



**November 6, 2022**



**32nd Week  
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: 11:30 a.m.  
Or by appointment

### All Sacraments:

Please call the office

*32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday*

IN ORDINARY TIME



## OUR LOCATION

### Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church

44 Pennsylvania Blvd., Monessen, PA 15062

📞 724-684-7661

🌐 [www.eolparish.com](http://www.eolparish.com)

### Office Hours

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

## PARISH STAFF

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## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, November 5 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Lucy Biseda by Carol Cocciolone

### Sunday, November 6 — 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:30 AM † John Talarico by Nephew, Tom

### Monday, November 7

8:00 AM † Betty Ann & Jim Hazy by Family

### Tuesday, November 8

7:00 PM † Deceased Members Epiphany Ladies by Epiphany Ladies

### Wednesday, November 9

No Mass

### Thursday, November 10

8:00 AM † Anne Trilli by Ted & Judy Pettko

### Friday, November 11

No Mass

### Saturday, November 12 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Pauline DeRose by The DeRose Family

### Sunday, November 13 — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Ken & Kirk Danko by Ron & Joyce

10:30 AM † Jim Sepesky by Rosina Volpe

### Parish Office:

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**Parish Office: 724-684-7661**

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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 — November 12 & 13

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	P. Fantauzzi	J. Dudas	E. Yatchyshyn
8:30 a.m.	M. Melvin	A. Pastella	D. DeFelices
10:30 a.m.	A. Blatnik	K. Imbrescia	C. Blatnik

### Money Counters

**Monday, November 7—Team #2 — W.Anders**

**Ministry Callout** — The next schedule will run from Nov. 19 through January 15. Please call the office or email Tara —[tmanderino@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:tmanderino@dioceseofgreensburg.org) with any changes to your schedule by **Wednesday, Nov. 9**. If you are interested in serving in any of the liturgical ministries, please let me know.

## From This World to the Next...

It is the month of November and traditionally during this time of year we think of all of our loved ones who have died. This week our readings speak to us about what happens after we leave this world. In both the first reading as well as in the gospel we are given “insight” into the life to come. Belief in the afterlife in many ways is as much a struggle for us today as it was for many of the Sadducees and others in Jesus’ time. Our society is mixed with so many ideas about life and death that sometimes it does get a little confusing. For example: New Age concepts of cosmic unity and Eastern beliefs in reincarnation witness to our desire for continued life in some form and our struggle with what that might be like.



The readings that are found at the end of our liturgical year are certainly not meant to scare us. Rather they are given to us so that we may reflect in a direct way on what Jesus’ Second Coming is about and to help prepare us. Our faith reminds us that the choices that we make in this life will determine the judgment we receive at the Second Coming, and knowing this helps us to prepare. Few of us will ever be faced with the extreme choice the brothers in the first reading must make; nevertheless, we, like the seven brothers, live in a world full of wrongdoing and life threatening situations.

In reality, we do face “death” every day: dying to self. Gospel living then is so much more than simply religious practices, gospel living means that we align ourselves with Jesus’ living and dying. Jesus modeled for us the self-sacrificing giving which leads us all to eternal life. The question we must ask ourselves is: How badly do we want to share in that eternal life? The choices that we make today about whether we follow Jesus faithfully and live gospel values by dying to ourselves reveal the extent of our own hope in sharing in Jesus’ risen life.

What does happen to us when we die? This is a question that civilizations have been asking themselves since the beginning. It was this question that prompted the actions of the mother and her seven children in the first reading. They were able to choose death knowing that there was something better in the next life. Over the past few decades many people have shared what they saw in near death experiences. Many of these people describe seeing a bright light and a deep sense of peace. Unbelievers scoff at this, but they cannot deny, nor can they explain the universal expressions of life after death.

Unfortunately, Jesus never defined life after death. He preached more about life now, and suggested that the quality of life after we die is directly related to how we lived here on earth. Certainly, in the Sermon on the Mount and the Beatitudes, he makes specific references to eternal rewards, and has referred to himself as “the resurrection and the life.” But, he does not describe what resurrection or heaven is like! So, we are all left only with faith, to imagine what heaven and resurrection will be like.

## Cheese Balls

CDA “World Famous” Cheese Ball Orders are due by Tuesday, November 15. For additional information and to order, call Debbie Genemore at 724-708-8335.

## Photo Directory

This week we start taking photos for the directory. If you haven’t scheduled, go online to [ucdir.com](http://ucdir.com). Click on Photography Appointment Scheduling (yellow box on the right of the page). To log in, use the **church code pa922** and the **password: photos** or call Sara at 724-684-8098.

## Stewardship

### Christmas Giving Tree

It is getting that time of year when we start to think about our annual giving tree at Christmas Time. Once again this year I will be getting names from children in the Head Start program. If you know of **any family who might benefit from this project, please contact me and let me know.** The name tags will be available on the first weekend of Advent. This is just one more way that we can share our blessings with needed members of our community.

#### Weekly Collection Oct. 30

Votive Candles:	145
Utility & Energy:	159
Accent:	9
All Souls:	203
All Saints:	210
Children & Adult Collection:	6,483
Online Collection:	745
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$7,954</b>
World Mission:	80
Poverty Relief:	47
Retired Religious:	27
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$8,108</b>

### Pierogi Making

We will be peeling potatoes on **Sunday, November 6** and **Sunday, November 13** after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We will be making pierogis on Monday, **November 7** and **November 14** beginning at 8 a.m., but come as you are able. This is a great parish fundraiser, and fun time to meet up with others.

### Halloween Party

I would like to thank everyone who came to the Halloween Party on Saturday; it was certainly a good time for all who came. Every year we are blessed with **Mary Dzurik, Rita Lucas and their crew** who put together an award winning display with the decorations. I am grateful to them. I also want to thank **Betty Geis** for working to provide the food. No party would be complete without music and we were certainly entertained by **Steve Assenat**. I am grateful to all of you, and thank you for sharing so much of your time and your talents. For all who came a good time was certainly had by all!

### Turkey Bingo



On November the 20<sup>th</sup> the Epiphany Ladies will celebrate the season with their Turkey Bingo! **The doors will open at noon and the Bingo will begin at 1:00 p.m.** This is a wonderful afternoon to come and spend with your friends. We have sent our tickets out to all of our parishioners for this event, if you did not get yours you can give us a call in the office. You can return the tickets by dropping them off in the collection basket or at the Church Office.

## Groups

**Epiphany Ladies** will meet on Tuesday, November 8, for a Memorial Mass for our deceased members. The Mass will begin at **7:00 p.m.** with a brief meeting following in the Church. All women of the Parish are welcome to join the organization at any time.

**Holy Name Sunday** is next Sunday, **November 13.**

Corporate Communion will be at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. The regular monthly meeting will follow in the church hall.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on **Monday, November 14 at 10:30 a.m.** in the church hall. Come and join us to participate, or to learn how to crochet. For more info please contact Barb Mandarino at 724-684-5547 or Betty Geis at 724-684-5037.

## 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 "A". If you are a lector, **please pick up your workbook** in the sacristy. 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.

### Remembering our Beloved Dead

Throughout the month of November we remember our deceased relatives and friends in our prayers and at Mass. There is a book in the front of the church where you can list the names of all of the deceased members of your families and friends.

### October Count

Every year the diocese asks us to count the people who are coming to church during the month of October. This year our attendance for the five weekend Masses was 1400. If we divide it by the five weekends in October we get: 280 people per weekend. Then when we break that down between the 3 Masses we end up with an average of 90 people at each Mass. Since 2019 (the last year before the pandemic) we were averaging about 130 people at each Mass. As you can see, our numbers continue to drop each year. Just as the diocese uses these statistics for planning, so too do we need to look at these numbers.

### Christmas Wreaths

Once again we will be selling decorated wreaths for the cemetery or for your homes. The cost will be the same as last year: \$30 per wreath and \$3 if you need a stand for the cemetery. There will be sign-up sheets in the back of the church if you are interested

### Prayer & Perfect Pairings

Join Bishop Larry J. Kulik for **Prayer and Perfect Pairings**, a five-course dinner prepared by priests from throughout our Diocese, (Guess who has dessert?) on **Thursday, Nov. 10** at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Each course is paired with wine. Visit [www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings) for tickets. Proceeds will be used to support Eucharistic Revival efforts.

### Sausage Sale

#### HOMEMADE SAUSAGE SALE

The **Knights of Columbus** will hold a sausage sale on December 13 & 14. All orders must be in by **Saturday, November 26.** 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.**