

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

Mon thru Thurs 8am-1pm, 2pm-4pm

Friday 9am-12pm

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 30, 2025

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Join us for "A Taste of Poland" Drive-Thru Dinner!

Sunday, March 30th! From **11:30 AM to 2:30 PM** at our **Coral location**, we're offering a delicious Polish meal for only **\$15.00**.

Your meal will include: Stuffed cabbage roll, noodle haluski, kielbasa & dessert. Don't miss out on this tasty event — we can't wait to serve you!

Newly stocked with Spring items! The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana is located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street and open Monday thru Saturday 10am to 2pm. Donations are accepted at the back door from 10am until 1pm (space permitting). Please use regular size garbage bags or small boxes to help protect our volunteers from lifting items that are too heavy.

Lenten Series: "Light Unto My Path; A Personal Journey of One's Faith" Join us for a special evening of reflection and spiritual growth as **Patrick Butler** shares his personal journey of faith. The evening promises to be a time of insight, prayer, and connection, as we explore how the light of faith illuminates our own paths during the season of Lent.

Date: March 27th **Time:** 6:30 PM

Location: St. Francis Church

Come, listen, and allow Patrick's story to inspire and encourage you on your own spiritual journey.

Lenten Luncheon Series

April 2nd - Join us at Luther Chapel!

We invite you to join us for a special service on **April 2nd at Luther Chapel**, located on **Power Plant Rd.** **Pastor Ryan Zeke** will be speaking, and the service will begin at **12:00 PM**. Following the service, we will have a **light lunch at 12:35 PM**. We hope to see you there for a time of worship, fellowship, and food!

Thank you to all who contributed to our Regional Lenten Mission's Blessing Bags supply request! We received so many donations that we were able to build almost 160 Blessing Bags. The Blessing Bags have now been distributed to Family Promise, The Open Door, Chevy Chase Community Center, and the Food Pantry at St. Thomas More University Parish. Your generosity will be felt by those in need across the region!

Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus repairs offenses against God! Learn more about its power in our troubled times: <https://holylfacedevotion.org>



Dear Parishioners,

The highlight of my day is when I am able to receive the Eucharist and only then do I feel that that my day has started. However, it did not always used to be like that! In the past, it used to be this strange experience of being caught between the feeling of having to go to mass, because it was something my parents made me do, and on the other hand, thinking to myself that it was it was something good I do. But after I had realised that it was Jesus Christ that I was receiving in the Eucharistic, my whole life had changed. Jesus was no longer something I should *do*, because I had some spare time on my hands, but rather, He became the *someone* who I would plan every part of my day around. Seeing Jesus like this at our Eucharistic celebration can drastically change the way we approach the altar and receive Him in communion and how we *pray* the mass. With this in mind, let's dive into the question: *how do I prepare myself to receive communion?*



For Catholics, there are always the formal considerations such as having fully received the sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation and first holy communion), receiving the sacrament of reconciliation from any serious sin that would prevent us from receiving communion well, and fasting for an hour before the reception of communion. Even then, outside of these considerations, what more can we do personally to enrich our experience of mass and of receiving communion? I would say that, since we are receiving Jesus in the Eucharist it is a matter of faith and so the question should really be: *What are we doing to foster our faith?* Yes, we believe Jesus Christ is present in the Eucharist, but do we have faith in what we receive makes a difference in our lives? Yes, we do!

What helps us prepare for communion is to open our minds and hearts to Jesus by the nurturing of this seed of faith that is in all of us. We do this in many ways, such as the daily reading of scripture, the Word of God, in which reminds us of our relationship with God and of the promises He has made to us of grace, healing and salvation. We can also foster faith by having a devotion to God. To carve out time in the busy schedule of our lives for prayer to serve as reminders that He is always close to us. On that note, to pray is to speak to God, however, to have a devotion to Him, is to *love Him*. Offering time to prayer and spending time with Our Lord always helps nurture that seed of faith in all of us.

In this season of Lent, it is a great opportunity to tap into this graces of the season, especially now that we are fast approaching Holy Week and Easter. There are many ways in which we can make the most of this time and that is look forward to participating those things events in which we gather as a Church community. Such as the masses during Holy Week, the Holy Thursday which for the Triduum, or join in local Eucharistic Pilgrimages in the diocese. By witnessing the faith in a community, we also nurture our desire to grow closer to Jesus.

Father Joseph

2025 Diocesan Lenten Appeal as of 3/25/2025

Total Pledged: \$11,411.00

Diocesan Goal: \$51,740.00

Number of Gifts: 41

21.5% of Diocesan Goal

17.6% toward the combined goal of \$63,240.00 (Parish goal of \$11,500.00)

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

Parish Goal: \$63,240.00

Mass Intentions for March 29-April 6

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

Lucernemines 4:00 pm-Fr. John †Kathy Lowder (Ed & Bernadette Palchesko)
 Coral 6:00 pm-Fr. Joseph ProPopulo

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

Coral 9:00 am-Fr. Joseph †Jonathan Rado (Stephanie Radakovich)
 Lucernemines 11:00 am-Fr. John †Mike Buzi (Colleen Horchar)

MONDAY, MARCH 31 — No Mass

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

Coral 8:00 am †Nancy Barron (Monica Rura)
Lucernemines 7:00pm Regional Penance Service

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

Coral 8:00 am †James Solo (Bill & Ed Solo)

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Coral 8:00 am †Patricia Rougeux (John & Hollie Uccellini)
Clymer 7:00pm Regional Penance Service Church of the Resurrection

FIRST FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Coral 8 am †Verna Lucia (Husband & Daughters)
 11:30 am Confession
 12:00 am Stations
 Lucernemines 6:00pm Adoration
 6:30pm Confession
 7:30pm Stations & Benediction

FIRST SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Lucernemines 8:00am John Dellaflora (family)
 Lucernemines 3-3:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Lucernemines 4 pm †John Zicha (The Zicha family)
 Coral 6 pm †Deceased Members of the Joseph & Elizabeth Yoschak
 family (Monica Rura)

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

Coral 8:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Coral 9 :00 am †Aldo & Katherine Tedeschi (Terri & Tom)
 Lucernemines 11:00 am †Harry Williams (His daughter, Lauren)



The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of:

Coral Aldo & Katherine Tedeschi by Tom & Terri
 Lucernemines Michael & Pauline Gatskie by The Gatskie family

The Host is in memory of:

Coral Rick Adamson by His Mother, Rosalie
 Lucernemines Justine Sammarco by Irene & Mike Grimes

The Wine is in memory of:

Coral John & Susan Chan by Theresa Park
 Lucernemines Stanley Greczek by Darrick Bertig

Mar 22-23	Offertory
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$6365.00
Votive Candle	\$198.00
Maintenance	\$65.00
Clergy Assistance	\$3285.00
Flowers	\$148.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$7.50
Diocesan Collections	\$15.50
Accent	\$20.00
Special Collections	\$300.00
Cemetery	\$35.00
Families receiving envelopes—467	
Envelopes used this week—261	
Online giving this week—33	

Mass Attendance

Lucerne 4:00 pm—140
 11:00 am—88
 Coral 6:00 pm—74
 9:00 am—110

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Save the date: Kerygma Discipleship Retreat May 16-18, 2025

Mark your calendar for the next Kerygma Discipleship Retreat, set for the weekend of May 16-18, 2025, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. The retreat is an opportunity to hear God's call and experience a way to live our faith in the modern world through prayer and the Church community. It is open to all adults who desire to know Jesus in a deeper way. For information, visit www.DioceesofGreensburg.org/kerygma-discipleship-retreat/.

Saint Vincent Basilica Parish, Latrobe, will host the Holy Spirit School of Prayer Mondays, March 24 and 31 and April 7 and 14 at 7 p.m. in the Saint Vincent Basilica Crypt. Speakers will be Benedictine Fathers Killian Loch, Boniface Hicks and Shawn Anderson. For information, visit www.hssop.org.



ASSUMPTION CINEMA PRESENTS...
Light refreshments provided; free will offering.

Wednesday, April 9th in Podowski Hall *Fulton Sheen* (2011, Documentary, Not Rated, 58m)
A documentary film that tells the story of a holy and remarkable life. Followed by an episode from his TV series, Life is Worth Living (28m).

Wednesday, April 23rd in Podowski Hall *Carlo Acutis* (2021, Documentary, Not Rated, 35m)
An intro to the extraordinary story of Blessed Carlo Acutis who will be canonized on April 27th. PLUS "This is My Body, This is My Blood: Miracles of the Eucharist" (30m)

Wednesday, April 30th at the Coral Social Hall *Between Borders* (2024, Drama, Not Rated, 1h30m)
The incredible true story of an Armenian family forced to flee their home during the collapse of the Soviet Union, and embark on a journey to find a community to call their own. Starring Elizabeth Tabish (Mary Magdalene) from The Chosen.

FAITH FORMATION FOR MARCH/APRIL
All sessions are held in Podowski Hall at Lucernemines

March 30th
 9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5
 5:30pm-7:30pm Grades 6-12

April 6th
 9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5
 5:30pm-7:30pm Grades 6-12

April 13th
 9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5

April 20th
 NO SESSIONS: Have a blessed Easter!
April 27th
 9:30am-10:45am Grades K-5
 5:30pm-7:30pm Grades 6-12

UPCOMING MANDATORY WORKSHOP: SACRAMENTAL PREP "Table of the Lord" Workshop for 2nd grade students
 Monday, March 31st from 6pm-8pm in Podowski Hall. Students are to be accompanied by one parent/caregiver.

Lenten Enrichment Series

"A Light Unto My Path: Personal Journeys of Faith" Thursdays during Lent: 4/3 and 4/10 6:30pm-7:30pm in the Coral church *Be inspired through music, prayer, reflection, and witnessing.*

Confirmation Workshop

Our eighth grade students did an outstanding job presenting posters on the patron saints that they have chosen for Confirmation during a special workshop with parents on Monday, March 24th.

Please keep the following students in your prayers as they continue to prepare to be Confirmed on Saturday, May 3rd: Kendal Apjok, Nick Andrascik, Mariusz Dietz, Addy Henry, Sofia Costello, Chase Shoup, Noah Todd, Ben Gornick, and Carter Cortazzo.



Please note that the **Christian Mother's April** meeting will be held on **Monday, April 7th** instead of the usual first Tuesday. This change is due to a conflict with the Regional Penance Service, which will be held at Our Lady of the Assumption on that day. We look forward to seeing you there!

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As we celebrate this Jubilee Year, the Diocese of Greensburg is pleased to invite you to a special evening of music and reflection at the **Jubilee Concert of Hope** Friday, April 11, at 7 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg. This concert will feature the world premiere of the "Stabat Mater," a moving new composition by Nancy Galbraith, professor of composition at Carnegie Mellon University School of Music. The text is taken from the traditional hymn, "At The Cross Her Station Keeping." Also to be performed is the "Passion According to Saint Matthew," which was premiered in 2015 by Dr. Thomas Octave, Diocesan Director of Sacred Music, and has been performed throughout the world to great acclaim. Performing will be the Diocesan Choir, the Westmoreland Choral Society and the Diocesan Festival Orchestra. For tickets, visit www.DioceesofGreensburg.org/JubileeConcert.

Saint James Church, New Alexandria, will host a Spring Breakfast/Bake Sale/Basket Raffle on Sunday, April 6th, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Menu includes: Ham, Sausage, Pancakes, Eggs, Potatoes, Juice, Coffee and Tea. Price is \$10.00 Adults/\$5.00 Child (Ages 6 to 12)/Children (Under 6 - Free). Breakfast sponsored by Saint James Holy Name and Rosary Altar Societies. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 724-668-2829 - Option #3.

During this Jubilee Year of Hope, Bishop Larry J. Kulick is leading a group of pilgrims from the Diocese of Greensburg to Rome. Bishop Kulick invites you to be part of this pilgrimage, virtually. From Rome, Bishop Kulick will offer two Lenten reflections, pray the Stations of the Cross and host daily podcasts about the pilgrimage. You can also submit prayer intentions for the Bishop while he is in Rome. To be a virtual pilgrim, visit DioceesofGreensburg.org/Rome.

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