

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

4:00 p.m.

Sunday:

8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.

Monday, & Thursday

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wed., Friday

NO MASS

November 14, 2021

THE Epiphany OF OUR Lord

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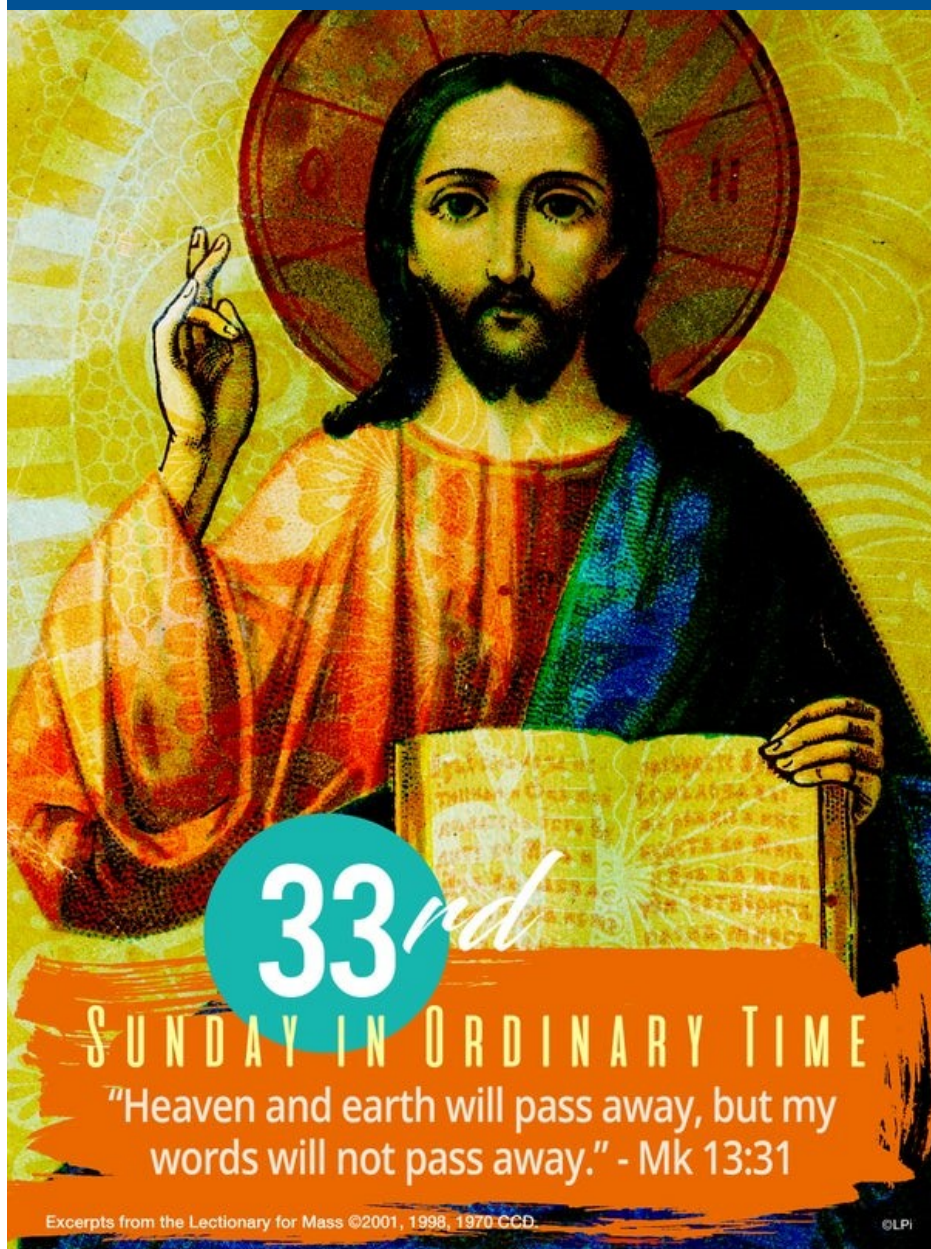


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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." - Mk 13:31

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RECONCILIATION

Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. or you may call the office to make an appointment.

BAPTISM

We baptize during all Masses. Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism session prior to the Baptism. Please call the office for more information.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and cannot get to Mass, and they wish to receive the Eucharist, please call the office so arrangements can be made.

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Any article for the bulletin must be in the office by Monday noon.

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 13 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Rita Cocca by Evelyn Winn & Sara Kostelac

Sunday, November 14 — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Deceased Members Holy Name Society by Holy Name Society

10:30 AM † Ken & Kirk Danko by Danko Family

Monday, November 15

8:00 AM † Vizza Family by Dorothy

Wednesday, November 17

No Mass

Thursday, November 18

8:00 AM † Antoinette Caruso by Loving sister & brother-in-law, Sandra & Mark Luterman & Family

Friday, November 19

No Mass

Saturday, November 20 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Adina Mancini by Cathie Lewgood

Sunday, November 21— Feast of Christ the King

8:30 AM † Leonard Babinski by Mr & Mrs James

10:30 AM † Tristani Family Members by Volpe Family

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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 — Nov. 20 & 21

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	M. Gallo	L. Henry	M. Guiliford
8:30 a.m.	D. Harkins	A. Pastella	Z. Tokar
10:30 a.m.	M. Sacco	K. Imbrescia	E. Yatchyshyn

Money Counters

Monday, November 15 —Team #5— R. Croushore

Enjoy Books

Update: We're still waiting to hear when the Enjoy books are coming. Sorry for the inconvenience to those who are waiting. There has been a delay in the shipping. As soon as the books arrive, Epiphany Ladies will be selling Enjoy Books after Masses. The books are \$30.

Death is a Part of Living

During the month of November we remember in our thoughts, prayers and masses all of the faithful departed. Also during this month we will end another Church Year. Because of these two factors our liturgy pushes us into thinking about the end of times. Death and dying is one aspect of life that none of us like to think of; and yet we all know that death is the one part of living that awaits us all.



Even though we know in our minds that death is a part of life and a part of God's plan for salvation, often our hearts tell us something different. Whenever someone that we love dies, a part of our heart goes right with them. This is the part of dying that we don't like to think about. Too often we forget about the hope that our faith connects to dying and what would life be without hope. In today's readings we hear from the Prophet Daniel as well as Jesus speaking about those last days and what a message of hope they give us.

The setting for both Jesus and Daniel was a world filled with pain and suffering. It seemed as though the end of times was near. The type of writing we hear from in both the first reading as well as the Gospel is known as apocalyptic literature. The word itself means an unveiling of something that is not known. This type of literature is filled with stark images about the end of the world and the eternal realm of God. However, the darkness doesn't get the last word. We are reminded that people would experience bliss and see "new heavens and a new earth." We are given images of light and darkness, goodness and evil, redemption and judgment, reward and punishment. A New Jerusalem appears on the horizon and the wedding feast of the Lamb presents Christ as victor.

By assuring us of an end of time when the world as we know it will disappear, it makes the present time all the more important and special; at least it should! The words of Jesus referring to the end of time are certainly not meant to scare people. Rather they remind us to pay attention to life and the choices that we make. I suppose that old saying which tells us not to put off until tomorrow what can be done today is appropriate. As we near the end of the Church year we are asked to look at our lives and see how we are living and what choices we are making. If for some strange reason God came to you and told you that your life will end tomorrow, what would you do for the last 24 hours that you had on this earth? As you look at how you would answer that question, it tells us something about how we are living. If there are many loose ends that we would want to take care of, then we need to determine why we haven't taken care of them as they came up. If there are people we need to make up to, then why haven't we taken care of that. It is good for us to think about life and the end of life. It is healthy to see what we are "putting off" for the tomorrows that we might never see.

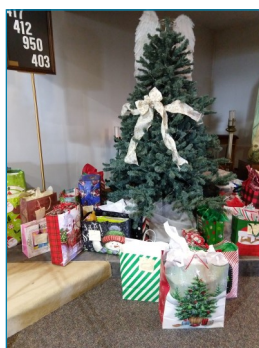
Today we are reminded that Christ came to save all peoples and salvation is not limited to those who have specifically known Christ. God's love is universal. It is not how long we live in life that is important; it is how we live that counts. As we all stand before the judgment seat of God we will be asked how we planted God's word in our hearts. Jesus is interested in where we stand, what kingdom we belong to, what word we serve, what truth we speak, what we have done in God's name — in this world. It is in this world that we make it or break it!

Catholic Charities offers in-person, face-to-face counseling services as well as virtual counseling. For information, call 724-837-1840 or email: counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Stewardship

Christmas Giving Tree

I would just like to remind you that in two weeks as we start the Advent Season you will all have the opportunity to take a name from our "Angel Tree." The tree will have names of local children who need our help to celebrate Christmas. I will have tags on a tree with the information that will help a needy child. All you have to do is buy the gift, wrap it and bring it back with the tag attached to the outside; we will take care of delivering it. We will put the tree up the first week of Advent. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office.



Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund and Catholic Relief Services collection Nov. 20-21

The annual Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund and Catholic Relief Services collection will be taken Nov. 20-21. The collection will be divided so three-quarters of the contributions will remain in the diocese to support the Poverty Relief Fund and Catholic Charities' heating fuel and utilities assistance efforts. The remaining one-quarter of the contributions will go to Catholic Relief Services, the U.S. bishops' overseas relief and development agency.

Weekly Collection Nov. 8

Votive Candles:	190
Utility & Energy:	90
Accent:	11
All Souls	387
All Saints	234
Advent	50
Children & Adult Collection:	6,056
Online Collection:	913
Total Collection:	\$7,931
Dio. Poverty Relief	10
Retired Religious	475
World Mission	20
Mission Co-Op	10
Total Collection:	\$8,446

Pierogies

We will be making pierogis again this week. The schedule is: Sunday, **November 14** after 10:30 Mass and Monday, **November 15** at 9:00 a.m.

If you cannot come at the start time, come when you can! The more hands, the less work and more fun.



Christmas Wreaths

Getting ready for the Holidays

The decorating committee is putting together a fund raiser for the holidays. We are going to make decorated wreaths for your home or cemetery. The wreaths will be made from Frazer pine and will be decorated with cones, berries and a bow. They will sell for **\$30.00** and you may purchase a stand for the cemeteries for an additional \$3.00. There will be signup sheets in the church for you to place your order. Any questions about this project, please feel free to call the office.



Get the App

Text ParishApp 1 to 555888 (Apple) / ParishApp 2 to 555888 (Android). Or if you prefer — Search for Parish App in the Apple Store or Google Play. Once you download the app, you will need to select Epiphany of Our Lord as your parish.

Faith

Workbook for Lectors

The new workbook for our lectors is now available. The workbook contains the readings for the coming year. Beginning the first week of Advent we will be using readings from Cycle "C". **If you are a lector, please pick up your workbook.** If anyone is **interested in becoming a lector**, all you have to do is let me know and I will take care of everything else.

October Count

It has become a Diocesan tradition to count the number of people in the pews during the month of October. It is a good indicator about what is happening in the churches throughout the diocese. Since COVID we have all been impacted in many ways. Our numbers are certainly down from what they were in 2019 (pre-COVID) yet we are up from last year. The numbers indicate that we are on an upward swing, we just need to hope and pray that it stays that way!

Monthly Rosary

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly rosary this Wednesday, **November 17** at 7 p.m., They will meet in the Knights' Council Hall on Grand Blvd., Monessen.



For the Table

It's the time of year where we start to think about what goes on our holiday table. Let us help you with that!

CDA World Famous Cheese Balls

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Monessen, reports that their "World Famous Cheese Balls" will be available for your Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday season! They are wrapped to freeze well. Cost is \$8.00. **Orders are due by Wednesday, November 17** by calling Regent Debbie Genemore at 724-708-8335. Pick up date: Saturday, November 20 at Noon in the church hall. Thank you, in advance, for your support to our projects.

Pierogies

Our Pierogie Makers have been busy getting things ready to sell beginning on the 20th of this month. They will be available after all the masses the weekend of 20-21. The cost will remain the same at \$15.00 per bag of 2 dozen.

HOMEMADE SAUSAGE SALE

Epiphany Church will hold a sausage sale on December 7 & 8. All orders must be in by **Saturday, November 20**. Put in your order now to make sure you get it! The **sausage will be sold at \$5.00 /lb. Minimum order is 2 lb. per item.**

<u>LINK</u>	<u>LOOSE</u>	
___ lbs.	___ lbs.	Sweet Sausage
___ lbs.	___ lbs.	Hot Sausage
___ lbs.	___ lbs.	Hot Hot Sausage

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Orders may be placed by filling out the order form above, placing it in an envelope marked "Sausage Order" and depositing it in the collection basket. To call in your order, or for info, contact Kenny at 724-929-3464. Please make checks payable to **Knights of Columbus**.