

**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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The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day.


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

Our Altar Rosary Society will meet on Wednesday, September 3rd in the church hall in Lucerne at 1:45pm.

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](http://DioceseofGreensburg.org/KnowHim).

**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.

Thank you to **Texas Roadhouse** for donating the delicious dinner rolls that complimented our wonderful spaghetti dinner.



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)



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**INDIANA TOTAL THERAPY**

Dear Parishioners,

When Pope Francis died on Easter Monday of this year, he passed away five months into a *Holy Jubilee Year*, which intended to welcome hundreds of thousands of international pilgrims to Rome to pass through the *holy doors at St. Peter Basilica*. Pope Francis and his staff at the Vatican had planned for numerous focused groups to find **a year of grace, "a time of renewal, forgiveness, and celebration."** Chief among those whom Francis had in mind were **youth**, therefore **the Pope looked forward to welcoming youth to Rome for events that included the canonization** or official recognition that two young men, one of the twentieth and another of the twenty-first centuries, **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati**, and **Blessed Carlo Acutis**, might confidently be declared to be saints.

Canonization holds up a Catholic person as worthy of public veneration, someone who lived a life of "heroic virtue" and having passed from this earthly life, has shown signs of authentic holiness.

There are three features of canonization: 1. **Recognition of Holiness** – the person lived a life of extraordinary virtue and is now in heaven with God. The Church does not make someone a saint. God and the person work together and God accomplishes good things in the person. 2. **Model for the Faithful** – Saints serves as role models, demonstrating to us how to live a life aligned with God's will. Their stories inspire us to pursue holiness and virtue. 3. **Encouragement of Devotion** – By enrolling the person in the list of saints, the Church encourages us to ask these men and women to accompany our prayers to the Father through Jesus. This devotion fosters a deeper connection between us and the Lord, as we ask our friend in heaven to pray for us.

Both Carlo and Pier Giorgio died very young and did so shortly after contracting terminal illnesses. Amazingly, both men touched others by their choices to remain committed to God in ways that showed that each had fostered a close relationship to the Lord and that each cared for and about the less fortunate. Both gave of the little that they had in a generous way.

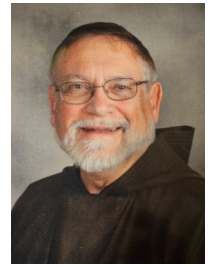
**Permit me here to offer more about Pier Giorgio.** Pier Giorgio Michelangelo Frassati was born in Turin, Italy on April 6, 1901. His mother, Adelaide Ametis, was a painter. His father Alfredo, was the founder and director of the newspaper, "La Stampa," and was influential in Italian politics. At an early age, Pier Giorgio joined the Marian Sodality and the Apostleship of Prayer, and obtained permission to receive daily Communion (which was rare at that time). He developed a deep spiritual life which he never hesitated to share with his friends. At the age of 17, he joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society and dedicated much of his spare time to serving the sick and the needy, caring for orphans, and assisting the demobilized servicemen returning from World War I.

**What little he did have, Pier Giorgio gave to help the poor**, even using his bus fare for charity and then running home to be on time for meals. The poor and the suffering were his masters, and he was literally their servant, which he considered a privilege. His charity did not simply involve giving something to others, but giving completely of himself. This was fed by daily communion with Christ in the Holy Eucharist and by frequent nocturnal adoration, by meditation on St. Paul's "Hymn of Charity" (I Corinthians 13), and by the writings of St. Catherine of Siena. **Mountain climbing was one of his favorite sports.** Outings in the mountains, which he organized with his friends, also served as opportunities for his apostolic work. He never lost the chance to lead his friends to Mass, to the reading of Scripture, and to praying the rosary. **Just before receiving his university degree, Pier Giorgio contracted poliomyelitis**, which doctors later speculated he caught from the sick whom he tended. Neglecting his own health because his grandmother was dying, after six days of terrible suffering Pier Giorgio died at the age of 24 on July 4, 1925.

Pier Giorgio's funeral was a triumph. The streets of the city were lined with a multitude of mourners who were unknown to his family -- the poor and the needy whom he had served so unselfishly for seven years. His mortal remains were found completely intact and incorrupt upon their exhumation on March 31, 1981.

May this twenty-something saint inspire a new generation to know the Lord.

*Father John*



## Mass Intentions for August 30—September 7

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 30—No Reconciliation

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

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

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

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 Labor Day

Lucernemines 9:00 am ..... Health & God's blessing for Dennis (Amy &  
 ..... Carol Zicha)

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Coral 8:00 am ..... †Pauline Stachelczyk (Cindy & Jerry Michelone)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Coral 8:00 am ..... †Husband Mike & Son Michael Marusa  
 ..... (Sara (wife & Mom) & family)

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Coral 8:00 am ..... †Margaret Kiral (Peg)

### FIRST FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Coral 8:00 am ..... †Dennis G Donahue (Cindy & Chris Forsha)  
 ..... Adoration until noon  
 11:30 am..... Reconciliation  
 12:00 pm..... Benediction

### FIRST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Lucernemines 8:00 am ..... †John Fetchko (The McHenry Family)  
 Lucernemines 3-3:30 pm..... Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 Lucernemines 4:00 pm ..... †Anniversary of Lefty & Mary Popp  
 ..... (Jack & Janice Bell)  
 Coral 6:00 pm ..... †JR Reed (Julianne & Stephanie)

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Coral 8:30 am ..... Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 Coral 9:00 am ..... †Philip, Eva & Yvonne Cravotta (Daughter Denise  
 ..... & family)  
 Lucernemines 11:00 am..... ProPopulo

### 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 ..... Special Intention  
 Lucernemines ..... Elva Zajec by Robert & Laura Breznican

Aug 23-24	Offertory
Adult, Loose, Children & Online Giving	\$8177.28
Votive Candle	\$236.00
Maintenance	\$190.00
St Vincent de Paul	\$100.00
Diocesan Collections	\$266.00
Accent	\$24.00
Special Collections	\$141.00
Cemetery	\$55.00
Families receiving envelopes—462	
Envelopes used this week—179	
Online giving this week—33	

### Mass Attendance

Lucerne 4:00 pm—97  
 11:00 am—102  
 Coral 6:00 pm—61  
 9:00 am—97

**DESIGNER PURSE BASH & CRYSTAL BAKE SALE TICKETS:** Tickets will go on sale Monday, Sept. 1, for the ninth annual Designer Purse Bash & Crystal Bake Sale, set for Sunday, Nov. 2, at the Barn at Ligonier Valley. Doors open at noon. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased online at [www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org](http://www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org) or at the Catholic Charities office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. For information, contact Heather Rady at [h-rady@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:h-rady@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or 724-837-1840.

**TRAVELING MADONNA CELEBRATION SEPT. 8** A celebration of the 22nd anniversary of the Traveling Madonna, which has been hosted in homes throughout the Diocese, is set for Monday, Sept. 8, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. The celebration will begin with recitation of the rosary at 5:15 p.m., with Mass celebrated by Bishop Larry J. Kulick at 6 p.m.

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### **BASKET BASH VOLUNTEERS**

Special thanks to (from left to right) Ke'Hiwa Everett, Maddie Solo, and Libby Brown for helping out at the Children's Activity Tent at our annual Basket Bash on Sunday, August 24th!!! They not only assisted the children with art activities...they also created some of their own!



### **Service Experience Opportunity for Youth Group**

In preparation for the novena for World Peace, we will be decorating candles on Monday, September 8th from 6pm-7pm at Podowski Hall. This will count as a service experience for students in grades 6-12. If you are interested in helping out with this special project, please contact [cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org) at your earliest convenience. Thanks!

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

Registration forms have been mailed out to our parish families over the past week, and hard copies are now available at both churches and the parish office. 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 21st. Normally, they will meet on alternate Sunday evenings from 5:30pm-7:30pm in Podowski Hall. It is an honor and a privilege to accompany our children and families on their journeys of faith this year!

### **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!

### **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 [cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:cmarcoline@dioceseofgreensburg.org); or complete one of the postcards located at the exits of both churches, and place it in the collection baskets.

### **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.

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

The future starts today, not tomorrow.



### **End of Summer Bash!**

**A fun day had by all!**



### **ASSUMPTION CINEMA**

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

FRASSATI September 10th (canonization scheduled for 9/7)

CARLO ACUTIS: ROADMAP TO REALITY September 17th

Brand new release!!! (canonization scheduled for 9/7)

THE LAST RIFLEMAN September 24th (Veterans theme)

## Our End of Summer Basket Bash – Thank You!

Our End of Summer Basket Bash was a wonderful success thanks to the generosity of so many of our parishioners. We are truly grateful to everyone who helped prepare and serve the spaghetti dinner and the delicious foods in Podowski Hall. Thank you to those who donated beautiful baskets or gave monetary contributions to help offset the costs of the event. The baked goods, as always, were a hit and enjoyed by many!

We also appreciate the many hands that worked behind the scenes—setting up tables, chairs, and tents, and staying afterwards to help with cleanup. And of course, a heartfelt thank you to everyone who came out to support our parish by purchasing food and raffle tickets. It was such a joy to see so many familiar faces, as well as new friends, gathered together on Sunday.

### **Shout out to the Knights of Columbus!**

A very special thank you to our Knights, who so generously sponsored our spaghetti dinner. We are blessed to have these wonderful men who give their time, talents, and support to our parish in so many ways.



**Thank You to Our Generous Local Businesses**

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all of our local businesses who so kindly donated to our Basket Bash. Your generosity helps make our event a success, and we encourage everyone to show their support by patronizing these wonderful businesses:

- Luxenburg’s, Indiana
- Nap’s Cucina Mia / Josephine’s Pizzeria & Enoteca, Indiana
- Reverence Salon, Indiana
- Home Slices’ Pizzeria, Homer City
- Arone Lumber & Hardware, Homer City
- Ideal Market, Homer City
- Fox’s Pizza Den, Homer City
- Spaghetti Bender’s, Indiana
- Sanso’s Italian Deli & Pizza, Homer City
- Indulgence Salon, Indiana
- Fresh Blendz, Indiana
- Texas Roadhouse



Thank you for your continued support of our parish and community!

