

THE *Epiphany* OF OUR Lord

ROMAN
CATHOLIC
CHURCH



A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST
A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG

APRIL 19, 2015—THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 8:30 am–12 pm & 1 pm–3 pm
Friday 8:30 am–12:00 Noon

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the Epiphany of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church;
we celebrate a long and diverse presence in Monessen,
reflecting the true meaning of Epiphany,
our vision is to become a beacon of hope
through education, spiritual formation and Liturgical functions;
proclaiming and living the Gospel Justice of Jesus Christ.

We show responsibility to one another through active
participation, stewardship and evangelization,
moving forward with the Spirit of the living God.
It is our Faith that unites us as one to celebrate the Eucharist,
the Source and Summit of our Catholic Traditions.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm (*Main Church*)
Sunday: 8:30 am (*Chapel Site*);
10:30 am (*Main Church*)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday &
Friday: 8:00 am (*Main Church*)
Wednesday: NO MASS

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00 am or you may call
the office to make an appointment.

BAPTISM

We baptize during all Masses. Parents
are required to attend a Pre-Baptism
session prior to the Baptism. Please
call the office for more information.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at
least six months in advance.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick
and cannot get to Mass, and they wish
to receive the Eucharist, please call
the office so arrangements can be
made.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Any article for the bulletin must be
in the office by Monday noon.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MAIN CHURCH

Saturday, April 18—Vigil

4:00 pm +Ted Zelinsky by Wife, Jackie & Sons,
Wayne & Michael

Sunday, April 19—Third Sunday of Easter

10:30 am +M/M Patsy Bisceglia & Son, Anthony by
Patty
Sacrament of First Eucharist

Monday, April 20

8:00 am +John F. Billy by Joel & Diana Resovich

Tuesday, April 21—St. Anselm

8:00 am +Jonathan Charles Silko by Jim & Rita
Gyrke

Wednesday, April 22

No Mass Today

Thursday, April 23—St. George; St. Adalbert

8:00 am +Gerry Minniti by Kelly Sepesky

Friday, April 24—St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8:00 am +Kathy Betza Pileggi by Mom, Dad &
Family

Saturday, April 25—Vigil

4:00 pm +Ann & Alfred Spadafore by Children
Sacrament of First Eucharist

Sunday, April 26—Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:30 am +Pegi Guzzie by Patty Bisceglia

CHAPEL

Sunday, April 19—Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 am +Sheri & George Turner, Jr. by Mom,
Betty Nash

Sunday, April 26—Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am +Mascitelli Family by Family

Sunday's Offerings: \$6,835.25

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, April 25, 2015 and Sunday, April 26, 2015

<u>Time</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
4:00 pm	G. Pesi	S. Surdyn B. Mandarino D. Mandarino Volunteer Needed	B. Rizzuto K. Chavez
8:30 am	J. Buggy	J. Petritis L. Micenko K. Imbrescia	S. Billy B. Speicher
10:30 am	V. Saunders	K. Byron M.A. Kostolansky M. Gigliotti P. Fantauzzi	M. Germinario T. Blatnik

Money Counters - Monday, April 20, 2015

S. Kostelac—Finance Council Member
K. Byron, B. Mandarino, C. Martucci

First Eucharist

Today, Sunday, April 19,
during the 10:30 a.m. Mass,



Connor Blatnik, our
young parishioner, will be
celebrating his First Holy Communion. I ask that
you keep Connor and all the children who are mak-
ing their First Holy Communion in your prayers,
and as their parish family we offer them our sup-
port!

Child Protection Clearances

As a part of the **Pennsylvania Child Protective Ser-
vices Law**, it is required that all of our Lectors, Extraor-
dinary Ministers of Holy Communion, members of the
Choir and Cantors need to complete an Affidavit. In
order to make this a little easier for everyone, we will
offer the opportunity to sign this form after Mass on the
3rd of May. Mary Jo Smith will be available to notarize
these forms after the 8:30 am Liturgy at the Chapel, as
well as after the 10:30 Liturgy at the main Church. *All
of our ministers need to have this affidavit signed.*

Diocesan Lenten Appeal

As we are entering the few remaining weeks for the
campaign this year, we have heard from 305 of our pa-
rishioners, and are hoping to get a response from the ma-
jority of our parish. From the people who have re-
sponded we have collected, in gifts and pledges, a total
of \$40,569.00. This represents 68% of our goal set at
\$65,000. I am hopeful that we will hear from the rest of
our parishioners. For those who have not yet responded
you should have received a reminder letter in the mail
last week. For all of those who already have responded,
please know how grateful I am for your generosity.

Baptism Congratulations

We welcome **Giovanni V. Narey and Gaetano V. Narey**
who were baptized into our parish family last Sunday.
May God continue to bless Giovanni & Gaetano and
their family with the grace of the sacrament and the gift
of the Holy Spirit.



Spring Fling Dance

St. Sebastian Parish will hold a Spring Fling
Dance on Saturday, May 2, in their Parish
Hall. The cost is \$15 per person OR \$110 to reserve a
table of 8. Snacks and refreshments will be pro-
vided. Beer and wine will be available for you to pur-
chase. Reserve a table in advance by calling 724-929-

Peace Be With You!

As the Church journeys through this season of Easter we are reminded over and over again what the message of the Risen Lord is all about. The first words that Jesus speaks to His disciples are always: "Peace be with you." Throughout the years that Jesus taught, the very heart of His message was this greeting. When He sent His disciples out He instructed them: "whatever house you enter greet them with Peace be with you." As followers of the Lord we are to live by these very words. Simple as they may be, they carry with them a huge commitment.

The Gospel for this week gives us the encounter with the disciples on the road to Emmaus. There are basically three things that Jesus leaves with us from this experience. First of all He greets His disciples with peace, He shares a meal with them and then He teaches them. This becomes the very essence of what we as followers are asked to do.

Some of the early disciples found it difficult to believe in the true meaning of the resurrection and thought that when Jesus appeared, He was only a ghost. St. Luke wants them to understand that Jesus is not a ghost but truly risen from the dead. His risen body bears within it the marks of the five wounds. His eating with them shows that He has a bodily reality and is not just a spirit. After the resurrection, there is continuity with His earthly life.

This week we all could look into our lives and determine just how we bring the Peace of the risen Christ to the people in our world. Sharing a meal shows us the importance of helping the poor and providing for others with the joy of hospitality. To be a member of the Body of Christ calls us to become that "Christ" on the road to Emmaus.

Through our hospitality and the peace we bring, we are helping others to understand what the message of Jesus is all about.



Super Senior Sunday!

On May 3rd, beginning at 1:00 pm, we are going to have a celebration honoring everybody who was born in 1925 or earlier. This is going to be a wonderful opportunity to honor all of our parishioners who are 90 years or older. The afternoon will begin with a Mass at 1:00 pm then we will go down into the hall to continue our celebration with a reception. To all of our invited guests, please feel free to bring along anyone that you want.



In getting ready for this *Super Senior Sunday*, we would like to have a count of people, so if you are planning on being a part of the celebration, could you give us a call at the office to let us know how many people you are bringing.

Anniversary Meeting

On Monday evening at 6:30 pm in the Chapel Hall we will have a meeting for anyone wishing to work on our 25th Anniversary that will take place next year. I invite you to come and share your ideas so that we do have a memorable anniversary celebration next year.

Joint meeting of Councils

This Thursday, April 23, at 6:30 pm we will have a joint meeting of the Pastoral and Finance councils. The meeting will be held in the Chapel Hall.

Vendor / Craft / Flea Market!

Once again the Epiphany Ladies are going to sponsor a vendor – craft – flea market which will be held this coming Saturday, **April 25, from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.**



The event will take place at the Chapel hall and grounds. This is a nice opportunity to maybe purchase some gifts that you may need in the future or just to browse around and see what you like. Refreshments will be sold. I hope that you are able to stop by on the 25th if for no other reason than to check things out! You might just find that little "treasure" you have been looking for.

CDA News:

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court #776 will meet on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at the Epiphany Chapel Hall at 7:00 p.m. Members are reminded to bring clothing for the Dress for Success project. Special guests will be the CDA Education Contest Winners and their families. All Women of the parish are welcome to attend and learn about the purpose of the Organization. For additional information contact Regent Pat Godla at 724-684-7235.

CBPW Meeting

Catholic Business Profession Women will be held on Tuesday, April 28th.

Details will be announced in next week's bulletin.