



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.

April 20-Easter Vigil Mass at 9:00 PM

April 21-Easter Sunday at 11:00 AM **April 23**-CCM Executive Board Meeting

April 28-CCM Meeting

April 28-Divine Mercy Sunday

May 5-First Holy Eucharist

May 11-Wine and Cheese Social at the Greenhouse Winery, Irwin; Limited to 120 tickets.

May 12-Holy Name Society Meeting

May 18-GGM Mother/Daughter Banquet

May 19-Bingo

May 19-Challenger Baseball Game June 1-Confirmation at St. Agnes, No. Huntingdon

June 2-Graduates Mass

June 18-Catholic Youth Day at Cedar Point

Check the bulletin insert more details.

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 11:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday 8:00 AM

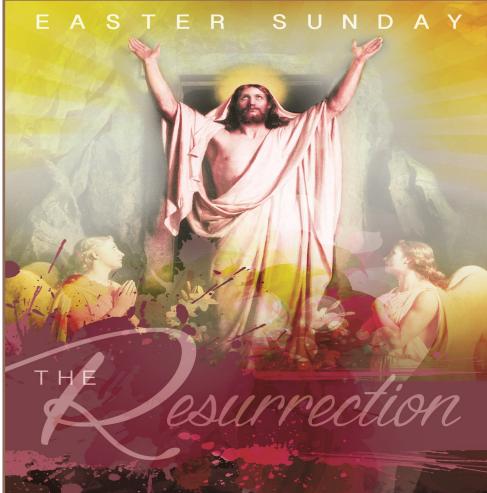
Holy Days

Vigil-7:00 PM

8:00 AM Holy Day

Confessions

Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM



SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019



Reverend Joseph E. Bonafed, Pastor jbonafed@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Reverend James F. Bump, Administer Pro Tem

Deacon John D. Zombar—JZombar@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Cheryl Hall, Faith Formation 724-872-2106

Eric Blanda, Director of Music 412-582-2512

Paula DeClaudio, Parish Secretary 724-872-6123

Weddings—Baptisms: Contact Parish Secretary for appointment.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

9:00 PM | Saturday, April 20 Lector

Pat Beneccio, Mary Ryckman

Eucharistic Ministers

Mary Houseman, Ginger DeBlasio

Altar Servers

Jacob Boyer, Nick Boyer, Noah Lehner

11:00 AM | Sunday, April 21 Lector

Stanley Materkowski

Eucharistic Ministers

Mary Ryckman, Bill Ryckman

Altar Servers

Jocelyn Siburt, Emma Smith

4:00 PM | Saturday, April 27

Lector

Bill Hughes

Eucharistic Ministers

Tony Lovato, Coreen Goetz

Altar Servers

Volunteer

11:00 AM | Sunday, April 28

Lector

Sienna Lehner

Eucharistic Ministers

Darleen Schehr, Tina Quinn

Altar Servers

Noah Lehner

MASSINTENTIONS

Saturday, April 20

Noon—Blessing of the Baskets

*9:00 PM Vigil – Easter Sunday

Nino Lombardozzi by Family

Sunday, April 21

11:00 AM Easter Sunday

Marie Greenwood by Mary and Bill Ryckman

Monday, April 22

8:00 AM Monday within the Octave of Easter Timothy Patrick Brown by his father Dr. Thomas Brown

Tuesday, April 23

8:00 AM Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Leah Schwet by Fr. Edward Schwet

Wednesday, April 24

8:00 AM Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Dorothy Ryckman by Mary and Bill Ryckman

Thursday, April 25

8:00 AM Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Dalene Patterson by Fr. James Bump

Friday, April 26

8:00 AM Friday within the Octave of Easter

Deceased Members of the Balash Family by Family

Saturday, April 27

4:00 PM Vigil – Sunday of Divine Mercy

Christine Ponco by Sally Forbes

Sunday, April 28

11:00 AM Sunday of Divine Mercy

Vera Schwet by Fr. Edward Schwet

*Easter Vigil Mas begins at 9:00 PM on

Saturday, April 20th.

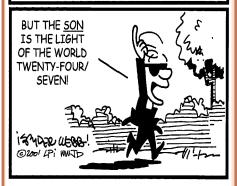
		WEEKLY BELL	CHIMES
DAY		NOON	6:00 PM
SAT	4/20	William P. Sims—Birthday	
SUN	4/21	Anna Floriani—Birthday Memorial	
MON	4/22	Joseph Matty—Memorial	
TUES	4/23	Stanley Materkowski, Sr.—Memorial	Darico J. "Butch" Zatelli—Memorial
WED	4/24	Paul Booley	Katherine Powelczak—Memorial
THURS	4/25		
FRI	4/26	Allena Scott Last—Birthday	Blank spaces are available for
SAT	4/27	Louise Moran—Memorial	Blank spaces are available for Blank spaces are available for celebratory/memorial/honorary Bell Chime
SUN	4/28	Susan and Joseph Schwerha—Memorial	celebratory

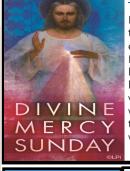
ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER

IN THE DAYTIME, THE SUN IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD...







Guest Speaker, April 28

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28 at 2 PM there will be special Devotions in honor of the DIVINE MERCY. There will be a guest speaker, Sister Mary Augustine from the Sisters of Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Steubenville, OH as well as the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Adoration and Benediction. There will also be light refreshments after the devotion. Please plan to attend this very sacred event in a time that Mercy is needed all over the world. The Sisters have asked for a free will offering to help with their mission to bring our Lord to those in need throughout the world.

For this week's

Financial Report, please see the insert!

Financial Report for 4/17/2019

A Seasonal Reflection

Called by Name

Mary. Even in the garden of the resurrection, Jesus goes unrecognized at first. The Gospel of John records a weeping woman, mistaking the risen savior for a gardener. Until, that is, she is called by name. Mary.

Robert. Catherine. Joanne. Steven. Hailey. Travis.
Jesus rises for you. He rises for me. He rises for each and every one of us. We are called by name in the garden of the resurrection.
This Sunday and every Sunday, Jesus comes to meet us. Imagine sitting with him. How is he looking at you? What do you say to him? When the resurrected Lord greets you with a smile, how do you respond?



BINGO SOCIAL

Come Join us for the NEW & IMPROVED BINGO <u>Sunday May 19th</u>

Early Birds start at 12:30 and will pay out at least \$15/game

15 Regular games paying \$30
There will also be **BONZAI, SPECIALS and QUICKIES.** Oh, don't forget about the final game—**JACKPOT**.

The kitchen will be open serving hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, chips, pop, water and coffee. So come join the fun and try your luck winning larger prizes.

Admission is only \$15 for the 15 game boards. The more who play, the more the payouts will be.

Eric's Music Notes

"This is the day the Lord has made" has been prayed and sung by Christians as part of Psalm 118 since this translation appeared in the King James Bible in the 17th century. But a more accurate translation of this line from the Hebrew psalm would be "This is the day the Lord has done it!" What has the Lord done? How has what the Lord has done changed the course of human history? How has it changed the course of your history? (*Cry Out With Joy*, GIA Publications)

Today we are filled with joy, for we celebrate the resurrection of Our Lord. He died on the cross, but now he has been raised from death to new life. Today we are filled with hope, for the sacrifice he made on the cross has opened the way to eternal life. His sacrifice is our salvation. Today we are filled with praise, for Jesus Christ has won victory over the grave. He has redeemed humanity. (*Pastoral Patterns*, WLP Publications)

Alleluia! Alleluia! God's love never fails! We rejoice today in the light and love of the Resurrection. From this day until Pentecost, our first readings will be drawn from the Acts of the Apostles, the book which offers insight into the formation of the early church and the thoughts and actions of the disciples after the Resurrection. Let us rejoice and be glad that we are a part of that unfolding mystery. (Celebration, Celebration Publications)

"Christ is risen from the dead! Risen as He truly said..." These words begin a favorite Easter hymn first published in 1894. As we sing "Christ, the Lord, is Risen Today!", "The Day of Resurrection", "Jesus is Risen", "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" and other Easter hymns today and throughout this holy season, we are reminded that death is not the end. The resurrection is not simply an historical event for Christ alone. The resurrection is for all. Now that's a reason to rejoice and sing! Through the Lord's resurrection may our lives be healed and renewed. Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia!!

Concerns Regarding Sexual Abuse

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the Childline number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, Ext. 1221

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SECOND GRADE:

First Communion rehearsal is on Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 pm First Communion will be held on Sunday, May 5 during 11:00 Mass.



Please keep our second grade students in your prayers as they get closer to receiving their First Holy Communion.

MIDDLE YOUTH MINISTRY

Upcoming dates for 8th grade Confirmation students: Sunday, May 5 or May 19 Challenger Baseball game (helping children with special needs play a baseball game at West Point Ballfields in Greensburg 12:30 – 3:00 pm) Permission forms must be submitted in order to participate.

Confirmation Rehearsal is scheduled on Tuesday, May 21 6:30 pm at St. Agnes. This is **mandatory** and your sponsor or one parent is required to attend.



Please keep our eighth grade students in your prayers as they continue on their journey to prepare for Confirmation.

CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY AT CEDAR POINT



HURRY – ONLY A LIMITED AMOUNT OF SEATS!!!

Get your reservation in now!

When: Tuesday, June 18

Time: Departing at 6:00 a.m., will be three separate buses. We should arrive back from Cedar Point at approximately 11:59 p.m. Who: 6th-12th grade during the 2018-2019 school year.

Cost: \$90 registration fee includes lunch, all-you-can-drink wristband, catered dinner in the park, ticket to the park and motor coach transportation.

Please contact Cheryl **ASAP** to register! All students attending must register with their parish friends are welcome!

Vacation Bible School – "Avalanche Ranch" is being planned by the High School Youth ministry students and will be held at St. Edward's June 10 through June 13 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. If you would like more information or to register, please contact Cheryl at 724-872-2106 or email chall@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY

The next meeting of the Little Rock Bible Study Group will be on Wednesday, April 24th. 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.

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.

<u>Confraternity of Christian Mothers</u> – Monthly, 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM ion the Social Hall.

SPECIAL DEVOTION-APRIL 28

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CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS NEWS

The Executive Board meeting will be held on April 23 at Gary's Chuck Wagon at 9:30 AM and the regular meeting will be held in the Social Hall on April 28th at 9:30 AM.

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 May 12th 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.

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

"Open your heart to HOPE," the 2019 Diocesan Lenten Appeal, helps HOPE shine. In our Catholic schools, the DLA helps more than 2,300 students shine! Go to dioceseofgreensburg.org/HOPE to see a video of Jesse Dermotta, who attends Queen of Angels Catholic School. She was one of the founding members of the Kindness Club, which strives to walk the path of Christ, doing unto others as they would have done unto them. To make an online donation visit

www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/HOPE.

We will have a committal Weekend with a speaker on at both Masses on a weekend after Easter. If you have not made your gift yet you may do so at the commitment weekend. Watch your bulletin for details.

Financial Report for 4/14/2019

Parish Income:

Offertory: \$3,163.00
Loose: 225.00
Candles: 83.00
Monthly: 75.00
Holy Days: 1349.00
Flowers: 14.00

Total: \$4,945.00
Parish Budget \$4,000.00
Total Income \$4,909.00

Total Income \$4,909.00 **Over Budget - \$909.00**

Total Offertory \$4.945.00
Including Catholic Accent & Holy Land \$36.00

THANK YOU!

Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make Holy Week and Easter so special this year. I want to be sure to recognize all who prepared the Church by cleaning, decorating, setting up for Stations, and the many Liturgies during this season. Thank you Deacon John for your help throughout Lent and Holy Week, the choir and Music Director, the men and women who decorated inside the Church the parishioner who weeded, cleaned the Church yard and planted spring flowers at the entrance and the visitor who straightened the missalettes and replaced empty votive candles during her visit. I am especially thankful for the parishioners who supported and participated in the Masses and services.

It was a pleasure to have so many helping hands. I look forward to the many blessing still to come as we celebrate Eastertime together.

Fr. Bump

A SCRIPTURE VERSE

The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. - Lk 24:1b-3

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WINE AND CHEESE TASTING EVENT



<u>Saturday, May 11 – 7:00-9:30 PM at The</u> <u>Greenhouse Winery, Rillton.</u> 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.

AN EASTER GOSPEL MEDITATION

Can you imagine that moment? Can you imagine the stomach drop with dizzying realization: "It's all true. All of it is true! The past three years weren't a dream that ended horribly wrong." Can you imagine all the doubts and despair of the past days chased away like smoke on the wind by a rolled up burial cloth? By an empty tomb?

It didn't start that way, of course. "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." This frantic news from Mary Magdalene would have been another unexpected blow. After all that happened, now his body has been stolen? The love and devotion in Peter and John is apparent. They don't wait to collect more information or stop by the tomb when they have a chance. They run to the site. When is the last time you ran for something? This isn't a run for exercise, but a huffing and puffing bolt fueled by desperation. Can you imagine that moment? The fear pounding in their temples, matching their accelerated heart rate. Can you imagine the impatient affection of John, who outruns Peter but refuses to enter the tomb alone? And then, upon entry, "He saw and believed." This is the drama of our great feast! The promise that

seemed lost has been found. The dead are raised. Long before the Easter eggs and ham, we are invited to meditate on this divine reality. We are invited to feel the desperation and joy of that first Easter Sunday deep in our bones. Because it is not just Mary's story. It's not Peter and John's story. It's our story. From the greatest defeat can come the most awe-inspiring victory, and this is true not just for our God, but for each one of us. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!