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2nd Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025
Year C

On this Second Sunday of Lent, we are invited to ascend the mountain with Jesus and witness His Transfiguration. In this moment of divine revelation, Jesus' face shines like the sun, and His garments become dazzling white, revealing His divine nature to Peter, James, and John. This glimpse of glory serves as a powerful reminder of the divine presence that accompanies us on our Lenten journey.

The Transfiguration is a moment of transformation and hope. It encourages us to look beyond our daily struggles and challenges, reminding us that there is a greater reality beyond what we can see. As we continue our Lenten journey, let us open our hearts to transformation, allowing God's light to shine through us. May this vision of Christ's glory inspire us to listen to Him more closely and follow Him more faithfully, knowing that His love and grace will sustain us on our path to Easter joy.
Allow Jesus to transform us!
Fr. Rod

$tewardship Corner

March 8-9, 2025

Offertory:	$3,751
Online:	$2,275
Monthly Operating Expenses	$95
Loose:	$130
Children:	$15
Candles	$91
Flowers	$55
Ash Wednesday	$438

Weekly Budget Need:	**$7,700**
Actual Weekly Offering:	**$6,850**
Difference This Week:	**($850)**
Year To Date Budget Need:	**$77,000**
***Year To Date Actual Offering:**	**$60,653**
Year To Date Difference:	**($16,347)**

Total Adjusted Monthly

This Week

Families Receiving Envelopes::	354
Families Using Envelopes:	100
Families Using Online Giving:	40

Mass Attendance Last Weekend

			Ash Wed.
Sat 5PM	-	94	
Sun 8AM	-	56	8AM— 63
Sun 10AM	-	119	6PM—120
	Total	**269**	**183**

Diocesan Collections

Thank you all who made a gift last week to the:
Home Missions—$495
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** are preferred over **cash** when possible

MONEY COUNTERS FOR MARCH 22-23
HELMAN, WENTZEL, RINIER

PALM SUNDAY—APRIL 13
HOLY THURSDAY—APRIL 17
GOOD FRIDAY—APRIL 18
HOLY SATURDAY—APRIL 19
FINANCE COUNCIL— APRIL 22 @6PM
PASTORAL COUNCIL—TBD
PARISH PICNIC-NEW STANTON PARK- JUNE22
PARISH FESTIVAL—SEPTEMBER 13 & 14

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.

Deadline for Bulletin Information

The deadline to submit information to be included in the bulletin is noon of the Tuesday prior to the bulletin date.

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

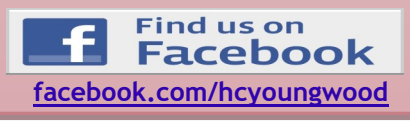
2nd Sunday of Lent

Sat	**Mar 15**	**5:00PM**	**+Sam Derr (Cicero Family)**
Sun	**Mar 16**	**8:00AM**	**Living & Deceased Parishioners**
		10:00AM	**Birthday of Heather Hartzell (Jo and George Hartzell)**
Mon	**Mar 17**	**8:00AM**	**+Anne & George Rinier (Rinier Family)**
Tue	**Mar 18**	**8:00AM**	**+Edward J Lucas (Lucas Family)**
Wed	**Mar 19**	**8:00AM**	**+Sue Kijowski**
		NOON	**Stations of the Cross**
Thu	**Mar 20**	**8:00AM**	**+Mike Angello**
		6:00PM	***Bible Sharing in the Social Hall***
Fri	**Mar 21**	**********	**NO MASS** **********
		7:00PM	**Stations of the Cross**

3rd Sunday of Lent

Sat	**Mar 22**	**5:00PM**	**+Sam Derr (Cheryl & Family)**
Sun	**Mar 23**	**8:00AM**	**Living & Deceased Parishioners**
		10:00AM	**Birthday of Holly Heller (Jo and George Hartzell)**

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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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

*2nd Sunday of Lent *Year C* March 16, 2025*

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Psalm 27: 1. 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

The Word

First Reading:
Genesis15: 5-12, 17-18

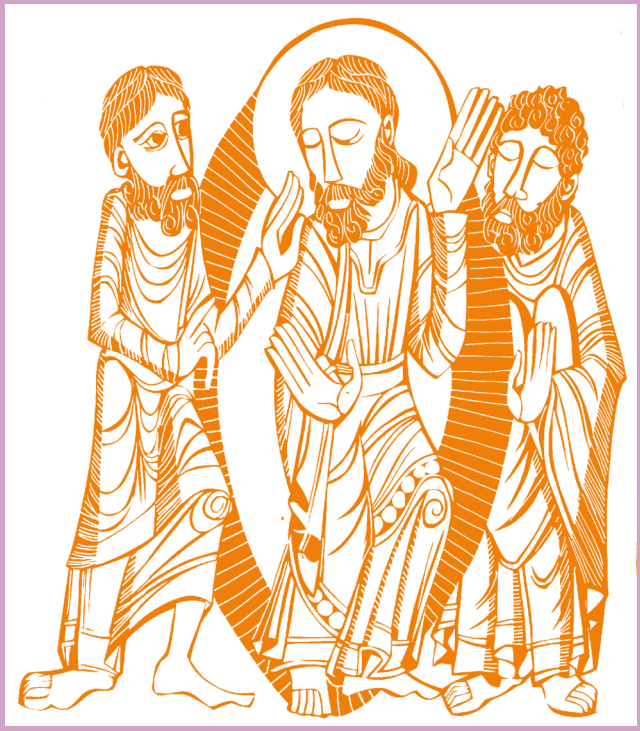
Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can.

Philippians 3: 17-4: 1

Their minds are occupied with earthly things.

Gospel: Luke 9: 28b-36

This is my chosen Son; listen to him.



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

We are currently seeking a volunteer to lead the prayer chain.

If you, a loved one or friend are in need of extra prayers, no matter what the need is, large or small, we are here to pray for that need.

Homebound Parishioners

If a family member is homebound and unable to attend mass, please contact the Parish Office to let us know.

BIBLE SHARING

During Lent this year, Holy Cross will have Bible Sharing in the Church Social Hall each Thursday beginning at 6:00 PM. All are welcome. Please bring your bible. Thurs March 20 will focus on *Luke 13: 1-9*

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.

Jubilee Year 2025

During this Jubilee Year 2025, our parish will be offering the opportunity, at 11:00 AM on the FIRST FRIDAY of each month, to say the Rosary & have Adoration . There will be an extra opportunity for confessions to be heard after the adoration up until 1:30 PM. The church will remain open until 2:00PM

2025 Mass Intentions are now being taken. Call the Parish Office to schedule.

St. Anne Home, Greensburg seeking volunteers

St. Anne Home, Greensburg, is looking for volunteers to help residents attend daily and Sunday Mass beginning at 9 a.m. (no Mass on Saturday); to visit and pray with residents any time of the day; and serve as Eucharistic ministers. Training is provided. Those interested can contact Cheryl Hall at 724-837-6070, ext. 3050. Also, St. Anne Home's Mass intention book is open, with Masses available for 2025.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

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

Mar 16th thru Mar 22nd
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BIBLE STUDY

Lenten Bible Study at St. Paul Parish in Greensburg
St. Paul's Parish is conducting a five-week bible study called No Greater Love. It begins with the Agony in the Garden and ends with the Last Seven wounds from the Cross. Filmed in the Holy Land! It will be on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00pm-2:30pm, beginning on March 11 and ending the week before Holy week. This can be a special Lenten Devotion this year. Questions? Call 724-838-1607

Blood Drive
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Second and Chestnut Streets
Youngwood

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00AM—3:00 PM

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Super Bingo

Sunday, April 6th

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, & 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

What do I do with my old palms?

Bring your old palms to church with you anytime during this Lenten Season. The palms will be burned and the ashes will be saved/stored until next Ash Wednesday. There is a box in the rear of the church for your Convenience to drop off the palms. Thank You!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Your help is urgently needed! The Trump administration has terminated thousands of foreign assistance programs overnight. The situation is dire. Lifesaving measures have been stopped without warning, leading to confusion, chaos, potential harm and risk of death among the most vulnerable. As food distributions are halted, people are going hungry. Without treatment for acute malnutrition, children will die. Entire communities are without shelter and clean water. Farmers are unable to plant crops. Mothers and their young children are losing access to critical health care. Please visit www.crs.org to send your email to members of Congress today!

Catholic Charities seeking volunteers

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg is looking for caring volunteers interested in being matched with older adult clients. Volunteers provide supportive and regular visits, telephone calls, greeting cards and other mailings to prevent loneliness and isolation and brighten a person's day. Volunteers interested in delivering food boxes to clients are also welcome. For information, contact Deborah Klinvex at 724-837-1840 or dklinvex@DioceseofGreensburg.org

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HEMPFIELD GARDEN CLUB

Meets 1st Thursday monthly (except January)
Location: Christ Church of Youngwood, 100 Lincoln St, Youngwood @ 11:00 a.m.
Support community gardens at Youngwood Cemetery, Youngwood Post Office & Youngwood Park & Pool Annual Dues: $20
Participate in Youngwood Yard Sale, Light Up Night, parades
Learn about a variety of plants/gardening as well as sharing plants/tips
Local trips & bus trips
Interested? Contact Dorothy at 814-242-9591 or Susie at 724-925-9746.
Join us at our next meeting!

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