

July 25, 2021



Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church  
44 Pennsylvania Blvd., Monessen 15062

*Festival*

Saturday, July 31  
5:00 p.m. □ 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 1  
11:30 a.m. □ 8:00 p.m.

Homemade food  Games  Music

**Complete menu and band details [www.eolparish.com](http://www.eolparish.com)**

Street Level Band □ Neon Swing Xperience □ American Pie Oldies

Also: Balloon Guy and more will be happening Sunday afternoon

**Saturday, July 31** (weather permitting)

Sky Lantern Release 9:30 p.m.

Outdoor Mass at 10:00 p.m.



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## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, July 24 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Teresa Trozzi by Elizabeth Ceclia

### Sunday, July 25 — 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Bernie Sarra by Georgia Willey

10:30 AM † Concetta DePiazza by The D'Alonzo - Daugherty Family

### Monday, July 26

8:00 AM † Mr & Mrs Frank Dominico, Carmen & Marie by Betty Nash

### Tuesday, July 27

No Mass

### Wednesday, July 28

No Mass

### Thursday, July 29

8:00 AM † Gerri Harris by Evelyn Winn

### Friday, July 30

No Mass

### Saturday, July 31 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Dorothy Vizza by Rosalie Nicksich

### Sunday, August 1 — 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Mary Cope by Family

10:30 AM † Romeo & Dolores Bucci by Toni Bucci -Greg & Toni Bucci

### 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 — July 31 & August 1

|            | Lector       | Eucharistic Minister | Altar Server  |
|------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 4:00 p.m.. | R. Kozar     | A. Punturiero        | S. Punturiero |
| 8:30 a.m.  | F. Petrosky  | L. DeFelices         | Z. Tokar      |
| 10:30 a.m. | P. Fantauzzi | K. Byron             | E. Yatchyshyn |

### Money Counters

**Monday, July 26**—Team #3— J. Petritis

### Catholic Charities offers virtual counseling

Catholic Charities provides virtual counseling to help address depression, anxiety and more. Call Catholic Charities at 724-837-1840 or email [counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

## There is Always Enough!

“Big” seems to be in. Some of the burger fast-food chains use “super-size” as a marketing ploy – the fries and drinks are larger, appealing to the hungrier appetite as well as a good deal. Fishermen love to tell fish stories; but notice the fish never get smaller



but always larger in the retelling. We might interpret Jesus’ multiplication of the loaves as a kind of “one-upmanship” over Elisha or one great fish story that has gotten larger in the telling. And, actually, super sizing the story is exactly the point, for the multiplication account has more to do with what Jesus was saying about the future than about feeding a hungry crowd.

Although there are many ways to look at the miracle presented to us in the Gospel, the simplest explanation is that God is showing us that so much can come from so little; one person can make a difference. Although two of the readings this week focuses on food and feeding people, our liturgy goes beyond just that. This Gospel invites us to look at both ourselves and the world differently. What little can I give that will make a difference, this is the question we need to carry.

I think that it safe to assume that we have all had those occasions in life where we felt overwhelmed and didn’t think we would have enough of whatever we needed. Those feelings can leave us feeling powerless. Today Jesus is telling us once again that as people we have power beyond belief. When we realize that the love of God is in our hearts to help us through life, there is nothing that we cannot do or accomplish. The fact that Jesus and Elisha were able to feed so many people with so little food tells us that we too can work this miracle every day. The multiplication of the loaves and fishes deals with the ability we have to accomplish great things in life. The miracle of the loaves and the fishes is the miracle of how much can come from so little, how one person can make a difference.

When we share God’s gifts, whether they are little or large, there is always more left over than when we began. God can bring plenty out of even the meagerness of our human resources. One small gesture can be transformed into grace of abundance. In both stories about multiplying food, there were people who had their doubts. They simply could not fathom even trying to feed so many with so little. Of course they are proven wrong in both cases, and they see what the power of God can accomplish.

Today’s miracle is about social justice. It shows us just how much power we have as individuals when we realize that God is with us. This Gospel invites us to look at both ourselves and the world differently. What little can I give that will make a difference? If we all just asked that question and acted on it, imagine what could be accomplished. As a society we minimize what can be accomplished. We are too quick to settle for less. If only we would work this miracle each day in our lives whether it be with food, money or time, we would be amazed at what could be accomplished. The next time you are feeling overwhelmed in life, just remember if we believe and trust, there will always be enough!

## Epiphany Bowling League

It’s the middle of summer but we’re looking ahead to fall activities. Men and women are invited to join the **mixed bowling league** which begins Monday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. The league bowls at AMF Bowling Co. Belle Vernon Lanes (former Brunswick 51 Lanes). For more information or to register for the league, call Robert Reda at 724-787-1204 by **Friday, July 30**.



# Festival News

Believe it or not, next weekend our festival is here! In looking at all of the many things that need to be done for the festival, we are in need of people to help in a number of areas:

- We will begin Setting up for the festival on Thursday at 6:00 pm and continue on Friday morning at 9:00. We can use all the help that we can get to get things set up.
- Just as important as setting up is cleaning up...If you can help on Sunday at 7:00 pm, it would make things go much more quickly.

All in all, I think that should do it! If everyone pitches in, it will be a tremendous success. If you want to help in any way please know you will be most welcomed.

Remember that there will be Mass outside at 10:00 pm on Saturday, all are welcome!

## Mass Dispensation

Dispensation to attend mass has been lifted beginning August 15. This obligation, as is always the case, does not apply to those who are seriously ill, have a serious health risk, as well as those who have serious anxiety of being a part of large groups at this time. Likewise, the obligation does not apply to those who care for those who cannot attend Mass in person (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2181). Those who are legitimately excused from Mass on Sundays and Holy Days are encouraged to spend time in prayer, meditating on the Death and Resurrection of the Lord, reading the Sacred Scriptures, and uniting themselves to Christ in his worship of the Father of us all. Those who are legitimately excused are also encouraged to view a broadcast of the Mass which is intended for those who cannot participate in person.

## Grandparents Day

Earlier this year Pope Francis declared the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of July a time to celebrate our grandparents and the elderly in our society. Pope Francis said, “the Holy Spirit even today stirs the thoughts and words of wisdom in the elderly.” The voice of the elderly “is precious,” he said, “because it sings the praises of God and preserves the roots of the peoples.” So today we wish our Grandparents and Elderly among us a very Blessed Day!



## Celebrate the Assumption of Mary

Bishop Larry J. Kulick will celebrate the Mass and candlelight rosary procession for the Solemnity of Our Lady of The Assumption on **Sunday, Aug. 15** at 7 p.m. at **Christ Our Shepherd Center, 2900 Seminary Dr, Greensburg**. Let us pray together to our diocesan patroness, Our Lady of the Assumption, for her intercession and blessing as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of our Diocese.

## Stewardship

### Money Counters

There are many ways that people can share their gifts with the Church. Volunteering can sometimes seem cumbersome with time and schedules, but giving of our time is the greatest gift of all. Along with the many ministries we have in the church, counting the collection is one we are in need of volunteers. We count the collection on Monday mornings at the office. We have about 5 teams so you would only be giving 2 hours of your time every 5 or 6 weeks. This ministry does not require any special skills, we will show you what to do. Won't you consider helping with this needed service. If you are able to help, please give us a call in the office. I thank you in advance for your help!

#### Weekly Collection July 18

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| Votive Candles:              | 160            |
| Utility & Energy:            | 77             |
| Accent:                      | 3              |
| Children & Adult Collection: | 4,297          |
| Online Collection:           | 1,292          |
| <b>Total Collection:</b>     | <b>\$5,829</b> |

### Coffee and Donuts after 8:30 Mass

Having Coffee and Donuts after Mass has become a wonderful occasion for people just to get together and talk. However, this does not happen on its own. We need some people to help with setting up on Sunday morning. It isn't a lot of work or time, you would pick up the donuts, put the coffee on and set things out, and cleaning up.. If we get enough people willing to help, you might only have to do it once every month and a half. If you think you might be able to help with this, please give us a call at the office.

## Festival Menu

### INDOOR MENU



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| <b>Italian Platter</b>                                                                             | \$10.00     |
| Meat lasagna, cheese stuffed shells, meat ball and sausage, salad or green beans, bread            |             |
| <b>Eastern Europe Platter</b>                                                                      | \$10.00     |
| Hungarian halupki, Epiphany pierogies, Slovak haluski, polis kielbasa, salad or green beans, bread |             |
| <b>Hot Sandwiches</b>                                                                              | \$6.00      |
| Meatball, sausage or kielbasa (includes toppings)                                                  |             |
| <b>Pierogi bar</b> (includes toppings)                                                             | \$1.00/each |

### OUTDOOR MENU



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|-------------------------|--------|
| Pizza .....             | \$2.50 |
| w/ pepperoni .....      | \$3.00 |
| Pizzaburger .....       | \$7.00 |
| Walking Taco .....      | \$3.00 |
| Hot Dog .....           | \$1.50 |
| w/ sauerkraut .....     | \$2.00 |
| Hamburger .....         | \$3.50 |
| Cheeseburger .....      | \$4.00 |
| French Fries .....      | \$2.50 |
| w/ cheese .....         | \$3.00 |
| Ice Cream Sundaes ..... | \$3.00 |
| Corn on the cob .....   | \$1.50 |
| Fried Dough .....       | \$2.00 |
| Pop/ Water .....        | \$1.00 |

There will be no coffee and doughnuts on Sunday, August 1