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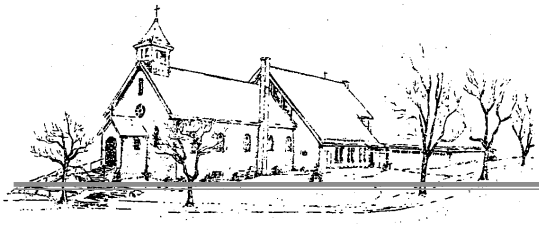

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11 & 12, 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
Daily Mass Schedules: www.dioceseofgreensburg.org

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Thoughts from Fr. Rod

Those who follow the Lord are in reality doers of His words. So, in our gospel this Sunday Jesus highlighted this and said to His disciples "If you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift." This simply means that we can't relate to God unless we are in good standing with one another. This must be taken seriously.

So, Jesus really wanted to check those who want to follow Him to have proper understanding of His commandments. He goes to the radix of the commandments, to the origin and the possible cause of transgression, sin, or damage. Jesus said "You have heard that it was said to your ancestors, you shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgement. But I say to you, whoever is angry will be liable to judgement." This is His way of defense or prevention for His disciples from committing possible worst offense.

Again, those who remain in Jesus are always drawn away from committing possible offense. The Lord wants to protect his disciples and followers – all of us; so, He gave us His commandments.
Be a doer of Jesus' words!

Fr. Rod

Mass Intentions
For 2023
are now being accepted
Call the Parish office to schedule yours.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 12, 2023

Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! Psalm 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

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Offertory:	$3,189
Online:	$2,155
Operating Expenses	$155
Loose:	$146
Children:	$12
Candles	$103
Ash Wednesday	$50
Catholic Accent	$40
Total:	**$5,850**
Budget:	**$7,700**
Over/(Under):	**($1,850)**

February 4 & 5, 2023

Diocesan Collections

Home Missions	$5
Eastern Europe	$448

To Donate to Holy Cross Online go to
www.holycrossyoungwood.org
Click on "Donate" and follow the prompts
Call the office if you have any questions

MASS INTENTIONS

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT. FEB 11	5:00PM	HEALTH & WELFARE OF GEORGE & BERNADETTE SOLTIS (CAROL KALICH)
SUN. FEB 12	8:00AM	BENNY POLICASTRO (SON)
	10:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
MON. FEB 13	8:00AM	TOM & DOROTHY BALSAMO (FAMILY)
TUE. FEB 14	8:00AM	FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF CATHERINE SHIMMEL
WED. FEB 15	8:00AM	FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF KARLY N DIMARTINO
THU. FEB 16	8:00AM	WEDDING ANNIVERSARY JOHN & THERESA KOCHUGA
FRI. FEB 17		NO MASS

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT. FEB 18	5:00PM	SUE GLORIOSO (HUSBAND CHUCK)
SUN. FEB 19	8:00AM	CATHARINE VANGILDER (DAUGHTER KAREN & FAMILY)
	10:00AM	MARGARET BYRNE (JO & GEORGE HARTZELL)

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 18 & 19, 2023

SAT FEB 18 5PM: ALTAR SERVERS—KIRSHNER
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HORAN LECTOR—HORAN

SUN FEB 19 8AM: ALTAR SERVERS—HULL
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HALD LECTOR—TLUMACK

10AM: ALTAR SERVERS—KOCHUGA
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—CASINI LECTOR—LUCAS

MONEY COUNTERS—HELMAN, WENTZEL, YODER
Thank you all for your service! Check before Mass to see if you are needed.

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.

The Word—Year A
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

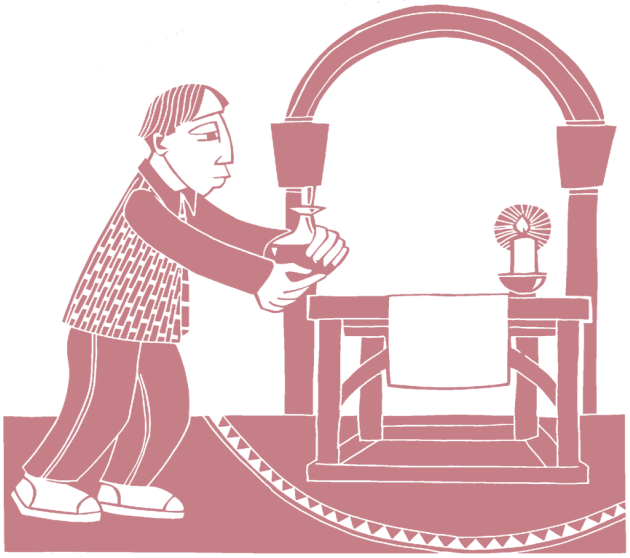
**Before man are life and death,
good and evil, whichever he chooses
shall be given him.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 6-10

***What eye has not seen,
and ear has not heard….***

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

***If your right eye causes you to sin,
tear it out and throw it away.***



Pastoral Council—TBD

Finance Council—February 15 @6PM

Ash Wednesday - February 22
(Mass/Ashes) 8AM
(Ashes only) 6 PM
Stations of the Cross—During Lent
Wednesdays at 12:10 PM/Fridays 7PM

**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.**

Lenten Window /Altar Candle

**If you would like to reserve a
Lenten Window/Altar candle
in honor or in memory of a loved one,
please call the parish office or
place your request in the collection basket
Cost is $25 per candle.
Space is limited!**

Deadline Monday, February 27th

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.

February Faithful Challenge: FORGIVENESS

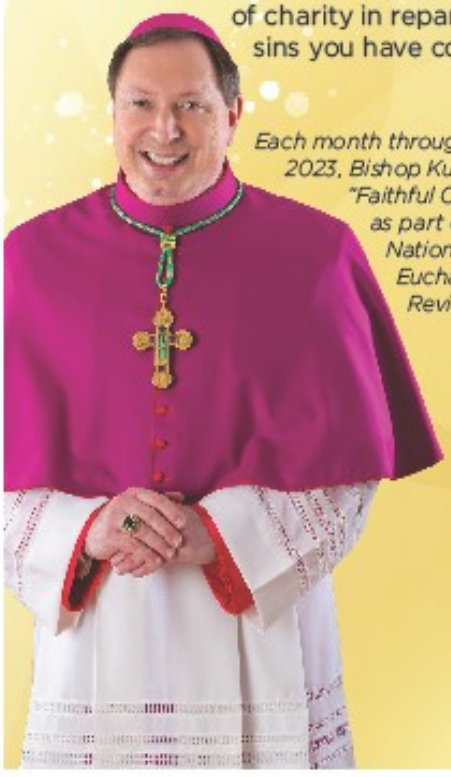
"Forgiveness is the essence of love which can understand mistakes and mend them." – *Pope Francis*

Throughout the month of February, Bishop Kulick is challenging the faithful of the Diocese of Greensburg to offer and seek forgiveness.

"What I'm asking you to do is reflect upon how you have harmed or even how you have been harmed by somebody, and make an outreach for reconciliation and forgiveness," Bishop Kulick said. "It may be as simple as making a phone call, sending a text or writing a letter. Or maybe just performing a kind deed of charity in reparation for sins you have committed."

Challenge yourself to reach out by:

- **Writing a letter**
- **Sending a text**
- **Making a phone call**
- **Performing a kind deed**



Each month throughout 2023, Bishop Kulick will issue "Faithful Challenges" as part of the National Eucharistic Revival.

Eucharistic Revival is a three-year process initiated by the USCCB to invite the faithful to reflect upon the mystery and meaning of the sacrament of the Eucharist in our lives. While much of year one involves providing devotional and formational opportunities for parish and Diocesan staff, you, too, can be a part of Eucharistic Revival right now! Visit the Diocese of Greensburg Facebook page every Thursday to participate in a Faithful Challenge, and hopefully you will feel yourself growing in a relationship with Christ. Visit the Eucharistic Revival resource page at **DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival** for videos, prayers and gathering dates. Consider Bishop Kulick's invitation to become an intentional disciple this year!

OBLATES OF SAINT BENEDICT
Saint Vincent Archabbey
300 Fraser Purchase Road, Latrobe, PA 15650-2690

Father Justin Nolan to speak at Saint Vincent about "On the Road to God"

A series of monthly presentations on Benedictine spirituality will continue on Sunday, February 19, from 3:00 P.M. to 4:15 P.M. in the seminary classroom Brownfield Room 202. The topic will be "On the Road to God," and Father Justin Nolan, O.S.B., professor emeritus of philosophy at Saint Vincent College, will be the presenter. To appreciate the presentation one does not need to have attended previous sessions. Attendees may also attend Vespers at 5:00 P.M. in the nave of the Archabbey Basilica.

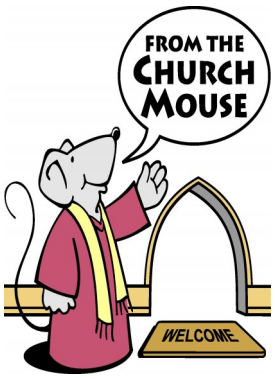
Furthermore, supper at 5:45 in the Eichstätt Dining Room (guest dining room) and an evening session are available. If you plan to attend supper, please phone Fr. Donald, Director of Oblates, at least two days in advance at 724-805-2291. The evening session involves a discussion based on the book *Study Guide for the Rule of St. Benedict*. Copies will be made available to those who do not have the book. The afternoon presentation will probably also be offered on Zoom.

Super Bowl 'Souper' Feb. 12 at St. Edward Parish, Herminie

St. Edward Parish, Herminie, will hold a "Super Bowl Souper" Sunday, Feb. 12, from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. In addition to an all-you-can-eat sampling of more than 20 different homemade soups, sandwiches, desserts and beverages will be provided. There will also be a basket raffle and 50/50. Cost is $8 for adults and $4 for children under 10. Leftover soup can be purchased for $5. For information, call 724-446-5197.

St. Anne's Home Calendar Tickets

Bernadette Soltis will be selling the St. Anne Home Calendar Ticket after the 5PM Mass on Saturday, February 18th. This benefits the Felician Sisters at St. Anne Home. The calendars are $30.00 each and are good for the remainder of 2023. She will be located near the 8th Street entrance of the Church.



Please give a huge Holy Cross Welcome to

James Manzer

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.

American Red Cross

Youngwood Community Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, February 15
12:30 PM to 6:00 PM At the Youngwood Fire Hall
For an appointment log on to : redcrossblood.org
and enter YOUNGWOOD to schedule appointment
Or call 1-800-REDCROSS

Thank you to all who have donated blood for the Red Cross Youngwood Community Blood Drive over the past several months. Thanks to you we have one of the best blood drives in the area. The blood drives are held every two months at the Youngwood Fire Hall. Consider joining others who donate faithfully.

"The **Youngwood Knights of Columbus Council"**
The Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Baby Bottle Campaign is now over.
Please return your bottles as soon as possible.

The Melchizedek Project
is designed for high school and young adult-aged men who would like to grow in their understanding of how to discern a vocation and learn more about the priesthood. Each gathering involves prayer, discussion on a specific topic related to priesthood, and dinner.
Please visit greensburgpriest.org for registration information, dates, and locations.

Help Wanted

Custodian & Facilities Maintenance Worker

Our Church, Holy Cross, is seeking a Custodian.
The position, a custodian/facilities maintenance worker is a part-time paid position of up to 20 hours per week. Duties are cleaning and minor maintenance and repairs for the church, rectory and the campus grounds and overseeing the effective and efficient operation of the parish campus.
For information, call the parish office at
724-925-7811 or email holycross@dioceseofgreensburg.org

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 or call /email the parish office.

Adult servers are also welcome! Consider serving at mass!

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