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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 18 & 19, 2023 Year A

This Sunday we are given another parable that shows what would happen in the end time when the Lord returns. As the parable shows we are entrusted with responsibility as believers. Each of us is expected to give our report on what has been entrusted to us. This refers on how we live our life as witnesses of the Lord here in the world. We are accountable to the Lord when He comes, either we are praised or condemned. The Lord will praise us as we try to be faithful in living up to His Will - this living up is also shown in the way we care for the welfare of our fellow. Thus, we are seen progressing in the Faith as we make God's Will our priority. God is pleased with our progress in both the physical and the spiritual. Be progressive in God's Will!

Fr. Rod

Stewardship Corner

November 11 & 12, 2023

Offertory:	\$2,481
Online:	\$1,775
Monthly Operating Expenses	\$70
Loose:	\$230
Children:	\$26
Candles	\$68
Flowers	\$0
Catholic Accent	\$0
CCD	\$0
All Saints	\$60
All Souls	\$55
Thanksgiving	\$20

Weekly Budget Need:	\$7,700
Actual Weekly Offering:	\$4,785
Difference This Week:	(\$2,915)

Year To Date Budget Need:	\$346,500
Year To Date Actual Offering:	\$247,262
Year To Date Difference:	(\$ 99,238)

This Week

Families Receiving Envelopes::	369
Families Using Envelopes:	78
Families Using Online Giving:	37

Diocesan Collections

Thank you all who made a gift last week to the:
 Poverty Relief \$10 & Retired Religious \$45
 Those who have not done so can make a gift by
 returning the envelope in your packet.

**Best choice to Donate to Holy Cross
 Is Online go to
holycrossyoungwood.org
 Click on "Donate" and follow the prompts**

Or scan the QR code below to begin



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



- FINANCE COUNCIL—Nov 21
- THANKSGIVING—Nov 23
- FAMILY ADVENT WREATH MAKING—Nov 25/26
- FAMILY ADVENT WREATH BLESSING—DEC 2/3
- PASTORAL COUNCIL— DEC 4
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—DEC 8
- CHRISTMAS—DEC. 25
- SOLEMNITY OF MARY—JAN 1

FAMILY ADVENT WREATH

Father would like to give all of our parishioners/Families an opportunity to have a blessed advent wreath in their home this Advent season. With that said, we have gathered all of the materials needed to make an Advent wreath And we would like to invite everyone that would be interested, to join us after each mass the weekend of Nov 25th – 26th to come down to the hall and join us in making an Advent wreath which will then be blessed by Father at the First week of Advent's Mass.

**The Parish Office will be
 CLOSED
 Thursday & Friday, Nov 23-24**

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

MASS INTENTIONS



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT. NOV 18	5:00PM	PARRIS FERRARI (B) (SANDY)
SUN NOV 19	8:00AM	IN REMEMBRANCE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
		JOE & CAROL SOSTARICH (SOSTARICH FAMILY)
	10:00AM	ANNA MAE EICHOLTZ (M/M ROBERT MOZES)
MON NOV 20	8:00AM	ROBERT P HARTZELL (JO & GEORGE HARTZELL)
TUE NOV 21	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS
WED NOV 22	8:00AM	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE VESELY & McMANUS FAMILIES
		(DENNIS & MIMI McMANUS)
THU NOV 23	9:00AM	SPECIAL INTENTIONS ALL SOULS
FRI NOV 24		*****NO MASS*****
<u>CHRIST THE KING</u>		
SAT. NOV 25	5:00PM	JOSEPH YUHOUSE (WIFE PEARL)
SUN NOV 26	8:00AM	JANET SOBOTA (CHARLES & ROSALIND STACK)
	10:00AM	LINDA NAYLOR KAVANAGH (BROTHERS BILL & GARY)

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 NOVEMBER 25 & 26, 2023

SAT NOV 25	5:00PM	ALTAR SERVERS—CARSON KIRSHNER
		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—NEEDED
		LECTOR—JO HARTZELL
SUN NOV 26	8:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS— TEAGAN HULL
		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—MARGIE ALTSCHAFFL
		LECTOR—KIM TLUMACK
	10:00AM	ALTAR SERVERS—MICHAELA KOCHUGA
		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER—AJ CASINI
		LECTOR—ED LUCAS
		MONEY COUNTERS—REGER, GRIFFIN, J ADAMOSKI

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A—November 19, 2023

Blessed are those who fear the Lord. Psalm 128:1-2, 3,4-5

THE WORD



**FIRST READING: PROVERBS
31:10-13,19-20,30-31**

**CHARM IS DECEPTIVE AND
BEAUTY FLEETING....**

**SECOND READING:
THESSALONIANS 5:1-6**

**....THE DAY OF THE LORD
WILL COME LIKE A THIEF AT
NIGHT.**

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30

**SINCE YOU WERE FAITHFUL IN SMALL MATTERS,
I WILL GIVE YOU GREAT RESPONSIBILITIES.**



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.

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 Flowers
this weekend
are in
remembrance
of
Parris Ferrari**



Given by his wife Sandy



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

which acknowledges the Real Presence of Christ in the Tabernacle, is burning from

November 19 thru November 25

**IN MEMORY OF
PARRIS FERRARI**

Requested by:

HIS WIFE SANDY

ONLINE DONORS

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!



**November Faithful Challenge:
Remember Those Who Have Died**

This month's faithful challenge is to remember those who have died. You are invited to join Bishop Kulick during this year of Eucharistic Revival to strengthen our Catholic Community by memorializing our departed loved ones and friends.

Accept Bishop Kulick's Faithful Challenge by:

- **Lighting a candle**
- **Offering a Mass**
- **Visiting a gravesite**
- **Volunteering at a cemetery**
- **Donating to a cemetery**
- **Attending Mass and receiving the Eucharist**

These rituals of memorial can unite us to our departed loves ones.

This November, we give thanks for the time on Earth we shared with those who have died, and offer our prayers for family and friends in Heaven. The greatest prayer we can offer is Mass. If you would like to have a Mass offered for a deceased loved one, contact our parish office or e-mail the Diocesan Mission office at missions@dioceseofgreensburg.org and someone will help you arrange this. Accept Bishop Kulick's November faithful challenge and remember those who have died.



Y.A.R.D. 5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFTS & VENDORS SHOW



SUNDAY, NOV. 19, 2023

10am – 3pm

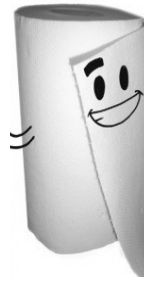
YOUNGWOOD

FIRE DEPT. SOCIAL HALL

The Ladies Auxiliary Kitchen will be open.

For craft & vendor info call

Mary Ann 724-925-2480



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.

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ADVENT WINDOW CANDLE

If you would like to reserve an Advent window candle in honor or in memory of a loved one, please call the parish office or place your request in the collection Basket.

Cost is \$25 per candle. Space is limited!

2nd Collection This Week Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund/Catholic Services Appeal

The Catholic Relief Services Collection is an opportunity for you to help improve the lives of the most vulnerable people around the world and here in the United States. Your support funds organizations dedicated to aiding people affected by war and natural disasters, migrants and refugees in need of material and legal assistance, and people worldwide whose livelihoods are impacted by changing political and environmental conditions.

Because of the increased local need, the funds from the CRS and The DPRF will be divided so that $\frac{3}{4}$ of the contributions will remain in the diocese to support the Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund, a quarter of which will be designated to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg to provide funding for heating fuel and utilities during the particularly difficult winter months. The remaining quarter of the collection will go to CRS, the U.S. bishops' overseas relief effort.

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



**Family and friends of Holy Cross:
We have a few name tags remaining for
"Santa Helpers" for a special needs
child at Clelian Heights school for
Exceptional Children. Please consider
gifting a special needs child for
Christmas this year. I have a meeting
this week with Sister Charlene, Princi-
pal at Clelian and hope to distribute the
tags & information shortly afterwards.
Thank You. Lois Horan 724-244-5982**

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 _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

____ Register ____ Moving _____ Change Address/Email or Phone

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.



There will be an informational meeting regarding the annual children's Christmas Eve play after the 10 am Mass on November 25th. Children in Pre - K to 6th grade are welcome to participate. You may contact Jennifer Kirshner with any questions at jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org

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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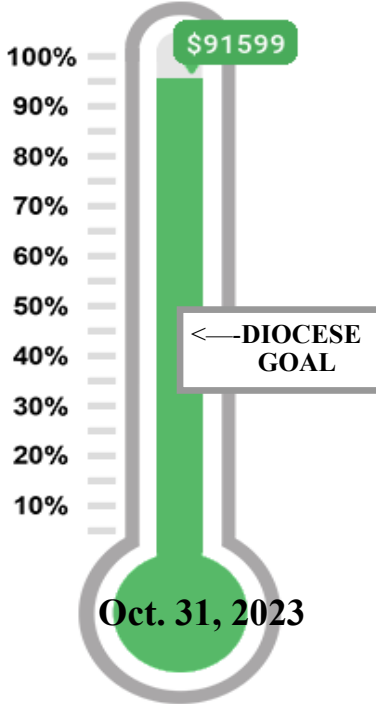
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DLA 2023

Goal: \$97000



*Thank you to everyone who made a gift to the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Thus far, we have raised **\$91,599** and **\$51,157** will be returned to our parish for windows, kitchen & energy upgrades. We need **\$6,401** 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.*

Healing Mass

If you are in need of prayer for healing in body, mind or spirit, we encourage you to come.

Monday, November 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

St. Cecilia Church, 220 St. Cecilia Road, Whitney

Greensburg Area Sunday Evening Regional Mass

Our Lady of
Grace Church,

1011 Mount Pleasant Road, Greensburg, PA

6:00 PM Sunday Evening

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