Save the Date:

Here is a list of upcoming activities. Watch the bulletin for news of activities. Listed below are some of the dates you will want to reserve in the coming months.

**March 24**—CCM Mtg. @ the Social Hall
**March 25**—Lenten Penance Service at St. Edward, Herminie
**March 27**—Bible Study
**March 27**—Stations @ Noon
**March 29**—Stations @ 7:00 PM
**April 10**—13—Easter Bread Sale, sponsored by the CCM
**April 14**—Holy Name Society Meeting
**April 14**—Palm Sunday
**April 14**—Bingo Social in the Social Hall
**April 15**—Lenten Penance Service at Holy Family
**April 21**—Easter Sunday
**April 28**—Divine Mercy Sunday
**May 11**—Wine and Cheese Social at the Greenhouse Winery, Irwin; Limited to 120 tickets.

Check the bulletin for times and dates for events during Lent!
MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:00 PM | Saturday, March 23
Lector
Stan Materkowski
Eucharistic Ministers
Mary Ann Landini, Dan Landini
Altar Servers
Volunteer

11:00 AM | Sunday, March 24
Lector
Mary Ryckman
Eucharistic Ministers
Darlene Schehr, Aleta Keegan
Altar Servers
Noah Lehner

4:00 PM | Saturday, March 30
Lector
George Thuransky
Eucharistic Ministers
Larry Risku, Tony Lovato
Altar Servers
Volunteer

11:00 AM | Sunday, March 31
Lector
Bill Ryckman
Eucharistic Ministers
Tina Quinn, Benecio
Altar Servers
Gina Benecio

WEEKLY BELL CHIMES

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS


For this week’s Financial Report, please see the insert!

Days of Fasting and Abstinence

Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

Reminder—Be a Good Neighbor

During the latest winter storm many scattered power outages left some parishioners without heat and electricity. Please be a good friend and neighbor and check on neighbors often during storms. Take a walk next door and be sure that your friends and neighbors are safe and warm.

Eric's Music Notes

According to the Gospel and second reading we must repent – immediately – or perish. Yet Jesus seems to soften his own demand when he tells the parable of the fig tree. Because God's mercy is far greater than God's anger (psalm), God will always give us one more chance (gospel). With surpassing kindness (psalm), God will give new life to the barrenness within our hearts (gospel). We need only repent, reach out, and receive. (Cry Out With Joy, GIA Publications)

Our Opening Hymn today, Again We Keep This Solemn Fast, and our Communion Hymn, In These Days of Lenten Journey, remind us of the call of Lent. We are called to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Traditionally, Catholics have “given up” something for Lent: a favorite food or beverage or treat, movies, watch less television, more recently maybe the internet and social media (Facebook!, Twitter!). But we are also called to “do something” for Lent: more prayer being at the top of the list. Could we attend daily Mass during Lent? Weekly Stations of the Cross? Could we read a page or two from the Catechism of the Catholic Church or Sacred Scripture each day, to renew our knowledge of the Faith? It’s not too late to “do something” for Lent!

Our Second Annual Tenebrae Service will be held on Good Friday evening, April 19, at 8:00 PM. Tenebrae is a Lenten Service in which the extinguishing of Light is commemorated. The world sits in darkness and the shadow of death. We are grief stricken. We painfully recall our sins. We experience the loss of Christ our light. Tenebrae emphasizes this experience and through prayer, meditation, the reading of Scripture, and music, we recall Christ’s passion and death. Please note that Tenebrae is not the Church’s Liturgy of Good Friday, and is not a part of the Paschal Triduum. It is a separate and distinct commemoration of the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ our Light. Our Tenebrae Service was very well received last year. Make plans now to attend, and bring a friend or neighbor!
**Final Class** *is Sunday, March 31 from 9:00 to 10:45 am.*

Please pick your child up in the hall and attend Mass as a family. Children will enjoy a special treat during this class!

Please encourage your child to attend Stations of the Cross this Lent. They are being offered every Friday at 7:00 pm during Lent except on Good Friday. Please check the bulletin for information regarding various Lenten opportunities offered by our parish.

**SECOND AND EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS** please note that there is a **Penance service here at Holy Family on Monday, April 15.** Students should receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving a sacrament.

**Think about summer....... Catholic Youth Day at Cedar Point**

*When: Tuesday, June 18*

*Time: Departing at 6:00 a.m.* will be three separate buses. Departure locations are dependent upon the areas of the registrants, and to be determined by June 10. We will do our best to have registrants depart on a bus closest to their home locations, but this is not guaranteed. We should arrive back from Cedar Point at approximately 11:59 p.m.

**Who:** This event is open to middle school and high school students who are in 5th-12th grade during the 2018-2019 school year. No adults under the age of 21 who are not graduating high school seniors may attend. Youth attending must be a part of a chaperoned parish group. Chaperones must be 21 years or older and have all clearances to attend. No youth may attend without a chaperone.

**Cost:** $90 registration fee includes lunch, all-you-can-drink wristband, and catered dinner in the park, ticket to the park and motor coach transportation. Please contact Cheryl if you would like to register for this Cedar Point trip. All students attending must register with their parish.

**Addiction Recovery Ministry** - We are pleased to announce that the Diocese of Pittsburgh officially started an Addiction Recovery Ministry (ARM). ARM is an inter-faith ministry that will walk with the addict and their loved ones through addiction and recovery. St. Agnes is in the development stages of becoming an ARM satellite location. St. Agnes is going to meet every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Fr. Bertolina Room. Come and join us and let this be your first step. For more information or questions please call 724-221-5508 leave a message, first name only and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

**Little Rock Bible Study**

The next meeting of the Little Rock Bible Study Group will be on Wednesday, March 27th. The group meets in the Social Hall weekly on Wednesdays from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Please attend a session and learn the details of this year’s study. All are welcome to attend. Watch the bulletin for more news about the Bible study.

**Stations of the Cross**

*Mary's Way of the Cross Stations* - Wednesday's at Noon, through Lent.

*Friday Stations* with Benediction at 7:00 on Friday’s through Lent.

There are no Stations on Good Friday.

**Lenten Penance Services**

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**Weekly/Monthly Meetings**

*Adult Bible Study* – Weekly, Wednesday’s 9-11:00 AM

*Holy Name Society* – Monthly, 2nd Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM on the Social Hall.

*Confraternity of Christian Mothers* – Monthly, 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM on the Social Hall.

**Confraternity of Christian Mothers News**

Please note that some times have been changed:

- 3/24 – Regular Monthly Meeting in the Social Hall at 9:30 AM before Mass
- 3/30 - Craft Sale has been CANCELLED!
- 4/10-13 – Annual Easter Bread Sale

**Holy Name Society News**

The members of the HNS meet in the Social Hall on the second Sunday of each month. The next meeting will be on April 14th in the Social Hall beginning at 9:30 AM. You may contact Bob Gabonay to pay your 2019 dues if you have not already paid for this year.

**Thank You!**

Nancy Brashear wishes to say thank you to all the kind people who have remembered her in prayer and have sent her card or called her while she was suffering with her health issues.

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Stephen Fanala, Jr. who died on March 11th. Kindly remember his family with prayers of peace and comfort.
THE WELL Men's Conference to be held March 30

The diocese's Men's Ministry Team will host THE WELL Men's Conference on March 30 at Greensburg Central Catholic. The event includes workshops, open discussions, the sacrament of reconciliation and adoration, and it concludes with Mass celebrated by Bishop Malesic. The keynote speaker will be Mike McCoy, an Erie native who is a former Notre Dame and NFL star. Register at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/THEWELL.

WINE AND CHEESE TASTING EVENT

Saturday, May 11 – 7:00-9:30 PM at The Greenhouse Winery, Rillton. Only 120 tickets available @ $20.00 each. Wine tasting and food provided. Chances for a basket raffle and other exciting events are being planned. For tickets, an opportunity for a $5.00 discount and other information call 724-256-6042. First come first served. Get your tickets soon. This event benefits Holy Family Parish, West Newton.

Help Needed for this Event!

The Wine and Cheese Event is fast approaching — Saturday, May 11 — and the Parish needs your support to make this fundraiser successful. Therefore, we are asking for donations of Lottery Scratch Off tickets of all denominations to be used at the Event. You may place them in the box by the Baptismal room. Also, the Parish needs items for Chinese Auction baskets. The baskets can have various themes—like a Spring Planting basket, a cat basket, a doggie basket, a spring cleaning basket, etc.—so many items are needed to fill these baskets. Please help by depositing the items in the bins in the rear of the church. Your support will be greatly appreciated.


Parish Income:
Offertory: $2,290.00
Loose: 204.00
Candles: 61.00
Monthly: 65.00
Holy Days: 45.00
Flowers: 229.00
Total: $2,894.00
Parish Budget $4,000.00
Total Income $2,894.00
Under Budget - $1,106
Total Offertory $2,939
Includes special collections
Home Missions

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

"Open your heart to HOPE," the 2019 Diocesan Lenten Appeal, helps HOPE grow. Go to dioceseofgreensburg.org/HOPE for a video of Bishop Malesic describing how the DLA grows our faith so we can share it with others. To make an online DLA donation to your parish visit dioceseofgreensburg.org/HOPE.

Gospel

LK 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end."

But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.