

**January 18, 2026**



**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekday Mass**

Monday & Thursday:  
8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday,  
and Friday:  
No Mass

**Weekend Mass**

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday:  
8:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.

**Confession:**

Saturday: 3:00 p.m.  
Or by appointment

**All Sacraments:**

Please call the office



**HE IS THE SON OF GOD.**

HERALD OF CHRIST

- ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

**OUR LOCATION**

**Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church**

44 Pennsylvania Blvd., Monessen, PA 15062

📞 724-684-7661

📞 724-397-7035 —Emergency Pastoral Care

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**Office Hours**

Mon.–Thurs.: 8:30 am, - 3:00 p.m. Fri.: 8:30 a.m.– 12 Noon

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## Scripture Reflection

The prayers of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time draw us into the heart of the Church's faith: God's sovereign governance, Christ's redemptive sacrifice made present, and the unifying work of the Holy Spirit.



The Collect confesses that God is “almighty ever-living,” ruling heaven and earth not as a distant power but as a merciful Father who hears the pleas of His people. The peace we beg for is not merely the absence of conflict, but the biblically rich *shalom* that flows from right relationship with God. This peace comes through Jesus Christ, the Son who lives and reigns eternally with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, clearly professing the Church's Trinitarian faith.

The Prayer over the Offerings turns our attention to the Eucharistic sacrifice. We ask for the grace to participate worthily, acknowledging both the holiness of what is offered and our need for God's help. The prayer teaches that the Mass is the memorial (*anamnesis*) of Christ's sacrifice: not a repetition, but the sacramental making-present of the one saving act of Calvary, through which the work of our redemption is applied to us here and now.

Finally, the Prayer after Communion invokes the Spirit of love poured into our hearts. Having been nourished by the one heavenly Bread—the true Body of Christ—we are asked to become what we have received: one in mind and heart. Thus the Eucharist bears its full fruit, forming the Church in charity and unity, for the glory of God and the life of the world.

## Open House

St Sebastian Regional Catholic School will hold an Open House on Sunday January 25, 2026 from 12:30-2:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to [EFouch@sssbv.org](mailto:EFouch@sssbv.org)

## Groups

**CDA Court Monessen #776** will meet on Sunday, January 18, 2026 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The rosary will be prayed at 10:00 a.m. before Mass in the church.

“Love is the greatest force in the universe. It is the heartbeat of the moral cosmos. He who loves is a participant in the being of God.”

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.



## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, January 17 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Steven Furio by Ginny Desak

### Sunday, January 18 — 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Kenneth Zimmaro by Clemmie Malec

10:30 AM Pro Populo

### Monday, January 19

8:00 AM † Betty Jane Lespilette by Candice Treser

### Tuesday, January 20

8:00 AM St. Sebastian

### Wednesday, January 21

9:00 AM St. John the Baptist

### Thursday, January 22

8:00 AM † Domenic Galilei by Albert Gaudio

### Friday, January 23

8:00 AM Mass at St. Sebastian

10:15 AM Mass at St. Sebastian

### Saturday, January 24 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Larry Mauro by Jim & Cathy Quattro

### Sunday, January 25 — 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Earl Lancaster by Angela & Sons

10:30 AM Pro Populo

### Parish Office:

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### OFFICE HOURS :

Monday –Thursday: 8:30 a.m. –12; 1 p.m.– 3 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

### Ministry Schedule — Jan. 24 & 25, 2026

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	D. Harkins	J. Elias L. Henry W. White	Volunteer
8:30 a.m.	K. Miller	T. Todd J. Todd G. Pesi	Volunteer
10:30 a.m.	W. Vlasic	T. Mazzei E. Yatchyshyn P. Francowic	S. Yatchyshyn G. Yatchyshyn

### Money Counters

Monday, January 19 — Team #4 — A. Daniele

### Communion to the Homebound

If you are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the office and let us know.

## Stewardship

<b>Weekly Collection Jan. 11</b>	End of Year:	5,000
Votive Candles: 159	Online :	761
Utility & Energy: 168	<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$9,951</b>
Accent: 0	A Simple House:	207
Children & Adult: 3,863	<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$10,158</b>

### Tax Statements

A statement of your contribution will be available by the end of January. They will be in the back of the

### Eastern Europe Collection

In two weeks, January 31 and February 1, there will be a second collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Proceeds from this collection will help the Church to overcome the challenges of rebuilding after decades of atheistic communist rule, bringing light to twenty-nine nations in Central and Eastern Europe, such as Lithuania, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Poland, Slovenia, Slovakia, Macedonia, and Ukraine. We are called to continue to offer hope to our fellow Catholics in Central and Eastern Europe by providing both material and spiritual assistance as they face enormous challenges.

### Pierogi Time

We will be making pierogis this Sunday, **January 18**, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass and on Monday, **January 19**, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Come and lend a hand for as long as you can. If you've seen our pierogis at the fish fry you know they are a big seller. We need to keep up with the demand!

## Knight News

The Knights of Columbus #954 were busy in December. To begin the season, they sponsored the "Keep Christ in Christmas" display in Monessen.

- The council **donated 20 wreaths** for the Wreaths Across America initiative which places wreaths on the graves of military veterans at Christmas time.
- Brother, **Bill Watson, participated in the Polar Plunge** fundraiser for the Mon Valley Special Olympics. If you see Bill, give him a hearty (and warm) thank you. It's not too late to give a donation for the project. Bill, or one of the other knights, will be able to assist you.
- Grand Knight, **Bob Kuzynski**, presented ARCDD with a \$3,000 donation.
- **Adelle Slebdonik**, Regional Director of Religious Formation, spoke to the council regarding current formation projects.
- We welcome all to gather at the Council Hall on Grand Blvd., for the **recitation of the Rosary** of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. (**January 21 this month.**)

## Faith

### Bible Study

Women were essential to the ministry of Jesus and growth of the early church. For this Bible study we will focus on **Women in the New Testament**; women who were healed and transformed by him, followed him as disciples, and proclaimed the good news of his resurrection. We will meet for the six week study at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall on Thursdays, beginning February 12 and finish on March 19. Cost for the books is \$15. If you would like to participate but cannot afford the fee (full or partial), please call the office. Information is kept confidential. Please register by January 22 by signing up in back of the church or calling the office at 724-684-7661.

### Liturgy

Have you ever wondered if others are getting more out of the Mass than you are? Maybe **you need a new perspective**. **Serving at the altar** is more than just a role, it's a way to actively participate in the liturgy and experience God's presence in a profound way. Whether you're helping to proclaim His Word as a **reader**, offering the Eucharist as an **Extraordinary Minister**, leading the congregation in song as a **Cantor**, or assisting as an Altar Server, each role is an opportunity to serve the Lord and grow spiritually. If concern about scheduling is holding you back, know that we can work to fit it in your schedule. **If you are interested serving in any of the ministries, please call the office or talk to Fr. Anthony or Fr. Mike by Sunday, February 15** so we can schedule a training.

### Children's Envelopes

Children's envelopes are available in the back of the church. These offering envelopes help teach little ones responsibility, generosity and gratitude. By helping your child prepare their offering, you are sowing the seeds of basic Catholic stewardship helping children to grow into adults who joyfully give of their time, talent and treasure. Little hands, faithful hearts.

### The Upper Room: A Young Adult Ministry

We are excited to announce a monthly opportunity for **young adults between 18 and 40 years** of age to come together in faith, fellowship, and food. We will gather at **St. Mary's Hall at the Historic Church of Saint Peter in Brownsville**. Our first gathering will be **Wednesday, Feb. 11** at 6 p.m. Come and join us and bring along a friend. So that we can plan for dinner, please register at <https://tinyurl.com/55t6umcw>

Questions, please contact Adelle at [aslebdonik@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:aslebdonik@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

## Around the Diocese

**Calling all crafters!** The St. Vincent de Paul store on Main Street in Greensburg is hosting a **Maker session on Saturday, January 31** at 1:00 PM. We will show you how to transform men's neckties and other thrifted fabrics into a pretty flower arrangement. There is no fee for the class other than the cost of the fabrics you select, and the store will be open for shopping. Sign up at the desk or by calling the store at 724-836-1077.

### Married Couples invited to & Bliss

The Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship invites married couples to celebrate National Marriage Week at Blessings and Bliss **Friday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg.** The evening is free for all married couples in the Diocese and will include Mass, a keynote reflection, blessing, champagne toast and cookie reception. Register now at [DioceseofGreensburg.org](http://DioceseofGreensburg.org).

### Cash / Purse Bash

The annual cash/purse bash will be held Sunday, March 1, from 1-4 p.m. in Saint Pius Parish hall, Mt. Pleasant. Tickets include lunch, appetizers, salads, desserts and beverage. Bingo, specials, a 50/50 raffle and games of chance are planned. Cost is \$35 per ticket (four numbers; need not be present to win). For tickets, call 724-547-3903, 724-547-2432 or 724-547-1911.

### Cash Bash

The partner parishes of Saint John the Baptist, Scottdale, and Saint Joseph, Everson, will hold a cash bash **Saturday, Jan. 31.** Tickets are \$25 each and include three numbers; food and beer are included. Basket and 50/50 raffles are planned. Doors open at 5 p.m., with drawings beginning at 6 p.m. For tickets or information, call 724-887-6321.

### Educational Tax Credit Program

You can redirect your Pennsylvania state taxes into scholarships for students attending Catholic schools in the Diocese of Greensburg. It's possible through the Pennsylvania Educational Tax Credit Program (EITC). Select the Catholic school(s) you'd like to support with your contribution and receive 90% of that amount as a tax credit for a two-year commitment. The school(s) will receive up to 100% of your donation to provide tuition assistance for qualified families in the upcoming school year. Visit [DioceseofGreensburg.org/EITC](http://DioceseofGreensburg.org/EITC) to fill out the interest form or contact Bill Barnes in the Office of Catholic Schools at 724-552-2589.

### "Pray for Life" Friday, January 23, 2026

with The Greensburg Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women

**ALL are Welcome** Come and go as your schedule permits

Christ Our Shepherd Center, 2900 Seminary Drive, Greensburg

11:30 Rosary for priests

12:00 Mass celebrated by The Very Reverend Eric J. Dinga, VF  
DCCW Spiritual Advisor

1:30 Rosary for Life

2:15 Stations of the cross

3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:30 Litany for Life

4:00 Closing Prayer and Benediction

Free will offering and Donations of diapers and baby items will be distributed to pregnancy centers throughout the diocese

## Weekly Readings

### Readings for the week of January 18



**Sunday:** Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

**Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

**Next Sunday:** Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

## Stunned Disciples

### The Catholic Accent Podcast

The Catholic Accent Podcast – Stunned Disciple explores how the Gospel continues to surprise and inspire believers today. Hosted by Jordan Whiteko, Father Andrew Hamilton and Father Christopher Pujol, this award-winning series turns Scripture into lively, down-to-earth conversations that invite listeners to rediscover wonder in their everyday faith journey. Listen at [TheAccentOnline.org/](http://TheAccentOnline.org/)

[TheCatholicAccentPodcast](http://TheCatholicAccentPodcast) or wherever you download your podcasts.

### Catholic Charities Offers Adult Services

Catholic Charities provides volunteer services adults 60 and older, including supportive and regular visits, telephone calls, greeting cards and other mailings to prevent loneliness and isolation and brighten a person's day. Emergency food boxes can also be delivered to those who meet eligibility requirements. To become a client, contact [Deborah Klinvex](http://DeborahKlinvex) at 724-837-1840 or [dklinvex@DioceseofGreensburg.org](mailto:dklinvex@DioceseofGreensburg.org).

## Faith Formation News

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** is back in session. CGS is a hands-on, experiential way for our youngest to meet Jesus and grow in the love and knowledge of the Good Shepherd. Sessions are held on Monday evenings at St. John the Baptist. For more information, contact Adelle Slebodnik at [aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**Traditional** classroom sessions will return the week of **February 15**. Families are encouraged to continue with the Bible Reading Challenge while on break.....if you haven't started yet, it is always a good time to start. For more information, contact Adelle Slebodnik at [aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**CALLED Youth Ministry (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)**  
Youth Ministry is back. We gather on Sunday evenings at St. John the Baptist. All are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend. For more information, contact Adelle Slebodnik at [aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**IMPACT Youth Ministry (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**  
Youth are encouraged to join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at St. John the Baptist to continue to grow in faith and relationship with Jesus.

## First Communion and Confirmation Sacramental Preparation

Please watch your email for information on upcoming sessions. If you have any questions, please contact Adelle at [aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

## Renew and Restore: Adult Faith Experience

The Fay-West Catholic Churches of the Diocese of Greensburg presents: Renew and Restore: "Patching and Healing the Cracks in our Foundation". All adults are invited to join us at St. Joseph Parish in Uniontown for dinner, fellowship, games, dynamic speaker, Adoration and prayer. Child Care is Available. Cost is \$35 per person or \$50 per couple. Register at: <https://www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-uniontown/forms/refresh-and-renew> See Adelle for more information.

## Youth Conference

Current 8<sup>th</sup> Grade youth through Seniors are invited to join youth throughout the Diocese to **Steubenville Youth Conference "WORTHY"**. June 26-28, 2026 at Franciscan University. This registration is currently ONLY for students due to limited tickets. If adults are interested in attending the conference as a chaperone, please contact Adelle. A \$50 deposit is due at registration. The remaining cost per participant is \$325, which fundraising is available. This price includes room, board, transportation, and 3 t-shirts. Contact Adelle with any questions.



The Fay-West Catholic Churches of the Diocese of Greensburg present:

# RENEW & RESTORE

an adult event


Friday, January 30, 2026 + 6pm to 9pm  
St. Joseph Church, Uniontown  
Cost \$35 per person or \$50 per couple

Dinner + Non-Alcoholic Drinks + Games  
Dynamic Speaker on  
"Patching & Healing the Cracks in our Foundation"  
Adoration + Prayer




Child Care Available

A seat is waiting for you around the table in



Young Adult Ministry for those aged 18 to 40

**Speaker will be Mary Sampey**  
*Mary is the Director of Youth Evangelization in Greene County & Campus Minister of Waynesburg & PennWest*

Dinner & Soft Drinks Provided You may bring your own wine or drink.	Wednesday, February 11 6pm - 8pm St. Mary's Hall at St. Peter Parish (118 Church St., Brownsville)	No Cost Sign Up Here 
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## Parish App



Our app is a great way to stay connected and keep current. Under 'More' please be sure to set your message settings to General to receive church alerts. The app works on smart phones and tablets. There is a wealth of info on the app including daily readings, and current and past bulletins. Search for WeConnect Parish App in the Apple Store or Google Play.