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**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JULY 22 & 23, 2023 Year A**

One of the parables in today's Gospel presents to us how God forbears sinners, how He gives chances for us to change - renew our lives. The parable of the weeds and the wheat speaks about "end time." That amidst all what's happening around the world, with all these chaos, immorality in all kinds, and all those belonging to darkness there will be time for them, the time of reckoning. It speaks of "Fiery furnace where the wicked will be wailing and grinding their teeth." This is a picture of eternal fire for those who are doomed because of wickedness - eternal damnation. But God is just for those who persevere despite anything, "They will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of God."

This is what God has said to us!
Fr. Rod

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time— July 23, 2023

Lord, you are good and forgiving. Psalm 86: 5-6. 9-10, 15-16

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July 15 & 16, 2023

Diocesan Collections

www.holycrossyoungwood.org
Click on "Donate" and follow the prompts
Call the office if you have any questions

**Offertory Collections for July 15-16
will be Published
in the July 29-30 Bulletin**

MASS INTENTIONS

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT.	JULY 22	5:00PM	ROBERT P HARTZELL (JO & GEORGE HARTZELL)
SUN	JULY 23	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
		10:00AM	KIMBERLY McMICHAEL SNYDER (GRAY FAMILY)
MON	JULY 24	8:00AM	PARRIS FERRARI (WIFE SANDY)
TUE	JULY 25	8:00AM	GUY DiPAOLO (ANTHONY & SHARON RIZZARDI)
WED	JULY 26	8:00AM	LOU & BETTY BOMPIANI (LOU & KAREN BOMPIANI)
THU	JULY 27	8:00AM	FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF SANDRA SMERILLI
FRI	JULY 28	-----NO MASS-----	

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT.	JULY 29	5:00PM	DONNA PUZA (SHARON ACHTZIGER)
SUN	JULY 30	8:00AM	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #8452
		10:00AM	IN HONOR OF JEANIE LUCAS (BIRTHDAY) (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 JULY 29 & 30, 2023

SAT	JULY 29	5:00PM	ALTAR SERVERS—LUTZ	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—ECHARD	LECTOR—PATTERSON
SUN	JULY 30	8:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS— FIELD	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—SCHOTTING	LECTOR—TLUMACK
		10:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—LUBECKI	
			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HARTZELL	LECTOR—LUBECKI
			MONEY COUNTERS—YUHOUSE, RIDENOUR, SHUGARTS	

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



FINANCE COUNCIL—AUGUST 8 @6PM

ASSUMPTION—AUGUST 15

LABOR DAY—SEPTEMBER 4

LABOR DAY REGIONAL MASS AT
ST. BRUNO @9:00AM

PASTORAL COUNCIL— SEPTEMBER 7 @ 6PM

PARISH FESTIVAL—SEPTEMBER 16 & 17

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



Mass Intentions For 2023

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

Youngwood Food Pantry
100 Lincoln St
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Youngwood, PA 15697

Distribution Dates/Times

3rd Wednesday 12:30-2PM 724-836-0964



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**

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: WISDOM 12:13, 16-19

***FOR YOU SHOW YOUR MIGHT WHEN THE
PERFECTION OF YOUR POWER
IS DISBELIEVED....***



SECOND READING: ROMANS 8: 26-27

***....THE SPIRIT HIMSELF INTERCEDES WITH
INEXPRESSIBLE GREETINGS***

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 13: 24-43

***THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN
IS LIKE A MUSTARD SEED....***



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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FESTIVAL NEWS

2023

September 16 & 17

The Festival Committee is in need of a Chairperson (s) for the Games of Chance. If you have talents to share and would like to chair this important committee of our Festival, please contact Shelly Garris.

We are seeking donations of 12oz. Pepsi products for the drink booth. They can be dropped off in the basement of the Church. Regular Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Diet Caffeine Free Pepsi, Mt. Dew, Lipton Brisk Ice Tea, Mug Root Beer, Sierra Mist, Orange Crush & Dr. Pepper. Also, water & Capri Sun.

As always, we are looking for **VOLUNTEERS**. If you already have your clearance through Holy Cross, Great! If you need to get your clearances, contact Michele Wentzel. Also, in the pews are **SPONSOR ENVELOPES**. Become a sponsor of our Festival! Platinum, Gold, Silver & Bronze sponsorships are available. Your contributions help to defray many of the miscellaneous costs associated with trying to make our Festival a success. Consider a donation today. For more information contact, Shelly Garris or contact the Parish Office.

Festival Chair—Shelly Garris garrisjsjl@gmail.com

Clearances—Michele Wentzel 724-600-6505 or mwentzel@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Parish Office—724-925-7811 or ssistek@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 Fr. Rod at rrodriguez@dioceseofgreensburg.org or call /email the parish office.

Adult servers are also welcome!
Consider serving at mass!

Grounds Committee

Holy Cross Church is looking for volunteers to establish a **Grounds Committee** to keep up with the landscape of the parish campus. Please contact The Parish Office 724-925-7811 or ssistek@dioceseofgreensburg.org for more details and to volunteer your time and talents.

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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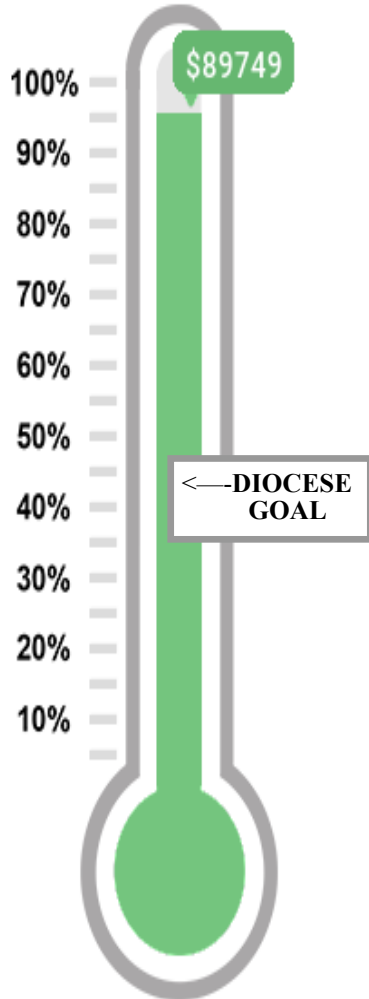
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Welcome to the Holy Cross Family
Olivia Osselborn
 Daughter of Jenna & Dale Osselborn
 Olivia was baptized July 16th by Fr. Rod

Second Collection Next Week

Benefits the Mission Co-Op
 Please give generously!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

By 2050, someone could be eating the last piece of chocolate. The Fairtrade Foundation estimates that by 2050, cocoa-producing regions will become too warm for cultivation. The good news is that farmers who protect the environment can delay that from happening. Visit www.crs.org for more information! "Climate change is a global problem with grave implications... It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day." ~ Pope Francis, Laudato Si (Papal Encyclical), Paragraph 25

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.



Name _____

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Golden Wedding Anniversaries

Bishop Kulick desires to recognize all couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during the calendar year 2023. The Jubilarians, their children, relatives or friends *should contact their local parish office no later than August 1 to register couples for this recognition.* The Jubilarians will be invited to join the bishop for a special Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass to be celebrated in Blessed Sacrament Cathedral on Sunday, October 1, 2023. Even though personal circumstances may not permit individuals to participate in the Mass, all registered couples will receive a scroll signed by the bishop commemorating their anniversary.

Painter(s) Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to do some painting outside at the Rectory. If you can volunteer your time, please call the Parish Office for details.



*July Faithful Challenge:
Don't take a vacation
from your faith.*

Summertime means vacation season is in full swing but don't take a vacation from your faith! Bishop Kulick's July faithful challenge is to attend Mass while you are on vacation. Our broad church allows different forms of music and culture, so don't hesitate to attend a Mass at parish near your vacation spot. You will recognize what is happening right away because every single Mass is the celebration and memorial of the Lord's suffering, death and resurrection. Even in this liturgical season of Ordinary Time, we are walking step by step with the Lord and finding him in ordinary circumstances, or extraordinary ones at a beautiful vacation spot! Learn more about the Eucharistic Revival by visiting DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival.



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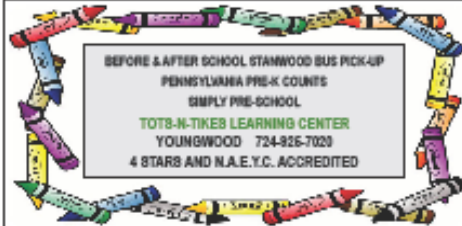
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