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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 13 & 14, 2023, Year A

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Love is always central in the Catholic Faith as we always believe in Jesus our Lord and Savior. He always reminds His followers about doing His commandments because this forever guarantees that they love Him. The fidelity to His commandments authenticates their love of Jesus. The Lord makes it clear to them that

living up His words - doing and sharing them - proves that they are His witnesses to the world. So, as His witnesses, the Lord will send us His advocate to be with us as our protector, the Spirit of Truth. The Lord promised this to his disciples in our gospel today. Be rest assured that as we continue to witness God in the world we are always under His divine guidance and protection. Let us be courageous in carrying our mission as witnesses of the Lord to the world.

The Lord's care is always there for
His witnesses!
Fr. Rod

Sixth Sunday of Easter—May 14, 2023

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

Stewardship

May 6 & 7, 2023

Offertory:	\$2,978
Online:	\$2,277
Operating Expenses	\$285
Loose:	\$107
Children:	\$11
Candles	\$77
Ascension	\$25
Easter	\$25
Mother's Day	\$450

Diocesan Collections
Communications Media \$5

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

Contributions by **Check** is preferred over
cash when possible

Total: \$6,235
Budget: \$7,700
Over/(Under): (\$1,465)



MASS INTENTIONS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SAT	MAY 13	5:00PM	LIVING & DECEASED MOTHERS
SUN	MAY 14	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED MOTHERS
		10:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED MOTHERS
MON	MAY 15	8:00AM	WILLIAM DOWNEY (LOHR FAMILY)
TUE	MAY 16	NO MASS	
WED	MAY 17	NO MORNING MASS	
	VIGIL	6:00PM	JOHN C BYRNE, JR. (JO & GEORGE HARTZELL)

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

THU	MAY 18	8:00AM	SUE GLORIOSO (HUSBAND CHUCK)
FRI	MAY 19	NO MASS	
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
SAT.	MAY 20	5:00PM	JOANNE POLICASTRO & BRIDGET McGRATH (HUSBAND & UNCLE)
SUN	MAY 21	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
		10:00AM	IN HONOR OF TERRY KLAMAR'S BIRTHDAY (JIM DREXLER FAMILY)

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 MAY 20 & 21, 2023

SAT	MAY 20	5:00PM	ALTAR SERVERS—LUTZ	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—BROWN	LECTOR—SHUGARTS
SUN	MAY 21	8:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—HOUGHTALEN	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—NEMEC	LECTOR—TLUMACK
		10:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—GRAY	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HANEY	LECTOR—CASINI
			MONEY COUNTERS—DERR, FRICK, GLORIOSO	

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	Vigil	5:00PM	SUNDAY	8:00AM & 10:00AM
HOLY DAY	Vigil	6:00PM eve. prior day		8:00AM on Holy Day
WEEKDAY		8:00AM Mon. thru Thurs.		No Mass on Friday
CONFESSIONS		Saturday 4:00PM		
WEDDINGS		Please call Father at least 6 Months Prior		
BAPTISMS		Please call Father to schedule.		
ANOINTING OF THE SICK		Please call parish office.		

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Wed, Thurs.: 8:00AM—4:00PM Tuesday 2:00—5:00PM
Friday: 8:00AM—Noon

IMPORTANT DATES



FESTIVAL MEETING—MAY 16 @6:30PM

ASCENSION—MAY 18

WOMEN'S GUILD - MAY 20 @6:00 PM

MEMORIAL DAY—MAY 29

MEMORIAL DAY REGIONAL MASS AT
OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH @9:00AM

PASTORAL COUNCIL— @7:00PM

FINANCE COUNCIL—JUNE 6 @6:00PM

FATHER'S DAY—JUNE 18

PARISH PICNIC @ NS PARK—JUNE 25 11AM

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.

Greensburg Area Sunday Evening Regional Mass

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

Youngwood Food Pantry
100 Lincoln St
Christ United Methodist
Church

Youngwood, PA 15697

Distribution Dates/Times

3rd Wednesday 12:30-2PM



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.

THE WORD—YEAR A

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES
8:5-8, 14-17

**FOR UNCLEAN SPIRITS,
CRYING OUT IN A LOUD VOICE, CAME OUT OF
MANY POSSESSED PEOPLE....**



SECOND READING: 1 PETER 3:15-18

SANCTIFY CHRIST AS LORD IN YOUR HEARTS.

GOSPEL: JOHN 14:15-21

**ON THAT DAY YOU WILL REALIZE THAT I AM IN MY
FATHER AND YOU ARE IN ME AND I IN YOU.**



Daily Mass Readings: www.usccb.org
Daily Mass Schedules: www.dioceseofgreensburg.org

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.

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.



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



Adult servers are also welcome! Consider serving at mass!

Please pardon our appearance as we create a new warm and colorful bulletin for you, our parishioners. Each week new changes will be made to make the bulletin easier to read and navigate so you may find areas of interest to you as well as bring you important news about happenings in our Parish. Obviously colorful bulletins cost more than black & white. We are limited as to the number of advertisers that have been supporting our bulletin printing.

We are looking to you, our parishioners, for assistance. Consider being a Bulletin Patron Sponsor. We will add a section on our advertising page for those parishioners who don't own businesses but would like to help defray our cost. You can also recognize a Birthday, Anniversary or Memorialize a friend or loved one as well. Simply complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail to the parish office with your payment.

Donation would be \$10.00 per Month or for a single insertion.
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EXAMPLES >>

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Join us for our annual VBS here at Holy Cross. This year we be “Shining Jesus’ Light!”

Who: Pre-K (4yrs. old) thru 5th Grade

When: June 26 – June 30

Time: 6pm – 8pm

Cost: Free

Deadline: Register by June 11

Registration link:

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/60973f2352eca/web/>

Please contact jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org with any questions!





May Faithful Challenge: Serve the poor & spend time in prayer to the Blessed Mother

Bishop Kulick's May Faithful Challenge is to serve the poor and spend time in prayer to the Blessed Mother. From the very beginning, the Gospels tell the story of Mary, a person who embraces both material and spiritual poverty. First, we can pray to the Blessed Mother for a National Eucharistic Revival!



Diocesan Prayer for Eucharistic Revival

Lord Jesus, You are the living bread
who satisfies the hunger of the human heart.
In the Eucharist, the bread and wine
become Your Body and Blood,
the gift of Yourself to the Church.
Deepen our faith in Your Eucharistic presence
and strengthen us as members of the Church,
the Body of Christ.

As we encounter and revere
Your Eucharistic presence,
open us to the needs of our brothers and sisters
here and everywhere throughout the world.
Help us to reveal Your love, Your promise,
Your presence to them by our lives,
and in all we say and do.

Amen

+ Larry J. Kulick

The Most Reverend Larry J. Kulick, J.C.L.
Bishop of the Diocese of Greensburg

Another way we can accept Bishop's Kulick's May Faithful Challenge is to serve the poor. Consider donating to Catholic Charities of the Diocese Greensburg. Last year, Catholic Charities provided nearly \$400,000 in material assistance to those in need. Visit CCharitiesGreensburg.org to learn more! Or, we could accept the challenge to become a volunteer with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, one of the largest charitable organizations in the world serving those in need. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international, nonprofit, Catholic lay organization of more than 850,000 men and women, in 150 countries worldwide.



SAVE THE DATE!

Holy Cross Festival News

September 16 & 17, 2023

The first meeting for this year's festival will be on Tuesday, May 16th at 6:30 in the church. Anyone interested in volunteering to help at the festival can come to the meeting. Volunteers for the festival will be required to have clearances. You can contact Shelly Garris (Festival Chair), Michele Wentzel (clearance coordinator) or Scott Sistek at the parish office for details.

All women of the Parish are invited to a Wine and Cheese Meet and Greet on Saturday, May 20 at 6 pm sponsored by the Holy Cross Women's Guild



The Altar Flowers this weekend were donated by an Anonymous Parishioner



Outdoor Mass & Picnic in the Park June 25, 2023

The event will begin with an outdoor Mass at 11:00 AM at New Stanton Park. The Picnic will be catered. **Contact the parish to let us know if you are coming to help with the count for the caterer.** Call 724-925-7811 or Email ssistek@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Become a Member of Holy Cross Church

Welcome! It is a blessing to welcome new members to our parish.. Please register as soon as possible in order to participate in our various programs, ministries and activities. Drop this form in the collection basket and we will send you a detailed registration form or go to our website: www.holycrossyoungwood.org

If you are already a member and have changed any of your personal information, please contact the Parish Office or return the changes on the form below.



Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

___ Register ___ Moving ___ Change Address/Email or Phone

The Parish Office will be
CLOSED
Thursday, May 18th
In Observance of Ascension Thursday

**Archabbot Martin Bartel to speak at
Saint Vincent about "Ask the Abbot"**

A series of monthly presentations on Benedictine spirituality will continue on Sunday, May 21, from 3:00 P.M. to 4:15 P.M. in the seminary classroom Brownfield Room 202. The topic will be "Ask the Abbot," and Archabbot Martin Bartel, O.S.B., the presenter, will welcome questions from the attendees. 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.

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is burning
from

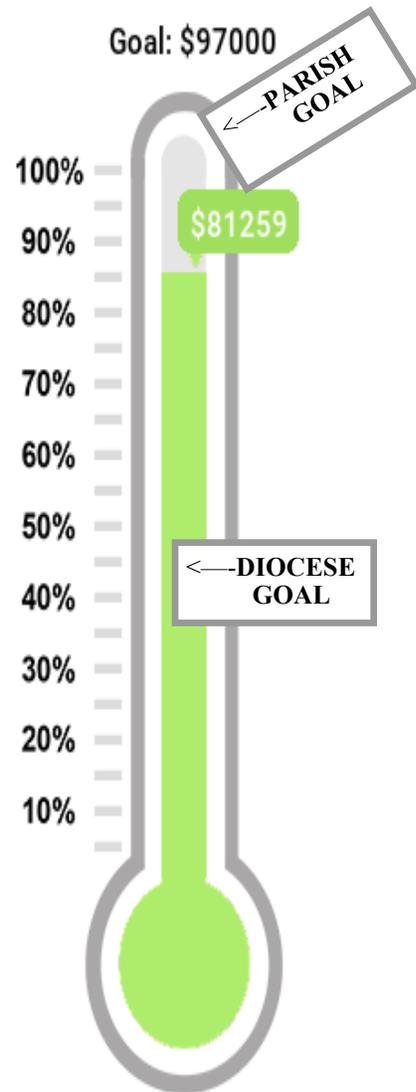


May 14 thru 20
in Memory of

Barbara Bellotti

at the request of
Husband Ed & Sons

**DLA
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Thank you to everyone who made a gift to the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Thus far, we have raised \$81,259, and \$40,817 will be returned to our parish for windows, kitchen & energy upgrades. We need \$15,741 to reach our parish goal of \$97,000. If you have not made a gift, check this week's mail for a reminder. Please prayerfully consider making your gift and joining with those who have as One Body in Christ.



Parishes to host golf outing June 10 in Apollo

St. James and Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parishes are sponsoring a golf outing at the Links at Spring Church, Apollo on Saturday, June 10. Registration is at 7 a.m. with an 8 a.m. shotgun start, followed by lunch. Cost per golfer is \$90 in advance, \$100 on the day of the outing (cash only). The outing will include door prizes, skins game, 50/50, and hole-in-one and skill prizes. To register, send checks (payable to St. James Parish or Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, with the memo notation "golf outing") to 109 Owens View Ave., Apollo, PA 15613. For additional information, call or text 313-600-0730 or 724-600-4290.

The Knights of Columbus
are sponsoring a
Pancake Breakfast
THIS Sunday



after the
8AM & 10AM
Masses.
All are welcome!



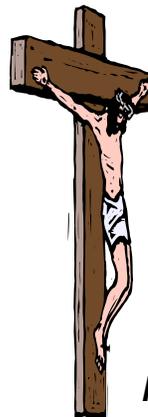
Mass Intentions
For 2023
are now being accepted
Call the Parish office to
schedule yours.

COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

By generously supporting this collection, you are helping to make our Church more accessible and connected to Catholics in our diocese and throughout the world. Half of the collected funds stay right here in the Diocese of Greensburg to support our local communications efforts. Donations support evangelization efforts including popular and innovative news outlets like *The Catholic*

Festival June 11
Visitation Parish, Mount Pleasant
will hold its festival Sunday, June 11
from 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
For information, call 724-547-1911.

Festival June 16-17
St. Bruno Parish
Greensburg
will hold its festival Friday and Saturday,
June 16 and 17, from 5-10 p.m. The festival
will feature famous mile-high gob cake,
basket, gift card and jewelry booths, 50/50,
bake sale, children's games, face painting,
games of chance, food and beverages, a car
cruise and entertainment.
For information, call 724-836-0690.



In Sympathy
Please remember
in your prayers
the soul of parishioner
RITA CRABTREE

**MOTHER OF
PARISHIONER**

Juanita Johnston

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

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 Proof of Address & ID to Apply

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After 5 Years of diligent work, Melissa Ames is stepping down at the end of April as the Advertising Coordinator for our bulletin. Holy Cross Church is looking for a Volunteer to pick up those duties. Please contact the Parish Office to offer your services to our Church.

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