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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 27, 2025
Year C

On this Second Sunday of Easter, also known as Divine Mercy Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the profound mercy and peace that Christ offers us. In the Gospel reading, we encounter the Risen Jesus appearing to His disciples, offering them peace and showing His wounds as a testament to His sacrifice. Thomas, who initially doubts, comes to a deep faith when he encounters the living Christ. This story reminds us of the mercy and patience Jesus extends to all of us, even in our moments of doubt and uncertainty. As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let us open our hearts to receive His forgiveness and strive to be instruments of His peace and mercy in our communities.

A Divine Mercy Sunday to ALL!
Fr. Rod

$tewardship Corner

April 19-20, 2025

Offertory:	$3,360
Online:	$3,577
Monthly Operating Expenses	$75
Loose:	$597
Children:	$6
Candles	$108
Catholic Accent	$20
Easter Flowers	$10
Easter	$3270
Holy Thursday	$540

Weekly Budget Need:	**$7,700**
Actual Weekly Offering:	**$11,563**
Difference This Week:	**$3,863**
Year To Date Budget Need:	**$123,200**
***Year To Date Actual Offering:**	**$92,210**
Year To Date Difference:	**($30,990)**

Total Adjusted Monthly

This Week

Families Receiving Envelopes::	356
Families Using Envelopes:	112
Families Using Online Giving:	40

Mass Attendance Last Weekend

Holy Thursday-	77
Good Friday -	64
Holy Saturday -	97
Easter 8AM -	175
Easter 10AM -	179
Easter Total	**451**

Diocesan Collections

Thank you all who made a gift last week to the:
Good Friday—$386, Rice Bowl- $383
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 MAY 3 & 4
NEEDED, FRICK, GLORIOSO

FINANCE COUNCIL— TBD
PASTORAL COUNCIL—TBD
MEMORIAL DAY—MAY 26
ASCENSION—MAY 29
PARISH PICNIC-NEW STANTON PARK- JUNE22
INDEPENDENCE DAY—JULY 4
LABOR DAY—SEPTEMBER 1
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.

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 Easter

Sat	Apr 26	5:00PM	+Jack Demonte (Family)
Sun	Apr 27	8:00AM	Living & Deceased Parishioners
		10:00AM	+Robert P Hartzell (Jo & George Hartzell)
Mon	Apr 28	8:00AM	25th Wedding Anniversary Jim & Angela Drexler
Tue	Apr 29	8:00AM	+Monica Kane (Andrea Himelinski)
Wed	Apr 30	8:00AM	+Anne & George Riner (Rinier Family)
Thu	May 1	8:00AM	+Sam Derr (Charles & Rosalind Stack)
Fri	May 2	11:00AM	Rosary & Adoration (Confessions Noon-1:30 PM)

3rd Sunday of Easter

Sat	May 3	5:00PM	+Leonard Zeglin (Family)
Sun	May 4	8:00AM	Living & Deceased Parishioners
		10:00AM	+Dennis Koslosky (B) (Wife Sharon & Family)
		12:30PM	1st Holy Communion Mass

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 Easter *Year C* April 27, 2025*

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. Psalm 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24

THE WORD

FIRST READING:
ACTS 5: 12-16

...HIS SHADOW MIGHT FALL ON ONE OR ANOTHER...

REVELATION 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19

...WRITE ON A SCROLL WHAT YOU SEE.

GOSPEL: JOHN 20: 19-31

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SEEN AND HAVE BELIEVED.

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 Judy Field at 724-217-2037 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.

Homebound Parishioners

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

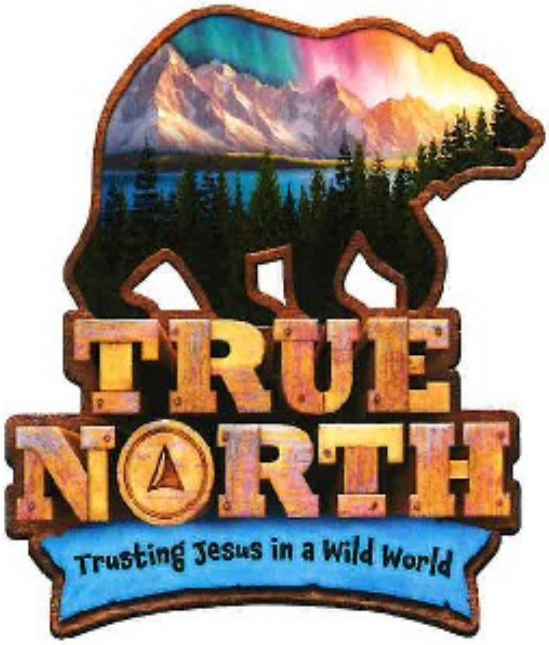
GROUNDS COMMITTEE

On Monday, April 28th @ 5:00 PM, we are looking for volunteers to help beautify the landscaping around the Church & Rectory. Please bring your gardening tools to help plant, weed, trim and mulch the much needed areas. Pizza will be provided for all of the volunteers. To volunteer, please email or call the Parish office so that we can get a total of the number of volunteers.

May Crowning

You're invited to join us for the May Crowning Celebration! We will honor Mary, the Mother of God as our queen and as the Mother of the Church. It will take place on Sunday, May 11th during the 10 am Mass. All children ages 4 and up are invited to participate. Those participating will sit in the front of the church in "Reserved" pews. Before the final blessing, the children will process to the front of the church with a flower for Mary and place it in a vase. Then Mary will be crowned. The dress code for this event is as follows: Girls – white or a pastel-colored dress, Boys – wear your Sunday best, no jeans. Hope you can join us on this special day! Contact Jennifer Kirshner with any questions: jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Explore Mountains of Fun!



Who: Pre-K (4yrs. Old) thru 5th Grade

What: Vacation Bible School

When: June 23rd -June 27th

Where: Holy Cross Church

Time: 6pm – 8pm

Cost: Free

Deadline: Register by June 13

Registration link:

https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/60973f2352cca/web/

Please contact Jennifer Kirshner with any questions.

jkirshner@dioceseofgreensburg.org

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.

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.

PASCHAL CANDLE
2025-2026

A new Paschal candle is blessed and lit every year at Easter, and is used throughout the Paschal season which is during Easter and then throughout the year on special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals.

The Paschal candle this year will be

In Memory of

Anne
&
George Rinier

By the
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THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

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

Apr 27th thru May 3rd
FOR

DENNIS KOSLOSKY

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WIFE SHARON & FAMILY

A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO LIVE ALONE

I live alone, dear Lord, stay by my side, in all my needs, please be my guide.

Grant me good health, for that I pray, to carry on my work each day.

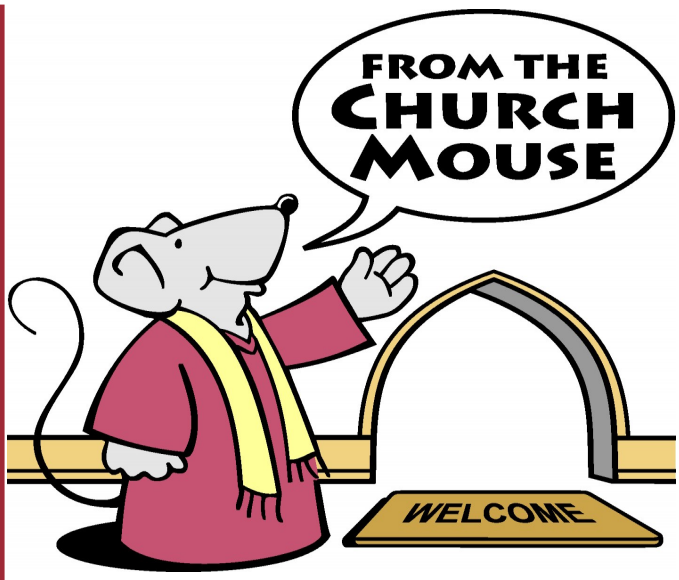
Keep pure my mind, my thoughts and deeds. Help me be kind, to meet others' needs.

Save me from harm and malicious tongues, from pain and fear and evil ones.

When I am sick, in need of care, O Lord, I pray, that You be near.

When I am low or in despair, lift up my heart and hear my prayer.

I live alone, dear Lord, yet have no fear, because I know, that you are near. Amen.



Give a Warm Welcome to
Karen Waymeyer

New Parishioner to Holy Cross

DLA UPDATE
As of April 18, 2025
Pledged to Holy Cross
$65,019

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.

Job Posting
Office Assistant

Our Parish, Holy Cross, is seeking a part-time (approximately 20-23 hours per week) Office Assistant to support the Parish. Responsibilities include performing all administrative duties such as typing, copying, and filing, and providing general information to visitors and parishioners in a professional and courteous manner. We are looking to fill this position immediately so that proper training can be afforded to the right person.

Qualifications:

High School diploma or equivalent; Associate or other related post-secondary degree or certification preferred
Previous experience in office administration
Proficiency in MS Office (Excel, Word, Publisher)
Ability to prioritize and multitask
Excellent interpersonal skills
Excellent written and verbal communication skills
Strong attention to detail
Strong organizational skills

All Clearances required by the Diocese must be obtained prior to start of employment

Interested candidates who meet the qualifications, should send a cover letter describing your interest in the position and email your resume to **HolyCross@dioceseofgreensburg.org** or mail to:

Fr. Rogelio Rodriguez

Holy Cross Church

711 Depot St

Youngwood, PA 15697

Meeting

Holy Cross Women's Guild
Tuesday, May 13 @ 6PM
In the Church Hall
Election of Officers
Present members of the Guild are encouraged to attend

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

The Catholic Church has a moral responsibility to respond to the needs of our global neighbors. The Catholic Church has long seen this charitable, pro-life responsibility as one shared with governmental partners. Due to extensive cuts to USAID, 69 of CRS's programs have received termination notices. Terminations of CRS's programs have impacted over 35 of the countries in which we work. Please urge Congress and the Administration to halt and reverse all terminations of lifesaving and life-affirming humanitarian and development assistance until a thorough and transparent review of programs is conducted and to disperse all Congressionally appropriated funds in a timely manner. Learn more at www.crs.org!

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