

May 29, 2022 6th Sunday Of Easter

## **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: 11:30 a.m. Or by appointment

All Sacraments: Please call the office



## **OUR LOCATION**

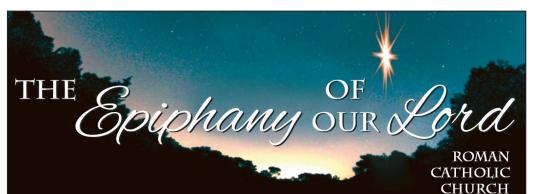
## **Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church**

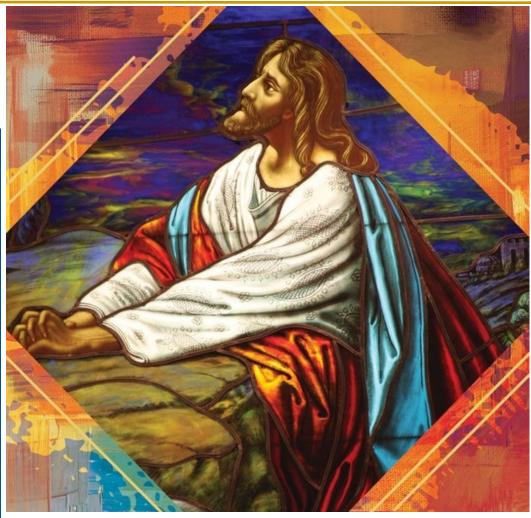
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Office Hours Mon.-Thurs.: 8:30 am, - 3:00 p.m. Fri.: 8:30 a.m.- 12 Noon





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#### LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, May 28 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Mary Ann Germinario by Terri Black

Sunday, May 29 — 7th Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM Roy Stinogle by Ken Zimmaro & Holy Name Society

10:30 AM † Edward Stark by wife, LaVerne & Family

Monday, May 30

8:00 AM † Dustin Harvey by Family

Tuesday, May 31 No Mass

Wednesday, June 1

No Mass

Thursday, June 2

8:00 AM † Karen Sepesky Salotti by Eleanor & Judy Friday, June 3

No Mass

Saturday, June 4 — Vigil 4:00 PM † John J. Stofka by Steve & Janice (Stofka) Frank

Sunday, June 5 — Pentecost 8:30 AM † Burt Lee Ruth by Mary Ann & Joe Gallo 10:30 AM † Paul Stanisz by Frank & Barbara Liptik

**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.

#### The Office will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day

#### Ministry Schedule — June 4 & 5

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server			
4:00 p.m.	P. Fantauuzzi	J. Elias	B. Rizzuto L. Assenat			
8:30 a.m.	M. Melvin	L. DeFelices	D. DeFelices J. Smith			
10:30 a.m.	W. Vlasic	T. Mazzei	E. Yatchyshyn			
Money Counters Tuesday, May 31—Team #3—K. Byron						

With Deepest Sympathy — Condolences are extended to the family of PATRICIA BISCEGLIA. May God grant her eternal rest, and comfort to her family. We commend her soul to rest in the peace of Christ.

## Our Call to Unity...

How we show God's glory is a fundamental question that should be answered if we are going to be faithful disciples. Our Gospel reading tells us exactly how we are to show God's glory. We do this through our love, unity, and forgiveness;



this is the only way we can make the glory of God felt in our world. Jesus offers a final prayer for unity among his friends, the same unity that existed between him and his Father. Jesus prays that the whole church could be united with the same oneness of God, the Father and Jesus Christ the Son. One of the greatest tragedies of our Christian Church is the disunity that exists among believers. Throughout history we see some of the bitterest disputes among believers in the Lord. So, what does this say about the command we are being given today? How are we as individuals supposed to make this dream of Jesus' a reality in our world?

The best way that we can show our love for the glory of God is by imitating Jesus. Ultimately, this is what discipleship means: imitate Jesus. This is how we are to live as disciples. This is the call of the new life of resurrection. Through our love, unity and forgiveness we imitate the love that Jesus prays for in John's gospel. Unity in life can bring much goodness, disunity among Christians is a scandal and every one of us has a responsibility to do whatever we can to make Christ's last prayer a reality. Through our efforts of promoting social justice and in securing the common good we can help bring about unity. Through our loving forgiveness we can guarantee unity within our own hearts, for love and unity among believers is the first form of our witness to the world. Our love for each other is God's love in us spilling over.

As Jesus was concerned with the immediate mission of his dearest friends; He remains concerned with the mission of our church today. In the midst of changes and struggles we must never lose sight of the fact that Jesus does pray for the unity and glory of the church. As members of this sacred gift, we all hold deep within our hearts the responsibility to do all that we can to make this prayer of Jesus come to fruition. It is only through our works of mercy and peace that the real Glory of God is manifest to all of God's people here on earth.

As we await the celebration of the great feast of Pentecost and the coming of the Spirit, we all need to be mindful of this call. Every one of us has been given the strength of that Spirit

to allow us to become instruments of God's peace and justice. This week ponder over the ways that you in your own way can help to make the Glory of God known to the people around you. By using the gifts that God has given us, we can all strive to build a stronger Kingdom here on earth.

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Votive Candles:	112
Utility & Energy:	15
Accent:	3
Ascension:	63
Children & Adult	
Collection:	3,026
Online Collection:	1,406
<b>Total Collection:</b>	\$4,625



The flag should be at half-mast until mid-day on Memorial Day, then hoisted to the top after that. Remembrance takes place at 3 p.m. local time each Memorial Day.

## Stewardship

#### **Diocesan Lenten Appeal**

As we begin to wrap up our appeal for this year we still have many people who have not yet responded. Thus far we have only heard from 205 families or 26% of our parishioners. From these families we have collected \$53,180. If you have not yet responded to DLA for this year, I encourage you to please consider doing so. Remember, that everything donated from this point on will stay 100% in the parish. Please know that I am grateful to everyone who has contributed thus far.

### Help for Ukraine



Bishop Larry J. Kulick asks the faithful of the Diocese of Greensburg to assist Ukraine and its people by praying for them as this tragic conflict unfolds. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has released a list of reputable Catholic agencies collecting donations to aid people

as they flee to escape Russian bombing and shelling. Visit DioceseOfGreensburg.org/HelpForUkraine to learn more about Catholic Relief Services, Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy, Catholic Near East Welfare Association, Aid to Church in Need, Knights of Columbus Ukraine Solidarity Fund, Jesuit Refugee Service and International Catholic Migration Commission, among others.

# Parish Picnic Picnic in the Park



You should have your calendar marked by now: Our Annual Parish picnic will be on **Sunday, June 12** at Cedar Creek Park, Pavilion #1. If you have a van, SUV or truck, and are **willing to help transport items** to the park, please meet in front of the church hall at 9 a.m. on June, 12. We are also asking for donations of soda and water which can be dropped off

at the office at any time.

We will start the day off with Mass at 1:00 p.m., and the picnic will follow. We are going to provide the hot dogs, hamburgers and chicken, and asking that you bring one of your favorite deserts or side dishes. Those whose last names begin with A-L, please bring a side dish or salad. For those whose name begins with M-Z, please bring a dessert. It is much easier on everyone if you bring your dish in a disposable container.

One of the popular games at the picnic has been Backwards Bingo. The games go quickly. We need a lot of **little prizes**: tea towels, soap, notepads, etc. Any little item that would be a fun or useful prize. Those items can be dropped off at the office, ideally by **Tuesday**, **June 7**. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. I do hope that you will be able to stop by the park and share a little time with your parish family.

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Monday, June 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall. We will continue to meet on every

second Monday of the month at 1:30. Come and join us to participate, or to learn how to crochet. For more information, please contact Barb Mandarino at 724-684-5547, Evie Yatchyshyn at 724-684-9294 or Betty Geis at 724-684-5037.



## **Great Feast of Pentecost**



It seems as though we just celebrated Easter but here we are getting ready for Pentecost. As we celebrate this great feast of the Church next week I ask that you **wear something "Red"** on June 5 in honor of the Holy Spirit!

#### Decorating

Pentecost is the birthday of the church. We will be decorating for this feast day on **Thursday**, **June 2 at 5:30 p.m.** and taking those decorations down on Sunday, June 5 after 10:30 Mass. If you are able to contribute it would be sincerely appreciated.

#### **Ushers Needed**

We would like to resume passing the collection basket in the middle of June. If you are an adult, male or female, and have any interest in serving this capacity, please see me or call the office. This is just one of the ministries where your help is appreciated.

#### Vacation Bible School 2022

Children in grades K—5 are invited to **"Travel with Jesus"** from June 21st—25th from 9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. This year VBS will be held at Epiphany of Our Lord. Forms can be found in back of the church or on the website. Teenage and Adult volunteers are also needed. To volunteer in that capacity, please mark the appropriate box on the form, or call the office. Registration deadline is Tuesday, June 14.

#### **Honoring our Graduates**

Last week at the 10:30 a.m. Liturgy we honored our graduates for this year. I would like to thank the Epiphany Ladies who provided a delicious brunch for the graduates and their families. During the luncheon, the Holy Name Society recognized the **Senior Boy of the Year**, Jack Sacco, for his service to our parish. Please keep our young graduates in your prayers as they start another chapter in their lives.



Graduates, L-R: Jacob Traczynski, Tatum Lucero, Jack Sacco, and Joshua Petruska.

# **Golf Outing**

## **Catholic Charities Annual Golf Outing**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg will host its 20th annual Paul R. Smiy Memorial Golf Outing on Friday, Aug. 12, at Ligonier Country Club.. Cost is \$150 per golfer or \$600 per foursome. For more info or to register, visit ccharitiesgreensburg.org.