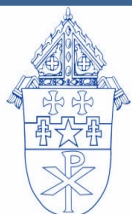




Holy Family

CATHOLIC CHURCH



Save the Date:

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

9/21 Faith Formation Grades 4-8

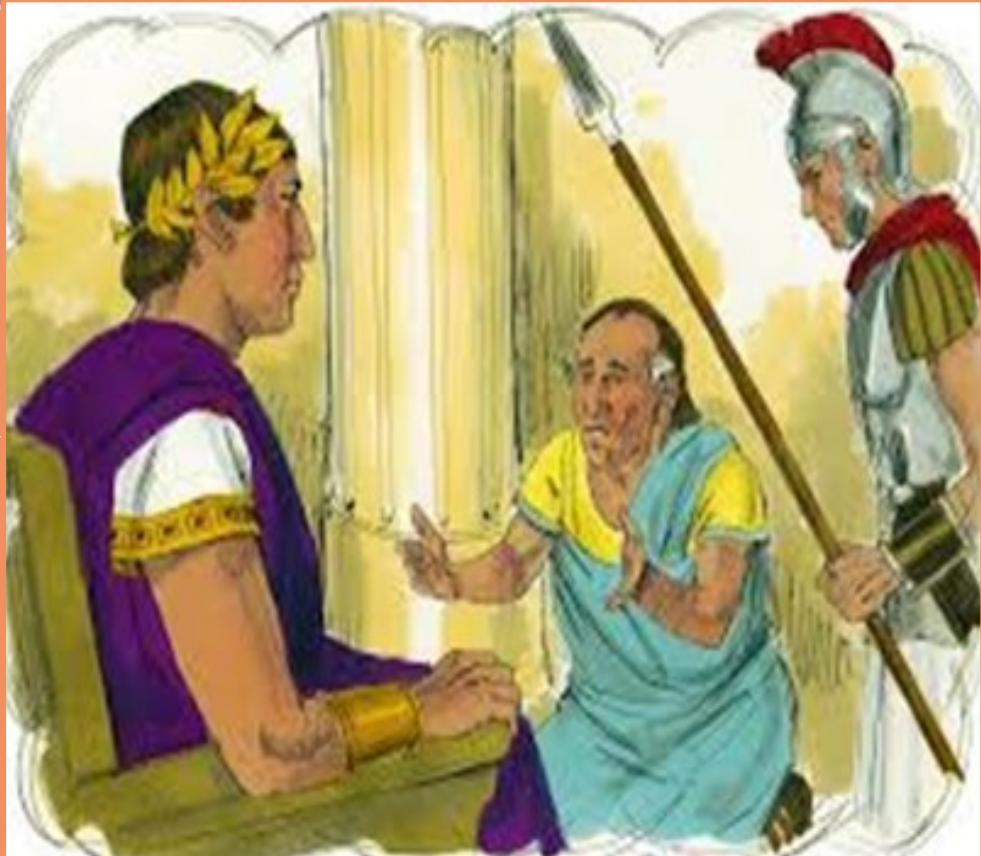
9/27 Faith Formation Grades 1-3

Weekday Masses
Tuesday: 8:00 AM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM

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

Confessions
Saturday
3:00-3:30 PM

Weddings—Baptisms:
Contact Parish Secretary for
appointment. 724-872-6123 or
email
hfamilywn@comcast.net



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

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PRAYER AND WORSHIP

4:00 PM | Saturday, September 12

Lector
Stan Materkowski
Eucharistic Minister
Maryann Landini

11:00 AM | Sunday, September 13

Lector
Pat Beneccio
Eucharistic Minister
Barry Beneccio

4:00 PM | Saturday, September 19

Lector
Bill Hughes
Eucharistic Minister
Mary Houseman

11:00 AM | Sunday, September 20

Lector
Aleta Keegan
Eucharistic Minister
Dennis Balenovich

Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

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.



Saturday, September 12

Vigil-24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Earl McElhinny

By Marlene Martak

Sunday, September 13

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Pauline Maleski

By Leonard & Jeanne Minkus

Tuesday, September 15

Weekday

Bernard Sulak

By David

Wednesday, September 16

Weekday

Robert Kemmerly

By Family

Saturday, September 19

Vigil 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Living & Deceased Members

of Holy Family Church

Sunday, September 20

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jeff Abbott

By Jaye Ann Demczyk

WEEKLY BELL CHIMES

DAY		12:00 PM	6:00 PM
SAT	9/12	Alfred Floriani	
SUN	9/13		
MON	9/14		
TUES	9/15	John Hiiva	
WED	9/16	Bob Hiiva	
THURS	9/17	Sinkovec Family	Edwin R Hogan
FRI	9/18	Lana Parker	Lynn Shrump
SAT	9/19	Jocelyn Siburt	
SUN	9/20		

**Blank spaces are available for
celebratory/memorial/honorary Bell Chimes.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INSPIRATION

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - When Peter asked Jesus how often he must forgive the person who wrongs him, he probably thought he was being generous in suggesting seven times as the possible answer. Perhaps Peter even expected praise; at last Jesus would recognize that Peter was on the right track. He had finally grasped that God's ways are more abundant than human ways, that God wants us to that little bit further, forgiving more than just once or twice. Jesus' answer to Peter wasn't what Peter expected. If we could go back and see Peter's facial expression as he heard Jesus' response, it would probably have been a combination of shock and horror. Not forgiveness seven times, but seventy times seven times – in other words, as often as required; or put another way, we are to always forgive and without ceasing.

To explore the significance of forgiveness more fully, Jesus adds the story we know as the parable of the unforgiving servant. A master who mercifully cancels a great debt to his servant, later learns that the same servant has been cruelly unforgiving in canceling a much smaller debt owed to him. The master's anger is so great that he recalls his servant, withdraws his generosity, and imprisons him until the debt is paid in full. In telling the parable, Jesus didn't just want to illustrate his answer to Peter's question. He wanted to explain not merely *how often* we must forgive, but also *why* we should forgive the other person when they wrong us.

If we can be forgiven much, and we certainly can through God's love and compassion, then, in gratitude and imitation of God's way, we too should forgive much in return. Ecclesiasticus puts it another way: "If someone nurses anger against another, can they demand compassion from the Lord?" St Paul helps deepen this understanding: because we belong to the Lord and live under Christ's reign, His forgiveness and reconciliation will have an impact in our lives, and, through us, on the lives of other people. And, finally, if we look at the words of Jesus when His disciples asked Him to teach them how to pray, part of that prayer states: "forgive us as we forgive each other." These words should sober us to the point of asking ourselves how well we do forgive another's wrongs towards us. Because, as those words state – if we do not forgive others, should we then ask – does God withhold forgiveness from us when we seek forgiveness for ourselves?

Hate is one of the capital sins. Hate is one of the reasons we do not forgive. Hate is a strong word, but to a greater or lesser degree we all know that feeling in our hearts. Sometimes the hating must stop and the forgiveness begin. We face conflict all around us – with family, friends, and even strangers. We carry our prejudices and judgments, we cling to the hurts and offenses caused by others. (Sometimes we carry the hurts so long, we no longer remember why we feel hurt / why we're still mad at the other person. If that's the case, then it is time to let go and allow God to move into our lives to help us in the forgiving). Whatever its form, however trivial, however serious, there is a time for hating to stop in every life, in all our relationships, and throughout. This may not always be easy. In fact it most probably will not be easy. It might not even be able to happen quickly, but we need to recapture the fact that we live for the Lord, not merely for ourselves. Hating will only stop when forgiveness begins.

**Let us pray for the Conversion of the-
World & for Peace.**

Just Kidden' - One New Year's Eve at London's Garrick Club, British dramatist Frederick Lonsdale was asked by Seymour Hicks to reconcile with a fellow member. The two had quarreled in the past and never restored their friendship. "You must," Hicks said to Lonsdale. "It is very unkind to be unfriendly at such a time. Go over now and wish him a happy New Year." So Lonsdale crossed the room and spoke to his enemy. "I wish you a happy New Year," he said, "but only one."

THIS WEEK – the Church celebrates two great Feasts.

September 14 – **Triumph of the Holy Cross**. St Paul the Apostle spoke of the power of Christ's Cross. According to tradition, the Empress Helena discovered the Lord's Cross in Jerusalem on September 14, 320. Five years later, a great church was built on Mount Calvary by Emperor Constantine to shelter the holy relic. Parts of the wood of the Cross were sent to the major cities of Christendom, where they were shown to the faithful on this special feast. We may want to repeat those words, from time to time, that we use during Lent: "*We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You, because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world.*"

ALSO – on September 15 we have the feast of **Our Lady of Sorrows**. This Feast, popular in the middle ages, recalls the special bond between Jesus and Mary and reminds us of the torment and suffering of Jesus. Mary suffered greatly as the Mother of God, and the pain she felt was real. The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows recalls the succession of sorrows that Mary experienced during her life: the prophecy from Simeon in the Temple, the flight into Egypt, the loss of Jesus on the pilgrimage, meeting Jesus on the way to Calvary, the hours she stood beneath the Cross, the removal of Jesus from the Cross, and the burial of Jesus.

To give online: <https://osvhub.com/holyfamilywestnewton/>

SEPTEMBER

Cantors	Sept 15	6:30 PM
Finance Council:	Sept 16	6:30 PM
Faith Formation:	Sep 21	Gr 4-8
Faith Formation	Sept 27	Gr 1-3

Faith Formation will begin virtually via Zoom sessions starting Monday September 21st for grades 4-8 and Sunday September 27th for grades 1-3. Parents are asked to pick up books for your children in the church office Monday thru Thursday from 8-4 or **Tuesday Sept. 15 and Thursday Sept 17 at St Anne from 6-7:30 PM.**

Any questions can be directed to Laurreta Stanley office: 724-872-3486 or cell 724-787-1989

ATTENTION CANTORS

There will be an important meeting for all Cantors on Tuesday September 15 at 6:30 in the Church. Please plan on attending if you are currently a Cantor or are interested in becoming a Cantor. Any questions, please email Robin at rstahl@dioceseofgreensburg.org

If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Cantor, Altar Server or Eucharistic Minister please let me (Denise) know: dmanley@dioceseofgreensburg.org or (724) 872-6123.
Thank You!

Sisters of the Divine Redeemer are looking for part time help in the infirmary. If interested please contact Sr. Alojziana at 412-751-8600.
Sisters of the Divine Redeemer
999 Rock Run Road
Elizabeth, PA 15087

Financial Report for 9/6/2020

Offertory: 3213 Assumption: 10
Loose: 21 Catholic Accent: 9
Monthly: 100 Catholic
Candles: 68 University: 85
Parish Income: 3412 Seminary: 45
Parish Budget: 4000
UNDER BUDGET: -588
Total Offertory: 3551

Thank you!

We send a big thank the Community Foundation of Fayette County for the donation of three-ply masks to our Parish. We have received mask donations 4 different times. They are a non-profit organization located in or serving residents of Fayette, Greene, Washington and Westmoreland counties. When donating, please consider this organization. They greatly appreciate any donation.

We continue to get donations once a month through this foundation. If at all possible consider donating to this worthy organization.

Annual Pro-Life Prayer Breakfast to be held virtually Oct. 3

The Greensburg Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women will hold its annual Pro-Life Prayer Breakfast virtually via the Zoom videoconferencing platform Oct. 3 from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Speaker will be Judy Townsend, parent care coordinator with Be Not Afraid. Cost is \$10. Checks payable to Greensburg DCCW can be sent to Millie Krinock, 11 Meadow Drive, Latrobe, PA 15650. Registration: 724-537-2064 or rsvpf@hotmail.com.

First Reading:

Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray, your own sins will be
forgiven. (Sir 28:2)

Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and
rich in compassion. (Ps 103)

Second Reading:

For if we live, we live for the Lord,
and if we die, we die for the Lord;
so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.
(Rom 14:8)

Gospel:

Peter approached Jesus and asked him,
"Lord, if my brother sins against me,
how often must I forgive?"

As many as seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but
seventy-seven times." (Mt 18:21-22)

Readings for the week of September 13, 2020

Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,
11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37,
38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 31:2 and 3b,
3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-
35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12
and 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28
[1]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15
[15b]/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-
14 [14]/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
[18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Observances for the week of September 13, 2020

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Grandparents' Day

Monday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Wednesday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,
Bishop, Martyrs

Thursday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday

Catholic Charities offers virtual counseling

Social distancing can take a toll. So can waiting in
line to get into a grocery or hardware store. It's not
unusual to feel angry, or frustrated, or confused.
For some people, the pandemic restrictions can
magnify feelings of anxiety, depression,
interpersonal conflict, grief and a wide variety of
other issues. Catholic Charities provides virtual
counseling to help address those issues and
more. Taking care of your own emotional well-
being is very important to you and the people you
love. You don't need to face these feelings alone.
Call Catholic Charities at 724-837-1840 or email:
counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Online Divorce Support Group

Anyone who has completed a divorce or who is
has filed for divorce is welcome to attend an online
Divorce Support Group with Zoom hosted by Saint
Vincent Basilica Parish. The group will meet on
Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for 13 weeks beginning
September 16. At each session we will watch a
short video and then the group will discuss the
topic of the video. Through this process, members
accompany one another to heal the grief, doubt,
anger and stress brought about by the end of their
marriage relationship. We ask for a donation of
\$20 to cover the materials which can be mailed to
you. Please register at the link below to join!

<https://forms.gle/aTfZ8BFsHf3AcDQ19>

Questions? Contact Teri Pomerleau at
teri.pomerleau@stvincent.edu.

The Seminarian and Clergy Formation

Collection will be taken throughout the
Diocese of Greensburg Sept. 26-27. Please
prayerfully consider making a financial gift in
support of our seminarians, our men who are
preparing for the permanent diaconate, for the
ongoing formation of our clergy and for our
International Priests serving throughout the
diocese. Please respond by using the tear-off
portion of the letter that was mailed to you, by
using the special collection envelope from the
parish, or online at
www.dioceseofgreensburg.org. We ask you to
accompany the seminarians and clergy of our
diocese by your prayerful support.