

**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)

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 3:00pm-3:30 at Lucernemines

Sunday 8:30am at Coral

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

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**Pastoral Council** will meet on Wednesday, September 3rd, 6:30pm in the Parish office.

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9am at St Louis Church on the holiday

*End of Summer Bash  
Sunday, August 24th  
Noon-5:00 pm  
Lucernemines*

**COMING SOON: PATHWAYS!!!**  
Watch upcoming bulletins and emails for registration information on the powerful Diocesan in-person adult faith formation program, **PATHWAYS!!!** Sessions include qualified speakers, and comprehensive, relevant curriculum on the Catholic faith. To be hosted by Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Podowski Hall. Opening Workshop on Saturday, September 13th from 9am-1pm. First Session on Tuesday, September 16th from 6pm-8:30pm. Registration will be available soon on the Diocesan website.

Christian Initiation: Becoming Catholic

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, please contact our Parish Office at 724-479-9542 , Ext. 15 for more information!

Welcome, Oliver!

Congratulations to Cody and Jaime Rura Haynes on the Baptism of their son, Oliver Charles, on Sunday, August 17th at Coral.

*May God bless your family with a lifetime of faith, happiness, and love!*



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Dear Parishioners,

While researching on the internet this week, I learned some disturbing news: that the long-time United States publisher, *Our Sunday Visitor*, is ceasing, ending, concluding its publication of the last edition of its true foundational service to Catholics in the United States by choosing to no longer publish their monthly magazines, not only the *Visitor*, but also including *The Priest*, *The Deacon*, and what remained of the popular weekly newspaper. They will still publish books.

Increasingly people's taste in receiving news and feature articles turns to the electronic media. Many of you may remember a time when your visit to your parish church on a Sunday included the opportunity to pay a nickel or a dime for a copy of a newspaper that kept Catholics informed and educated in those post-World War II years and into the explosive culture of the 1950s and 1960s.

Following the editorial directives of their founder, eventually an Archbishop, Father John Francis Noll, the publications set out to evangelize Americans and to teach or catechize them about living our faith in a majority Protestant country. While growing to maturity at our parish in New Kensington, I rarely saw a family pass by the vestibule table with the *Our Sunday Visitor*. Sundays became time to relax, for example, in the summertime, reading the then-large editions of the *Pittsburgh Press*, or the *Post-Gazette* or the *Sun Telegraph*, on the front porch, always including the much smaller *Visitor* but equally characterized by good journalism with a good purpose, filled with good reading: stories about Catholic families; or about recent or popular Catholic saints; or about the doctrines of faith the liturgy celebrated; or about the latest Pope and about his mysterious "country," Vatican City.

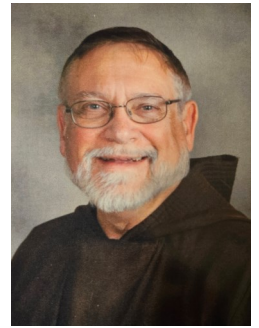
What happened to *Our Sunday Visitor* also happened to many diocesan newspapers that have ceased weekly or biweekly publication: people began to find news, even church news, through other forms of delivery. Everyone shifted from a reliable, in-hand old newsprint to an in-hand screen with instant access to a far-reaching world. Many, however, also wondered about the reliability of these new sources of news, finding what was being reported to by many to be questionable, often from unproven sources. It seemed that publishers felt the sting of a free-for-all world in which people publish information without careful attention to ethics or even to the justice that the verification of a story requires.

Even the United States' Conference of Catholic Bishops has closed some of its venerable and respected publishing news arms and has radically reduced its staff for the dissemination of information and news. The Vatican continues vigorously to publish stories regarding Catholics and Christians revealing what is happening throughout the globe, something we might not hear from the secular press.

We do have an obligation to support one another in our Catholic community of Faith, that we know as the Church. Media help us to know one another. Knowing how many have suffered persecution or how others have grown strong, we want to forge a strong bond with one another.

Our Diocese continues an arm of Catholic publishing through the *Accent* which started as a small diocesan paper in the 1950s or 1960s, but those efforts today do not look much like what arrived in our mailboxes then. In short, we, too, have adapted to the changing tastes in news delivery. The *Accent* television show may be one of the most popular ways to experience Catholic life in media today.

Those who loved the *Our Sunday Visitor* and learned a great deal from it will mourn its passing. The current challenge is that we will search for and find other reputable sources to keep us informed about Catholic Faith, in a way as easy as the old familiar Sunday newsprint pages. Let's keep alert to the next wave of publishing/media that wishes to teach a new generation about Jesus, the Lord.



*Father John*

## Mass Intentions for August 23—August 31

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

Lucernemines 4:00 pm ..... †Gary M Welsh (Barbara & Children)  
 Coral 6:00 pm ..... †Peggy Mocek (Christian Mothers)

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Coral 9:00 am ..... †Steve & Nancy Cerovich (The Cerovich Children)  
 Lucernemines 11:00 am..... ProPopulo

### MONDAY, AUGUST 25 — No Mass

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

Coral 8:00 am ..... For the Parishoners (Yvonne Sposito)

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

Coral 8:00 am ..... †William T Lucas (Aunt, Marge Mitchell)

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

Coral 8:00 am ..... †Joe Golba (Sister, Carol)

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

Coral 8:00 am ..... †Gary M Welsh (Barbara & Children)

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

Lucernemines 1:30 pm ..... Marriage of Emily Worcester & Jesse Lee  
 Lucernemines 3-3:30 pm..... **No Reconciliation**  
 Lucernemines 4:00 pm ..... †Richard Englert (Wife, Cathy)  
 Coral 6:00 pm ..... ProPopulo

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

Coral 8:30 am ..... Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 Coral 9:00 am .. †Evelyn Irene Dean (Grandparents, Len & Carol Black)  
 Lucernemines 11:00 am..... †Mary Ann Angelini (Mike & Irene Grimes)

### The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of:

Coral ..... Edward & Lizzie Pluchinsky & brothers & sisters  
 ..... by Rosalie Adamson  
 Lucernemines ..... Deceased members of the Lucas & Hans Families  
 .....by Peggy Lucas & Family

### The Host is in memory of:

Coral ..... Brian Gatskie by His Mother, Patty Call  
 Lucernemines ..... Raymond Ferreira by Rosalie Adamson

### The Wine is in memory of:

Coral ..... Philip, Eva & Yvonne Cravotta by Daughter Denise & family  
 Lucernemines ..... Special Intention

Father John's thought for the week.....

We cannot all do great things. We can do small things with great love.



10 Dec 2025 is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mary's request for us all to observe five First Saturdays for peace in the world. Learn more! [fatima.org/first-saturday-devotion](http://fatima.org/first-saturday-devotion)



Aug 9-10	Offertory
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$6356.00
Votive Candle	\$124.00
Maintenance	\$125.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$289.00
Diocesan Collections	\$15.00
Accent	\$59.00
Special Collections	\$1815.00
Cemetery	\$146.00
Families receiving envelopes—462	
Envelopes used this week—239 52%	
Online giving this week—40	

### Mass Attendance

Lucerne 4:00 pm—87  
 11:00 am—77  
 Coral 6:00 pm—48  
 9:00 am—117

### DIOCESAN GROUP TO ATTEND PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE SEPT. 22 (FLYERS ATTACHED):

Bishop Larry J. Kulick and parishioners from the Diocese of Greensburg will attend the fifth annual Pennsylvania March for Life Monday, Sept. 22, in Harrisburg. Five buses will depart from 12 locations around the Diocese:

**Bus 1:** Christ the King Parish, Leechburg, and Saint Margaret Mary Parish, Lower Burrell

**Bus 2:** Saint John de La Salle Parish, Delmont, Saint Barbara Parish, Harrison City, and Saint Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon

**Bus 3:** Fred Rogers Center, Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, Our Lady of Grace Parish, Greensburg, and Youngwood Commons (Shop 'n' Save), Youngwood

**Bus 4:** Saint Joseph Parish, Uniontown, Saint Rita Parish, Connellsville, and Visitation Parish, Mount Pleasant

**Bus 5:** Saint Bernard of Clairvaux Parish, Indiana

To learn more about the itinerary and bus locations, or to register online, visit [DioceseofGreensburg.org/pro-life-ministries/](http://DioceseofGreensburg.org/pro-life-ministries/). For additional information, contact Deacon Bill Newhouse at [wnewhouse@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:wnewhouse@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

## **ASSUMPTION CINEMA**

Coral Social Hall beginning at 6pm on Wednesday evenings. Refreshments provided; free will offering.

THE CHOSEN: SEASON 5 August 27th (Episode 8/Season Finale).

FRASSATI September 10th (recently canonized saint)

THE LAST RIFLEMAN September 17th (Veterans theme)

THE HIDING PLACE September 24th (Holocaust theme)

## **Novena Candles for World Peace Day (9/21)**

The Youth Group and Knights of Columbus will be presenting a special prayer service for world peace immediately following the 11am Mass at Lucernemines on Sunday, September 21st. The service will also include the blessing of a peace pole (purchased by the Youth Group) which will be permanently installed in front of Podowski Hall. The pole will also include a memorial sticker for Veterans. In honor of all veterans, we will be scheduling a novena for world peace from September 11th through September 19th. Decorative memorial candles may be requested for a \$5 donation. Envelopes are available at both churches. The deadline for candle requests is Sunday, September 7th. All proceeds from the candles will benefit the Western PA Veterans Relief Fund. Thanks for your support!

Peace Pole committee members from left right: Libby Brown, Carter Cortazzo, Sofia Costello, Caden Costello, Dale Hyland, Norb Rayko, and Pat Scanlon.



## **Special Needs Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation Ministry**

We are pleased to announce the development of a Special Needs Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation program at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish for children and adolescents with developmental and/or cognitive challenges. For us to adequately prepare to meet the needs of our parish community, we need to hear from you! If you, or someone you know would like to learn more about this very special program, you may either: contact our Parish Office at (724-479-9542, Ext. 15); email [cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:cmarco@dioceseofgreensburg.org); or complete one of the postcards located at the exits of both churches, and place it in the collection baskets.

## **8TH GRADE MEETING FOR CONFIRMATION**

Eighth grade students are to be accompanied by at least one parent to a mandatory meeting to discuss the upcoming changes for sacramental prep for Confirmation. The meeting will take place in Podowski Hall on Thursday, August 28th from 6pm-7pm. Refreshments provided.

## **Faith Formation for 2025-26**

**Registration forms will be mailed out to families as well as hard copies being available at both churches and the parish office beginning August 25th.** Classes will begin on Sunday, September 21st. Our elementary students (grades PreK-5) will meet in Podowski Hall from 9:30am-10:45am. Middle and high school students (grades 6-12) will kick off the year with their annual Color Run from 4pm-7pm in Coral on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Normally, they will meet on alternate Sunday evenings from 5:30pm-7:30pm in Podowski Hall. Stay tuned for more details! It is an honor and a privilege to accompany our children and families on their journeys of faith this year!

## **PRAYER FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

Lord Jesus, we ask Your help as we begin this new school year. Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us. Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open our hearts and minds to new friends and new teachers. Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with our studies and courage to accept new opportunities. Help us to be attentive to our teachers and let us experience Your presence in our friends. Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year! Amen.

Join us for an immersive day of spiritual discovery and cultural exploration in the heart of Catholicism with **KNOW HIM: ROME – Journey Through the Eternal City Thursday, Sept. 25, at 2 and 6 p.m.** at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. This virtual pilgrimage, presented by the Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship and the Office of Communications, invites participants to deepen their faith through guided visits to some of the most iconic and sacred sites in the Eternal City, engaging with the rich history, art and theology that shaped Roman Catholicism. Admission is free but space is limited. To register, visit [DioceseofGreensburg.org/KnowHim](https://DioceseofGreensburg.org/KnowHim).

**JEANNETTE: UNBOUND: FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE AT ASCENSION PARISH:** The Unbound conference is set for Saturday, Sept. 27, from 8:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m. in Mersinger Hall, with an optional Mass at 8 a.m. Benedictine Father Boniface Hicks will lead the conference. Unbound teaches participants how to be free from regrettable actions and reactions, false beliefs and shortcomings. Cost is \$50, \$20 for students and \$80 for couples, with lunch included. Register by Sept. 23 by calling 412-657-4036 or email [UnboundPittsburgh@gmail.com](mailto:UnboundPittsburgh@gmail.com).

**NEW ALEXANDRIA: SAINT JAMES PARISH CAR CRUISE AND SPAGHETTI DINNER:** A car cruise and spaghetti dinner will be held Sunday, Sept. 7 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. For information, call 724-668-2829, option 3.

**Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg provides volunteer services to older adults** (age 60 and older), including supportive and regular visits, telephone calls, greeting cards and other mailings to prevent loneliness and isolation and brighten a person's day. Emergency food boxes can also be delivered to those who meet eligibility requirements. To become a client, contact Deborah Klinvex at 724-837-1840 or [dklinvex@DioceseofGreensburg.org](mailto:dklinvex@DioceseofGreensburg.org).

