



Holy Family Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

A Parish in the Diocese of Greensburg
225 North Second Street
West Newton, PA 15089



JANUARY 26, 2025 ~ 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekends Saturday at 4:00pm
Sunday at 11:00am
Weekdays Tuesday at 8:00am
Wednesday at 8:00am
Confessions .. Saturday at 3:00pm
... Appointment - Call
the office for Fr. Roselo
office hours _____
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 25
4:00pm **Mass Delores Novacek** by The Kucenic Family
Sunday, January 26
11:00am **Mass Alex Merlino** by Family
Monday, January 27
8:00am **Mass at Church of Saint Anne**
Tuesday, January 28
8:00am **Mass Larry Vachon** by Al & Eileen Protin
Wednesday, January 29
8:00am **Mass George Sweeney** by Louise Connolly
Thursday, January 30
No Mass
Friday, January 31
8:00am **Mass at Church of Saint Anne**

Presentation of the Lord

Saturday, February 1
4:00pm **Mass Neal Genemore** by Joe & Paula Klocek
Sunday, February 2
11:00am **Mass Alma Zima** by Terry & Dawna Rapsack
6:00pm **Mass Faith Formation**

For a Catholic to be a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, one must be a practicing Catholic regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Sacraments, a registered member of the Parish receiving contribution envelopes to support the Parish for a minimum of four months.

Young adults of parishioners who have earlier been under their parent's registration and who are now on their own and remain in the Parish must register as an adult parishioner and receive envelopes. All requests for a certificate should be made four weeks in advance of the designated date needed for sponsorship.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick & Holy Communion..... are available upon request to those who are sick, elderly or homebound. Families are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

Minister Schedule

Sat. Jan. 25 (4:00pm) Lector: Honey Lou Carroll
 Euch. Minister: Mary Houseman
 Sun. Jan. 26 (11:00am) Lector: Pat Beneccio
 Euch. Minister: Barry Beneccio
 Sat. Feb. 1 (4:00pm) Lector: Diana Janitor
 Euch. Minister: Ginger DeBlasio
 Sun. Feb. 2 (11:00am) Lector: Christina Null
 Euch. Minister: Aleta Keegan



If you need to schedule a Mass or place something in the bulletin (meetings, events, etc.), please email me at **mdaversa@dioceseofgreensburg.org**.

Do not use *dmanley@dioceseofgreensburg*. I will not get your email. You can also place an envelope in the collection basket or call my cell phone (724-331-7465) I will try to get back to you in a day or so. Michael Daversa

PATHWAYS continues at Holy Family on Monday, February 17 from 6:30pm till 9:00pm. The next class focuses on Church History. There is no charge so please plan to attend.

PLEASE CONSIDER donating your time or your talent for the upcoming year. We are in search of Altar servers, either children or adults. Consider cantoring or reading at Mass or joining our Pastoral Council. Any questions, please call (724) 872-6123

let's HELP each OTHER

WEEKLY OFFERTORY FOR 1/12/2025

Offertory: \$3,649.00
 Monthly: \$167.00
 Loose: \$88.00
 Candle: \$45.00
 Accent: \$23.00
 Christmas: \$20.00
 Solemnity of Mary: \$92.00
 Funds to Diocese = \$0.00
 Funds Available to Parish = \$4,084.00
Budget Requirements\$4,500.00
Deficit.....\$416.00

Please consider using this for your donation. Once registered, you can use this for all of your donations. If you have any questions, please call the Church Office (724) 872-6123



PAX youth event March 29 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

A PAX youth event for all students in sixth through eighth grade in the Diocese of Greensburg is set for Saturday, March 29, from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Students and families can attend Mass at 5 p.m. Lunch, snacks and water will be provided. Participants and volunteers can register at <https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/pax-middle-school-event/>

Faith Formation Mass

Sunday, February 2, at 6 pm, there will be a Mass for Faith Formation for anyone who would like to attend.

Volunteer Clearances

Please visit the Diocese of Greensburg website (www.dioceseofgreensburg.org) and click on "schools" then "clearances" for a list of requirements. If you need further assistance, please call the office at 724-872-6123 and ask for Dan Landini.

Your presence here makes all the difference.

Matters of Sexual Abuse - 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 make the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724 837 0901, ext 1221.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time "Through the Power of the Holy Spirit"

Jesus lived a quiet life for 30 years as a carpenter, the son of Joseph. During this time, he didn't do anything that would draw attention to himself. But everything changed after his baptism when he began to preach, perform miracles, and gather his apostles. This change happened "through the power of the Holy Spirit." Because of this, many people started to follow him.

After a few months of preaching, Jesus returned to his hometown of Nazareth. He went to the local synagogue and read from the prophet Isaiah, who spoke about how God's kingdom is near and how he brings good news to the poor. The Holy Spirit was the one who energized Jesus' mission. It was the Holy Spirit that helped Jesus leave his comfortable life in Nazareth and travel to different places to share his message.

Even before his baptism, the Holy Spirit was with Jesus. It became clear when the Spirit came down on him like a dove during his baptism. This sign showed a new beginning, bringing joy and peace, just like the dove that appeared after the flood in the story of Noah.

The same Holy Spirit that worked in Jesus was also active among the early Christians. In the Acts of the Apostles, we see how the Christian faith spread from Jerusalem to Rome. It didn't happen through a planned strategy; it grew slowly, especially after the persecution of Christians led to them moving to different places. Just when it seemed like Christianity might fade away after the martyrdom of Stephen, it actually began to grow in other parts of the Roman Empire.

For early Christians, genuine mission and the Holy Spirit went hand in hand. They often prayed, "Come, Holy Spirit, we need you." Christians receive the Holy Spirit during baptism and confirmation, but many forget to call on him. When they remember and ask for the Spirit's help, they allow him to work in their lives.

Pope Francis teaches that mission is essential to being a Christian. In his writing "The Joy of the Gospel," he describes a world filled with sad and troubled people. Many focus too much on their own worries and problems or get caught up in arguments about church practices. This can turn their involvement in the church into something negative instead of loving.

True joy comes back when we share the Good News with those in need. The poor show us the face of Jesus, who alone can bring us joy. This all happens through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Let us remember to invite the Holy Spirit into our lives, so we can share joy and hope with others.

Millions in Catholic school tuition assistance available
SPREAD THE NEWS! The 12 Diocese of Greensburg Catholic schools now have millions of dollars in tuition assistance available! Become a TOP Student today. Visit www.CatholicSchoolsGuide.org or call 724-552-2565.

Diocese of Greensburg Catholic schools: Substitute Teachers

Send resumes to the Office of Catholic Schools at CatholicSchools@DioceseofGreensburg.org. For information, call 724-552-2594.

Did you know that the Catholic Church has two main organizations in the United States that respond to people in need? The mission of Catholic Relief Services is to assist the poor and vulnerable overseas, while Catholic Charities USA provides service to people in need in the United States. Please visit www.crs.org and www.catholiccharitiesusa.org for more information!

Secular Carmelite Community open to candidates

The Secular Carmelite Community in Latrobe is now open to potential candidates who feel they may be called to live a life of Carmelite spirituality. The community meets the second Sunday of each month. For information, email ocdspa07@gmail.com.

