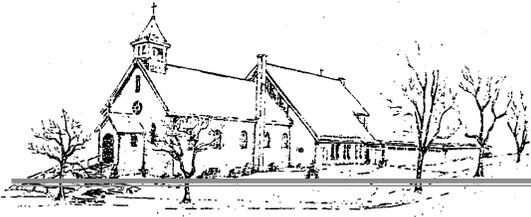


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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 14 & 15, 2023

Year A

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MEETINGS: 2nd Monday of the month, 7:30pm

## MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: Vigil 5:00 pm

SUNDAY: 8:00 am and 10:00 am

HOLY DAY: Vigil 6:00 pm eve. prior day  
8:00 am

WEEKDAY: 8:00 am Mon. thru Thurs.  
No Mass on Friday

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4:00 pm

WEDDINGS: Please call Father at least  
6mos. prior

BAPTISMS: Please call Father to  
schedule.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call  
parish office.

## OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Wed, Thurs.: 8:00AM—4:00PM

Tuesday 2:00—5:00PM

Friday: 8:00AM—Noon

Daily Mass Readings: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

Daily Mass Schedules: [www.dioceseofgreensburg.org](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org)



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Thoughts  
from  
Fr. Rod

**This weekend is the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time in our Liturgical Calendar. We have begun this Ordinary Season during the Baptism of the Lord which technically also ends the Season of Christmas. This year it falls on Monday after the Epiphany Sunday, sometimes this is celebrated on Sunday after the Epiphany. Do you ever somehow wonder about Jesus's baptism? Does he need to be baptized just as we are? For us, there's a need to be cleansed from the original sin inherited from our first parents, Adam and Eve. Does this apply to Jesus? We know that his Mother conceived him in the womb by the power of the Holy Spirit, as the Angel told Mary at the Annunciation. So, this doesn't suit to Jesus' situation. It is queer to apply this to the Lord.**

**Yes, the Lord was baptized, not due to purification but his, was the confirmation and inauguration of his public ministry. After Jesus was baptized he began his public life. Although our baptism is different from that of the Lord but there's always the connection from our baptism to his. As we are baptized in Christian Faith, we shared Jesus' ministry - we are ushered to do Christian service. We must be available to our brothers and sisters in their needs.**

**Let's help one another, especially those in need!**

**Fr. Rod**



## *Mass Intentions*

*For 2023*

*are now being accepted  
Call the Parish office to  
schedule yours.*

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 15, 2023

*Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10*

<b>\$teewardship</b>	<b>12/31-1/1</b>	<b>1/7-8</b>	<b>Diocesan Collections</b>	
Offertory:	\$4,037	\$3,075	Family Services	\$53    \$0
Online:	\$2,737	\$1,242		
Operating Expenses	\$297	\$525		
Loose:	\$390	\$186		
Children:	\$15	\$15		
Candles	\$99	\$57		
Christmas Flowers	\$30	\$0		
Catholic Accent	\$13	\$154		
Christmas	\$1875	\$50		
Solemnity of Mary	\$717	\$35		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$10,210</b>	<b>\$5,339</b>		
<b>Budget:</b>	<b>\$7,700</b>	<b>\$7,700</b>		
<b>Over/(Under):</b>	<b>\$2,510</b>	<b>(\$2,361)</b>		

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 Call the office if you have any questions

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Administration	122,753	119,192	110,057
Church	64,729	51,166	38,988
Rectory	28,027	22,545	8,651
Education & Ministry	69,028	65,591	64,236
General Expenses	177,082	166,633	151,867
Special Collections	26,899	27,713	44,011
Extraordinary Expenses	118,517	102,180	259,845
Totals	607,035	555,020	677,655
Weekly Budget Figure	6,600	6,600	6,600

**New Weekly Budget Figure starting 2023—\$7,700 to more accurately reflect expenditures**

If a loved one has passed away and is a member of Holy Cross Church, please notify the parish office. We must update our records accordingly.

When you are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please tell the admissions staff and nurses that you are Roman Catholic and would like a visit from the facility's Catholic Chaplain. This is due to HIPAA privacy laws. The Chaplain is often able to see you and administer the sacraments during times when the pastor is not available.

If you experience any personal injury on church property, please call the office or speak to Fr. Rodriguez

**IF YOU HAVE ANY SUSPICION** about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone, please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer, you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the Childline number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, Ext. 1221.

<b><u>MASS INTENTIONS</u></b>		
<b><u>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u></b>		
SAT. JAN 14	5:00PM	CHARLES SISTEK (A) (SISTEK FAMILY)
SUN. JAN 15	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
	10:00AM	BARBARA ANDREWS (FAMILY)
MON. JAN 16	8:00AM	CHRISTOPHER HOLLERAN (FAMILY)
TUE. JAN 17	8:00AM	JOHANNA YANOSSY (DAUGHTER KAY)
WED. JAN 18	8:00AM	ALICE BALSAMO (FAMILY)
THU. JAN 19	8:00AM	FRITZ & BERTHA ALFERY (JOE & MARGIE ALTSCHAFFL)
FRI. JAN 20		NO MASS
<b><u>THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u></b>		
SAT. JAN 21	5:00PM	LOIS STINEBISER (PATTI STANGL)
SUN. JAN 22	8:00AM	TED AUMER (ALTSCHAFFL FAMILY)
	10:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS

**Greensburg Area Sunday Evening Regional Mass**  
 Our Lady of Grace Church, 1011 Mount Pleasant Road,  
 Greensburg, PA 6:00 PM Sunday Evening

**Although we are no longer streaming a live mass from Holy Cross, you can stay connected by going to:**  
[dioceseofgreenburg.org/stream-mass](http://dioceseofgreenburg.org/stream-mass)

# THE WORD—YEAR C

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 49:3,5-6**

*I will make you a light to the nations....*



**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-3**

*GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE FROM  
GOD OUR FATHER....*

**GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-34**

*I SAW THE SPIRIT COME DOWN LIKE A DOVE  
FROM HEAVEN AND REMAIN UPON HIM.*



## IMPORTANT DATES

PASTORAL COUNCIL—FEBRUARY 6 @ 7PM

FINANCE COUNCIL—TBD

ASH WEDNESDAY—FEBRUARY 22

### Holy Cross Prayer Chain

If you, a loved one or friend are in need of extra prayers, Contact Pat Cassa at 724-925-2617 to be placed on the parish prayer chain. No matter what the need is, large or small, we are here to pray for that need.

"The Youngwood Knights of Columbus Council has begun their Annual Pro-Life Baby Bottle Campaign and it will continue through the last weekend of January, 2023. If you did not receive your baby bottle, they are available at the entrances of the Church. Any amount you can contribute is appreciated. Help us save lives!"



Paper goods may be left at the church entrances every weekend. There isn't always room in the bulletin to promote this project. So please remember these donations are welcome any time. Your ongoing support of the Youngwood Food Pantry is always appreciated.

### ALTAR FLOWERS OR SANCTUARY CANDLE



If you would like to purchase altar flowers or a sanctuary candle in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please call the parish office. Please keep in mind that altar flowers and sanctuary candles may be purchased to honor the living as well as the deceased. They may also convey thanksgiving for prayers answered or to celebrate occasions such as anniversaries and birthdays. The suggested donation for flowers is \$75; candle is \$25.

# STAND UP FOR LIFE!

A Pro-Life Mass and  
Reception

Saturday, January 21,  
2023 at 10:00AM

St. Francis of Assisi in  
Footedale location

528 Footedale Road, New Salem, PA  
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Reception with light  
refreshments to follow  
in Social Hall

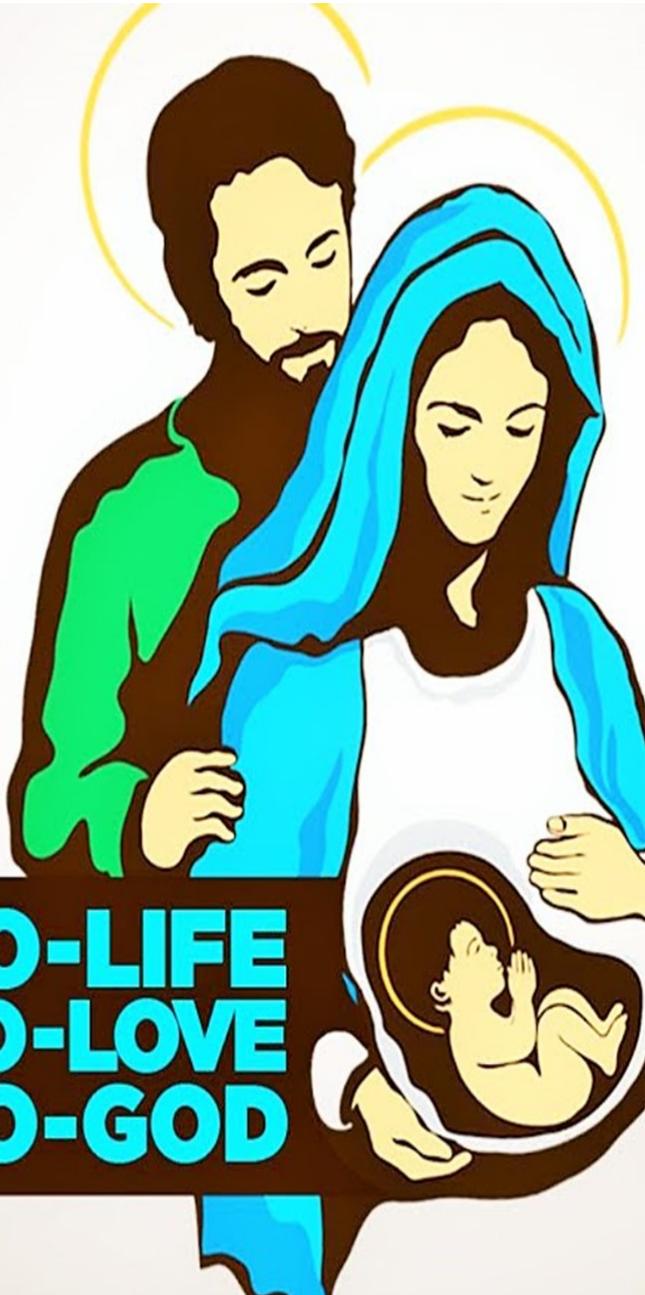
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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 21 & 22, 2023

SAT JAN 21	5PM:	ALTAR SERVERS—KIRSHNER EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HORAN	LECTOR—HORAN
SUN JAN 22	8AM:	ALTAR SERVERS—TROPEANO EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HALD	LECTOR—TLUMACK
	10AM:	ALTAR SERVERS—GRAY EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HANEY	LECTOR—CASINI
		MONEY COUNTERS—KIMMICK, ALTSCHAFFL, HURRIANKO	

*Thank you all for your service! Check before Mass to see if you are needed.*



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Our Church, Holy Cross, is seeking a Custodian.

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For information, call the parish office at  
724-925-7811 or

email [holycross@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:holycross@dioceseofgreensburg.org)





### ***In Sympathy***

Please remember  
in your prayers  
the soul of

## **JAMES MASSIMINO**

Brother of parishioner  
Bonita Bell

*May God welcome him into  
the joy of everlasting life  
and bring peace and  
comfort to his family.*

### **St. John Boosters BINGO**

**Sunday, January 22, 2023**

**306 St. John Drive, Latrobe, PA 15650**

**Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Warm up at 1:00 p.m.**

*We're extending an invitation  
to anyone who would like to sponsor  
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will be boldly acknowledged  
in the BINGO program.*

**We hope to make our FIRST Bingo of the year  
a fun and successful one!**

**THANK YOU!**

**Checks can be made out to St. John Church  
With a memo notation "Bingo Sponsor"**

## **Magnificat Breakfast**

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat-A Ministry to Catholic Women is holding a breakfast at Rizzo's Banquet Hall in Crabtree on **Saturday, January 28, 2023** from 9:00am-12pm. Guest speaker is Mallory Hurley, a Catholic artist who finds that art helps her understand her faith and come closer to God.

Cost is \$25.00 (students \$20). To register, please call Brenda by Jan. 23 at 724-836-2094 or visit [www.magnificatgreensburg.com](http://www.magnificatgreensburg.com) to download a registration form. Please note that there is no online registration.

## **Catholic Engaged Encounter**

### **Diocese of Greensburg**

#### **Are you getting married?**

Catholic engaged encounter is an opportunity for Christian couples to prepare for a lifetime commitment. If you desire a loving, faithful, permanent and life-giving marriage, consider attending a Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend. This marriage preparation program presents a comprehensive, up-close and personal look at marriage. For more information, please call George and Pat Ziringer at 724-335-4966 or [ziringer@comcast.net](mailto:ziringer@comcast.net) or [www.greensburgengagedencounter.com](http://www.greensburgengagedencounter.com). The next scheduled weekends will be held in Greensburg on February 24-25 and September. 15-17

**Widowed, Divorced, Separated?** The loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation is a traumatic experience. The Beginning Experience© Pittsburgh Lay Apostolate will host a 1-day Saturday seminar,

Coping with Life Alone-In the Beginning Program, intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated men and women work through their grief and begin to move forward with hope on their life journey.

Please plan to join us Saturday, 4 February 2023 from 8:45am – 4:00pm. Fee is \$25.00 (beverages & lunch included). Location: St. John Capistran Church, 1610 McMillan Rd., Upper St. Clair, PA 15241. Register by February 1<sup>st</sup> at [www.BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com](http://www.BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com) or make a confidential call to Kim at 412-352-2653 to learn more about this healing ministry.

Wishing you all a blessed Christmas and New Year.

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## Altar Servers Needed

We have lost a number of altar servers for various reasons for the upcoming year. If your son or daughter is interested in becoming an altar server, training is available.

Please contact Jennifer Kirshner at  
[jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or  
call /email the parish office.



Adult servers are also welcome! Consider serving at mass!

### **Christmas Decoration Removal - Greensburg Catholic Cemetery**

If you wish to retain your Christmas decorations from your loved ones graves, please remove the decorations by February 15. **Anything left in the cemetery past February 15, as a courtesy to you, will be discarded** by cemetery staff. Thank you for your cooperation.

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