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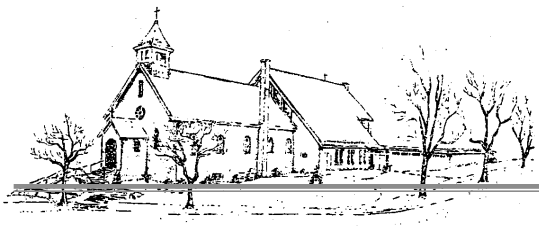

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 11 & 12, 2023

Year A

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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

We are now on the third Sunday of the Season of Lent. It means we are halfway now of our observance of the season that calls us to a deeper journey of our faith in God. Hopefully each one of us is still keeping our commitment. Our Gospel this weekend helps us to go to a deeper union with God. And Jesus calls it to worship God in Spirit and Truth.

This revelation of Jesus about worshipping in Spirit and Truth happens when we listen to Him and allow Him to enter within us. We remember the word of the Father in previous Sunday's Gospel, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, listen to Him." As followers of the Lord, we listen to Him and we witness Him to the world, as we bring Him to everyone we meet through our kind and sincere words and generous assistance; whenever circumstances call us. So, when we actualize what we believe, we worship God in Spirit and in Truth.

Come, let us tell the world about God in every good thing we do!

Fr. Rod

The Parish Office will be
CLOSED
Thursday, March 16th at 1:00 PM
Reopening Friday, March 17th at 8:00 AM

Third Sunday of Lent, March 12 2023

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,8-9

$tewardship — March 4 & 5, 2023

Offertory:	$4,057
Online:	$2,067
Operating Expenses	$300
Loose:	$130
Children:	$14
Candles	$76
Easter Flowers	$90
Ash Wednesday	$28
Catholic Accent	$13
Total:	**$6,775**
Budget:	**$7,700**
Over/Under:	**($925)**

Diocesan Collections

Home Missions	$38
Eastern Europe	$10

To Donate to Holy Cross Online go to
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Call the office if you have any questions

MASS INTENTIONS

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SAT. MAR 11	5:00PM	LOIS STINEBISER (PATTI STANGL)
SUN. MAR 12	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
	10:00AM	IVY & ARTHUR WHITTY (MICHAEL WHITTY)
MON. MAR 13	8:00AM	EDWARD LEVENDOSKY (LOU & KAREN BOMPIANI)
TUE. MAR 14	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE KLAMAR & DREXLER FAMILIES (JIM DREEXLER FAMILY)
WED. MAR 15	8:00AM	FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF ANNA & WILLIAM GREINER
	12:00PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
THU. MAR 16	8:00AM	FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF EDGAR A STEEL
FRI. MAR 17	———-NO MASS————	
	7:00PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SAT. MAR 18	5:00PM	DAWN JAROCKI (HUSBAND & FAMILY)
SUN. MAR 19	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
	10:00AM	EDWARD J LUCAS, (LUCAS FAMILY)

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 MARCH 18 & 19, 2023

SAT MAR 18 5PM: ALTAR SERVERS—KIRSHNER
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HELMAN LECTOR—SHUGARTS

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

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

MONEY COUNTERS—REGER, GRIFFIN, J ADAMOSKI

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.

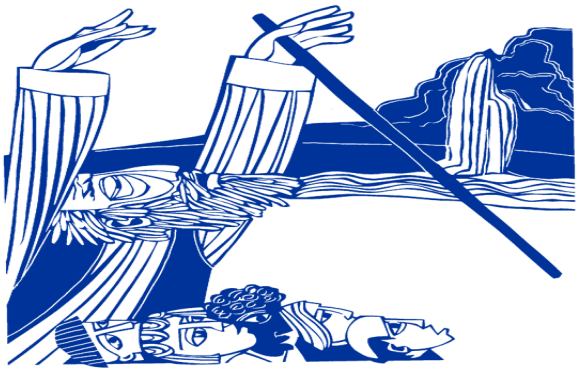
If you experience any personal injury on church property, please call the office or speak to Fr. Rodriguez

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
Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

What shall I do with this people?



Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

….the love of God has been poured out into our hearts….

Gospel: John 4:5-42

….whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst….

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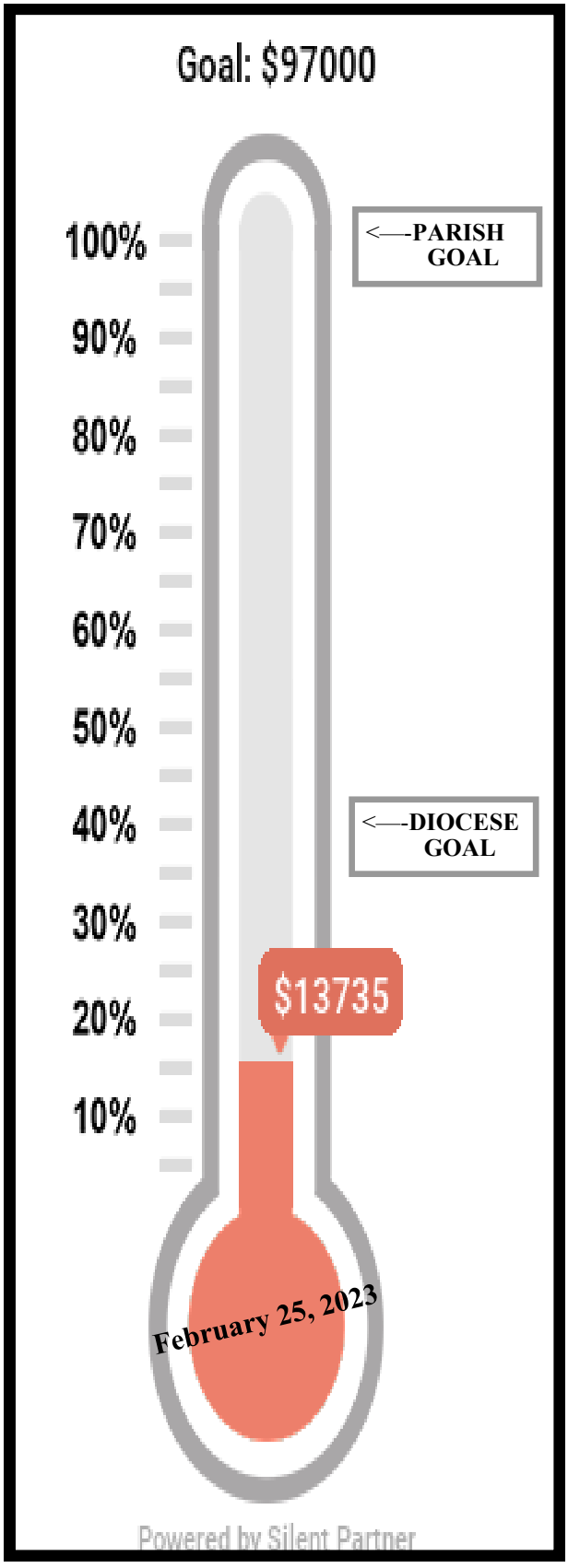


Pastoral Council—TBD

Finance Council—TBD

Stations of the Cross—During Lent
Wednesdays at 12:10 PM/Fridays 7PM

Regional Penance Services—TBD

Palm Sunday—April 2

Holy Thursday—April 6

Good Friday—April 7

Holy Saturday—April 8

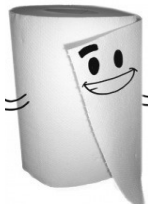
Easter Sunday—April 9

Mass Intentions

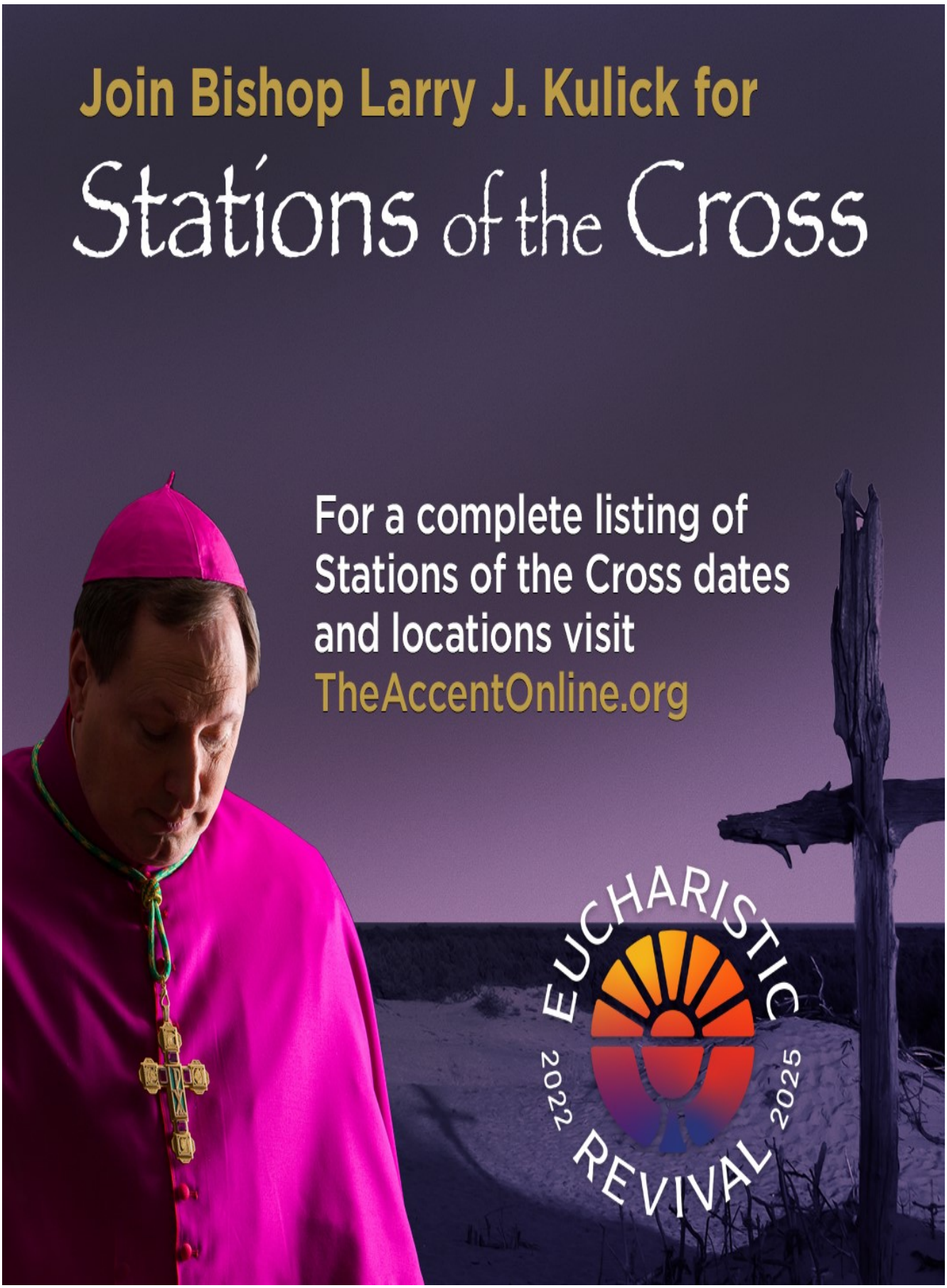
For 2023
are now being accepted
Call the Parish office to schedule yours.

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.



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 <u>these donations are welcome any time</u>. Your ongoing support of the Youngwood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Stations of the Cross
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March Faithful Challenge: Lenten Reflections

Join Bishop Larry J. Kulick for Lenten Evenings of Reflection

Throughout March, Bishop Kulick challenges the faithful to attend Lenten Evenings of Reflection at one or all of the five parishes listed below in the Diocese of Greensburg. For those who are able to attend, Bishop Kulick has a special Lenten pin to be worn as a sign of intentional discipleship. Bishop Kulick's Lenten Evenings of Reflection focus on the Sunday Gospels proclaimed during Lent. His reflections will be recorded and available for viewing on the Diocese of Greensburg website or on the Diocese Facebook page.

Tuesday, February 28 – 6:00 PM
Saint Mary, Mother of God Parish, Yatesboro
Topic: Called to Confidence in Faith:
The Temptation of "Now"

Tuesday, March 7 – 6:00 PM
Saint Mary (Nativity) Parish, Uniontown
Topic: Transfiguration through Listening

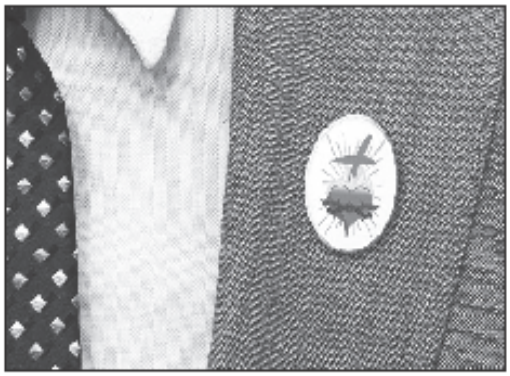
Thursday, March 16 – 6:00 PM
Church of the Resurrection Parish, Clymer Site
Topic: Companions on the Journey

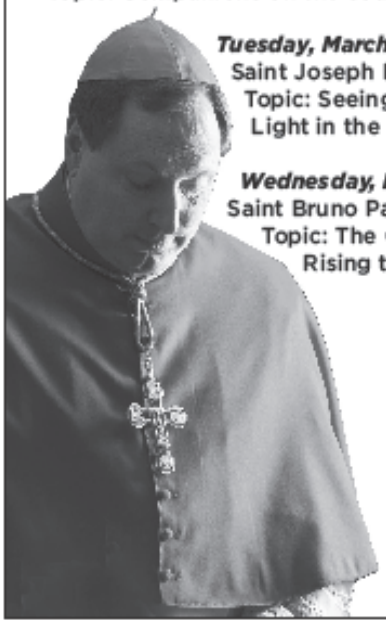
Tuesday, March 21 – 6:00 PM
Saint Joseph Parish, Derry
Topic: Seeing Through Our Blindness:
Light in the Darkness

Wednesday, March 29 – 6:00 PM
Saint Bruno Parish, Greensburg
Topic: The Compassion of Christ:
Rising to New Life

Challenge Yourself:

- **Plan to join Bishop Kulick for a Lenten Evening of Reflection in person**
- **Watch the recorded Lenten Evenings of Reflection on the Diocese Facebook page or on the website: DioceseofGreensburg.org**





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!

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.

Our New Custodian

TIMI FOWLER

St. Bartholomew's Parish & Crabtree Volunteer Fire Department, will partner together to have their annual Fish Fry. Come and check out our new location and our new renovated Kitchen. The fish fry will be in the bottom of Marian Hall (388 Cemetery Rd, Crabtree, PA 15624). Their Fish Fry will be on Ash Wednesday, February 22 and also every Friday in Lent. It will begin at 4:30 PM and will go until 7:00 PM. They will be offering Eat-In or Take-out. You can call 724-834-9789 or 724-834-1028 to place your orders.

YOUTH MINISTRY EASTER CANDY

Youth Ministry is again working with local business Sibs sweet shop to offer you great Easter Candy! Order forms can be found at all entrances of the church. Order forms are due back March 27th. And can be put in with the collection or dropped off at the Parish office. Orders can be picked up after all Psalm Sunday Masses. Thank you for supporting the youth of our Parish.

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- Answering phones
- Assisting Office Assistant and Volunteer Coordinator

Patient Visitor Volunteers

Duties are varied but may include:
- Helping the caregiver to schedule "time out"
- Listening to concerns, visiting a patient,
- Meal preparation or light housekeeping.

Bereavement Support Volunteers

Assist the Bereavement Coordinator:
- Telephone calls of support to grieving families
- Bereavement mailings
- Assist with Grief Support groups

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Saint James, New Alexandria Presents: Adult Lenten Series:
Tuesday, March 7th - 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - "Why so much focus on sin?"
Tuesday, March 14th - 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - "The last supper, more than just a meal"
Tuesday, March 21st - 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - "The sights, sounds and symbols of Holy Week"
Tuesday, March 28th - 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - "A closer look at the death of Jesus - A theological & biological examination"
Everyone is invited to attend, no registration necessary. Contact the parish office for more information - 724-668-2829.

THE WELL, Diocesan Men's Conference, Planned March 25

Men in the Diocese of Greensburg are invited to get out of their comfort zone and make Catholicism a way of life at "THE WELL – BE NOT AFRAID," the Diocesan Men's Conference, Saturday, March 25, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. It will be a day of inspiring speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and Mass celebrated by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. Cost is $50 and includes lunch. Scholarships are available through the Diocesan Francis Fund. Register now at DioceseofGreensburg.org/TheWell.

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 Fr. Rod at
rrodriguez@dioceseofgreensburg.org or
call /email the parish office.

Adult servers are also welcome! Consider serving at mass!

Purse Bash March 12 at Visitation Parish, Mount Pleasant

Visitation Parish, Mount Pleasant, will hold a Purse and Cash Bash Sunday, March 12, from 1-4 p.m. in St. Pius X Parish hall. Tickets are $35 and include four numbers (need not be present to win), plus appetizers, lunch, dessert and beverages. For tickets, call the parish office at 724-547-1911.

Saint Bruno Parish, South Greensburg, will host its annual Lenten Dinners every Friday during Lent from 4:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. and on Good Friday from 2:30 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
Dine in and take out will be available. For more information please call (724-836-0690).
Menu Features: Fried fish dinners and sandwiches, baked weekly specials,
fried shrimp, crab cakes, kids'meal and lots of desserts to choose from!

News from the Knights of Columbus Council #8452 @ Holy Cross Church, Youngwood PA

Our 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign raised $1893.65! This amount is 2 ½ times the amount we raised last year! *Thank you* to all who so generously donated. This money is used for supporting Pro-Life Activities. We are a sponsor of Life Choices in Greensburg. They provide numerous services in promoting pro-life support to women, both pre- and post-natal.

Congratulations to Joseph Nemetz & Michael Nemetz for becoming the newest members of the Knights of Columbus Council #8452! We welcome these fine young Catholic men aboard! They are often seen as ushers at 10:00 Mass.

Congratulations to Paul Burns on becoming a Third Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus Council #8452. Paul is a fixture at 10:00 Mass and is the guy with the big smile pouring orange juice at the monthly Donut Sunday's.

If you are interested in or are curious about becoming a Knight, just approach any Knight you know of, or better yet, contact Tim Johnston (724-493-1664), Ger Andrews (724-331-5416), or Ed Lucas (724-925-6604) and we will set up a time to talk to you about our Council.

Donut Sunday is this Sunday, March 12 after the 8Am & 10AM Masses. We hope to see you there, especially those from 8:00 Mass. We can't get Father Rod to have a donut after the 8:00 Mass, maybe if we get a few more people to stop down, we can change his mind!

Our April Donut Sunday is cancelled, since it would fall on Easter Sunday. We have a no compete clause with the Easter Bunny. But we have something *special* coming in May. Keep watching this space.

What do we do with the money we raise? As stated above, we donate to pro-life activities. This year, we also have donated to the following;

Youngwood Food Bank	St. Paul Food Bank	St. Anne Home
Operation Home Front	Make-A-Wish	Clelian Heights
Holy Cross Youth Group	Youngwood VFD	Special Olympics

We also sponsor seminarians, as it is important to help these young men of today to become our priests of tomorrow.
Your generosity and the efforts of our Knights makes this all possible.

Our next big fund raiser is a Knight at the Races on April 29, to be held at New Stanton VFD. Watch this space for further details and how to purchase a horse (or two). This is our major fundraiser until Fall, so we hope to see you there!

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