

# Holy Family Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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#### **EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

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

Weekdavs:

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.

**Bible Study:** Wednesday's in the Social Hall 9:00-11:00 AM

#### **Ascension of the Lord**

Holy Family: 5/12 7 PM St. Anne: 5/13 11 AM

**Graduation Mass** 

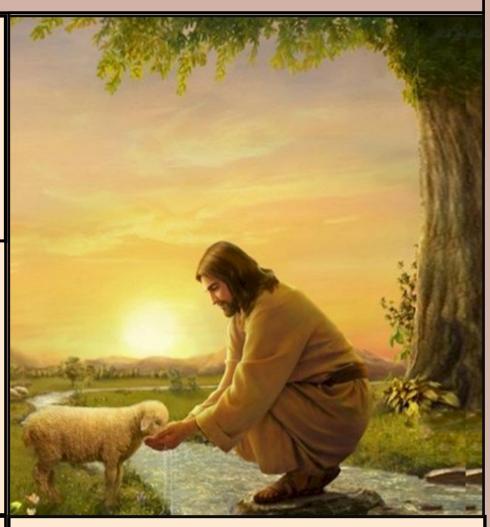
Holy Family: 6/6 11 AM St Anne: 5/23 11 AM

### Parish Telephone Numbers

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724-872-3486 Cell 724-787-1989



APRIL 25, 2021 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### 4:00 PM | Saturday, April 24

Lector: Bill Hughes

Eucharistic Minister: Dennis Balenovich

#### 11:00 AM | Sunday, April 25

Lector: Aleta Keegan

Eucharistic Minister: Ginger DeBlasio

Eucharistic Minister: | Saturday, May 1

Lector: Dan Landini

Eucharistic Minister: Maryann Landini

#### 11:00 AM | Sunday, May 2

Lector: Pat Beneccio Eucharistic Minister: Barry Beneccio

#### Saturday, 4/24 Vigil for 4th Sunday of Easter

For: Bob Gabonay

By: Bill & Barbara Saxberg

#### **Sunday**, 4/25

For: Living and Deceased members of Holy

Family Parish

#### Tuesday, 4/27 Weekday

For: Theresa Merlino By: John & Arlene Merlino

#### Wednesday, 4/28 Weekday

For: Dave Sims

By: Dennis Balenovich

#### **Saturday, 5/1** Vigil for 5th Sunday of Easter

For: Dolores Gaidosh By: Ed Ogrodny

#### Sunday, 5/2 T Fifth Sunday of Easter

For: Anna Scanga By: Stan Materkowski



#### **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.

#### First Reading:

'There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved." (Acts 4:12)

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. (Ps 118)

#### Second Reading:

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. (1 Jn 3:2)

#### Gospel:

'I am the Good Shepherd, and I know Mine and Mine know Me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down My life for the sheep." (Jn 10:14-15)

#### Readings for the week of April 25, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/ Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn

14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14 St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

#### Observances for the week of April 25, 2021

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Wednesday: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

Thursday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Pius V, Pope; Arbor Day Saturday: St. Joseph the Worker Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

#### Financial Report for 4/18/2021

Offertory: \$2523.00

Loose: \$50.00

Monthly: \$45.00 Accent: \$43.00 Good Friday: \$5.00 Candles: \$58.00

Holy Thursday: \$5.00 Catholic Communication: \$25

Ascension: \$25.00

Parish Income: \$2706.00 Parish Budget: \$4000.00 **Under Budget: \$-1294.00** Total Offertory: \$2779.00

#### **WORSHIP TOGETHER**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter -** Over the last fifty years or so Israel has invested in large-scale irrigation systems that have helped to make parts of the desert into farmland. However, the greater bulk of the country is still very harsh and unforgiving. It is in these semi-desert areas that one can often come across a young shepherd with a small flock of sheep. There are no fields rich in green grasses here. An untrained eye may occasionally spot a small stream that disappears within a few feet of its tiny source. In this forbidding environment the shepherd and his sheep eke out their existence. After a while, one also notices that there are no sheep dogs. The shepherd doesn't have a vast flock to steer from place to place. He has only a small flock that he leads from one grazing ground to the next. The shepherd will strike off in the direction of food and simply call to his sheep. Because the sheep trust in him for their very lives they follow him and find nourishment and safety.

In the time of Jesus things were not very different from the shepherds in Israel today. The sheep depended completely upon the shepherd for their protection and for food. The shepherd and his whole family were dependent upon the sheep for their economic security and the supply of the basic essentials for life. They could not afford to let someone who does not care for the sheep, or for them, look after the flock – the sheep and the shepherd were bound together for

survival.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to the Pharisees and the religious leaders of Israel. In the description of the good shepherd and the hired hand He is describing the flaws in their understanding of leadership. The Pharisees and the scribes behave as though they are temporary shepherds hired from an employment agency — they will fulfill their duties but they will not have any lasting commitment to the people for whom they are responsible. When the duties become too burdensome or dangerous they will abandon their post and their flock. In contrast with the Pharisees, the Good Shepherd, Jesus Himself, is faithful and will offer up His own life for the sake of the sheep. Those who hear His voice know that He is trustworthy and that He will lead them to safety and nourishment. Just as God has been the shepherd of Israel from generation to generation Jesus now assumes this role for the new Israel. This is a costly road for Jesus; He will lead His flock to Calvary and through death to the glory of Resurrection. We are now part of this flock and we also will travel the same road — through death to the glory of Resurrection.

As Baptized disciples of Jesus, each of us is entrusted with the care of shepherding one another. Sometimes it will be easy, other times - not. At all times we are to shepherd with gentleness yet firmness. Let us pray that, following the Good Shepherd's example, we strive to assist one another onto the straight and narrow – encouraging, mending hurts, faithful and loving – to the everlast-

ing Kingdom.

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

#### Saints for this week -

**April 25 – St Mark –** the author of the second Gospel was a member of the early Christian community at Jerusalem. St Paul and St Barnabas, his cousin, took him on their first missionary journey. When they reached Cyprus, however, mark left them to return to Jerusalem. Mark would in time become Paul's trusted companion at Rome, during one of Paul's imprisonments. He was also an associate of Peter. Mark is depicted in art as a winged lion, probably suggested by the description in his Gospel of John the Baptist as "a

voice crying in the desert."

May 1 — St Joseph the Worker — On May 1, 1955 then Pope Pius XII addressed the Catholic Association of Italian Workers and declared that this day would be known as the feast day of St Joseph the Worker. In the Communist bloc, May 1 is celebrated as May Day, which glorifies the relationship between the worker and the socialist state. It is obvious that the Church was very concerned with this, and wanted to demonstrate to its faithful that it was equally concerned about the plight of the working man and woman. Joseph, a carpenter, taught his trade to his Son, Jesus, and provided for his family. It is especially important to remember this human element when contemplating the lives of both St Joseph and the Holy Family.





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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 haven't made your gift to the 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal, you should have received a mailing this week. As we celebrate his joy and resurrection during this Easter season, please consider placing your pledge card in the collection basket or making 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: \$23,954.00** 

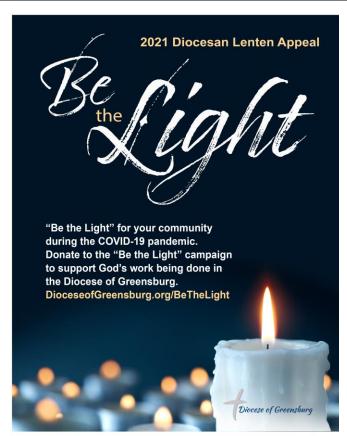
Received to Date: \$20,860.00

#### 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.

With joy and thanksgiving to God, the Diocese of Greensburg announces that The Most Reverend Larry J. Kulick has called Mr. Christopher J. Pujol to the responsibility of the diaconate. The diaconate ordination will be celebrated on **Saturday**, **June 5**, **2021**, at **10:00 AM** in **Blessed Sacrament Cathedral** in Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

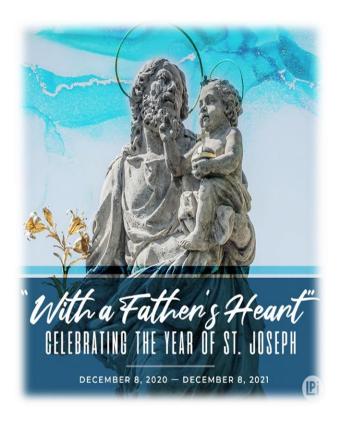




### Pittsburgh CMF offers summer virtual gatherings

Pittsburgh Catholic Men's Fellowship is offering a series of summer virtual gatherings Wednesdays at 7 p.m., featuring Father Mike Schmitz. Schmitz is a Catholic priest and Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries in the Diocese of Duluth Minnesota. The link to join these gatherings is

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81148138061?pwd=R2JUN29IZFITRnNxdk4yaktaU2t0QT09



#### JOB SEARCH

Job search information available on Catholic Charities Facebook page
Finding a job is hard. Don't do it alone!
Catholic Charities has information posted about a series of education opportunities for creating a resume, interview skills and more.
Visit the Facebook page of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg for more information.

Diocese of Greensburg schools seek substitute teachers

The Catholic schools of the Diocese of Greensburg are currently accepting applications for the position of substitute teacher. Qualified candidates will possess a bachelor's degree and obtain all necessary clearances. Submit a current resume to the Office of Catholic Schools at CatholicSchools@dioceseofgreensburg.org. For more information, call 724-552-2594.

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#### 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

**St. Sebastian Parish** to have craft, vendor show St. Sebastian Parish in Belle Vernon will be having a craft and vendor show Saturday, May 8 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the social hall. There will be a wide variety of vendors and homemade crafts. There also will be prepackaged food available for purchase. Social distancing measures will be in effect.

Knights of Columbus Greensburg Council #1480 to host golf outing. The Knights of Columbus Greensburg Council #1480 will host a golf outing on Saturday, May 8 at 1 p.m. at Mt. Odin Golf Course in Greensburg. The format is a four-man scramble. There will be skill prizes and prizes for the winning teams. A meal will follow. Registration will begin at noon. Proceeds from the event will go to the Knights of Columbus charities. For more information, contact Grand Knight Jeff Peterinelli at 724-989-0163.

Geibel Catholic plans 'Mask'querade auction Geibel Catholic Junior-Senior High School will have its "Mask"querade Virtual Showcase and Online Auction May 1 and 2. Please visit www.Geibelcatholic.org for the latest updates.

## 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.