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THIRD SUNDAY  
OF LENT  
MARCH 2 & 3, 2024  
Year B



**This weekend, we reflect on John 2:13-25, where Jesus cleanses the temple, reminding us of the importance of reverence and purity in our places of worship. Let this passage inspire us to cleanse our hearts, making them true temples of the Holy Spirit. May we honor God not just in our churches, but in every aspect of our lives.**

**Fr. Rod**

## Stewardship Corner

<b>February</b>	<u><b>17-18</b></u>	<u><b>24-25</b></u>
Offertory:	\$2,410	\$3,326
Online:	\$1,571	\$1,470
Monthly	\$65	\$125
Loose:	\$190	\$128
Children:	\$16	\$10
Candles	\$181	\$54
Catholic Accent	\$0	\$14
Ash Wednesday	\$460	\$65

### Diocesan Collections

Thank you all who made a gift last week to the:  
**Home Missions \$438—Eastern Europe \$10**  
 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](http://holycrossyoungwood.org)  
 Click on "Donate" and follow the prompts**

Or scan the QR code below to begin

	<u>17-18</u>	<u>24-25</u>
<b>Weekly Budget Need:</b>	<b>\$7,700</b>	<b>\$7,700</b>
<b>Actual Weekly Offering:</b>	<b>\$4,893</b>	<b>\$5,192</b>
<b>Difference This Week:</b>	<b>(\$2,807)</b>	<b>(\$2,508)</b>
<b>Year To Date Budget Need:</b>	<b>\$53,900</b>	<b>\$61,600</b>
<b>Year To Date Actual Offering:</b>	<b>\$38,742*</b>	<b>\$42,474*</b>
<b>Year To Date Difference:</b>	<b>(\$15,158)</b>	<b>(\$19,126)</b>



Contributions by Check is preferred over cash when possible



<u><b>This Week</b></u>		
Families Receiving Envelopes::	362	360
Families Using Envelopes:	88	87
Families Using Online Giving:	38	41


\*Online Donations are updated Monthly

**MONEY COUNTERS FOR MARCH 9 & 10, 2024—  
 DERR, FRICK, GLORIOSO, CARBISIERO**

## 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!

### 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.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**



FINANCE COUNCIL—MARCH 18 @7PM  
 PALM SUNDAY—MARCH 24  
 PASTORAL COUNCIL—APRIL 1 @7PM

If you would like to receive weekly bulletins by email, send your request to [ssistek@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:ssistek@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	Vigil	5:00PM	<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00AM & 10:00AM
<b>HOLY DAY</b>	Vigil	6:00PM eve. prior day		8:00AM on Holy Day
<b>WEEKDAY</b>		8:00AM Mon. thru Thurs.		No Mass on Friday
<b>CONFESSIONS</b>		Saturday 4:00PM		
<b>WEDDINGS</b>		Please call Father at least 6 Months Prior		
<b>BAPTISMS</b>		Please call Father to schedule.		
<b>ANOINTING OF THE SICK</b>		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**



**3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**

<b>SAT</b>	<b>MAR 2</b>	<b>5:00PM</b>	<b>ELMER KNIZNER (JOE &amp; MARGIE ALTSCHAFFL)</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>MAR 3</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>RALPH DAMBAUGH (CHUCK GLORIOSO)</b>
		<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>BARBARA ANDREWS (FAMILY)</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>MAR 4</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>LIVING &amp; DECEASED PARISHIONERS</b>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>MAR 5</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>ELMER KNIZNER (JOANNE &amp; JIM BRAHOSKY)</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>MAR 6</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>HELEN BROWN (ANDREA HIMELINSKI)</b>
		<b>12:10PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>MAR 7</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>LUCY HASTINGS (DAN, BONNIE &amp; LOUISE)</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>MAR 8</b>	***** <b>NO MASS</b> *****	
		<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>

**4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

<b>SAT</b>	<b>MAR 9</b>	<b>5:00PM</b>	<b>LINDA ECHARD (ELEANOR)</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>MAR 10</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>ROBERT P HARTZELL (JO &amp; GEORGE HARTZELL)</b>
		<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>JERRY FREE (B)(A) (KAY FREE)</b>

**Greensburg Area Sunday Evening Regional Mass**

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

**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](http://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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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

Register     Moving     Change Address/Email or Phone

**Third Sunday of Lent Year B—March 3, 2024**  
*Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. Psalm 19:8,9,10,11*

**THE WORD**

**FIRST READING: EXODUS 20: 1-17**

**REMEMBER TO KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH DAY.**



**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1: 22-25**

**...THE FOOLISHNESS OF GOD IS  
WISER THAN HUMAN WISDOM...**

**GOSPEL: JOHN 2: 13-25**

**DESTROY THIS TEMPLE AND IN THREE DAYS I  
WILL RAISE IT UP.**



Daily Mass Readings: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)  
Daily Mass Schedules: [www.dioceseofgreensburg.org](http://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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# Join Bishop Larry J. Kulick for Lenten Evenings of Reflection

**Tuesday, February 20 - 6:00 PM**  
Saint Bartholomew Parish, Crabtree  
**Topic:** *"Believe in the Gospel"*

**Tuesday, February 27 - 6:00 PM**  
Holy Family Parish, West Newton  
**Topic:** *"This is My Beloved Son"*

**Monday, March 4 - 6:00 PM**  
Church of the Good Shepherd Parish, Kent  
**Topic:** *"Stop Making My Father's House  
a Marketplace"*

**Monday, March 11 - 6:00 PM**  
SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish, Fairchance  
**Topic:** *"Everyone Who Believes in Him  
May Have Eternal Life"*

**Wednesday, March 20 - 6:00 PM**  
Christ, Prince of Peace Parish, Ford City  
**Topic:** *"We Would Like To See Jesus"*

# Stations of the Cross

**Friday, February 16 - 6:30 PM**  
Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Connellsville  
**Intention:** *For the Homebound and Infirm*

**Wednesday, February 21 - 5:15 PM**  
Saint Cecilia Parish, Whitney  
**Intention:** *For Peace in the World*

**Friday, March 1 - 5:30 PM**  
Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish, Greensburg  
**Intention:** *For Vocations*

**Friday, March 8 - 7:00 PM**  
Church of the Resurrection Parish,  
Heilwood Site  
**Intention:** *For the Deceased*

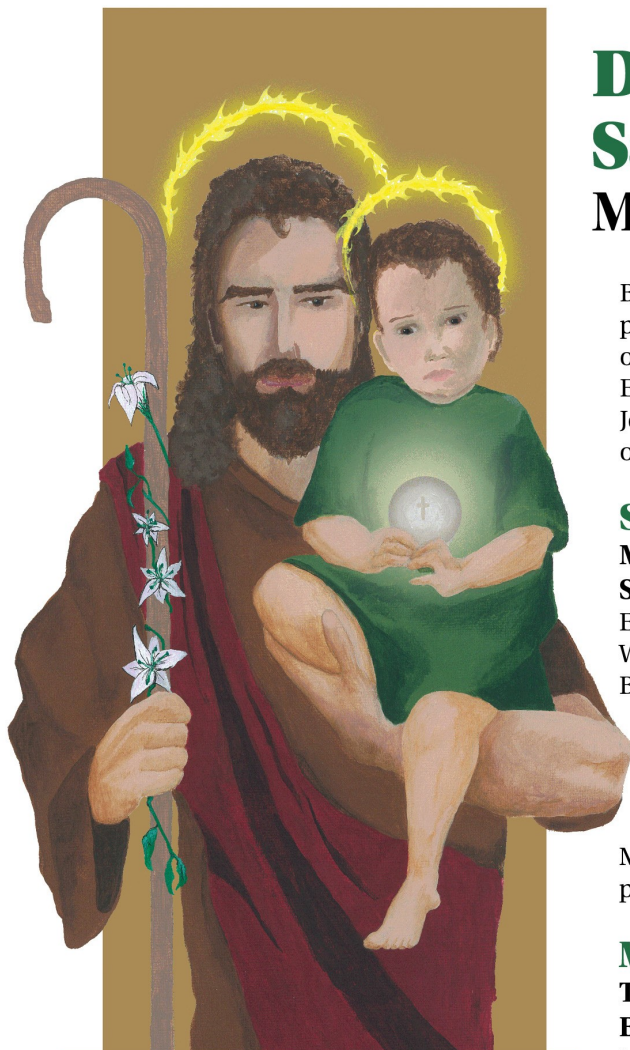
**Friday, March 15 - 2:00 PM**  
Saint Sebastian Regional Catholic School,  
Belle Vernon  
**Intention:** *For the Youth*

**Friday, March 22 - 8:00 PM**  
Saint Lawrence Parish, Cadogan  
**Intention:** *For the Intentions of  
the Faithful*

*"Shadows of the Cross" narrated Stations  
are done behind a white screen with a  
spotlight behind it creating a "shadow"  
of the scene. These stations will be  
presented by youth ministry at this parish.*



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# Diocese of Greensburg Saint Joseph Pilgrimage March 18 & 19, 2024

Bishop Larry J. Kulick will lead a pilgrimage to the four Saint Joseph parishes and Blessed Sacrament Cathedral to dedicate the Diocese of Greensburg to the guardianship and protection of Saint Joseph. Each site along the pilgrimage will focus on a different aspect of Joseph as a faithful disciple, helping us to strengthen and rededicate our own relationship with Jesus Christ.

## **Saint Joseph: Patron of Workers**

**Monday, March 18, 6 PM**

**Saint Joseph Parish, New Kensington**

Evening Prayer with special presentation on Saint Joseph the Worker by author Mike Aquilina from the Saint Paul Center for Biblical Theology.

## **Saint Joseph: Patron of a Happy Death**

**Tuesday, March 19, 9 AM**

**Saint Joseph Parish, Derry**

Morning Prayer for Saint Joseph, Patron of a Happy Death, with presentation on estate and funeral planning.

## **Mass for the Solemnity of Saint Joseph**

**Tuesday, March 19, 11:45 AM**

**Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg**

Mass for the Solemnity of Saint Joseph with Promulgation of Bishop Kulick's Pastoral Letter dedicating the Diocese to the guardianship and protection of Saint Joseph. Join us for this livestreamed event!

## **Saint Joseph: Patron of Immigrants**

**Tuesday, March 19, 2:30 PM**

**Saint Joseph Parish, Everson**

Afternoon Prayer with Building a Saint Joseph Altar. All are invited to bring non-perishable food and supplies to offer in thanksgiving for Saint Joseph's intercession. Items donated will be distributed to families in need throughout the Diocese.

## **Saint Joseph: Protector of the Eucharistic Lord**

**Tuesday, March 19, 6 PM**

**Saint Joseph Parish, Uniontown**

Holy Hour with presentation on Saint Joseph, Protector of the Eucharistic Lord, Patron of Families, and Fosterer of Vocations.

**Reserve a seat on the bus!**



A \$25 ticket reserves you a seat on the Saint Joseph Pilgrimage Bus. Bus pick up is 8:00 AM Tuesday, March 19, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, 2900 Seminary Drive, Greensburg.

Continental breakfast will be served at Saint Joseph Parish, Derry. Lunch will be served after Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg. Refreshments will be served at Saint Joseph Parish, Everson. Return time to Christ Our Shepherd Center is 9:30 PM.



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[DioceseofGreensburg.org/StJoseph](https://DioceseofGreensburg.org/StJoseph)



# RECEIVE AND *Share*

2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal



## Help Fund Parish Improvements

Last year, nearly 40% of the funds collected through the Diocesan Lenten Appeal went directly to our parishes. Pastors were able to renovate worship spaces, upgrade facilities, and provide funding for evangelization and religious education. Your gift makes your parish vibrant.



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WHAT CATHOLICS DO, AND WHY

A Series by Dr. Eugene M. Dangelo

PART 5: Feasts and Memorials

In our previous installment, we looked at the highest level of days of importance in the Church year, namely those days known as Solemnities. Today we will discuss the remaining two levels of important days in the Church year, in order. These are the days known as Feasts, and those known as Memorials. Feasts are second in importance to solemnities in the Church year, and are specific days in which the Church gives special honor to events in the life of Jesus or Mary, or commemorates major saints. Feasts can also mark historical events in the Church, such as the dedication of the Lateran Basilica. If a feast falls on a Sunday, it replaces the normal Sunday liturgy for that day. Memorials are the third category of special days in the Church year, and are the numerous of the three types. They are special commemorations, such as a celebration of a saint or saints. Some memorials, such as that of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (January 4<sup>th</sup>) are considered to be obligatory, while others, such as St. Blaise (February 3<sup>rd</sup>) are considered to be optional. Some memorials are celebrated by particular religious communities, while those memorials of saints considered to be of unusual significance are observed by the whole Church. Between Solemnities, Feasts, and Memorials, Catholics have much to celebrate!

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**125<sup>TH</sup> YOUNGWOOD  
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**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024  
10am – 3pm**

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

Feb. 25 March 17 April 28

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We are seeking interested parishioners to join the **Extraordinary Ministry of the Eucharist** here at Holy Cross. If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister or would like more information, please contact Fr. Rod or the parish office.

**Youngwood Food Pantry**  
**100 Lincoln St**  
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**Youngwood, PA 15697**



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.

Distribution Dates/Times

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

## 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](mailto:rrodriguez@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or call /email the parish office. Adult servers are also welcome! Consider serving at mass!

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**HOLY CROSS**  
**FESTIVAL 2024**  
**September**  
**14 & 15**

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