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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 23 & 24, 2023 Year A

Generosity flows from Love and Mercy. In the parable the Lord shows His love and mercy to all. He wants that all must experience evenly His love and generosity – that everyone is loved equally regardless of status. We can't argue with our length of time with those just arrived, even those just baptized. In God everyone is loved equally and should enjoy the same privilege, no one is ahead of the other in His heart. This is how everyone is being treated in God's Kingdom. We occupy the same space and equal privilege in God's Heart. Be glad!

P.S. 1

I want to thank all and in particular the Women's Guild & Knights of Columbus for organizing the fellowship we had, & for the gifts on August 27, 2023.

P.S. 2

Thanks everyone for your **GENEROSITY**. We reaped the success of our parish festival because everyone has been generous in many ways! All efforts are highly appreciated!!

Gratefully Yours,

Fr. Rod

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 24, 2023

The Lord is near to all who call upon Him. Psalm 145: 2-3,8-9,17-18

Stewardship

September 16 & 17, 2023

Offertory:	\$2,688
Online:	\$1,262
Operating Expenses	\$55
Loose:	\$240
Children:	\$7
Candles	\$75
CCD	\$43

Diocesan Collections

Seminarian \$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:	\$4,370
Budget:	\$7,700
Over/(Under):	(\$3,330)



MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT.	SEPT 23	5:00PM	ANGIE DEMONTE & JANE DEMONTE (FAMILY)
SUN	SEPT 24	8:00AM	PATRICIA BOBNAR (CAROLE WOJCIECHOWSKI)
		10:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
MON	SEPT 25	8:00AM	PUGGIE & NANCY GORMAN (NONIE MAE RILEY)
TUE	SEPT 26	8:00AM	VIRGINIA HOISLER (CHUCK GLORIOSO)
WED	SEPT 27	8:00AM	LIVING MEMBERS OF THE NEMEC FAMILY (DR. JACK)
THU	SEPT 28	8:00AM	GUY DI PAOLO (VIVIAN REAM)
FRI	SEPT 29	*****NO MASS*****	

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT.	SEPT 30	5:00PM	ROBERT & MARY LOU KALANJA (DAUGHTER & SON-IN LAW DIANE & DENNIS PERSIN)
SUN	OCT 1	8:00AM	JULIE GILBERT (SANDY FERRARI)
		10:00AM	KIMBERLY SNYDER (MILLER 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 SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1, 2023

SAT	SEPT 30	5:00PM	ALTAR SERVERS—LILY HOUGHTALEN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—LOIS HORAN LECTOR—TOM HORAN
SUN	OCT 1	8:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS— KAREN ADAMOSKI EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—MARGIE ALTSCHAFFL LECTOR—DENNIS McMANUS
		10:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—NICK LUBECKI EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—HARRIET HANEY LECTOR—JIM LUBECKI MONEY COUNTERS—KIMMICK, ALTSCHAFFL, HURRIANKO

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



PASTORAL COUNCIL—OCTOBER 2 @7PM
FINANCE COUNCIL—OCTOBER 10 @ 6PM
ALL SAINTS—NOV 1
PARISH PICTURE DATES—NOV 1 THRU NOV 4
ALL SOULS—NOV 2



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 & 2024
are now being accepted*

Call the Parish office to schedule yours.

Youngwood Food Pantry

100 Lincoln St

**Christ Church of
Youngwood**

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
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 55: 6-9

FOR MY THOUGHTS ARE NOT YOUR THOUGHTS....

SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 1:20C-24, 27A

**I LONG TO DEPART THIS LIFE AND
BE WITH CHRIST**



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 20: 1-16A

**....THE LAST WILL BE FIRST, AND THE FIRST
WILL BE LAST.**



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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Faith Formation

Begins September 24th
Pre-K thru 5th Grade
Classes will meet at Tots-N-Tikes
8:45 - 9:45 on Sundays

Below is the link for Faith Formation sign ups

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/5d489dcae645f/web/>

Be sure to complete your smart waiver ahead of time!
waiver.smartwaiver.com

Confirmation Retreat

Tues., September 26 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the church social hall. At least one parent/guardian must attend with each candidate.

Encounter Him

Eucharistic Adoration with Contemporary Praise & Worship

Sept. 24 Oct. 22 Nov. 26 Jan. 28

Feb. 25 March 17 April 28

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Following Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass

Our Lady of Grace Church
1011 Mount Pleasant Rd
Greensburg



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**New Stanton VFD
108 S. Main St., New Stanton, PA 15672
October 21, 2023**

Door Open 6 p.m. / Races 7:30 p.m.

Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus

Admission Tickets

Donation: \$20.00 in Advance/\$25.00 at the Door

Food & Refreshments Included

HORSES - \$25.00 (Includes 1 Ticket)



For Horses Call: Charles Stack @ 412-638-7500

**Admission Tickets Available from any
Knight of Columbus**

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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September Faithful Challenge: Pray for Vocations



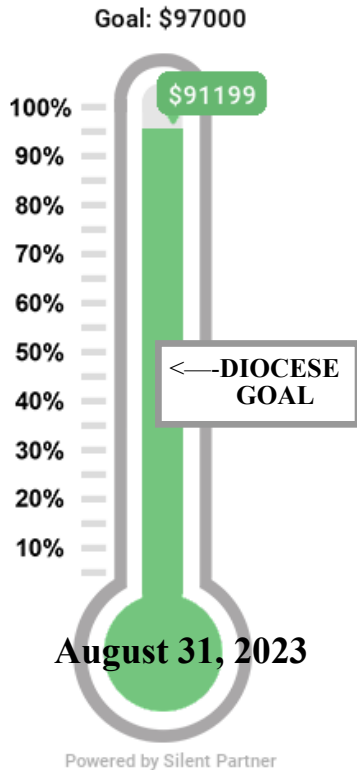
The clergy shortage in the Diocese of Greensburg is widely known. In fact, in the next eight years, we will have fewer than 15 native-born priests to serve the Diocese of Greensburg. Without priests, there is no Eucharist. Without the Eucharist, there can be no Eucharistic Revival. This month, Bishop Kulick's Faithful Challenge is to pray for vocations. He encourages you to join him in prayer to spur the renewal of the Church.

This year, Bishop Kulick accepted three more men into the priestly formation program for the Diocese of Greensburg: Matteo Arcara, Thomas Oldenburg, and Ryan Scavnicky. They are now in what is termed the Propaedeutic Stage, a new stage just recently added to the priestly formation program. During the Propaedeutic Stage, Arcara, Oldenburg and Scavnicky will live in community with other seminarians. While introductory in nature, the Propaedeutic Stage is time for the three to grow in their relationship with Christ, trust in God and knowledge of the Catholic Church and Her teachings. This time helps seminarians to lay a foundation for a new way of life centered in Christ and in communion with his Bishop, presbyterate, and his local Church.

Our seminarians have a heart for the mission of our Church! Supporting the Seminarian Collection on September 23 and 24 helps to spur the renewal of our Church. To learn more about the formation of our future priests or donate visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/seminarian-clergy-formation-collection

DLA 2023

Thank you to everyone who made a gift to the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Thus far, we have raised **\$91,199** and **\$50,757** will be returned to our parish for windows, kitchen & energy upgrades. We need **\$6,801** 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*.



Please join us in the Partner Parish Directory.

You will get to know each other & be able to put a name to a face!

Picture Dates/Times:

Thursday, Nov. 2—1PM to 7:30 PM

Friday, Nov 3.—1PM to 7:30 PM

Saturday, Nov. 4—9AM to 3:30PM

Monday, Nov. 6—2 PM to 8:30PM

Sign Up is available at
www.ucdir.com

Use code—**pa1036** & the password is: **photos**

Signup sheets will also be available before and after all masses each weekend at the 8th Street entrance to the church.

You will get a free directory and 8x10 portrait just for participating and you will have the opportunity to buy additional family portraits.

Our new Parish Directory

The Slickville Lions Club and Youngwood Lions Club Bingo tickets are now available!

Reach out to any member and come join the fun on Sunday, October 15th Youngwood Fire Hall

Thank you to Alpha Business Forms in Delmont for sponsoring the tickets!

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For more information contact the Slickville & Youngwood Lions Club



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Doors Open 11:30
Lunch 12:00-1:00

FESTIVAL NEWS

A Special **THANK YOU** to all of the volunteers who helped with the Festival last weekend. Whether you were part of the organizing, the setup crew, chaired/worked at a booth, made/served food, helped to organize the baskets for the raffle, sold tickets, cleaned up, counted the proceeds, were part of the tear-down crew, each and every job is equally as important to have a successful Festival.

Without you it would never be possible.

Festival Results/Totals will be published in the Oct. 1 Bulletin.



Another special **THANK YOU** goes out to all of those who donated baskets to our basket raffle.

We had 112 baskets this year.

Seminary Collection

Today is the annual diocesan collection for our Seminarians, men preparing for the Permanent Diaconate, the ongoing formation of our clergy and our International Priests. Please be generous in supporting the needs of our Seminarians and Clergy through this collection. In addition to your financial support, please pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and the religious life, so that the Lord may continue providing men with *Hearts for the Mission*.

In Sympathy



Please remember
in your prayers
Parishioner

**GEORGE
SOLTIS**

**HUSBAND OF
BERNADETTE SOLTIS**

***He passed away on Sept 15 and
was buried on Sept. 19th***

***May his soul and the souls of all the
faithful departed rest in peace.***

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If you are making your donations online to Holy Cross Church and you are still receiving envelopes, please let us know. We can save your donation dollars by cancelling the envelopes.. Thank you!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

When we take action and lift our voices together, we can make a global impact. Ensure your Congress members know you care about preventing and addressing global hunger ahead of key votes on the 2023 Farm Bill, which expires on September 30th. Please visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

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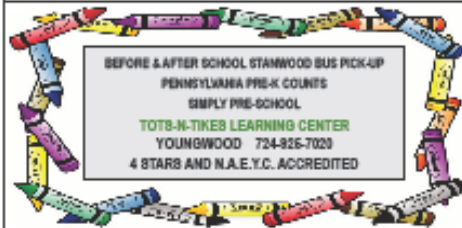
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12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Proof of Address & ID to Apply

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