



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:

9/11 Holy Name 9:30
9/25 Faith Formation Gr 1-3 St Anne
9/26 Faith Formation Gr 4-8 Holy Family
9/28 Adult Bible Study 9am Holy Family



*"Whosoever does not bear
his own cross, and come
after Me, cannot be
My disciple."
Luke 14:27*

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

THE 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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(Wisdom 9: 13 – 18; Philemon 9 – 10, 12 – 17, Luke 14: 25 – 33)

Therese Martin , better known as St Therese, grew up in a middle-class family during the 19th century in France. Being the baby of the family, her older sisters treated her special, she was doted on by her father – all, especially since her mother died when she was young. Some may have viewed her as a spoiled child, as memoirs recall her throwing tantrums when things didn't go her way. Therese entered the Carmelite monastery at the age of fifteen, following in her older sisters' footsteps, and died there at age 24. A short life – but a life shaped by her own struggles to grow from a young, privileged girl, through the hard disciplines of Carmel, into an extraordinary maturity of holy living and dying. She writes in her autobiography that one of her major struggles was – what did God want her to do? In the end, she recognized her call in something more ordinary and everyday – the call to love. From that day, she stopped thinking about herself and thought only of how to love those around her better. And from that day, she asserts, she was always happy.

The call to love as described by St Therese may seem an odd contrast to what we hear in today's Gospel message which seem to speak not of love, but rather of a call to "hate": "If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brother, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple." This is a passage that speaks of the great cost of discipleship, the cost of being and remaining close to Jesus, of following the cross. The Gospel makes this quite clear that this is what is required if we are to share in the life of resurrection, the life of God.

Is it really hate that Jesus wants us to do? Or is He using language to get our attention? When we think of Jesus, we know that He was a devout Jew, that He honored His parents, that He obeyed the 10 Commandments. In the Hebrew language 'hate' was a passionate way of expressing 100% detachment from something. In this context it means turning our backs on those things that take us away from being the disciple we are called to be. Put another way – "giving up" of possessions and all the other things of life that we cling to in order to make us feel safe, comfortable, and happy. All these things – even when. Like families, they are real goods in themselves – disciples are called to be ready to leave if they stop us from following Jesus. But this is a giving up in love, just as the cross is God's act of love.

Today, great crowds continue to call themselves disciples – but are they? Or are they merely followers?

They admire His compassion, His honesty and His miracles. But following Him means that there will be sacrifice and a cost. The same is true in everything we do: In sports, exams, or even relationships with others. Whether it's study, training or discipleship, there is always a price of achieving what we want. In a culture that stresses "Numero Uno", (which invites self-centeredness), the cost of discipleship means turning from ourselves and turning to others instead.

Someone may ask – if the Lord wants us to love Him so much, isn't He being selfish? Love for the Lord does not exclude other loves. But it puts them in the right order. God is not jealous. How could the One Who is Love, and Who in creating us in His image have given us the ability to love, be jealous of what He has made? Jesus asks everything of us because He has given us everything..

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

Saints for this week –

September 8 - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Along with the birth of Jesus and St. John the Baptist, Mary's birth has been celebrated by the Church from early times. In fourth century Jerusalem a feast of her birth was celebrated at the Church of St. Ann, probably inspiring the Church of Rome also to celebrate too, this event. Mary's birth is seen always as part of God's plan for the salvation of the world through Jesus Christ.



WORSHIP TOGETHER

First Reading:

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends? (Wis 9:13)

Psalm:

In every age, O Lord, You have been our refuge. (Ps 90)

Second Reading: Perhaps this is why He was away from you for a while, that you might have Him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a Brother. (Phmn 9:15-16)

Gospel:

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be My disciple." (Lk 14:33)

Readings for the week of September 4, 2022

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Observances for the week of September 4, 2022

Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day

Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St. Peter Claver, Priest

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

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Financial Report for 8/30/2022

Offertory: \$2,251.00

Loose: \$93.00

Candle: \$101.00

Assumption: \$40.00

Monthly: \$796.00

Parish Income: \$3,2810

Accent: \$15.00 Seminarian: \$25.00

Catholic Univ. & Schools \$180.00

Total Offertory: \$3,501.00

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.

**4:00 PM | Saturday,
September 3**

**Lector: Keegan
Eucharistic Minister:
Landini**

**11:00 AM | Sunday,
September 4**

**Lector: Null
Eucharistic Minister:
Schehr**

**11:00 AM | Saturday,
September 10**

**Lector: Materkowski
Eucharistic Minister:
Landini**

**11:00 AM | Sunday,
September 11**

**Lector: Beneccio
Eucharistic Minister:
Keegan**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 9/3

For: Helen G. Tamasy

From: Family

Sunday, 9/4

For: Richard Oprosky

From: Sister Elaine Janitor & Family

Tuesday, 9/6 Weekday

For: Tom Walczak Months Mind

From: Family

Wednesday, 9/7 Weekday

For: Dolores Tegnolia

From: Stephen C. & Sharon Morgan

Saturday, 9/10

For: Hazel Keegan

From: Pat & Steve Shirley

Sunday, 9/11

For: Living & Deceased Members
Of Holy Family Parish

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 aeherhardt@dioceseofgreensbur.org.

SEPTEMBER

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Upcoming

9/11 Holy Name 9:30 Holy Family
9/18 Christian Mothers: Gary's, 12:30PM
9/25 Faith Formation Gr 1-3 St Anne
9/26 Faith Formation Gr 4-8 Holy Family
9/28 Adult Bible Study 9am Holy Family

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Pennsylvania March for Life Sept. 19

The Diocese of Greensburg will provide bus transportation for the Pennsylvania March for Life Monday, Sept. 19 in Harrisburg. A free-will offering will be taken on each bus to help defray the cost. Participants will attend a rally, march around the Capitol, attend Mass at St. Patrick Cathedral and join local elected officials for a reception in the Capitol. Buses will leave from 14 locations around the Diocese:

Bus 1: Christ the King Parish, Leechburg, and St. Margaret Mary Parish, Lower Burrell

Bus 2: Mother of Sorrows Parish, Murrysville, St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City, and St. Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon

Bus 3: St. Vincent Basilica Parish, Latrobe, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg, and Holy Cross, Youngwood

Bus 4: St. Joseph Parish, Uniontown, St. Rita Parish, Connellsville, and St. Pius X Parish, Mount Pleasant

Bus 5: Church of the Resurrection Parish, Clymer, St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish, Indiana, and SS. Simon and Jude Parish, Blairsville

For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Chris at 724-552-2581 or ccerilli@dioceseofgreensburg.org.



We're Closed Labor Day

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The Church Office will be closed on Monday September 5. It will re-open at 8 AM Tuesday September 6.

LABOR DAY

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Faith FORMATION

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Faith Formation classes begin the weekend of September 25-26.....that's 3 weeks away! If you have misplaced the schedule that was included in the registration packet, please contact the office (724) 872-6123



Drop off and Pick up guidelines will be emailed soon. Once you receive them and you have any questions, please contact Angela or Rachel.

Confirmation

Confirmation September events. Any questions, please contact Angela or Rachel.

September 18 Service Project

All families attending 11:00 Mass at St. Anne Cleaning St. Timothy Cemetery - arrival 12:15ish. Parents need to provide transportation and stay. Bring any gardening tools (rakes, shovels), garbage bags, gloves. etc.

Wear appropriate clothing and shoes!

All Faith Formation Catechists....Please don't forget our beginning of the year meeting on Sunday, September 11th at 12:15 in the social hall of St. Anne. If you have any questions, please contact Angela or Rachel.

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Diocese of Greensburg Catholic Schools

seek substitute teachers

The Catholic schools of the Diocese of Greensburg are accepting applications for substitute teachers. Send current resume to the Office of Catholic Schools at CatholicSchools@DioceseofGreensburg.org. For more information, call 724-552-2594.

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Holy Cross Parish. Youngwood, Festival

Sept. 17-18

Holy Cross Parish, Youngwood, will hold its festival Saturday, Sept. 17, from 5-9 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 18, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. For information, call 724-925-7811.

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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.

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West Newton Library is Hosting:

You, Me & a Cup of Tea

Sunday, Sept. 25 at LeGrande Banquet Room
Cost & 20 per person and is from 1PM-4PM
Tickets on sale at West Newton Library or
Gary's Chuckwagon or call (724) 633-0798

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Catholic Men's Retreat Sept. 30-Oct. 1

Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

The Diocese of Greensburg Men's Ministry Team is planning a Catholic Men's Retreat from 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, until 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Bishop Larry J. Kulick will celebrate a closing Mass for all participants. For those staying both days, the cost is \$100 for a single room, \$80 for a double room, with all meals included. There are also options for those not staying overnight or only attending one day. High school and college students receive a registration discount, and financial assistance is available. For more information, contact Jim Pencola at 724-726-5315 or Dan Lieberum at 724-787-1797. Registration is due by Thursday, Sept. 15.

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HOLY FAMILY CCM NEWS

Members only meeting at Gary's Chuckwagon, 12:30PM, Sunday, September 18, after 11:00 mass. \$5 donation toward brunch, RSVP to your calling lady by September 10. Hope to see you there. Any questions call me 724-872-9116. Thanks, Barb

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.



CRS Spotlight

Meet Flothère, who lives in Eastern Madagascar and used to depend on a muddy river as her only source of water. Now, she is one of 48 families who buy a daily average of 5 buckets of water at the new water supply system built by CRS's Zara-Rano project. Please visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!