SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019

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Weddings—Baptisms: Contact Parish Secretary for appointment.

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

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.

May 11 - Wine and Cheese Social at the Greenhouse Winery, Irwin; Limited to 120 tickets.
May 12 — Mother’s Day
May 12 - Holy Name Society Meeting
May 18 & 19 — Communications and Media Collection
May 18 - CCM 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 for more details.

SUNDAY OF EASTER
“My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.” - Jn 10:27-28b

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4:00 PM | Saturday, May 11
Lector
Rita McGrogan
Eucharistic Ministers
Mary Houseman, Ginger DeBlasio
Altar Servers
Hannah Seiltzinger

11:00 AM | Sunday, May 12
Lector
Pat Beneccio
Eucharistic Ministers
Armand Luzi, Barry Beneccio
Altar Servers
Gina Beneccio

4:00 PM | Saturday, May 18
Lector
Bill Hughes
Eucharistic Ministers
Coreen Goetz, Ginger DeBlasio
Altar Servers
Raphaela Lombardozzi

11:00 AM | Sunday, May 19
Lector
Mary Ryckman
Eucharistic Ministers
Dan Landini, Maryann Landini
Altar Servers
Noah Lehner

Saturday, May 11
4:00 PM                  Vigil – Fourth Sunday of Easter
Theodore Schwet by Fr. Edward Schwet

Sunday, May 12
11:00 AM                  Fourth Sunday of Easter
Margie Azzari by Tina, Corrine and Annette

Monday, May 13
8:00 AM                  Easter Weekday
Edwin R. Hogan by Fran Sabo

Tuesday, May 14
8:00 AM                  Saint Matthias, Apostle
Lawrence “Patsy “ Brunory
by Dolores and Joni Floriani

Wednesday, May 15
8:00 AM                  Easter Weekday
Bob Hiiva by Michaelene and John Nohavicka

Thursday, May 16
8:00 AM                  Easter Weekday
Gloria Calcagna by The Members of the
Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Friday, May 17
8:00 AM                  Easter Weekday
Deceased Members of the Kemmery Family by Family

Saturday, May 18
4:00 PM                  Vigil – Fifth Sunday of Easter
Living and Deceased Members of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers by the CCM

Sunday, May 19
11:00 AM                  Fifth Sunday of Easter
Harry “Buzz” Brunory
by The Brunory Family

WEEKLY BELL CHIMES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BINGO SOCIAL**

Come Join us for the NEW & IMPROVED BINGO Sunday May 19th

**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.

**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 1-800-332-0331. 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.

**Everyday Stewardship**

When I was little, I would always cling to the same routine each night before going to bed. I would say to my parents, “Good night.” They would respond, “Good night.” I then would say, “See you tomorrow, okay?” I would await their response, and if they did not respond, I would say it again louder, “See you tomorrow, okay?” I somehow felt that if they did not assure me that I would see them tomorrow, it would possibly not happen. What would happen to me if I awoke and no one was there? It seems silly now, but to a small boy, it was very serious.

In our lives, many of us have somehow bought into the notion that there is so much in the world that can take us away from God. We believe that worldly values, immoral, or evil itself can take us away from God’s love and protection. But there are far fewer lies than this. The reality is that if we find ourselves far away from God, the only force that carried us away was our own choices.

In John’s Gospel, Jesus said, “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me...No one can take them out of my hand.” Yes, we are tempted at every side, but no temptation can take us away from him. Unfortunately, sometimes after initial choices, we find ourselves in addiction or dependency, making our reconciliation with God impossible without the help of friends and loved ones. But make no mistake, no one or nothing can take those who are His sheep away from God.

**Eric’s Music Notes**

In the resurrection of Christ, God formed a new people (first reading) beyond number, and beyond the boundaries of nation, race, or tongue (second reading). We are that people, held in God’s hand (psalm). We are the flock who hear Christ’s voice and follow him (gospel). What do you hear Christ saying? Where is he asking you to follow? Will you go? (Cry Out With Joy, GIA Publications)

God is not in the rationing business, but we are. We really are. We withhold the use of our talents with all kinds of self-rationing excuses. Others will make fun of me. Or resent me. Or I might fail. Look stupid. If I do it this once, I might have to do it again. And again. I’m tired. I’m scared. I’m ready. Or the one I get most often: “I can’t sing.” Or Maybe tomorrow or next week or next year. Well...You are the only one with your particular face of God. And if you don’t show it, then the world (and the parish!) will not know that singular divine visage, and we will be poorer for it. So please, show us the gifts God gave you...to you and no one else. For the good of the world (and the parish!) There are many ministries and activities in this parish in which you can participate. Will you share your gifts? For the courage to say No to my fears and Yes to God and God’s people, Risen Lord, Hear our prayers.

**Month of the Rosary**

May is the month of the Rosary and we will be praying the Rosary before Masses during the month of May. If anyone would like to lead the Parishioners in the Rosary. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the Church.
SECOND GRADE:
A huge thank you to our second grade catechist, Mrs. Coreen Goetz for all of her help preparing our second grade students for their sacraments this year!

Another huge thanks to our parish, Holy Name Society and Christian Mothers for the wonderful First Communion gifts purchased for the children along with the many prayers offered as the children continue on their faith formation journey. May God continue to bless Josephine, Ty and Izsabella!

MIDDLE YOUTH MINISTRY
Sunday, May 19 is the Challenger Baseball game (our students will be 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. If you have not submitted a form, please do so as soon as possible.

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.

NEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES: Are you interested in growing more in your faith and want to become more involved in our parish? We would like to start a RCIA team and Baptism preparation team. If you would like to be part of these ministries, please let Cheryl know in the Faith Formation office. Brief training and materials will be provided.

LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY
The next meeting of the Little Rock Bible Study Group will be on Wednesday, May 15th. 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.
Confraternity of Christian Mothers – Monthly, 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM in the Social Hall.

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.

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL
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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 5/5/2019
Parish Income:
Offertory: $3,864.00
Loose: 339.00
Candles: 99.00
Monthly: 158.00
Holy Days: 50.00
Total: $4,510.00
Parish Budget $4,000.00
Total Income $4,510.00
Over Budget: $510.00
Total Offertory $4,546
Including Catholic Accent: $26.00
Communications $10.00

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WINE AND CHEESE TASTING EVENT - This Saturday!

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, first come first served. Get your tickets soon. This event benefits Holy Family Parish, West Newton.

In addition to a wide selection of fine wine, the Winery offers a variety of craft bottled/draft beer, soda and bottled water for sale.

Tickets are available at the door!

ATTENTION ALL 2019 GRADUATES!!!!!!
The First Sunday in June is traditionally the day that Holy Family Church honors all Graduates at the 11:00 AM Mass. All Graduates are invited to attend Mass on June 2nd and if you have your Cap and Gown you are invited to wear them for the Mass.

Following the 11:00 AM Mass all Graduates of Holy Family Parish (High School, College, Trade School, Military, and any post-secondary school) and their families are invited to attend a luncheon in their honor. To reserve your place, call Barbara Saxberg @ 724-872-9116.

This is proudly sponsored by the Confraternity of Christian Mothers.

WE ARE RAISING THE ROOF!
As you may have noticed as you passed through town that the roof on the Church is being replaced. This roof was in bad condition. As of Friday, May 3rd, the contractor has removed the shingles from half the roof and reported that over 80 sheets of plywood were needed to replace rotted and water-soaked wood from the roof.

That is only ONE HALF of the ROOF. There is no estimate of how much wood will be needed to complete the second half of the Church roof. Because of the amount of damaged wood, the work is well over budget. If anyone would like to contribute to “Raising the Roof” you might want to donate the cost of a sheet of plywood or two.

The going price for the grade of wood need is about $50.00 per sheet. If you would like to donate to the project, place your donation in an envelope marked “Roof” and drop it in the collection basket or see Fr. Bump or Paula. Thank you for considering a donation to the project!

Flea Market: The Sisters of the Divine Redeemer will hold their annual flea market at 999 Rock Run Road, Elizabeth Twp. (across from Butler’s Golf Course) Thursday thru Saturday, June 6, 7, & 8. The hours are 9 AM to 8 PM on Thursday and Friday and 9 AM to Noon on Saturday. Donated items can be dropped off no later than May 17. (No TVs, computers, electronic devices, exercise equipment, clothing, or hard back books will be accepted.) Please call Sr. Rosemary at 412-751-8600 from 9 AM to 8 PM to make arrangements for dropping off donations. Donations will be accepted from 9 AM to 3 PM Monday thru Saturday.

Catholic Communication Campaign

Next week, our special collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Fully 50% of funds collected remain here in the Diocese of Greensburg to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

"Thank You, Mom"
From the initial wonder to the morning sickness,
From the sleepless nights to the giggles of delight,
From the first steps to the temper tantrums,
Thank you, Mom.

From school day pride to detention day disappointment,
From the big game to the big show to the big “uh-oh,”
With secret shared moments and home-cooked meals,
Thank you, Mom.

Through tears and laughter,
Through sorrow and joy,
For all the ups and downs,
and for the journey yet to come,
Thank you, Mom!