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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 6 & 7, 2023, Year A

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The Lord assured His followers of heavenly abode. This is what He meant when He said in my Father's home there many mansions and I will go to prepare a place for you so that where I am there you also may be. He said this also in view of His going away to the Father. Jesus prepared His disciples of His absence, that is, when He ascends to the Father. Jesus mentioned all this before His passion, that is, during the Last Supper. He mentioned to His

disciples many things for them to be aware of what would happen that they would not be totally clueless.

Behind all of what He mentioned to them is His passion and death that only took place so quickly, only in a very short span of 3 days. So, the disciples were so overwhelmed with the fast turn of events. But what Jesus guaranteed to them is when they have the faith in Him and that would be enough to realize and follow what He commanded to them.

This is very true to us also that as followers of the Lord, our faith in Him would lead us to do His commands, to execute His words in the way we carry our lives amidst the rapidly changing world. This challenges us to remain faithful despite all the debilitating events around the world. Rest assured of our heavenly abode in God's eternity as we remain truthful and faithful Christians.

Amen!

Fr. Rod

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 7, 2023
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4,5,6

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April 29 & 30, 2023

Offertory:	\$3,323
Online:	\$1,117
Operating Expenses	\$25
Loose:	\$192
Children:	\$12
Mother's Day	\$60
Candles	\$72
Ascension	\$20
Easter	\$60
Holy Thursday	\$10
Catholic Accent	\$16

Diocesan Collections

Good Friday	\$10
Rice Bowl	\$20

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www.holycrossyoungwood.org
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Contributions by **Check** is preferred over
cash when possible

Total:	\$4,907
Budget:	\$7,700
Over/(Under):	(\$2,793)



MASS INTENTIONS

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SAT	MAY 6	5:00PM	LOIS STINEBISER (PATTY KISSINGER)
SUN	MAY 7	8:00AM	OLIVE BRODE (B) (GRANDDAUGHTER KAREN & FAMILY)
		10:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
		12:30PM	FIRST COMMUNION MASS
MON	MAY 8	8:00AM	ELIZABETH PETRUCCI (JEFF & DEB TOFFOLO)
TUE	MAY 9	8:00AM	FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF HARRIET CADWALLADER
WED	MAY 10	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE KLAMAR, DREXLER & PELES FAMILIES (JIM DREXLER FAMILY)
THU	MAY 11	8:00AM	PARRIS FERRARI (A) (WIFE SANDY)
FRI	MAY 12		NO MASS

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

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 13 & 14, 2023

SAT	MAY 13	5:00PM	ALTAR SERVERS—KIRSHNER	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—FULLMAN	LECTOR—PATTERSON
SUN	MAY 14	8:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—HULL	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—NEEDED	LECTOR—FALCONE
		10:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—TALARICO	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—DREXLER	
			MONEY COUNTERS—REGER, GRIFFIN, J ADAMOSKI	

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL—TBD

FINANCE COUNCIL—TBD



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.



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

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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES
6:1-7**

**“IT IS NOT RIGHT FOR US TO NEGLECT THE WORD
OF GOD TO SERVE AT TABLE.”**



SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2:4-9

**....A STONE THAT WILL MAKE PEOPLE STUMBLE,
AND A ROCK THAT WILL MAKE THEM FALL.**

GOSPEL: JOHN 14:1-12

**“I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE.
NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT
THROUGH ME.**



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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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 of 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.



**The Parish Office will be
CLOSED
Monday, May 8th
& Wednesday, May 10th
We will be attending the Eucharistic
Congress at Christ Our Shepherd Center**

**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.

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast next Sunday after the 8AM & 10AM Masses. All are welcome!

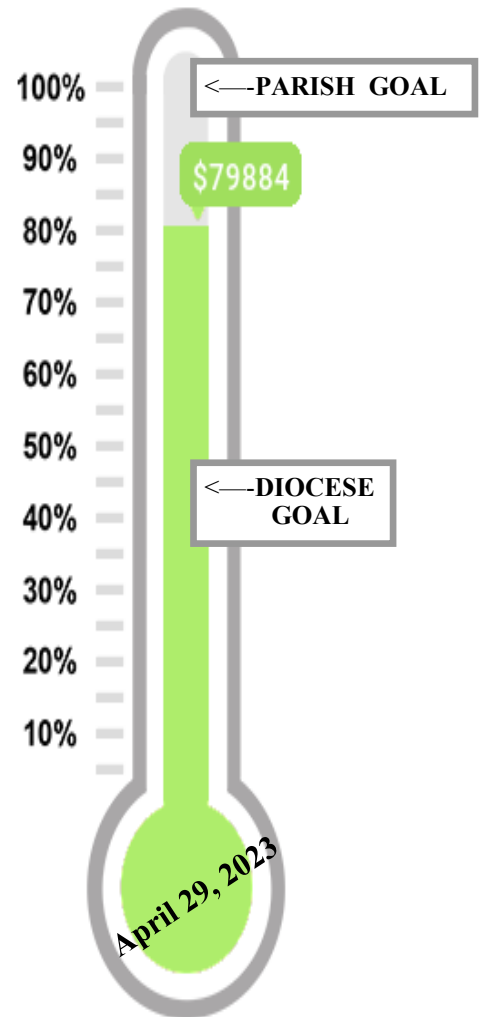


All women of the Parish are invited to a Wine and Cheese Meet and Greet on Saturday, May 20 at 6 pm sponsored by the Holy Cross Women's Guild



**DLA
2023**

Goal: \$97000



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Thank you to everyone who made a gift to the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Thus far, we have raised \$79,884, and \$39,442 will be returned to our parish for windows, kitchen & energy upgrades. We need \$17,116 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.

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 Sitek at the parish office for details.



The Altar Flowers
this weekend
and the
Sanctuary Candle
burning from
May 7 thru 13
are in Memory of

William
Capretti, Jr

at the request
of
his Mother



In Sympathy

Please remember
in your prayers
the soul of parishioner

DONALD MILLER

Elmer passed away
April 24th and
was buried that week

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

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 call the Parish Office or return the changes on the form below.



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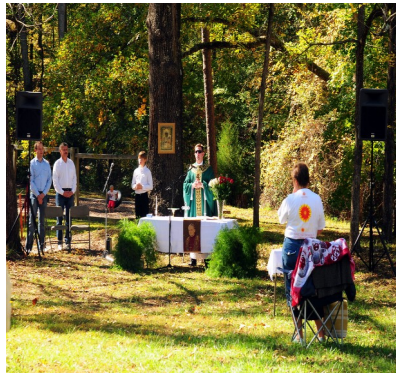
Register Moving Change Address/Email or Phone



May Crowning

You're invited to join us for the May Crowning Celebration! We will honor Mary, the Mother of God as our queen and as the Mother of the Church. It will take place on Sunday, May 14th during the 10 am Mass. All children ages 4 and up are invited to participate. Those participating will sit in the front of the church in "Reserved" pews.

During Offertory, the children will process to the front of the church with a flower for Mary and place it in a vase. At the end of Mass, Mary will be crowned. The dress code for this event is as follows: Girls – white or a pastel-colored dress, Boys – wear your Sunday best, no jeans. Hope you can join us on this special day! Contact Jennifer Kirshner with any questions: jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org



Outdoor Mass & Picnic in the Park June 25, 2023

The event will be 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.



PASCHAL CANDLE 2023-2024

A new Paschal candle is blessed and lit every year at Easter, and is used throughout the Paschal season which is during Easter and then throughout the year on special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals.

The Paschal candle this year will be

In Memory of

The Deceased Members of the Rinier 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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