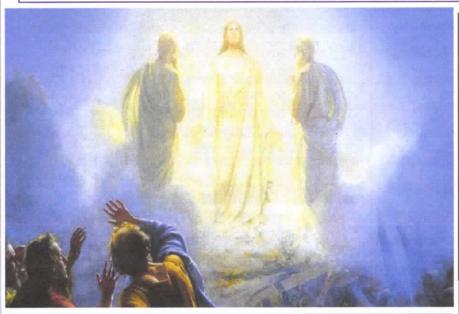


Holy Family Parish A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

A Parish in the Diocese of Greensburg 225 North Second Street West Newton, Pennsylvania 15089 724-872-6123 www.holyfamilywestnewton.org



MARCH 16, 2025 ~ SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Second Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 15

4:00pm Mass Bob Nedwick by Aleta Keegan

Sunday, March 16

11:00am Mass Stanley & Agnes Minkus by Leonard & Jeanne

Monday, March 17

8:00am Mass at Church of St. Anne

Tuesday, March 18

8:00am Mass Daniel Landini, Sr. by Dan & Maryann Landini

Wednesday, March 19

8:00am Mass George Almasi by Dick & Joyce Wingerter

Thursday, March 20

No Mass

Friday, March 21

8:00am Mass at Church of St. Anne

6:00pm Stations of the Cross

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 22

4:00pm Mass Rita McGrogan by Holy Family CCM

Sunday, March 23

11:00am Mass Mary Ann Keegan by Elaine Janitor

Office Hours: Tue thru Fri 8:30 am - 12pm church email: hfamilywn@comcast.net The Reverend Roselo A. Melloria, Pastor rmelloria@dioceseofgreensburg.org The Reverend Richard J. Zelik, OFM Cap., Weekend Assistant

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Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekends: Saturday at 4pm

Sunday at 11am

Weekdays: Tues. & Wed. at 8am Confessions: Saturday at 3:00pm

(or call office for appointment)

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. If urgent, you may call the office at St. Anne at 724-872-3555.

Minister Schedule

Sat. Mar. 15 (4:00pm) Lector: Stan Materkowski

Euch. Minister: Mary Houseman

Sun. Mar. 16 (11:00am)Lector: Pat Beneccio

Euch. Minister: Barry Beneccio

Sat. Mar. 22 (4:00pm) Lector: Aleta Keegan

Euch. Minister: Tina Quinn

Sun. Mar. 23 (11:00am) Lector: Diana Janitor

Euch. Minister: Ann Page

WEEKLY OFFERTORY FOR 3/4/2025

Offertory: \$2,634.00 Monthly: \$365.00 Loose: \$119.00

Candle: \$120.00

Ash Wednesday: \$192.00 Easter Flowers: \$100.00 Home Missions: \$80.00*

Funds to Diocese* = \$80.00

Funds Available to Parish = \$3,530.00 Budget Requirements\$5,000.00

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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





St Anne's Christian Mothers is excited to host their 4th Annual Lenten Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, March 29th, at St. Anne's. All women 18 and older are invited to attend. It will begin with morning Mass followed by breakfast and an inspiring speaker. Please mark your calendars for this special event for women. Invite a friend. Registration information is in the bulletin.



The Official Diocese of Greensburg 2025 Annual Lenten Fish Fry Guide

Looking for a great fish sandwich or Lenten lunch or dinner? Visit **theaccentonline.org** for the locations of a Lenten Fish Fry near you.

Stations of the Cross ...

Will be held Fridays at 6:00pm at Holy Family



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

mdaversa@dioceseofgreensburg.org. You can also place an envelope in the offering box or call my cell phone (724-331-7465).... Michael Daversa

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

Volunteer Clearances

Please visit the Diocese of Greensburg website (www.dioceseofgreensburg.org) and click "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.

PATHWAYS continues at Holy Family on Mondays from 6:30pm till 9:00pm in the social hall. There is no charge so please plan to attend.

OCIA Wednesday's at 7 pm at the Church of St Anne thru May 21st.



2025 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

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Its "A Time to Share". Holy Family has a goal of \$34,500 this year. Please reflect on the blessings you have received and consider sharing them. This would allow us to attain the cost of a new boiler. In addition, the DLA helps in forming future priests, educating our children in the faith, helping those in need, and supports the International Priest Program.

Cookbook Parish Fundraiser

Recipes for the parish cookbook can still be submitted by **March 16**. Please place them in the basket as you enter the church.



2nd Sunday in Lent



Today, we hear about a very important moment in Jesus' life. At his baptism, a voice from

heaven said, "You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased." This was a special affirmation

that helped Jesus start his mission on earth. Later, when Jesus was tempted by the devil, the devil

tried to make him doubt whether he was truly God's Son.

He wanted Jesus to question his identity

and worth, especially when he was weak and hungry. But Jesus stood firm and showed that being God's Son isn't about having power or fame.

In today's Gospel, we see Jesus on a mountain, praying with his closest friends. While he was praying, he was transformed, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One, listen to him." This moment gave Jesus the strength to continue his journey to Jerusalem, even though he knew it would be difficult and dangerous.

Just like Jesus, when we were baptized, we became children of God. This is a wonderful gift that we didn't earn; it's something we simply receive because God loves us. The devil, however, tries to make us doubt this love. He might whisper things like, "If you're really God's child, why are you struggling?" or "Why are you facing hardships?" If we're not careful, we can start to believe that God doesn't care about us.

The Transfiguration was not just for Jesus; it was also for his disciples. They were about to face tough times, and they needed something to hold onto. The experience on the mountain gave them hope and courage for what was to come. It reminded them that even though they would witness Jesus' suffering, there would also be a victory over death.

As we go through Lent, we are invited to reflect on the meaning of the Transfiguration in our lives. We all have our struggles and challenges, but we are also people of hope. Just like the disciples, we can look forward to a future filled with glory. When our time comes to face death, we can remember that it's not the end; it's a new beginning.

Saint Paul reminds us that our true home is in heaven, where we will be transformed into something glorious. So, as we carry our crosses, let's keep our eyes on the hope of the Resurrection and remember that if we suffer with Christ, we will also share in his glory.

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.