



Our Lady of the Assumption

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
9:00 am—1:30 pm
Afternoon—by appointment only
Closed Wednesday

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm - Lucernemines
Sunday 8:00 am - Coral

Schedule for daily Masses, Holy Days, & other services can be found inside.

SECOND COLLECTION – CHRISTMAS MASSES

The annual Children and Family Services Appeal collection to support the work of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg will be taken at all Christmas Masses. Christmas reminds us of the gift of God's own Son, Jesus Christ, given to each of us without question of our merit or eligibility. Please support this appeal and make your contribution to help change the future of an individual, family or child.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 3:00 pm (consult bulletin for any changes in the schedule.)

Baptism:

All arrangements, including confirmation of the date, must be made with the parish office.

Sponsors must provide proof of eligibility by a letter from their respective pastors, must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation. Sponsors, if married, must either be married in the Church or with the Church's permission. Parents must attend Baptismal Preparation, which is regularly scheduled throughout the year.

Marriage:

Arrangements must be made directly with the pastor at least 6 months before the date of the wedding. Marriage preparation is required and couples are asked to speak to the priest first before setting a date. Couples, rather than parents, should contact the priest. If either party was previously married, an annulment must be granted prior to the selection of a future wedding date.

Mass Schedule Solemnity of Mary

Monday, December 31
4:00 pm Lucernemines

Tuesday, January 1
8:00 am Coral

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Fourth Sunday of Advent Gospel

Reflection

~ Luke 1:39-45 ~



Our Gospel passage recounts the first part of the Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth that's the second of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. Tradition has suggested that John was sanctified in the womb of his mother Elizabeth by the presence of Jesus in the womb of Mary. That is, although John was conceived in sin as we all are, he was born sinless because Mary brought the Savior to him while still in his mother's womb. The angel Gabriel said that John would "be filled with the holy Spirit even from his mother's womb" (Luke 1:15). As has been mentioned before, everything surrounding John's birth attests to the fulfillment of God's work in the Old Covenant. Even the Hebrew names of his parents, "Zechariah" and "Elizabeth," together mean, "God remembers his oath." Everyone who hears of the fulfillment of God's promises— Zechariah, Elizabeth, Mary, Simeon, Anna, and even little John the Baptist—exults in joy at the Good News. That is the gift that the Father wills for us, too. © Augustine Institute 2012/ 2015

MARCH FOR LIFE



Please join us, Indiana March for Life group on **Friday, January 18th**, as we travel by bus to Washington, D.C. on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's infamous *Roe v Wade* decision. We will petition Congress to protect the right to life of every born and pre-born human being. For bus reservations and/or further information, call Bill Ager at 724-465-4522. **Deadline for bus reservations is January 10, 2019. Seating is limited! CALL NOW!**

Sympathy & Prayers to the Family George Coury, Jr. who was buried from our parish on Tuesday, December 18. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.



Thank you from Christian Mothers

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the collection of items for the Pathways Homeless Shelter, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

Located in the Bi Lo Plaza on N. 4th St. (Indiana)

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 10am—4pm;

Tues. 10am-5pm, Sat. 10am—3pm



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

CLOSED all week Reopen January 2

Catholic Charities offers counseling for individuals, couples and families

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg offers faith-based assistance with anxiety, depression, grief and loss, interpersonal conflicts, recovery support, parenting and family issues, anger management and other personal and family issues. Counseling is provided by licensed, professional and experienced therapists. Fees are low, and many insurances accepted. Offices are located in Greensburg, Indiana, Uniontown, Kittanning and New Kensington. For more information or an appointment, call 724-837-1840 or email counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org.



**Sacred Heart of Jesus Council
10960 / Knights of Columbus**

The next scheduled meeting will be on January 16, 2019 in the church hall of the Lucerne Worship Site. Rosary at 7:15 pm followed by the business meeting at 7:30 pm

CHRISTMAS MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

December 24—4:00 pm, Lucerne

Altar Servers: Justley & Teagan S.
E.M.H.C.: Joyce B., Terry O., Joe A.
Lectors: Terri T. & Brenda A.
Ushers: Greg M., Volunteer

December 24—10:00 pm, Coral

Altar Servers: Beth S., Volunteer
E.M.H.C. Mary Kay Y., Barb W., Volunteer
Lectors: Rose L., Jerry B.
Ushers: Sherry R. & Steve C.

December 25, 10:00 am Coral

Altar Servers: Ashlyn B., Volunteer
E.M.H.C. George H., Terri M., Patty G.
Lectors: Volunteer
Ushers; Betsy A., & Sam A.

Year-end charitable giving

As the end of the year approaches, there are ways you can make a gift to support your parish and the church and receive a tax benefit, even if you don't itemize deductions. If you are 70 ½ or older and required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA by the end of the year, present law allows use of an IRA charitable rollover without having to pay tax on the withdrawal for gifts to specific charities. For information, contact your IRA administrator or The Catholic Foundation at 724-552-2504 or jdimario@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Offertory Contributions

In order to receive credit for your contributions for 2018, you must have your offertory and special collection envelopes into the parish office by Monday, December 31, 2018. If you attend another parish and put your envelopes into their basket to be mailed back to our parish, please remember that there could be a delay of up to a week between the time they are mailed to us and we receive them in the office. If the envelopes arrive AFTER December 31, 2018, these contributions will be credited to the 2019 tax year.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—DECEMBER 29/30, 2018

	Sat, 4:00 pm - Lucerne	Sun, 8:00 am - Coral
Altar Servers	Joanna & Jamey H	Jonah A. & Kevin P.
Lector	Michael B.	Sara M.
E.M.H.C.	Terri M., Terry O, Patti R.	Joyce B., George H., Mary Kay Y.
Ushers	Mark B. & Carol F.	Steve C. & Greg M.

ATTENTION MINISTERS: Ministry schedules have been emailed to you, if you didn't receive one, there are copies available in the parish office and at both worship sites.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Classes

Reminder: There are no Faith Formation Classes until Sunday, January 13. Have a blessed Christmas !

Baptismal Preparation –First Time expecting Parents



Baptismal Preparation Sessions are offered at our parish quarterly. Please call Michelle Dodge in the parish office at 724-479-9542, ext. 15 or email mdodge@dioceseofgreensburg.org to register. Please note that we cannot schedule your child's baptism until the session has been completed.

RCIA—If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith please contact Michelle Dodge at the parish office, extension 15 or by email at: mdodge@dioceseofgreensburg.org

DECEMBER 15/16, 2018	OFFERTORY
Adult Offertory	\$5,553.00
Loose Offertory	\$1,235.00
Children's Offertory	\$5.00
Total Ordinary Income	\$6,793.00
Votive Candles	\$131.00
Maintenance	\$85.00
Flowers Collection	\$567.00
Catholic Accent	\$38.00
Children/Family	\$30.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$30.00
Immaculate Conception	\$209.00
Christmas	\$290.00
Poverty Relief	\$10.00
Cemetery	\$58.00

MASS INTENTIONS

For



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22 - Lucernemines

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:30 pm Rosary for Peace

Anticipated Mass- *Fifth Sunday of Advent*

4:00 pm Mass - +Ben & Jule Carnish
(Carolyn & Bob Short)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23 - Coral

Fifth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am +John & Magdalene Baird
(Son & Family)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24- Lucernemines

NO 8:00 AM MASS

Parish Office Closes at Noon

Vigil Mass-The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

4:00 pm +Charles William Thompson
(Grandchildren, Teagan & Justley Sharp)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 - Coral

10:00 pm +Teresa Yancy
(Leonard & Cecile Evansic)

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 25- Coral

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Parish Office Closed

10:00 am +Charles Huston
(John Lukcik & Family)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26- Lucernemines

No Mass

Parish Office Closed

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27- Coral

8:00 am +Frances Voytek
(Daughters, Cindy & Georgette &
Families)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28 -

NO MASS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29- Lucernemines

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:30 pm Rosary for Peace

Anticipated Mass-The Holy Family

4:00 pm Mass - +Doris Rebovich
(Jim & Chris Costello)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 - Coral

The Holy Family

8:00am - Pro Populo