



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.

Reminder Regarding the Daily Mass Schedule

Beginning on January 1, 2019, the 8:00 am daily Mass will be celebrated in Coral on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. No Mass on Friday.

SACRAMENTS

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.

Solemnity of Mary Mass Schedule

Monday, December 31, 2018
4:00 pm - Lucernemines

Tuesday, January 1, 2019
8:00 am - Coral



A Note from the Pastor –

On behalf of Fr. Andy (who celebrated a birthday on Nov. 30th) and me (who celebrated a birthday on Dec. 6th), we wanted to thank all those who have offered birthday, Advent and/or Christmas greetings, gifts, cards and prayers to us. We are grateful for your kindness, generosity and thoughtfulness. Merry Christmas, and may you have a blessed New Year!

Gospel

~ Luke 2:41-52 ~

Reflection

The joyful mysteries of the holy rosary culminate in this remarkable story that “breaks the silence of the Gospels about the hidden years of Jesus” (CCC 534*). But it can be hard sometimes to understand just how it found a place also in the list of the seven sorrows of Our Lady. Is it sorrow or is it joy? And, of course, the answer is that it is both, but in a mysterious way that points to a central facet of Christian faith: obedience, embraced with love, leads us to joy, but often through sorrow. The moral delicacy of this story—the dramatic tension between duty and love leaves us in awe of the figures, especially Mary and Jesus (not to neglect Joseph). Jesus must be obedient to his Father in heaven and so expresses this in preview of his later ministry by remaining in his “Father’s house,” to listen to and question the elders. While the first commandment to honor God is first for a reason, grounding all the others, including the fourth to honor father and mother, in this case we see the perfect father and mother, Joseph and Mary, who love God fully in the very Son they seek “in great anxiety.” He seems almost severe in his response, and they are left somewhat bewildered. Jesus, in the end, is obedient to them and returns to Nazareth. What Mary pondered afterward was likely just this remarkable tension: the obedience to God’s plan that Jesus shows to his Father and which she owes to Jesus as God, must be prior to any lesser loves, even the holiest of loves. And from the sweet sorrow of that deepest of sacrifices will come the greatest joy. © *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!**

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Pierogie Sale

The Altar Rosary Society will sponsor a pierogie sale on Friday, January 11, 2019 from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm in Podowski Hall. Cost is \$8.00 a dozen. Members and parishioners are welcome to volunteer to help make pierogis beginning Sunday, January 6 at 1:00 pm in Podowski Hall and continue each day at 8:30 am until all are made. Men are especially needed to help with the heavier tasks. **REMINDER:** All volunteers must have their child protection clearances prior to volunteering.

Job Well Done!!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped clean and decorate both of our parish sites for the beautiful Christmas Season. May you have a blessed New Year!

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.

Save the date for THE WELL Men's Conference

The diocese's Men's Ministry Team will host THE WELL Men's Conference on March 30 at Greensburg Central Catholic. The event includes workshops, open discussions, the sacrament of reconciliation and adoration, and it concludes with Mass celebrated by Bishop Malesic. The keynote speaker will be Mike McCoy, an Erie native who is a former Notre Dame and NFL football star. Registration opens in January at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/THEWELL.

Natural Family Planning instruction Feb. 4

Natural Family Planning CM-BBT instruction will be Feb. 4 at 6 p.m. in the Catholic Charities office in Greensburg. Please call at least one week prior to the instruction date to preregister. Contact Mary Ann Newhouse at Catholic Charities at 724-837-1840, ext. 1658 for additional information or to register for this or an upcoming class. For more information about Natural Family Planning and the CM-BBT method, visit www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org and link into Natural Family Planning under "Services."

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE



Closed until Jan. 2

Blouses, Sweaters, Shirts \$1

Also find household goods, collectibles, books, puzzles, toys, etc.

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

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 10am—4pm; **Tues. 10am—5pm**,
Sat. 10am—3pm



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

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.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Classes

Reminder: There are no Faith Formation Classes until Sunday, January 13, 2019.

Congratulations to the second grade class that made their First Reconciliation at the Advent Penance Service on Monday, December 17:

Nicholas Joseph Andrascik
Kendal Leigh Apjok
Carter Michael Cortazzo
Sofia Rose Costello
Benjamin Paul Gornick
Addysen Grace Henry
Vincent Anthony O'Hara
Noah Michael Todd

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.



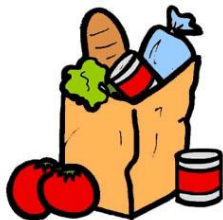
Due to the early bulletin submission the offertory for December 22/23 and December 24/25 will appear in a future bulletin.

FOOD BANK

Whether you donate alone or with friends, being able to feed those in need is a worthy cause.

The Food Bank distribution date is always the second Thursday of each month. Therefore, your food bank donations need to be turned in by the second Tuesday of the month.

Containers are located in the back of both churches., Pleases help out if you can.



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

MASS INTENTIONS



For December 29, 2018 to January 5, 2019

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

8:00 am - Pro Populo

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31 - Lucernemines

No 8:00 am Mass

4:00 pm Anticipated Mass– The Solemnity of Mary

+Christine & Jack Zambernardi

(Family)

TUESDAY , JANUARY 1 - Coral

The Solemnity of Mary

8:00 am - +Charles William Thompson

(Lori & Wes Sharp)

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2– Coral

8:00 am - +Gil Braga

(Wife, Marcy)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3 - Coral

8:00 am - +Kathryn Silveri

(Son, Ron & Marion Silveri)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4- NO MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5 - Lucernemines

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:30 pm Rosary for Peace

Anticipated Mass-Second Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm Mass - The Epiphany of the Lord

+Betty J. Cook

(Ed & Patty Gulakowski)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 - Coral

The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am— +Cynthia Huntley

(Eleanor Hirko)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—JANUARY 5/6, 2019

	Sat, January 5 4:00 pm - Lucerne	Sun, January 6 8:00 am - Coral
Altar Servers	Carson & Jaxson A.	Ashlyn B. & Joseph S.
Lector	Marge H.	Mary Ann C.
E.M.H.C.	Joseph A., Bonnie C., Mimi Y.	Barbara & Terry C. Marianna R.
Ushers	Ed & Bernadette P.	George E. & Jerry S.