

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)

OFFICE HOURS

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Friday 9am-12pm

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Members of the Altar Rosary Society will be praying the Rosary on Sunday, October 13 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lucerne site. This will be the final outdoor recitation for this year so please plan on attending. You do not have to be a member to participate.

The Mass Book for 2025 will be available for scheduling masses beginning on Monday, October 14th. Please keep in mind that everyone who wants to schedule masses, may schedule two (2) masses for the weekend and two (2) weekday masses. Any masses that we are unable to schedule will be sent to the Mission Office at the Diocese of Greensburg or the Seraphic Mass Association (supports Capuchin missions). More information is contained in the insert in today's bulletin.

ELECTION DAY LASAGNA DINNER – November 5

Once again we will be having our Election Day drive thru dinner beginning at 12:00 until 4pm at our Coral location. Dinner will be \$15.00 and it will include lasagna, salad, roll and dessert. Hot sausage sandwiches will also be available for \$7.00.

We are asking for volunteers on Monday, the 4th to help prepare the lasagna and desserts, and on Tuesday to help with the dinner. We will also need volunteers to help direct traffic. We are asking for donations of desserts. We kindly request that the desserts not need refrigeration due to our limited refrigerator space. Desserts can be dropped off on Sunday morning, November 3rd after the 9:00am mass or on Monday at the Coral Hall. Contact Terri at 724-459-8977 if you are available to help or with questions.

The Knights of Columbus Council 10960 would like to thank everyone for their generous support of our recent collections. Our annual Baby Bottle campaign allowed us to present a check for \$2600.00 to Life Choices. They will be able to continue educating and assisting individuals facing unplanned pregnancies. The Knights of Columbus Annual Seminarian Collection that supports Seminarians in our Diocese was able to present \$1100.00 to The Bishop's Project. This supports Seminarians throughout their educational journey. This Council continues to support Seminarian Kevin Richardson throughout his journey to priesthood. Heart filled thanks to all that support our Annual Collections.

Dear Parishioners,

"Let us number our days aright that we may gain wisdom of heart,"
Psalm 90:12

With the nip of night's cold temperatures coming on this week, my thoughts as a pastor turn to those "final things" of life. Well, just look at the Halloween Decorations with large skeletons greeting visitors; we've already turned from summer's warm growing season to the "golden" times and the inevitable dropping of green leaves and freezes. Welcome, Fall! Soon, in early November, we will again bless the graves of our departed parishioners.

I recollect that when I had recently crossed the **decade marker into fifty** someone whom I respected for his commitment in faith, in union with God, recommended that I read a book which a friend had recommended to him on "**growing older gracefully.**" Such books always address **how to use our coming years prudently.** What did my priest friend want to share with me? Knowing me as he did, had he spied some lingering gaps in grace within me? Or from our common history, did he know that I avoided some of the major, defining, directing, adult-life hurdles that propel us forward with our peers? Or did he simply think me too busy for my own good? When I asked, he said only that achieving fifty-years was not too early to look ahead. "**Number your days aright,**" is the Psalm phrase that resonated.

Were friar-priests similar to ninety percent of the population, we might be worrying about **budgeting money**, that is, **about having enough** "individual" savings for retirement. But we don't do that *individually* because of our commitment to sharing in common. Growing gracefully, however, for most of us concerns living with our real budgetary limits, as books on sustaining ourselves after our "earning years" teach. We have a fair number of parishioners on limited incomes who still contribute to our mission to be the Catholic presence here.

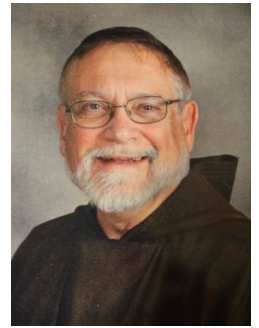
What occasioned these reflections was a television commentator's statement that the State of **Pennsylvania has the highest concentration of senior citizens in the United States.** That statement belies that other side of the demographic scale that finds that the percentage of young people in our State also sits in a growth-mode again.

Another text crossed my desk a few months ago on these topics, **Entering the Next Stage with Grace: A Spiritual Approach to Retiring**, by Barbara Radtke. The chapters provide good "spiritual" reflection fodder since the author advises that as people age, they should put money and possessions into a new perspective. Downsize now. She cites Matthew 6:25-33, "**Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or about your body, what you will wear.**" That may be easier advised than adopted because of what we do not control, such as the cost of health care, or emergency repairs to home or vehicles. Jesus continued as Matthew recorded it, "**Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?**"

The author's second chapter advises us to **take inventory about the meaning and purpose of our life, but not in terms of doing yet more.** Lots of my friends who have retired tell me, "I am busier now that I ever was. I honestly don't know how I accomplished anything while working full time." This author suggests that we **focus on who we are with and for one another**; advises that we **find a new rhythm to our life; renew our relationships** with family, friends, and loved ones; **contribute some time to charities**, and, if necessary, find a satisfying, very part-time, new employment.

Golden years can be golden and graced, enriching us well before we go home to the Lord. **Lord, let us count our days aright and use the time we have to accomplish the good you wish to be done for your glory.**

Father John



Mass Intentions for October 12-October 20 2024

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Lucernemines 4:00 pm †Oreste, Elvira & Bruno Martini (Mary Martini)
6:00 pm ProPopulo

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Coral 9:00 am †Stephen & Nancy Cerovich (The Cerovich Children)
Lucernemines 11:00 am..... †James Yanoscsik (Mimi & family)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 — No Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

Coral 8:00 am †Mary Popp (Sam & Betsy Arone)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Coral 8:00 am †Frances Voytek (Cindy, Georgette & families)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

Coral 8:00 am †Gertrude Mlinarich (Gia & Sara Bruno)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Coral 8 am †Anna Mae Lucas (Rosalie Adamson)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

Lucernemines No Confessions
Lucernemines 4 pm †Joseph & Nellie Arone (Joseph & Brenda Arone)
Coral 6 pm ProPopulo

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Coral No Confessions
Coral 9 :00 am †Andrew Chutorich (Son, Jerry Chutorich & family)
Lucernemines 11:00 am..... †Thomas F Boske (The Boske Family)

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of:

Coral Frances Voytek by Cindy, Georgette & families
Lucernemines Dick Farabaugh by Theresa Lieb

The Host is in memory of:

Coral Gertrude Mlinarich by Mike & Irene Grimes
Lucernemines Joe & Martha Benamati by Mike & Irene Grimes

The Wine is in memory of:

Coral Edward & Dorothy Pavlick by Mark & Mary Lou Pavlick
Lucernemines August & Mary Succheralli by Mary Loy & Mark Pavlick

Oct 5-6, 2024	Offertory
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$7535.00
Votive Candle	\$183.00
Maintenance	\$90.00
St Vincent de Paul	.00
Diocesan Collections	\$1060.00
Accent	.00
Special Collections	\$40.00
Cemetery	\$287.00
Families receiving envelopes—462	
Envelopes used this week—181	
Online giving this week—27	

Oct 5-6

Mass Attendance

Lucerne 4:00 pm—83
11:00 am—91
Coral 6:00 pm—52
9:00 am—111

Our Lady of the Assumption would like to thank those who contribute to help cover the cost of the printing our weekly bulletin. Each week, it costs the parish \$150.00 to have our bulletin printed. If you are interested in helping to defray the costs, call the parish office at 724-479-9542, Ext. 10 for more information.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

DCCW Interfaith Pro-life Breakfast set Oct. 19

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be hosting their annual Interfaith Pro-life Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m.-noon at Ferrante's Lakeview, Greensburg. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. Keynote speaker will be Remil Teny, education director of the Pro-Life Federation, the largest single issue pro-life organization in Pennsylvania. All are invited to attend. Cost is \$25 (\$15 for students), and reservations are required by calling 724-787-2415.

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ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...

Beginning at 6pm in Podowski Hall...

(No charge...light refreshments...free will offering)

Wednesday, October 16th (Respect Life Month)

THE MATTER OF LIFE (Not Rated, 2022, Documentary, 1h41m) *A hopeful journey unraveling the complexities of abortion through science, philosophy, history, and powerful testimonies.*

Wednesday, October 23rd

PADRE PIO: A Great Saint of Our Century (EWTN Biography, 2007, 60 mins.) *This film is on the life of Padre Pio, the Capuchin monk who had the stigmata for 50 years. It gives an overview of his childhood and family life, with the main focus on his priestly life.*

Wednesday, October 30th

THE SOUND OF HOPE: The Story of Possum Trot (PG-13, 2024, Drama, 2h10m) *The true story of Donna and Rev. WC Martin and their church in East Texas, in which 22 families adopted 77 children for the local foster system, igniting a movement for vulnerable children everywhere.*

ADULT ENRICHMENT

A JOYFUL NOISE: PRAYING THE PSALMS WITH THE EARLY CHURCH

by MIKE AQUILINA

Thursday sessions will continue from October 24th through November 21st (no sessions on 10/17 and 10/31) in the Coral Social Hall. Morning sessions to begin immediately following the 8am Mass; evening sessions to begin at 6pm. Light refreshments provided. *Revisit the Psalms through music, readings, and discussion!*

Faith Formation Schedule for October

All sessions are held in Podowski Hall at Lucernemines.

Sunday, October 13th

NO SESSIONS (Holiday Weekend)

Sunday, October 20th

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

4pm-7pm COLOR RUN Grades 6-12 (Coral)

Sunday, October 27th

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

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

Welcome in to our Community of Faith!

Congratulations to Joe and Alaina Petrillo Stango on the Baptism of their son, Henry Michael, on Sunday, October 6th! Siblings Sarah and AJ were on hand to celebrate this very special occasion as well as grandparents Mike and Linda Biconik and Jerry and Madeline Stango! May the Holy Spirit bless you with a life full of faith, love, and joy!



Youth Group Fundraiser at Hoss's!!!

We are excited to team up with Hoss's Steak and Sea House to raise money for our Youth Group! Please consider visiting Hoss's in Indiana anytime on Saturday, October 26th and present one of our fundraising cards when you pay for your meal. A percentage of your total will be donated toward our fundraiser! Cards are available from 10/12 through 10/26 at both Coral and Lucernemines...just look for the Hoss's sign! (Cards may not be distributed on Hoss's property). Thank you for your support!

FAITH FORMATION SNAPSHOTS!

Fr John received a rousing welcome during his visit with our elementary Faith Formation students on October 6th!



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Register now for Prayer and Perfect Pairings, set for Oct. 24 at Christ our Shepherd Center, Greensburg The Diocese of Greensburg has announced this year's Priest Chefs for Prayer and Perfect Pairings, an annual wine-pairing event featuring a five-course meal prepared from their recipes: Bishop Larry J. Kulick, Father Andrew J. Hamilton, Father Christopher J. Pujol, Father John Torres and Father Daniel E. Carr. They have selected and will create the recipes that will be served at each course for the Prayer and Perfect Pairings dinner, to be held Thursday, Oct. 24, at 6 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. The dinner will feature an Italian theme. Proceeds benefit Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg. To purchase tickets, or to be a sponsor, visit DioceseOfGreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings.

"Spirited" Women's Conference Nov. 9 in Greensburg *Rejoice Always!* *1 Thessalonians 5:16* Register now for the 2024 "Spirited" Women's Conference, to be held Saturday, Nov. 9, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. All women are invited to be renewed and refreshed by the teachings of Dr. Mary Healy and Jackie Francois Angel. Bring your daughters, mothers and sisters to experience the love of the Father. To register, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/Spirited. For information, contact Carolyn Cannizzaro at ccannizzaro@DioceseofGreensburg.org.

Lantern Saint Tour at St. Emma Monastery Oct. 25 The fourth annual Lantern Saint Tour is set for Friday, Oct. 25, from 4-8 p.m. at St. Emma Monastery, co-sponsored by the Greensburg-Catholic Schoolhouse (rain date Saturday, Oct. 26). The walking tour will feature a new Eucharistic saints' journey through Church history and Eucharistic miracles. Refreshments, a Chinese auction, 50/50 raffle and special souvenirs are planned. All proceeds benefit the monastery. Hour-long tours leave every 10 minutes beginning in the main parking lot; guests are encouraged to bring flashlights. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and \$2 for ages 5-12 (free under age 5). For information, contact Donna Sunseri at greensburgpa@catholicsschoolhouse.com or (724) 961-0224.

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