



Holy Family Parish

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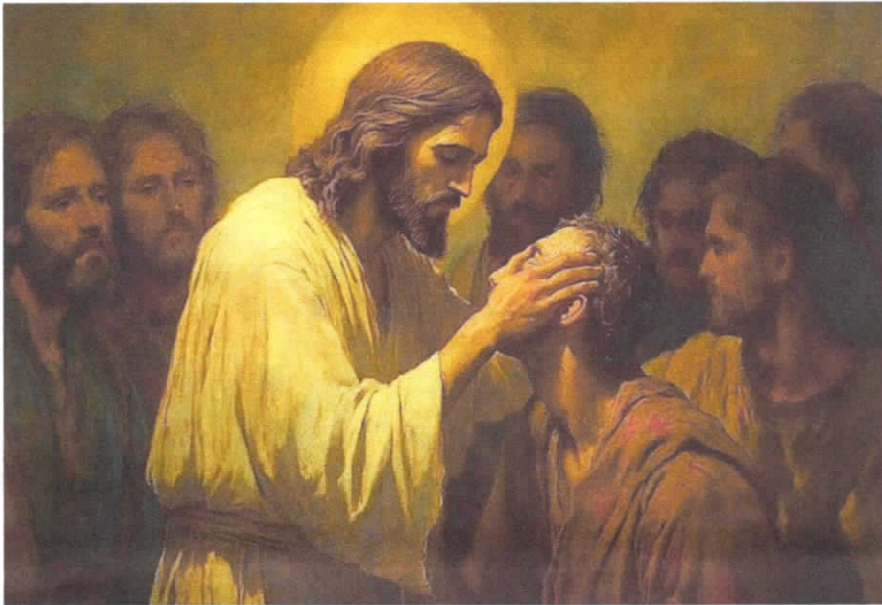
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MARCH 30, 2025 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 29

4:00pm **Mass Anna Olbrish** by Family

Sunday, March 30

11:00am **Mass Margi Azzari** by Tina, Corrine, & Annette

Monday, March 31

8:00am **Mass at Church of St. Anne**

Tuesday, April 1

8:00am **Mass John Babilya** by Family

Wednesday, April 2

8:00am **Mass Michaelene Nohavicka** by Geo. & Sally Thuransky

12:00pm **Stations of the Cross** at Church of St. Anne

Thursday, April 3

No Mass

Friday, April 4

8:00am **Mass at Church of St. Anne**

6:00pm **Stations of the Cross**

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, April 5

4:00pm **Mass Bernie Janitor** by Family

Sunday, April 6

11:00am **Mass Caesar & Lena Beneccio** by Beneccio Family

Office Hours: Tue thru Fri 8:30 am - 12pm

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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. 29 (4:00pm) Lector: Honey Lou Carrol
Euch. Minister: Mary Houseman
Sun. Mar. 30 (11:00am) Lector: Bill Hughes
Euch. Minister: Armand Luzi
Sat. Apr. 5 (4:00pm) Lector: Diana Janitor
Euch. Minister: Aleta Keegan
Sun. Apr. 6 (11:00am) Lector: Cristina Null
Euch. Minister: Ann Page

WEEKLY OFFERTORY FOR 3/16/2025

Offertory: \$2,111.00
Monthly: \$985.00
Loose: \$126.00
Candle: \$97.00
Ash Wednesday: \$45.00
Easter Flowers: \$231.00
Home Missions: \$30.00*
Funds to Diocese* = \$30.00
Funds Available to Parish = \$3,595.00
Budget Requirements\$5,000.00
Deficit.....\$1,405.00

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



OCIA: Beginning this weekend, our Elect – Makenna and Marta – continue the Period of Purification and Enlightenment.

This period is “a more intense preparation of spirit and heart, which has the character of recollection rather than of catechesis and is intended to purify hearts and minds by examination of conscience and penitence” with the purpose of forming a deeper relationship with Christ the Savior. (OCIA,139) An integral aspect of this period is the celebration of the Scrutinies of the Elect. These Scrutinies will be held during the Eucharistic Celebration on the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent. These rites include prayers of exorcism, prayers of uncovering and healing all that is weak and sinful and strengthening all that is upright, strong and good. (From the Diocese of Greensburg Christian Initiation Policy)

Please join us in prayer over these remaining weeks of Lent for Makenna and Marta

EASTER CHOIR for Easter Sunday Mass will practice each Sunday after the 11 am Mass. Anyone with their clearances is welcome. Please join us.



Stations of the Cross ...

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

Lenten Penance Services

As we journey through Lent, we invite you to participate in our upcoming Lenten Penance Services. This is a wonderful opportunity for reflection, repentance, and renewal. Please join us at the following locations and times

April 1 (Tuesday) at 6 PM: Seven Dolors, Yukon

April 3 (Thursday) at 6 PM: St. Edward, Herminie

April 7 (Monday) at 6 PM: Epiphany of The Lord, Monessen

April 8 (Tuesday) at 6 PM: St. John the Baptist, Perryopolis

April 9 (Wednesday) at 6 PM: Church of St. Anne

April 10 (Thursday) at 6 PM: St. Sebastian, Belle Vernon

April 11 (Friday) at 6 PM: Holy Family, West Newton

We encourage all to come and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during these special services. Let us prepare our hearts for the celebration of Easter.Fr. Roselo



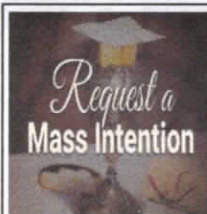
DLA Report for Holy Family as of 3/17/2025

Total Goal: \$34,500

Diocesan Target: \$25,172 Parish Goal over Target: \$9,328

Total Pledged: \$2,805 Total Paid: \$2,555

Avg. Gift: \$311.67 % Total Goal: 7.4



We Need Mass Intentions

To schedule Masses, please call the office at 724-872-6123, or place your request in the offertory with your name & phone number so we can call you to confirm the date(s).

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedules

Please pick yours up in the entrance of the church.



a time to Share **2025 Diocesan Lenten Appeal**

Forming Future Priests

Three new priests in the Diocese of Greensburg are now sharing their love of Jesus! Will you share your support of priestly vocations? Your donations are used for formation, and Lent is *A Time to Share*. Visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025 to give a gift to priestly vocations.

Diocese of Greensburg

Donate today at DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025

4th Sunday of Lent

We focus on the first reading from 1 Samuel and the Gospel of John. Both readings teach us important lessons about seeing with God's eyes.

In the first reading, God sends the prophet Samuel to find a new king for Israel. Samuel looks at Jesse's sons and is impressed by their looks, but God tells him that He looks at the heart instead. God chooses David, the youngest son, to be king. This reminds us that what matters most is not how we look on the outside but what is in our hearts. God values our goodness and character.

In the Gospel, we see Jesus heal a man who was born blind. This miracle gives the man physical sight, but it also helps him see who Jesus really is—the Son of God. The Pharisees, who are proud and refuse to believe, remain blind to the truth. This shows us that Jesus is the light of the world. When we encounter Him, our lives can change for the better.

The key message from these readings is to look beyond appearances and see the goodness in ourselves and others. Just as God saw David's heart, we should try to see others through God's loving eyes. And like the blind man, we should be open to Jesus, allowing His light to guide us and transform our lives.

As we reflect on these stories, let's remember to focus on what is truly important: our hearts and our faith in Jesus, the light of the world.

Your presence here makes all the difference.

8th Grade Faith Formation Bag Brigade Donations

8th grade students from St. Anne's & Holy Family will be collecting donations for the Bag Brigade. The Bag Brigade is a community outreach program that helps provide children in the Belle Vernon area with food. Donation boxes will be located in the entrances of both churches through Sunday, April 8. Preferred items are: full size or mini cereal boxes. Other suggested items are: Pop-Tarts, fruit snacks, individual fruit cups, and individual mac & cheese cups. Students will be dropping off items at the Bag Brigade on Tuesday, April 8.



Lenten reflection April 5 at St. Sebastian Parish

Belle Vernon The Ladies of Faith of Saint Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon, will hold a Lenten reflection Saturday, April 5, at Noon. All are welcome to follow John Paul II, Biblical Way of the Cross, with Father Michael Thomas discussing "The Seven Last Words of Christ." Light refreshments will follow.

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.



2025 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.

Sacrament of Marriage – Planning and Preparation

Congratulations! Preparing to enter into the Sacrament of Matrimony is a blessed time. Once you choose a date, we encourage you to begin the process so that date is reserved. The preparation process for the Sacrament takes approximately 6 to 9 months. It involves sessions with both the Pastor and Regional Director of Faith Formation. There is also paperwork that will need to be completed. We are here to make this as easy as possible, while coming to grow in relationship with God as a couple. To begin this process, please scan the QR Code. If you prefer a link, please email aslebdnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org and one will be sent to you.



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.