

Holy Family Parish

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A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg**

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Holy Family

Tuesday ... 8 AM

Wednesday ... 8 AM

Saturday.....4 PM

Sunday.....11 AM

Holy Days & Civil Holidays:

Consult the Mass schedule in the
Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday at 3 PM or by appointment

St Anne

Monday....8AM

Thursday....8AM

First Friday .. 8 AM (preceded by Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament).. 7-8 AM

Saturday...4:30 PM

Sunday.....8 AM & 11 AM

Holy Days & Civil Holidays:

Consult the Mass schedule in the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday at 3:30 PM

Save the Date:

Holy Name 9:30 August 14



LUKE 12:49-53

AUGUST 14, 2022

THE 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Saints for this week

August 15- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven

- In 1950, then Pope Pius XII defined and proclaimed the doctrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He had previously consulted all the bishops of the world, along with their clergy and people, about the matter, and they were over-

whelmingly positive in its approval. There seemed to be a great desire for the teaching to be made official. Christians had celebrated this Feast for many centuries. *As early as the 5th C, Christians were already celebrating a "Memorial of Mary on the 15th of August. This evolved into a "Feast of Dormition – or Of Falling Asleep (meaning that Mary died but her body did not decay. The Feast of the Assumption of Mary Body & Soul is a Feast that developed as a result of the piety of the laity in the pews.* But the teaching had never been officially proclaimed, until Pius XII did so in 1950. There are many reasons why the proclamation of the dogma was so popular. If we look at the history of the twentieth century at that time, we can get some idea of why this was the case.

Apart from the two world wars, the first half of the century also saw countless deaths at the hands of political regimes trying to impose their ideologies on whole continents. Killing on an industrial scale, the use of nuclear weapons and genocide all make up the dark history of those years. The Assumption of Mary was a reaffirmation of all that is good, gracious and hopeful. As Pius XII put it elsewhere, Mary, "resplendent in glory in body and soul, reigns in Heaven with her Son." Her presence in Heaven, body and soul, is a great.

Because the feast falls on a Monday, this year, the obligation to attend Mass is lifted. However, we are still encouraged to attend Mass on that day. Our Greensburg Diocese, founded in 1951, is under the patronage of Our Lady of the Assumption.

Financial Report for 8/9/2022

Offertory: \$3,009.00 Loose: \$46.00
Monthly: \$285.00 Candle: \$115.00
Assumption: \$45.00

Parish Income: \$3,501.00

Accent: \$18.00 Catholic Univ: \$30.00

Total Offertory: \$3,549.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 8/13

For: Anna Karabin
From: Tina & Mike Quinn

Sunday, 8/14

For: John & George B Resetar
From: DuCoeur & Resetar Families

Tuesday, 8/16

For: Eugene Sacconi
From: Anna Jean & Family

Wednesday, 8/17

For: Robert J. Kemmery
From: John & Sandy

Saturday, 8/20

For: Jack Simon
From: Family

Sunday, 8/21

For: Living & Deceased Members
of Holy Family Church

HAVE LIFE QUESTIONS? THIRSTING FOR GOD?



Are you, or do you know someone, not baptized or baptized in another Christian denomination who maybe thirsting for what it means to be Catholic? Are you already Catholic through baptism but has not yet received Communion and/or Confirmation? This may be the time and place to start exploring this journey, ask the questions and seek the understanding of what it means to be Catholic.

If you're ready to learn more about the Right of Christian Initiation for Adults, contact Angela Ehrhardt at aehrhardt@dioceseofgreensbur.org.

**4:00 PM | Saturday,
August 13**

**Lector: Keegan
Eucharistic Minister:
Houseman**

**4:00 PM | Saturday,
August 20**

**Lector: Materkowski
Eucharistic Minister:
Balnovich**

**11:00 AM | Sunday,
August 14**

**Lector: Null
Eucharistic Minister:
DeBlasio**

**11:00 AM | Sunday,
August 21**

**Lector: Beneccio
Eucharistic Minister:**

WORSHIP TOGETHER

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – The role of the prophet is never an easy one. As I reflect on this weekend's readings, I am reminded of one of our St. Vincent professors who said that the role of the prophet is to "comfort the afflicted and to afflict the comfortable." We see that happening in the case of Jeremiah (first reading) and of Jesus (Gospel).

The prophet is called upon to energize, that is – to comfort and to offer hope to those who have lost the capacity to hope; to suggest new approaches to those who cannot imagine anything different. The prophet is also urged to criticize and to afflict; to point out the evil that festers in the community.

Today's readings present different ways of comforting the afflicted and afflicting the comfortable. As in the case of Jeremiah, we learn what it really means to be a prophet. Against the background of the siege of Jerusalem, the author describes the conspiracy of certain politicians to convict the prophet Jeremiah of treason. His announcement that the city of Jerusalem would fall to the neo-Babylonians but that the deserters would be spared seemed nothing short of treason. By attacking the unfaithful King Zedekiah and his entourage, Jeremiah afflicted the comfortable. By offering hope to all government defectors, he comforted the afflicted. The muddy bottom of the cistern, into which he was thrown, is a graphic image of the problems that can beset a dedicated prophet. But in describing Jeremiah's release the author shows that God comforts the afflicted prophet.

Earlier in his Gospel, Luke described Jesus as a prophet Who comforts the afflicted (4:18-19). In today's section, however, Jesus is the prophet Who afflicts the comfortable. He brings a fire that ultimately separates the genuine from the artificial. His word challenges the listener to make a final decision for or against His message. Like Jeremiah, Jesus experiences the prophet's fate. Once again, the image of water emerges. Jesus' "baptism" actually refers to His passion and death. He is longing for this event to take place. The split among family members that Jesus speaks of suggests that the Church's mission of conversion is not a total success. Yet Luke implies that this mission is not a colossal failure merely because all of one's kin have not been converted. This is simply one characteristic of prophetic ministry. Some will hear the Good News and will alter their lives dramatically to follow God. Others will not.

As we listen to these Scriptural readings, how do we feel? When we go to Church and listen to the homily, how do we feel? How do we feel about the music and all that surrounds the liturgy? Are we going merely out of obligation or out of love for God? If we desire a softer message – then perhaps (as in the words I heard one preacher say – we don't want church, we want a social club).

For you and me, it's not too difficult to see how we can be modern day prophets. Today's afflicted people suffer from a variety of ailments: broken relationships, unemployment or underemployment, sickness or bereavement among others. All too often they have ceased to hope, thinking that their situation is irreversible. They cannot conceive of newness in their distraught lives. For such people the modern Christian must fulfill the prophetic task of comforting. A modern-day prophet must dare to announce, by word and / or by example, that despair must not have the final say. Prophets are called to pull these people out of the "mud of the cistern".

The comfortable also have their problems: exalted egos, laxity in the practice of their faith, forgetting God and thinking only of themselves. They see accumulation of wealth and power as the supreme goal, even while neighbor and friend are subjected to subhuman treatment. For such as these, the modern Christian must also fulfill the prophetic task of afflicting – daring to proclaim that fellow human beings are subjects – not objects. That they are persons, not things. Prophets are called "to bring fire to the earth." – denouncing the evils within the human community while striking a blow for liberty, justice and decency.

On the day of our Baptism, we received the light of Christ and were instructed to keep that torch burning brightly until the return of Christ Jesus. In addition, the Holy Spirit was sent into our hearts at Confirmation to help set us on fire. So, as Christians on fire, we are called to inflame others to care, to serve, and to bless one another with all the gifts of Faith. We should allow that fire to burn off the impurities in us and to bring out the purity of the gold and silver within us.

Let us Pray for the Conversion of the World & for Peace.

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.

AUGUST

Upcoming

August 14	9:30 AM	Holy Name @Holy Family
August 15	8 AM	St Anne

Assumption of Mary Mass

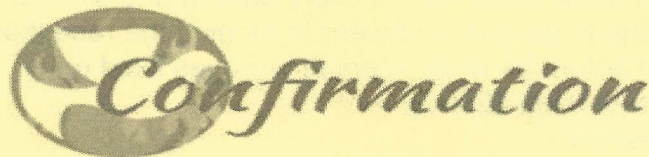
Candlelight procession, Mass and rosary Aug. 15 for Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary.

Bishop Larry J. Kulick will be the celebrant and homilist for Mass on the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary Monday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Following the Eucharist, there will be a candlelight procession during which the decades of the rosary will be prayed in multiple languages, representing the universality of our devotion to Mary. During the liturgy, Bishop Kulick has chosen to honor the individuals who participated in the replication and construction of the original St. Joseph Chapel reredos with the Bishop's Medal of Honor.

CRS Spotlight

Too many children in Sierra Leone still die of malaria. But a recent survey found a 50% decrease in malaria amongst children under 5 since 2013. What's the story behind these numbers? In 2019, CRS's \$154 million portfolio of 17 malaria projects reached 86 million people in 12 countries. Our programs focus on the people most vulnerable to malaria-related morbidity and mortality – children under 5 and pregnant women. We address the illness at household, community and facility levels. And we emphasize prevention, community and facility case management, procurement and supply chain management, along with advocacy at national, regional and international levels.

As a multi-sectoral organization, CRS can integrate malaria activities within other programs such as emergency response, food security and livelihoods, and immunization throughout malaria endemic countries. This allows CRS to quickly adapt and maintain its malaria outreach activities during disease outbreaks, such as Ebola and COVID-19. Visit www.crs.org to learn more about how Catholic Relief Services and our partners are working to end malaria in Sierra Leone. Thanks for your support!



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

September 1st - all forms are due that were distributed during the "Kick Off to Confirmation" meeting

September 18th - Attend the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Anne & Service Project

September 26th - First Class at Holy Family 7:00 - 8:30

"The Accent On-Air – The Young Church"

premieres Aug. 21 at 11:30 a.m. on WTAE-TV In this edition of "The Accent On-Air," The Catholic Accent team highlights some of the amazing spiritual journeys, faith-filled service and legacies that have shaped the lives of youth and young adults in the Diocese of Greensburg. Bishop Larry J. Kulick discusses the importance of the Church's three-year Eucharistic Revival and the opportunities it provides to evangelize to all Catholics, with special attention to the communications that can reach and impact youth and young adults. "The Accent on Air – The Young Church" premieres Sunday, Aug. 21, at 11:30 a.m. on WTAE-TV, and will be broadcast again Sunday, Aug. 28, at 11:30 a.m. It also airs overnight at 3:07 a.m. Sept. 3, 10 and 17 and 3:37 a.m. Sept. 3 and Oct. 1 and 8. "The Accent On-Air" can always be viewed at TheAccentOnline.org.

St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon Festival Sept. 18

St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon, will hold its festival Sunday, Sept. 18, from noon-7 p.m. Homemade food, entertainment and games are planned. For information, call 724-929-9300.

First Reading:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

Second Reading:

Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus. (Heb 12:1-2)

Gospel:

"Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." (Lk 12:51)

Readings for the week of August 14, 2022

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18

[14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Observances for the week of August 14, 2022

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

St Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Monday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Friday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Saturday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope

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Divine Redeemer

The Sisters of the Divine Redeemer are looking for volunteers to answer the phone in the lobby of the Motherhouse at 999 Rock Run Road Elizabeth, PA. The available times are Mondays from 10-1 and every other Saturday from 1-4. Please call Sr. Alojziana at 412-751-8600. Time and date can be interchangeable.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism

Preparation Catechesis is required for parents and sponsors prior to the child's baptism.

Please call the Office of Faith Formation to register and arrange a time for the ceremony.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION:

Anointing and Holy Communion are available upon request to those who are sick, elderly or homebound.

Families are requested to call the Parish Office (724) 872-6123 to arrange a visit.

GODPARENT/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATE:

For a Catholic to be a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, one must be a practicing Catholic regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Sacraments, a registered member of the Parish and a faithful contributor to the support of the Parish for a minimum of four months. All requests for a certificate should be made four weeks in advance of the designated date needed for sponsorship.

St. Edward Parish, Herminie, Seven Dolors Parish, Yukon, seek director of religious education

St. Edward Parish, Herminie, and Seven Dolors Parish, Yukon, are in search of a faith-filled, energetic, organized practicing Catholic who has a passion for developing the faith of the parish youth and young adults and making them disciples. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: plan and direct the parish faith formation/youth ministry programs (grades 1-12); coordinate sacramental preparation for first holy Communion and confirmation; coordinate Vacation Bible School and Bible studies; and provide additional ministries to all aspects of the parishes. Those interested are asked to contact Father Vincent Concepcion at stedward@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

