

January 13, 2019The Baptism of the Lord



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*** OFFICE HOURS ***

Mon.- Thur. ... 8:30am to 4:00pm
Fri.8:30am to 12:00pm

BAPTISM...3rd Sunday of the month at 9:30am Mass
(Parents must attend Baptism Preparation).
Call Karen at ext. #208

RECONCILIATION...Saturday(4:00pm) or call Fr. Dave

MATRIMONY...One year notice required



Saint
Regis
Parish

"A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"

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A Parish of the
Diocese of
Greensburg



OUR MISSION.....

We are the family of Saint Regis, a diverse faith-filled community of caring people. We commit ourselves to be Christ-like to one another, promoting active participation by all in building the parish faith community. Unified through Word and Worship, we answer the call to love and serve God. We resolve to share our faith through prayer, outreach and service.



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The St. Regis votive light is lit this week in prayer for

Sister Mary
Arleen Squitieri



from
Florence

Parish Schedule from Monday Jan. 14th to Sunday Jan. 20th

Monday, January 14.....1:00pm _____ Sleeping Bag Project
6:15pm __ Religious Ed. & Middle Youth Ministry

Tuesday, January 15.....8:00am _____ **Mass**/w Morning Prayer for Life
7:30pm _____ Life of Joy Prayer Group

Wednesday, January 16 ...6:30pm _____ Evangelization Committee meeting

Thursday, January 17..... 1:00pm _____ Social Committee meeting
4:00pm __ Sr. High Youth Ministry-soup making

Saturday, January 1910:00am _____ SHYM & MYM-Soup for the Soul
4:00pm _____ Confessions
5:00pm _____ **Mass**

Sunday, January 20..... 9:30am _____ **Mass**/CLW
“Accent Collection”

Exposition and
Adoration
2nd Wednesday
each month

Regional Mass at
St. Barbara
Sunday at 6:00pm

Masses Intentions this week	
MON 1/14/19 8:00am	Frank Lawrence (Don & Eileen Vanesko)
TUE 1/15/19 8:00am	Frank Lawrence (Anthony & Gloria Christofano and Family)
WED 1/16/19 8:00am	Jane Popoloski (Betty Damianos)
THUR 1/17/19 8:00am	Rose & Carmino Germano (McDade Family)
FRI 1/18/19	No Mass
SAT 1/19/19 5:00pm	*Living & Deceased Members of St. Regis *Steve Samek (Trudy & Ed Ragan)
SUN 1/20/19 9:30am	The Penn-Trafford Community (Marcia & Larry Irr) Richard Caruso (Rita Caruso)

Minister Schedule		
MINISTRY	SAT 1/19/19	SUN 1/20/19
ALTAR SERVERS	Nathan Litzinger Ryan Litzinger Marcus Mielke Jacob Zigarovich	Anne Dlugos Nate Dlugos Nicky Dlugos Zachary Dlugos
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Pat Beltram Pauline Kljucaric Karen Mercalde Gene Scarberry Louise Scarberry Mike Ziemski Paula Ziemski <unfilled> <unfilled>	Mary Babeo Kathy Capets Vic Capets Julia Dlugos Judy Ference Kathy Gisi Bill Kepes Patrick Malley Mark Marston
GREETERS	Carol Pizarro <unfilled>	Annette Costlow Robert Hartman
LECTORS	Maryellen Labik <unfilled>	Rod Gisi (2) Stephanie Malley

Readings for the week of January 14, 2019

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Baptism of the Lord –

Today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord draws the Christmas Season to a close for the Church. On Monday we begin Ordinary Time – that time during which Green is the color seen covering the altar and worn by the priest. Once Advent and the Christmas-Epiphany season are completed, the Church settles down to a series of thirty-four weeks. At the end of this series, another Church Year will begin with another First Sunday of Advent. The season ends with a kind of beginning, for in today's Gospel passage we hear a voice from heaven say, "*You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased.*" This was the starting point of Jesus' ministry. The passage from Isaiah is usually heard during Advent. And in this reading we hear words that will later be echoed by John the Baptist, who appears in today's Gospel reading.

We cannot speak of Ordinary Time without speaking of Sunday. The every seven-day celebration of the Lord's Day is the basic structure upon which the Church Year is built. The great liturgical seasons of Advent-Christmas and Lent-Easter are more expansive celebrations of particular aspects of the one paschal mystery which we celebrate every Lord's Day. These special seasons focus our attention upon critical dimensions of one mystery, a mystery so overwhelming that we are compelled to separate out its various elements for particular attention. These seasons in no way minimize the critical importance of the Sunday celebration throughout the rest of the year. Ordinary Time is not very ordinary at all. Ordinary Time, the celebration of Sunday, is the identifying mark of the Christian community which comes together, remembering that on this day of the week the Lord of Life was raised up and creation came at last to completion. Sunday as a day of play and worship is a sacrament of redeemed time. How we live Sunday proclaims to the world what we believe about redeemed time now and forever.

What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of the week past is the beginning of the week to come. We are expected to live normal human lives and yet seek ideals which exceed the powers of our mind, and which sweep even beyond our dreams. We are asked to achieve humanly what lies beyond our human ability. During the coming thirty-four weeks of the Church Year we are asked to affirm and strengthen the mystery of Jesus' incarnation by consecrating to God every faculty or member of the human body – in a sense a New Year's Resolution that re-confirms our Baptism. We will walk our earthly way yet look with eyes of divine kindness. With our human hands we will touch others with godly tenderness and compassion. Like Jesus in fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah, we ought to be God's instrument by which a great light shines upon a people otherwise living in darkness.

Let us pray that we allow ourselves to cooperate with the power of God in our Baptism with the Lord so that we can truly profess our faith in our thoughts, our words, and our actions. Let us also pray that we allow ourselves to be so *open to that Consuming Fire and Spirit of Love as it descends upon each of us so that it can reproduce within each of us, as it were, an Incarnation of the Word, that we may be to Him another humanity wherein He renews His Mystery.* (S. Elizabeth of the Trinity)

Weekly Offertory for
12/30/2018

Sunday Offertory + \$7,056.50

On-line Giving + \$1,316.35

Total Collection + \$8,372.85

Additional Donations:

CHILDREN'S + \$13.00

Food Bank + \$.87

Religious ed. + \$.87

Children & Family Svc. + \$215.00

Christmas flowers + \$40.00

Solennity of Mary + \$1,251.00

Christmas + \$620.00

Accent + \$45.00

Ash Wednesday + \$5.00

Maintenance + \$22.78

Assumption + \$5.00

Immaculate Conception + \$5.00

Ascension + \$5.00

Retired Religious + \$10.00 (1-6-19)

To Contribute on-line, please see our website.

Weekly Offertory for
1/6/2019

Sunday Offertory + \$8,803.50

On-line Giving + \$1,704.32

Total Collection + \$10,507.82

Additional Donations:

CHILDREN'S + \$16.00

Food Bank + \$646.08

Religious ed. + \$74.63

Children & Family Svc. + \$138.00

Christmas flowers + \$10.00

Solennity of Mary + \$396.00

Christmas + \$2,385.00

Accent + \$38.00

Ash Wednesday + \$20.00

Maintenance + \$70.00

Eastern Europe + \$15.00

Immaculate Conception + \$10.00

Home Missions + \$15.00

Easter Flowers + \$40.00

Poverty Relief + \$10.00

Thanksgiving + \$20.00

**"Let us Pray for
the Conversion of
the World & for
Peace"**

**The Christmas
Collection total was
\$23,601. Thank
you. We are truly
blessed to have
such a loyal and
dedicated
congregation.**



Your prayers are requested.....

for the repose of the soul of Monsignor J. Edward McCullough. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. May he rest in peace. Amen.

IMPORTANT Weekly Votive Information!

If you reserved the weekly Votive Candle for 2019 and you DID NOT return a form to the office, please call so that we can be sure you are on the list. We have had some corrupted data in the office and need to verify information when we do not have a hard copy. Thank you.

The public is invited to join the Notre Dame Club of Greensburg/ Uniontown on Friday, January 18, 2019, at 7 pm for a visit to Congregation Emanu-El, 222 N Main St. Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601. We will attend the 7:00 pm Sabbath Service, followed by a conversation with Rabbi Staci Pedersohn. This continuing education event is in support of the University of Notre Dame Alumni Association's "Six C's"--Camaraderie, Catholic Spirituality, Current Students, Community Service, Continuing Education, and Communication. Following the Sabbath service, guests will have the opportunity to discuss Judaism, the Congregation's worship, and the current state of Jewish-Christian relations. In light of the recent tragedy at Tree of Life, event chair Msgr. Roger Statnick explained that, "This is an opportune time for us to connect with our Jewish brothers and sisters and show our support, and the desire to understand each other and work together for a better community for all." Alumni, friends, and fans of the University of Notre Dame and members of the public are welcome. Reservations not required but appreciated by Jan. 17 via ndclubgu@alumni.nd.edu

"The 500 Club"

The St. Agnes Feast Day Special tickets are now on sale in the office and after the weekend Masses. Drawing date is January 21st (the Feast Day of St. Agnes) at 7:00pm (PA Lottery). \$15 donation to win **\$1500!** Five numbers on each ticket and only 200 tickets. Remember this is the first of four specials we will run this year to replace the calendar ticket.



The Trafford American Legion presents BINGO on Sunday, January 20th at 2:00pm.



MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat-A Ministry to Catholic Women is holding a Breakfast at the Ramada Hotel and Convention Center, Rt. 30 East, Greensburg on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon. Guest speaker will be Carolyn Cannizzaro of Fayette City, whose story of faith and trust in God during some of life's most difficult trials will leave you inspired. Cost is \$20.00, student rate \$15.00. To register, please call Brenda by Jan. 20 at 724-836-2094 or visit www.magnificatgreensburg.com to download a registration form. Please note that there is no online registration.

Christmas Decoration Removal - Greensburg Catholic Cemetery

If you wish to retain your Christmas decorations from your loved ones graves, please remove the decorations by February 15. **Anything left in the cemetery past February 15, as a courtesy to you, will be discarded** by cemetery staff. Thank you for your cooperation.



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.

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 made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.



Just a reminder to all students in grades 6-12, Soup for the Soul is next Saturday, January 19th at 10:00am. We will be making and delivering care packages to some of our homebound parishioners, including packaging soup, baking biscuits and cookies, and making cards. We will have pizza for lunch and then deliver the packages.



Please register by Monday, January 14th. Due to the delivery logistics, you must be registered by Monday to attend. Adult volunteers are also needed, clearances required.

GIVING STATEMENTS

2018 Donation statements will not automatically be sent. If you need a document of your contributions from last year, please call Mike in the office at extension #204 or email a request to mdaversa@dioceseofgreensburg.org. Thank you

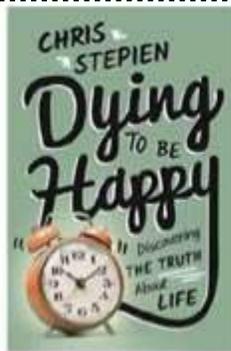
"The 500 Club"

If you would like to join the 500 Club, a few tickets have become available. Please call Joyce or Mike in the office. Thank You
December's number was **432** and was won by Bernadine Descak.



MARCH FOR LIFE 2019 –
JANUARY 18,
2019 WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Greensburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will sponsor a Pro-Life Day of Prayer Jan. 18 at Christ Our Shepherd Center. The day begins at 11 a.m. with a Rosary for Priests followed by Mass and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The event closes with Benediction at 4 p.m.



Evangelization Committee's Winter Book Club:
Dying to Be Happy: Discovering the Truth About Life
by Chris Stepien
Wednesdays in Gillen Hall:
January 30th – February 20th from 6:30 -7:30 pm
No cost to attend. Advanced registration is required by **MONDAY JANUARY 21st**. Complete the form and return it to the church office no later than 1/21/19.

Books will be available for pick up in the church office (AFTER JANUARY 7th) or delivered to you prior to the first session. Registrants will receive a confirmation phone call or email along with information on whether your book will be delivered or if you need to pick it up.

WINTER BOOK CLUB REGISTRATION FORM:

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
EMAIL: _____
PHONE: _____



The Evangelization Committee's Winter Book Club will start on Wednesday, January 30th 6:30 – 7:30 pm and run for 4 consecutive Wednesdays. Our book selection will be ***Dying To Be Happy: Discovering The Truth About Life***, by Chris Stepien. A brush with a life-threatening disease sparks a frank discussion on mortality. The author explores the prospects of embracing death on a daily basis versus denying it. He encourages readers to follow the advice of Jesus Christ: always be ready for the end of life. Be sure to register by completing the form in this week's bulletin. Participants will receive their book and reading assignment prior to the first session. Deadline to register is Monday, January 21st.