

Holy Family Parish

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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Weekends: Saturday.... 4 PM Sunday.....11 AM

Weekdays:

Tuesday & Wednesday ... 8 AM

Holy Days & Civil Holidays: Consult the Mass schedule in the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 3 PM

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.

Holy Family

4/17 First Communion Practice 1 PM 4/18 First Communion 11 AM

St Anne

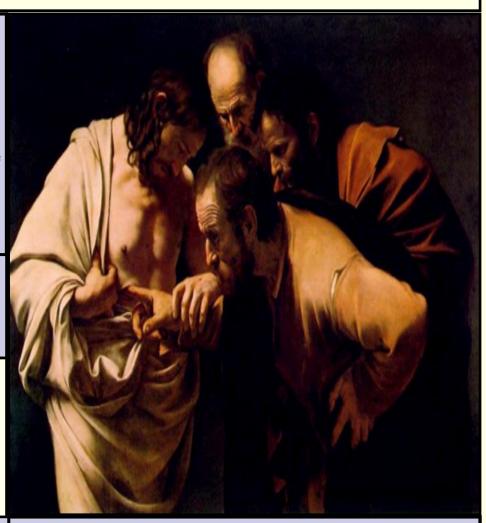
4/13 Confirmation Practice 6:30 PM 4/14 Confirmation 7 PM

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APRIL 11, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 4:00 PM | Saturday, April 10

Lector: Stan Materkowski Eucharistic Minister: Ginger DeBlasio

11:00 AM | Sunday, April 11

Lector: Christina Null Eucharistic Minister: Aleta Keegan

Eucharistic Minister: | Saturday, April 17

Lector: Dan Landini

Eucharistic Minister: Maryann Landini

11:00 AM | Sunday, April 18

Lector: Pat Beneccio Eucharistic Minister: Barry Beneccio

Saturday, 4/10 Vigil for Divine Mercy

Sunday

For: John Babilya

By: Fred & MaryAnn Cuter

Sunday, **4/11** Divine Mercy Sunday

For: Living and Deceased members of Holy

Family Parish

Tuesday, 4/13 Weekday For: Margaret Seglowich

By: Gail Phillips

Wednesday, 4/14 Weekday

For: Helen Mortle

By: Ron & Sue Melocchi

Saturday, 4/17 Vigil for Third Sunday of

Easter

For: Michaelene Nohavicka

Bv: Friends & Family

Sunday, 4/18 Third Sunday of Easter

First Holy Communion

For: Living and Deceased members of Holy

Family Parish

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 pléase 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.

First Reading:

With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. (Acts 4:33)

Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His love is everlasting. (Ps 118) Or Allelŭia.

Second Reading:

Everyone who believe that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the One begotten by Him. (1 Jn 1:1a)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)

Readings for the week of April 11, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1

Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn3:7b

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/

Jn 3:16-21

Thursday Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20

[7a]/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn6:16

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

[7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a?Lk 24:35-48

Observances for the week of April 11, 2021

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

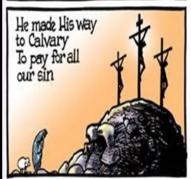
Tuesday: St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr

Thursday: Tax Day

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter









WORSHIP TOGETHER

2nd Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

The Secondary, but official, title of this Sunday is "Divine Mercy Sunday" – so determined by the late Pope St John Paul II, in response to the writings of St Faustina, a relatively new saint from Poland. Falling within the octave of Easter, Mercy Sunday recalls the devotion to Divine mercy inspired by St Maria Faustina, the first saint canonized in the new millennium. Born to a poor farming family in 1905, Helen Kowalska was a devout child who experienced a special revelation of God's mercy at the age of seven. She would describe the revelation in her diary, published in English, as "Divine Mercy in my soul." At the heart of the revelation was an understanding of the depths of God's Divine Mercy: "Even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary: that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God's merciful grace, and then God will do the rest."

It's been one week since we celebrated Easter – the kids with the Easter Bunny and Easter Eggs, the grownups with their dinners, and all of us celebrating the message of Hope that Jesus

came to give to all of us – life with Him forever in eternity.

As we move along in our Liturgical Celebrations – the Mass – we move into this weekend, and the message of Hope that we began with the celebration of Easter continues with today's Scriptural Readings as they focus on mercy, trust, and the forgiveness of sins. How does God reveal His mercy? He does so, first and foremost by sending His only-begotten Son to become our Savior and Lord by His suffering, death, and resurrection. Divine Mercy is given to us in each celebration of the Sacraments. Today, as we recall Jesus' appearance to the disciples on that first Easter evening, we are vividly reminded of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the Sacrament of Divine Mercy. Our merciful Lord gives to His apostles the power to forgive people's sins in His name: "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Reflecting upon today's scriptural readings, in light of Divine Mércy Sunday, many of us will conclude the Novena we began on Good Friday. It is a beautiful thing to pray the Novena - asking the Lord's hand of mercy to heal our troubled world. It is still a more beautiful thing when we put our Faith, our prayers, our words into action by the way in which we live and reflect His mercy – be it at home, at work, at school, on the road, anywhere. As I close this reflection, I am reminded of the words of St Francis of Assisi. Let us meditate on these words and ask ourselves – how do I (not others, but I as an individual) actually work with Christ in the building of the Kingdom of Peace, Justice, and Mercy. Because, it is only when we are able to "walk the talk" that our prayers, our hopes, our dreams / Christ's wish, will become a reality. I've modified the text from what we may be familiar with, to give us a clearer understanding of the words.

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace; Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, the faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; To be understood, as to understand; To be loved as to love.

> For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned; And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Thank You – to so many of you who remembered me during the Easter Season with your cards, gifts, and baked goodies. God Bless you for your kindness and generosity. *Fr Dave*

Let us pray for the Conversion of the World & for Peace



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'Be the Light' with 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

Thank you to those who have already taken the opportunity to "Be the Light" for their faith community by donating to the 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Even a small gift can make a big difference. Throughout the Easter season, we are reminded that Christ is the light in our lives. The 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal is an opportunity to "Be the Light" for those in need. If you have not returned your pledge card, you may place it in the collection basket or make your gift online at

www.DioceseofGreensburg.org/BeTheLight.

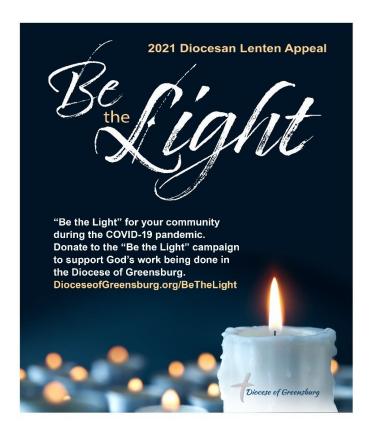
All money received over our Diocesan Target is returned to the Parish. All extra funds will be used to continue repairs to the furnace and sewage and to replace the bell/chime system.

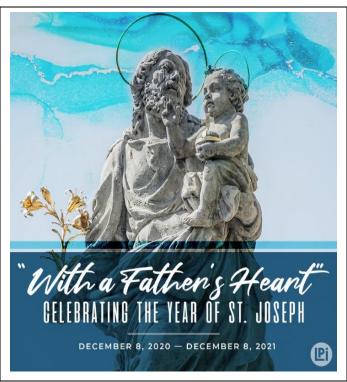
Make your pledge today at DioceseofGreensburg.org/BeTheLight

TARGET: \$23,954 Received to Date: \$17,460

Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill announce 2021 speaker series

The Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill are offering speaker programs to parishes and organizations. Topics include prayer, human trafficking, the pandemic and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. For topics or to schedule a speaker, contact Sister of Charity Colette Hanlon at 724-836-0406, ext. 6616 or chanlon@scsh.org.





Thank you!

We send a big thank you to the Community Foundation of Fayette County for the donation of three-ply masks to our Parish. We continue to get donations once a month through this foundation. If at all possible consider donating to this worthy organization.

Vocation discernment events for boys, young adults

Jeremiah Days is an opportunity for middle school-aged boys and their parents or guardians to gather to learn, discuss and pray about a vocation to the priesthood. The group will meet April 17 from 9:30–11:30 a.m. at St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City. To register, visit gbgvocations.org.

Exploring God's Call, for boys in grades 9-12, will be offered April 18 and May 16 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Greensburg Central Catholic High School. For information or to register, visit gbgvocations.org.

The Melchizedek Project is designed for both high school and young adult men to gather with other individuals their age who would like to grow in their understanding of how to discern a vocation to the priesthood. Upcoming dates for the project are: April 11 and 25 and May 23. Each gathering is scheduled for 6:30-8 p.m. at St. Rose Parish, 4969 Route 982, Latrobe. Participants get together for prayer, discussion on a specific topic related to priesthood and dinner. Please visit gbgvocations.org for registration information, dates and locations.

Financial Report for 4/6/2021

Offertory: \$2456.00 Loose: \$223.00

Monthly: \$265.00 Accent: \$11.00

Candles: \$53.00 Good Friday: \$528.00

Flowers: \$20.00 Easter: \$3058.00

Holy Thursday: \$459.00 Palm Sunday: \$140.00

 Parish Income:
 \$6674.00

 Parish Budget:
 \$4,000.00

 Over Budget:
 \$2674.00

 Total Offertory:
 \$7213.00

Saint John the Baptist, Perryopolis

Paint and Sip

Saturday, May 1 at 6:30 PM (doors open at 6 PM)

Bring your favorite Sip and Snack
Chinese Auction & 50/50
\$40 per person
Contact Parish Office (724) 736-4442 for tickets

Weekly Bulletin

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National Catholic Youth Conference invites young people in grades 9-12

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) invites young people in grades 9-12 to encounter Christ, experience Church and be empowered for discipleship.

NCYC 2021, with the theme "Ablaze," will take place in Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 17-20. The diocesan contingent will depart Nov. 17. To register, contact your Parish youth ministry leader. If you would like to sponsor a young person, please contact Christie Smith, diocesan director of youth ministry at cmsmith@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Financial Report for 3/30/2021

Offertory: \$2,722.00

Loose: \$3.00

Monthly: \$412.00 Accent: \$14.00

Candles: \$16.00 Good Friday: \$40.00

Flowers: \$80.00 Easter: \$387.00

Holy Thursday: \$40.00 Palm Sunday: \$722.00

Parish Income: \$4382.00
Parish Budget: \$4,000.00
Over Budget: \$382.00
Total Offertory: \$4436.00

