# HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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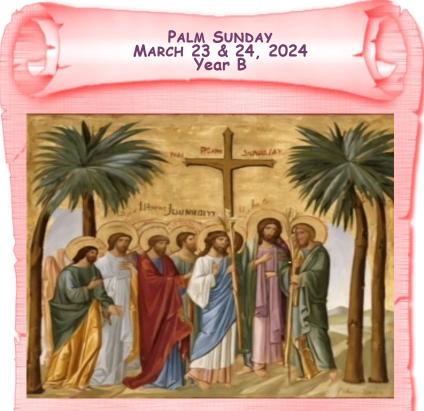
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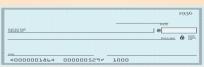


Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, a time for reflection and renewal of faith. As we commemorate Jesus Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we are reminded of the humility and love that characterized His earthly journey. The waving palms symbolize victory, but also foreshadow the suffering and sacrifice that are to come. This day calls us to reflect on our own lives and the ways in which we can embody Christ's teachings of love, sacrifice, and service to others. Let us enter this Holy Week with open hearts, ready to walk alongside Christ through His Passion, and emerge with a deeper understanding of His transformative love for us. Have a prayerful journey of faith. Fr. Rod

> 2024 DLA Total—\$62,235 Diocese Target—\$41,442 Parish Goal—\$97,000

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March 16 & 17, 202	4	Diocesan Collections	
Offertory: Online: Monthly Operating Expenses Loose: Children: Candles Flowers	\$2,774 \$1,701 \$280 \$116 \$8 \$71 \$300	Thank you all who made a gift last week to the: None 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	
Catholic Accent Easter	\$0 \$20	holycrossyoungwood.org Click on "Donate" and follow the prompts	
Weekly Budget Need: Actual Weekly Offering: Difference This Week:	\$7,700 \$5,270 (\$2,430)	Or scan the QR code below to begin	
Year To Date Budget Need: Year To Date Actual Offering: Year To Date Difference:	\$84,700 \$63,516* <mark>(\$21,184)</mark>		
*Online Donations are updated M	lonthly	Contributions by <u>Check</u> is preferred over <b>cash</b> when possible	
This Week Families Receiving Envelopes::	358		

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Families Using Envelopes:	92
Families Using Online Giving:	38



#### MONEY COUNTERS FOR MARCH 30 & 31, 2024-DERR, FRICK, ALTSCHAFFL, ROMANO, SHUGARTS



HOLY THURSDAY—MARCH 28

GOOD FRIDAY—MARCH 29

BLESSING OF BASKETS—MARCH 30 @NOON

HOLY SATURDAY—MARCH 30

EASTER SUNDAY—MARCH 31

PASTORAL COUNCIL—APRIL 1 @7PM

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.

# **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!

	SATURDAY HOLY DAY WEEKDAY CONFESSIONS WEDDINGS BAPTISMS ANOINTING OI	F THE SICK	Mass Schedule   5:00PM Sunday 8:00AM & 10:00AM   6:00PM eve. prior day 8:00AM on Holy Day   8:00AM Mon. thru Thurs. No Mass on Friday   Saturday 4:00PM No Mass on Friday   Please call Father at least 6 Months Prior Please call Father to schedule.   Please call parish office. Parish OFFICE HOURS:   nurs.: 8:00AM—4:00PM Tuesday 2:00—5:00PM   Friday: 8:00AM—Noon	
MASS INTENTIONS   PALM SUNDAY   Sat Mar 23   5:00PM   James Sackett (Stella, Joanne & Jim)				
SUN		8:00AM	JAMES SACKETT (STELLA, JOANNE & JIM) GEORGE & ANNE RINIER (RINIER FAMILY)	
		10:00AM	LINDA ECHARD (LUCAS FAMILY)	
Mon	MAR 25	8:00AM	LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS	
TUE	MAR 26	8:00AM	CHARLES SISTEK (B) (JANE & SCOTT SISTEK)	
WED	Mar 27	8:00AM 12:10PM	ELMER KNIZNER (SANDY FERRARI) STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
HOLY	THURSDAY		STATIONS OF THE GRUSS	
THU	MAR 28	7:00PM	EASTER FLOWER INTENTIONS	
	FRIDAY			
FRI		3:00PM	VENERATION OF THE CROSS	
		8:00PM	TENEBRAE SERVICE	
	SATURDAY			
SAT	Mar 30	NOON	BLESSING OF BASKETS	
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	<u>er Sunday</u> Mar 31	8:00PM 8:00AM 10:00AM	EASTER FLOWER INTENTIONS EASTER FLOWER INTENTIONS EASTER FLOWER INTENTIONS	

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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#### Palm Sunday Year B—March 24, 2024

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? Psalm 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

#### THE WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 50:4-7

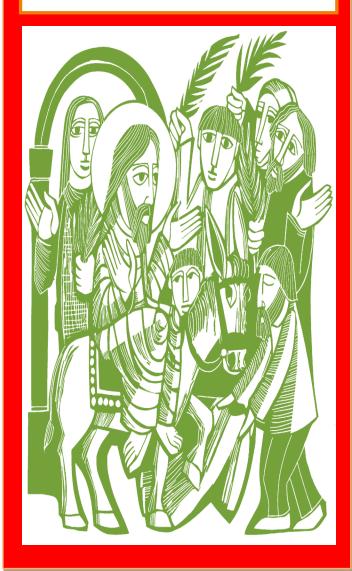
...MY FACE I DID NOT SHIELD FROM BUFFETS AND SPITTING.

SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 2: 6-11

...OBEDIENT TO THE POINT OF DEATH...

GOSPEL: MARK 14: 1- 15:47

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?



Daily Mass Readings: <u>www.usccb.org</u> Daily Mass Schedules: <u>www.dioceseofgreensburg.org</u>

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

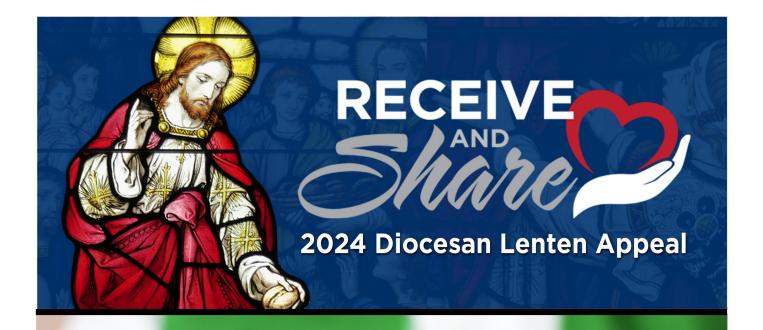
IF YOU HAVE ANY SUSPICION about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone, please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer, you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct <u>after</u> 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.



Find us on Facebook

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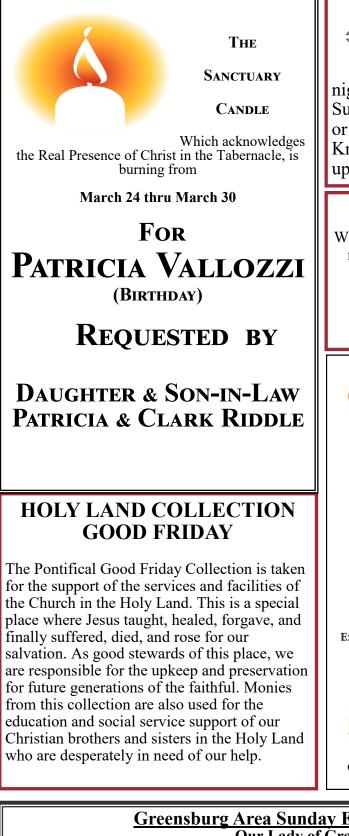


# Promote Eucharistic Revival

You can help transform faith formation in the Diocese of Greensburg. When you share your gifts through a donation to the 2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal, you help our youth establish a personal relationship with Jesus through groundbreaking and immersive activities that form future disciples of Christ.

Diocese <sup>of</sup> Greensburg

### Donate today at DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2024





The Knights of Columbus are running an Easter Cash Special ticket. One three-digit number good for both the daytime and

night time drawings of the PA Lottery on Sunday, March 31. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. Contact your favorite Knight or stop by the parish office to pick up yours.

## 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



Sunday, April 14th

St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church 4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650

St. Mary's Centre --- Route 981 in Trauger 724-423-8838

(Proceeds Benefit Church's Building & Maintenance Fund)

Doors open at 12:00 Games start at 2:00

Tickets cost \$30 for 24 games & must be reserved or paid for in advance. Seating is limited.

Includes first set of Regular Cards (Specials are included), one Jackpot, & a light lunch.

Extra Cards & WTA Quickie may be purchased at Admission.

16 Regular games - \$100, 4 Specials - \$200

\$ 1500 Jackpot Series:

Regular - \$ 200, X - \$ 300, Full Card - \$ 1000

Call or text 724-787-5631 or 412-526-0285 for tickets

**Opportunities for:** Chinese Auction ; 50 / 50 ; Instant Tickets ; Lottery Tree

#### **Greensburg Area Sunday Evening Regional Mass**

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

#### What Catholics Do, and Why? A Series by Dr. Eugene M. Dangelo Part 6: The Stations of the Cross

How did the practice of walking the Way of the Cross originate? Tradition holds that our Blessed Mother herself visited daily the scenes of our Lord's passion. After Constantine legalized Christianity in the year 312, this pathway was marked with its important stations, and known as the Via Dolorosa ("the Way of Suffering). St. Jerome (342-420), living in Bethlehem during the later part of his life, attested to the crowds of pilgrims from various countries who visited those holy places and followed the Way of the Cross.

William Wey, an English pilgrim, visited the Holy Land in 1462, and is credited with creating the term "stations." He described the manner in which a pilgrim followed the steps of Christ. In the 16th century, devotional station books appeared especially in the Low Countries, which had 14 stations with prayers for each one. By the end of the 17th century, the erection of stations in churches became more popular. In 1731, Pope Clement XII allowed stations to be erected in all Catholic Churches. To date, there are 14 traditional stations: Pilate condemns Christ to death; Jesus carries the cross; the first fall; Jesus meets His Blessed Mother; Simon of Cyrene helps to carry the cross; Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; the second fall; Jesus speaks to the women of Jerusalem; the third fall; Jesus is stripped of His garments; Jesus is nailed to the cross; Jesus dies on the cross; Jesus is taken down from the cross; and Jesus is laid in the tomb. Several of the devotional booklets now include a 15th station, which commemorates the Resurrection. Some events in the Stations, such as the three falls of Jesus and Veronica wiping the face of Jesus are not recorded in the Bible, but are part of an ancient tradition dating back to the 13<sup>th</sup> Century. In the Lenten Season, the Stations of the Cross provide us with an opportunity for solemn meditation upon Jesus's passion and death for the redemption of humankind.

Encounter H

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



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 <u>these</u> <u>donations are welcome any</u> <u>time</u>. Your ongoing support of the Youngwood Food Pantry is always appreciated.

If you would like to receive weekly bulletins by email, send your request to ssistek@dioceseofgreensburg.org

In Indonesia, cyclones and other severe weather (which is becoming more frequent and devastating due to climate change) make accessing food difficult. Fortunately, Catholic Relief Services is connecting Indonesians to disaster preparedness groups which help communities overcome the impacts of climate change. Visit <u>www.crs.org</u> for more information and to see how you can help!

