begin there. In **California**, I also toured the missions begun by **St. Junipero Serra**; yes, I prayed at his grave also. In near **western Maryland**, at **Emmitsburg**, I joined others for Mass and prayer at the tomb and remains of **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.** In **India** people were keen to invite us to the church where the body of the **first native-born Indian woman religious** was entombed. And, no, I will never forget the opportunity to concelebrate Mass with hundreds of Franciscan-Capuchin friars at the **Tomb of St. Francis of Assisi** in Italy and later in the church across town at the **Tomb of St. Clare and her fellow sisters.** We saw with our eyes the simple places she lived and the places where Francis received the Stigmata (Wounds of Christ) and the place where Francis died.

The longer I reflect upon all the holy places I have been privileged to visit, **the more I recall persons made holy by God's work.** Truthfully, too, **I remember happy times with my fellow pilgrims:** in Rome some Gelato or Ice Cream late in the day.

Please keep open, Sunday, June 30, midday (at the conclusion of the 11 AM Mass) and join us for an abbreviated bus pilgrimage to Loretto, Pennsylvania, to visit the place made holy by grace in the **Life and Ministry of Servant of God, Fr. Demetrius Gallitzin.** We have an opportunity in just a few hours to visit his tomb, his home, and the beautiful church dedicated to St. Michael. We will also pay our respects to the Carmelite Monastery and the Third Order Regular Franciscans who staff a Catholic university that has a big impact locally and nationally. We also hope to spend some quiet moments at the Mt. Assisi Schwab Gardens. All of these sites are within three miles of one another. **We hope to leave shortly after Noon and return by 6:30.**

Like most pilgrimages, we, too, will pray and see sites important to our faith. As one description of a pilgrimage reads, pilgrims often discover blessings upon their return because we cannot be blessed and not find the blessings at work in us.

Watch the bulletin for details.

Father John

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Faithful invited to attend Eucharistic Procession through Diocese

Designed to be a powerful, once-in-a-lifetime witness of how Jesus Christ invites us to encounter Him in the Eucharist, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will process through the Diocese of Greensburg Tuesday and Wednesday, June 11-12. The Diocese is on the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route, one of the pilgrimage's four procession routes. The pilgrims will begin their journey in New Haven, Conn., and travel to Washington, D.C., on their way to the National Eucharistic Congress. A number of family-oriented events are scheduled in the Diocese to coincide with the pilgrimage. To see the upcoming events and to register now, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org.

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.

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 Koczyk at 724-465-7139

