

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

4:00 p.m.

Sunday:

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

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday:

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday

NO MASS

February 28, 2021

THE OF *Epiphany* OUR Lord

ROMAN
CATHOLIC
CHURCH



A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST
A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG

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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.

PARISH STAFF

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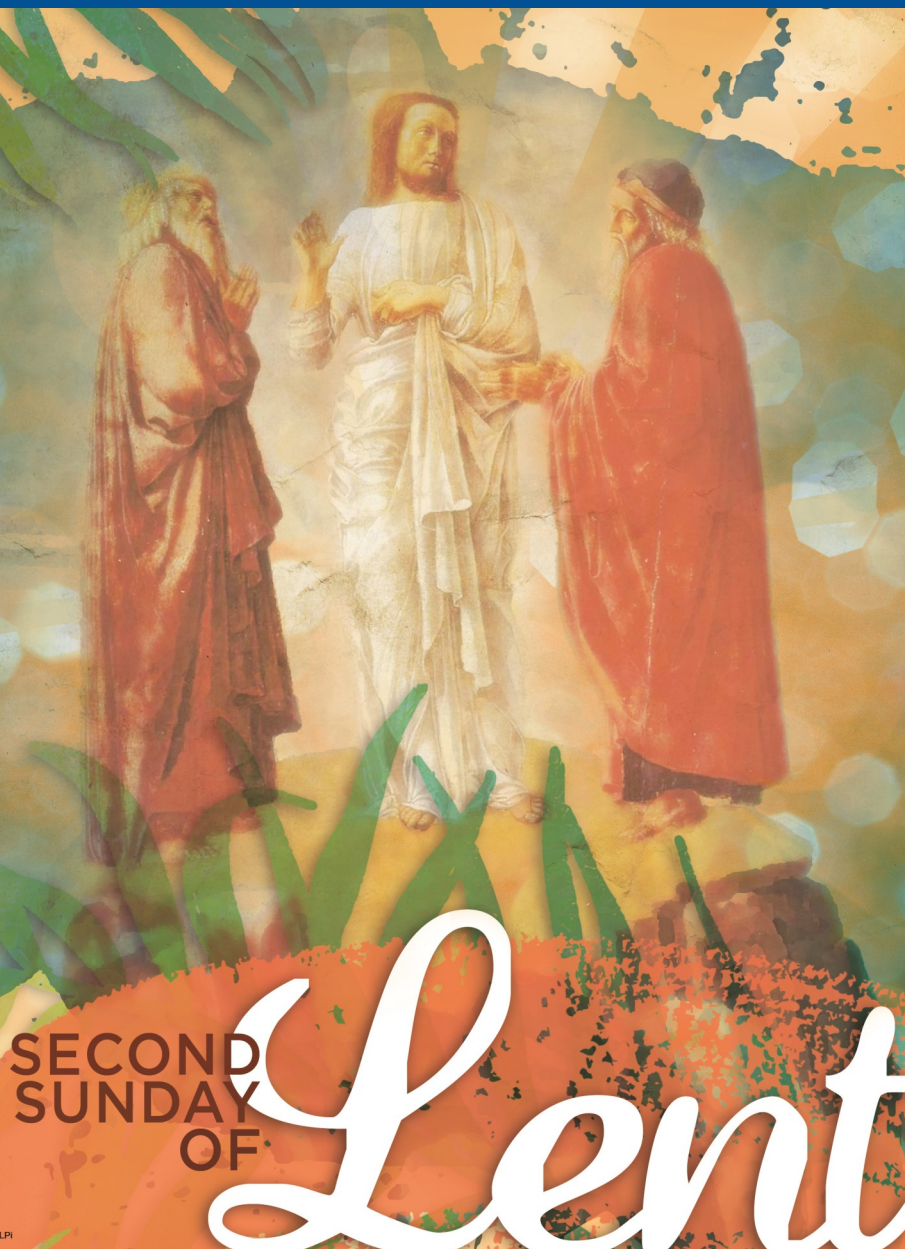
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BULLETIN DEADLINE

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



SECOND
SUNDAY
OF

Lent

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 27 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Katherine Hornak Dudas by Dr. Martin & Madeline Dudas

Sunday, February 28 — 2nd Sunday in Lent

8:30 AM † Arthur L. Trilli by Celeste Trilli
10:30 AM † Paul & Tom Sowko by Rose Sowko

Monday, March 1

8:00 AM † Eileen Barker by Helen Veschio

Tuesday, March 2

8:00 AM † Mildred DeAngelis by Rosalie Nicksich

Wednesday, March 3

No Mass

Thursday, March 4

8:00 AM † Dan Bergstedt by Ted Harhai

Friday, March 5

8:00 AM † Teresa Trozzi by Rosina Volpe
6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 6 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Christopher Salotti by Rosalie Nicksich

Sunday, March 7 — 3rd Sunday in Lent

8:30 AM † Marie Sickles by Sister, Betty Nash
10:30 AM † Our parents: The Sala and Monaghans by Ginny & Sandy

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 — March 6 & 7

Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
4:00 p.m.	B. DuBreucq	L. Henry
8:30 a.m.	J. Petritis	K. Imbrescia
10:30 a.m.	W. Vlasic	K. Byron

Money Counters

Monday, March 1—Team #4 — J. Petritis

Ministry Callout

Please let Tara know if there are any changes to your schedule by **Monday, March 8**. The new schedule will run until Sunday, May 16. You can call the office or email Tara at tmanderino@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Also, we are always in need of **cantors**. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, contact Fr. Mike or call the office.

Listening to God's Voice

This second Sunday of Lent presents us with the familiar story of Abraham prepared to sacrifice his only son. Although this story is hard to understand with Yahweh even asking Abraham to entertain such action, it is layered with deeper meanings that we need to carry with us in life. It is easy for us to see the parallel of Abraham sacrificing his son with Jesus being offered up by God. In the first scenario it is the love of God which eventually saves Isaac, Abrahams “beloved son.” In the second, it is God’s vast love that allows his “Beloved Son” to be sacrificed for all people. The common thread that can be clearly seen in both is the all-encompassing power of God’s love.



Rather than loose our thought on why Yahweh would ever ask such a task from Abraham, we need to focus our attention on the faith that allowed Abraham to hear, let alone follow the voice of God. It was because of his great faith and belief in God’s goodness that he was given a promise of a lasting heritage. Sometimes I wonder what would have happened if Abraham ignored God’s voice and did not respond to God’s request. It was his faith that allowed him to trust in God. It was his faith that gave him the courage to venture forward not knowing how things would turn out.

We can learn an awful lot from the example of faith that Abraham shows us. How well do we even listen to God let alone follow through with action. What a leap of faith it must have been for Abraham to be willing to sacrifice so much. As we look at our lives today we need to ask ourselves how far are we willing to go to respond to God’s voice, what are we willing to sacrifice?

From our gospel reading this week we see how the disciples reacted when they heard the voice of God. They wanted to hold onto that moment and not move from the mountain. We all have mystical moments in life when we can feel God’s presence, and we too would like to hold onto those moments. We learn from Abraham that we must have faith in God when God speaks to us but that we must also respond; we simply cannot just do nothing. We cannot stay on top of the mountain like the Disciples wanted to. We cannot hold on to God and try to keep God locked up in some remote place. God must be found in the everyday routine of our lives, at the foot of the mountain where we live. It is there that we must “listen to him.”

Daily Readings

Readings for the week of February 28



Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Stewardship

'Be the Light' with 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal



The 2021 Diocesan Lenten Appeal is offering parishioners throughout the Diocese of Greensburg a chance to “Be the Light” for their **faith community**. The Lenten season is a reminder that **Christ is the light in our lives** and this is an opportunity to “Be the Light” for those in need. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected everyone in some way and this includes the faithful of the diocese. By now you should have received your letter concerning this year’s DLA campaign. If you have not, please let me know by calling the office. From the information that has been given to you this year, you can see how valuable our contribution is to this Diocesan Campaign is. From previous years we have learned that the proceeds from the DLA help support the general operating funds of the Diocese. We don’t always like to hear about the money that the Diocese gets from the parishes, but **this is exactly what makes the Roman Catholic Church work**, for without the Diocese we simply could not exist. Throughout this Pandemic the Diocese has been very generous to all of the parishes.

From the portion that will be returned to us, I would like give our Church a fresh look. There are many ways that we can beautify our Church and so for this reason I am hoping that we can raise at least \$22,000 above our Diocesan Goal. I am asking that you please consider being a part of the DLA for this year. If you have any questions you can contact me at the office. I am grateful and I do thank you for the many ways that you help to make Epiphany of Our Lord the parish we are today!

Weekly Collection Feb. 21

Votive Candles:	79
Utility & Energy:	33
Accent:	12
Ash Wednesday:	578
Lenten Folder:	200
Easter Flowers:	10
Donation:	40
Children & Adult Collection:	4,502
Online Collection:	1,260
Total Collection:	\$6,714
Home Mission:	259
Total Collection:	\$6,973

Local Food Bank

During the Lenten season we focus on our Stewardship and how we **share with people who are less fortunate** than we are. This year, we will use our local food bank as our stewardship. If you would like to make a contribution to the food bank, simply put your contribution in an envelope and mark it **food bank**.

St. Sebastian Lenten Soup Sale

St. Sebastian Church is offering **Italian Wedding Soup** for sale by pre-order this Lent. The cost is \$7.00 per quart and payment must be included with the order form and mailed to St. Sebastian Parish, attn.: Soup Sale, 801 Broad Ave. Belle Vernon, PA 15012. Pick up will be on **Saturday, March 13**, between 3:30—5:30 pm from the Parish Hall. Deadline to order is **Sunday, March 7**.

Italian Wedding Soup

Pick up Date: March 13, 2021, 3:30—5:30 p.m.

Name _____

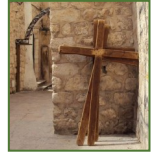
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\$7.00 per Quart # of Quarts _____

Total with this Order _____

Stations of the Cross

Come and join in the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at **6:00 p.m.** and follow what Catholics have been doing for nearly 1,000 years. The stations are actually much older and can be dated back to Mary’s practice of visiting the holy sites of Christ’s passion. Today, it is a way for us to remember Christ’s journey through prayers.



Stations of the Cross videos

Bishop Larry J. Kulick will celebrate Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent from different parishes across the Diocese of Greensburg. Videos of these celebrations will premiere each Friday at 5 p.m. on the Diocese of Greensburg website, www.dioceseofgreensburg.org, Facebook page and YouTube channel. Remaining schedule is March 5: **St. Mary Parish, Freeport**; March 12: **Christ Prince of Peace, Ford City**; March 19: **St. Francis of Assisi, Footedale**, and March 26: **Our Lady of Assumption, Coral**.

*Remember that we have a delicious
Fish Fry every Friday from
11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.!*

Fish sandwich – Shrimp platter – Side Special
Take out only. Call 724-684-5512

Pierogies

Pierogi Making



We’re back! We will be making Pierogies this week. These will be for sale during Holy Week. If you’re planning on pierogis for your Easter table, we’re hoping to meet that need. We will meet on **Sunday, February 28 at 2:00 p.m.** and again on **Monday, March 1 at 9:00 a.m.** Dust off that apron and join us. Keep in mind that social distancing and mask wearing are a must. Also, there will be no food served during this time. We are also requesting that no snacks be brought in. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call the office.

Scholarship

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Applications for the Monessen Knights of Columbus #954 Merit Scholarship are available. The application can be obtained in the **church office, or on the website**. Students must be a senior member of Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church or St. Mary’s Byzantine Catholic Church, or their father or grandfather is a member of Monessen K.O. C. #954. All rules are on the application, which are due by **April 16, 2021**.

Job Opportunity

Holy Cross Parish seeks office manager

Holy Cross Parish in Youngwood is seeking a full-time office manager to support the parish. Responsibilities include maintaining all financial records for the parish, performing all administrative duties such as typing, copying and filing, and providing general information to visitors and parishioners in a professional and courteous manner. All clearances required by the diocese must be obtained prior to the start of employment. Qualified candidates should send a cover letter describing interest in the position and a resume to HRHolyCross@dioceseofgreensburg.org.