



# DIVINE GRACE PARISH

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## March 9, 2025 First Sunday of Lent

### *Encounter the Healing Power of God*

An evangelist shares the Good News of the Gospel from their own perspective. Sonya Corbitt, a popular Catholic author and broadcaster, offers a unique point of view—Jesus literally loves us to death, so let Him in.

Sonja brings her inspiring message to Divine Grace Parish for our **Lenten Parish Mission** on three evenings—Monday, March 17 through Wednesday, March 19. The theme is **Encountering the Healing Power of God**. The mission will be held at Holy Redeemer in Ellwood City.

The first night, following a Saint Patrick's Day Party, Sonja will share her personal story of what the Lord taught her in the Scriptures when she was hurting and feeling angry, guilty, discouraged, and exhausted.

Night Two's talk is entitled "With All Your Mind: Healing Anxiety and Identity Lies." On Wednesday evening, Sonja will present "With All Your Heart: Healing Wounded Emotions and Memories."

#### **Schedule**

**Mon., March 17, 6:45 pm.** Holy Redeemer Catholic Center - 311 Lawrence Ave., Ellwood City. The evening begins with a St. Patrick's Day party including drinks, appetizers and live music.

**Tues., March 18, 7:00 pm.** Holy Redeemer Church 415 Fourth Street, Ellwood City.

**Wed., March 19, 7:00 pm.** Holy Redeemer Church. Confessions available from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

See you there, and bring a friend!





# FATHER JIM'S WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

## **First Sunday of Lent**

We hear in the Gospel this weekend that right after Jesus' baptism, the Holy Spirit leads Him into the desert for 40 days where Satan will present Jesus with temptations. Jesus is God and shares in our human nature completely, but shows us that we have the capacity to reject Satan and embrace our faith. This is what Lent is all about – preparing ourselves to embrace the Crucified and Resurrected Jesus, and renouncing the lies that Satan presents to us. I hope everyone has a fruitful and productive Lent.

## **Stations of the Cross**

Spiritually walk with Jesus in His sufferings as the Church prays the Stations every Friday at 7:00 pm at all three of our churches. Additionally, Stations will also be prayed after the 8:30 am Mass at Saint Ferdinand, and at 2:30 pm at Saint Gregory with the school students.

## **Lenten Mission**

Our Lenten Parish Mission this year will take place at Holy Redeemer Church led by Sonja Corbitt from March 17-19. Register at <https://divinegracepgh.org/talks>.

## **Best Fish Dinners Around**

Fridays of Lent at Saint Ferdinand from 11:30 am-1:30 pm and 4:00-7:00 pm; and Fridays of Lent (excluding Good Friday) at Saint Gregory School from 4:00-7:00 pm. Both the Post-Gazette and KDKA featured our parish. Come and enjoy fraternity and community!

## **Vocations to the Priesthood – Ask Him**

When was the last time you asked a young man of our parish, "Have you thought about being a priest?" I have done this but I think if parishioners also asked a young man, he might take the question more seriously and maybe offer a prayer to God asking if the Lord wants him to be a priest.

## **The Work of the Pastoral Council**

The council makes recommendations to me about the pastoral life of our parish. We will meet this Thursday to discuss how things are going as we soon mark our 3rd year anniversary as a parish. The members are: Laura Dadey (chair), Judy Shearer (vice chair), Joyce Gaydosz (secretary), Valerie Bucek, Tim and Angela Maloney, Patrick and Shalini Savio, Beth Markovitz, Devin Cortez, Rosina Betz, Carol Nocera.

## **The Work of the Temporalities Committee**

The committee is working on a five year plan of temporal needs at all our church campuses. Once this plan is finalized, I will share it with you. The members include Mark Franz (chair), Deacon Don Pepe (coordinator of plant operations), Chris Razani (maintenance supervisor), Sally Jack, Jim Veverka, Ray Maudie, Ralph Sterzinger, and Hank Glogowski.

## **Town Hall Meeting – Oldenski Renovations**

Before the merger and the creation of Divine Grace Parish, all churches participated in the diocesan Church Alive campaign. Whatever money was raised beyond the target was permitted to remain at the parish. Saint Ferdinand Church raised about \$2.7 million above goal, which is earmarked for the renovation of Oldenski Hall. I would like to hear from you about your wishes for Oldenski Hall. There will be a meeting open to everyone on **Monday, March 31** at 7:00 pm in Saint Ferdinand Church. We would like to begin the renovations in 2027.

## **Annual Parish Appeal**

I appreciate your support of the Annual Parish Appeal which helps fund both diocesan and our parish ministries. The 2025 target is \$504,653. In 2024, you contributed \$778,221. The excess funds were kept at our parish and used to support our growing ministry and staff needs. THANK YOU!



March 9, 2025

**Today's  
Gospel  
Reading**

**Luke  
4:8**

**"It is  
written**

**You shall  
worship  
the Lord,  
your  
God,  
and him  
alone  
shall you  
serve."**

# Parish Leadership

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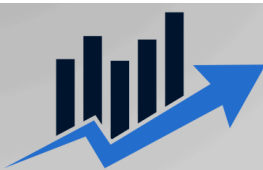
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## Divine Grace Parish Financial Report

Sunday Collection Total for February 22 & 23, 2025: -- \$35,910

Parish Members-- 18,753 Parish Households-- 7,084

### Presider Schedule

The schedule of priests celebrating weekend Masses can be found at  
<https://bit.ly/3QnKf5w>

This weekend's second collection is  
for *Maintenance/Building Upkeep*.  
Thank you for your generosity.

# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY March 8 First Sunday of Lent

- 4:00 pm (SF) William Gruca (Connie)  
 5:00 pm (HR) Mary Schaffer (David & Susanna Schaffer)  
 5:00 pm (SG) Alexander Dorsch (Teresa & Mike)  
 6:00 pm (SF) Ken Krivy (Susan McVaney & Michelle Fabry)

## Sunday March 9 First Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 am (SF) George & Delores Kolesar (The Sullivan Family)  
 8:00 am (SG) Josephine Bunney (Anthony & Laurie Nocera)  
 9:00 am (HR) For The Parishioners of Divine Grace Parish  
 10:00 am (SF) Christopher Young (Thursday Evening Bible Study)  
 10:00 am (SG) Alan Osan (Jim & Joanne)  
 11:00 am (HR) Norm Giancola (Duane Maietta)  
 12:00 pm (SF) Elizabeth Jackson (Bob & Cathy Connolly)  
 5:00 pm (SF) Bridget Sklarsky (Chuck & Carol)

## MONDAY March 10

- 8:00 am (SG) Nancy Alauzen (The Tepke Family)  
 8:30 am (SF) John Moravek (The Maudie Family)  
 9:00 am (HR) Jack Cortes (Julie Ann Gilboy)

## TUESDAY March 11

- 8:00 am (SG) Jeanette Mashuda (Claire Dorsch & Family)  
 8:30 am (SF) Vincent & Joan Smith (Deb & Dan Keener)  
 9:00 am (HR) Linda Cistolo (Joe & Kathy Olayer)

## WEDNESDAY March 12

- 8:00 am (SG) Theresa Mogielski (Family)  
 8:30 am (SF) Dorothy Kessler (John & Susan Labos)  
 9:00 am (HR) Sam Pezzi (Louis & Darlene Modliszewski)  
 7:00 pm (SF) John Halligan (Knights of Columbus #11838)  
 7:00 pm (HR) Eugene Dimeo (Anthony & Karen Woloszyn)

## THURSDAY March 13

- 8:00 am (SG) Tom Daley (John & Susan Labos)  
 8:30 am (SF) Joey Lombardi (Nadeem & Luma)  
 9:00 am (HR) Frances Breshock (Nancy Naim)

## FRIDAY March 14

- 8:30 am (SF) William Rausch (Dick & Eileen)  
 9:00 am (SF) Stations of the Cross  
 9:00 am (HR) Gary Rozanski, Sr. (Bob & Jeana Turdo)  
 9:00 am (SG) Maryann Wallace (Jean Moyer)  
 2:30 pm (SG) Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 pm (SF) Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 pm (SG) Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 pm (HR) Stations of the Cross

## SATURDAY March 15 Second Sunday of Lent

- 9:00 am (HR) Fred Schry (Kathy Gorzkowski)  
 4:00 pm (SF) David Palmer, Father of Mary Fleig (Palmer Family)  
 5:00 pm (HR) Joe and Sue Carusone (Family)  
 5:00 pm (SG) William & Lillian Tartal (Daughter, Frances)  
 6:00 pm (SF) Dan and Florence Coennen (Family)

## Sunday March 16 Second Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 am (SF) Mary Richey (Denise Traubert)  
 8:00 am (SG) Raymond Thompson (Family)  
 9:00 am (HR) Paul Petrak (Coral Markantone)  
 10:00 am (SF) Bob Meinert (Jack & Phyllis Wirth)  
 10:00 am (SG) Marianne Clendenning (Mark Tortorici)  
 11:00 am (HR) Sharlene Veres (Rosina Betz)  
 12:00 pm (SF) David Pliskaner (Mom & Dad)  
 5:00 pm (SF) Frank Lamm (Marie Ellen Kanass)

# MASS SCHEDULE

## SAINT FERDINAND CHURCH

2535 Rochester Road  
 Cranberry Twp., PA 16066

### MONDAY - FRIDAY

8:30 am

7:00 pm (WED)

### SATURDAY

8:30am (FIRST SAT)

4:00 pm

6:00 pm

### SUNDAY

8:00 am

10:00 am

12:00 pm

5:00 pm

## HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH

415 4th Street  
 Ellwood City, PA 16117

### MONDAY - FRIDAY

9:00 am

7:00 pm (WED)

### SATURDAY

9:00 am

5:00 pm

### SUNDAY

9:00 am

11:00 am

## SAINT GREGORY CHURCH

2 West Beaver Street  
 Zelienople, PA 16063

### MONDAY - THURSDAY

8:00 am

### FRIDAY

9:00 am

### SATURDAY

5:00 pm

### SUNDAY

8:00 am

10:00 am



# LENTEN SEASON

## Register for Daily Lenten Messages

Are you looking for a way to grow closer to Jesus during this holy season?

Join the **Lenten Challenge** by texting **LENT 2025 to 84576**

We'll send you a short text each day to lift you up, keep you going, and remind you how much Jesus loves you.

Here are a few comments that last year's participants had to say:

*"The Lenten Challenge was perfect! A little reminder every day is just what I needed! I would reread it throughout the day!"*

*"It was so nice to have suggestions for different things to do during Lent. I found the whole experience very fulfilling and spiritual."*

No texting? No problem! We'll email you the messages! Visit: <https://www.diopitt.org/lent>



## Join us this Lent for Delicious Dinners



Fish Fries are held **Fridays of Lent** at **Divine Grace Parish** and **Saint Gregory School**. Lunch at Saint Ferdinand's Oldenski Hall is served from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm and dinner from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. At Saint Gregory School, dinner is available from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. Dine-in or take out. **Full menus** are available at <https://divinegracepgh.org/fish-fry>.



# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## This Week at Saint Ferdinand

### Monday, March 10

- 9:15 am Flame of Love  
*Children's Liturgy*
- 9:30 am Women Gathered  
*Holy Family Room*
- 10:00 am God's Precious Preemies  
*Upper Room*
- 6:00 pm Life Teen  
*Youth Room*
- 7:00 pm Living Rosary  
*Church*
- 7:00 pm Ultreya  
*Upper Room*
- 7:30 pm Women Gathered  
*Holy Family Room*

### Tuesday, March 11

- 9:30 am Contemplative Prayer  
*Holy Family Room*
- 9:30 am Middle Moms  
*Room 10*
- 10:00 am Bible Study  
*Upper Room*
- 7:00 pm Folk Choir  
*Church*
- 7:00 pm Bible Studies  
*Upper Room*

### Wednesday, March 12

- 9:00 am Comfort Blankets  
*McAndrew-Biller Hall*
- 6:30 pm Praise Band  
*Oldenski Hall*
- 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus  
*McAndrew-Biller Hall*

### Thursday, March 13

- 7:00 pm Bible Study  
*Upper Room*
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir  
*Church*
- 7:15 pm Prayer Group  
*Holy Family Room*
- 7:30 pm Men's Club  
*Library*

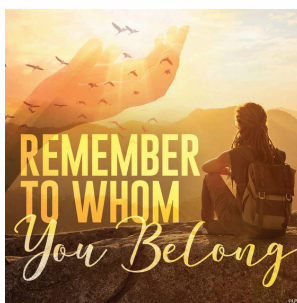
### Friday, March 14

- 11:30 am Fish Fry  
*Oldenski Hall*
- 4:00 pm Fish Fry  
*Oldenski Hall*

**St. Ferdinand Office Hours**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**(9:00 am - 5:00 pm)**  
**724-776-2888 ext. 1101**  
**Fax: 724-776-2378**

## Women's Club

Join us **Thursday, March 20** at 7:00 pm in McAndrew-Biller Hall for our next speaker, **Heather Sprague!** Heather owns "Novel Breads," a unique store in Mars. Not only does she bake and sell bread, she hosts a monthly book club as part of her small business. All are welcome. Members are asked to bring a light snack that reminds you of spring!



## K of C 2025 Raffle

Saint Ferdinand Council #11838 and Saint Gregory Council #6177 announce the **2025 Chance of a Lifetime Raffle**. Tickets are \$5 each. The drawing is **Friday, May 16** at 9:00 pm. The Grand Prize is \$15,000. All other cash prizes range from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

Tickets can be ordered by emailing your name, address, and the number of tickets requested to:

[jimpavido@yahoo.com](mailto:jimpavido@yahoo.com) for St. Ferdinand or

[jdalt+coal@icloud.com](mailto:jdalt+coal@icloud.com) for

St. Gregory. Proceeds benefit The PA State Scholarship Fund and Knights of Columbus Councils #11838 and #6177 charitable efforts.

## Annual Parish Appeal

Divine Grace parishioners generously responded last year to the **Annual Parish Appeal**, raising more than \$320,000 above our diocesan assessment. The additional funds were used to support parish youth and young adult ministries, increased enrollment in religious education, sidewalk repairs at Saint Gregory Church, a new rectory roof at Saint Ferdinand Church, and the new bell system at Holy Redeemer Church.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration in supporting the 2025 Parish Appeal. **To give:** <https://bit.ly/4h5LNvW>.

## LIVING ROSARY MONDAY, MARCH 10

The Knights of Columbus Council #11838 will again be offering the **Living Rosary** at Saint Ferdinand Church on **Monday, March 10** at 7:00 pm. The 90' Living Rosary is spread down the main aisle of the church, and everyone holds a bead, joining together in this beautiful prayer to our Lady. Prayer handouts are available for those who wish them. During Lent, this is a wonderful time for families to come and introduce your children to this prayerful meditation.



# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## This Week at Holy Redeemer

### Monday, March 10

6:30 pm Christian Mothers  
Catholic Center

### Wednesday, March 12

10:30 am Mystical Rose Society  
School Classroom

6:00 pm LifeTeen  
Catholic Center

7:30 pm Ultreya  
Rectory

### Friday, March 14

4:00 pm Lenten Pizza Sale Pick Up  
Catholic Center

7:00 pm Bingo  
Catholic Center

### Sunday, March 15

4:00 pm Community Dinner  
Catholic Center

6:30 pm Basketball for 21+  
Catholic Center

### Holy Redeemer Office Hours

**Monday – Friday**  
**(9:00 am – 5:00 pm)**

**Closed for Lunch**  
**(12:30 pm – 1:00 pm)**

**724-758-7587 ext. 3002**

**Fax: 724-752-1466**

## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers & Ladies Guild** will hold its first meeting of our spring season on **Monday, March 10** at the Holy Redeemer Catholic Center, 311 Lawrence Avenue, Ellwood City.

We will hold a Recitation of the Rosary at 6:30 pm with a meeting to follow.

All adult women, single or married are welcome to join us in prayer and fellowship.

Contact **Jackie**, President:  
724-333-5947; or **Mary**,  
Membership Chair:  
724-758-6006 with any  
questions.

We hope you will join us!

## Leave a Lasting Legacy

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Finish your legal will in three steps:

- Fill out a simple online form in as little as 15 minutes
- Prayerfully consider a bequest to our parish and any other charities
- Make it legal, following PA requirements by signing it in front of witnesses

Divine Grace Parish is making MyCatholicWill available at no charge to registered parishioners.

Visit <https://mycatholicwill.com/divinegracepg> to sign up.

## How to Pray the Rosary

Our Rosary Makers at both Holy Redeemer and Saint Ferdinand work tirelessly to make the most beautiful rosaries for our Parish family and the community. It has been brought to our attention that the QR codes found in some of the rosary bags no longer work. Therefore, we have created new codes which can be found here.

## How to Pray the Rosary



## 15 Promises of the Rosary



We will have extra cards available in the narthex of the churches. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your devotion to our Blessed Mother.

# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## This Week at Saint Gregory

### Tuesday, March 11

7:00 pm Walking with Moms  
School Library

### Wednesday, March 12

6:30 pm Baptism Prep Class  
School Library

### Thursday, March 13

6:30 pm Pastoral Council  
School Library

### Friday, March 14

4:00 pm Fish Fry  
School

### Saturday, March 15

8:00 am Catholic Men's  
Fellowship  
School Library

**St. Gregory Office Hours**  
**Mondays**

**(8:30 am - 12:00 pm)**

**Closed on Tuesday - Friday**

**724-776-2888 ext. 1101**

**Fax: 724-452-4064**

## Stay Connected

Do you receive our weekly parish emails? They contain the latest news, along with a link to the bulletin, weekly readings, and more. To sign up, email

[akucan@divinegracepgh.org](mailto:akucan@divinegracepgh.org) or

visit

<https://divinegracepgh.org/email-registration>.

## From Envelopes to Online

If it's more convenient for you to give online rather than use offertory envelopes, you can choose our online option called Faith Direct. To set up online giving, go to <https://bit.ly/4h5LNvW>.

## Family Festival Fun and Fellowship

Mark your calendars for the annual Divine Grace Parish Family Festival, Friday through Sunday, **August 8-10, 2025**. New this year- Carnival Rides! Join in the fun and fellowship by **volunteering**. Help is needed before and during the festival weekend. All ages welcome. Scan the QR code to learn more. <https://parishfamilyfestival.org/>



## Tribunal Advocacy

Advocates serve as the compassionate face of Jesus for Catholics who are going through the marriage annulment process at the diocesan Tribunal. It is a ministry of accompaniment to someone who has experienced great difficulties in what was supposed to be their most intimate relationship.

Two workshops will be held on Zoom this month for lay persons interested in learning more about this important ministry. The session on **Thurs., March 13** is for those involved in formal ministry in the Church. A second workshop on **Tues., March 18** is open to all. To learn more, visit <https://imf.saintvincentseminary.edu/accompaniment-in-pittsburgh/>.

## Spiritual Warfare

### How the Battle you Can't See is Affecting your Family

We are being attacked by Satan and demons through temptations, accusations, and lies. The enemy tries to distract family members from focusing on each other, stoking fear and worry, and encouraging dishonesty and unfaithfulness.

But we can fight back through Spiritual Warfare.

Join **Dave VanVickle**, a nationally recognized authority on the Catholic theology of Spiritual Warfare, for an important talk.

**Wednesday, March 12**

**7:00 to 8:00 pm**

**Saint Gregory Church**





# PARISH MINISTRIES

## MARCH MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

The **Saint Peregrine Prayer Ministry** is a prayer service led by lay ministers. It offers prayer and support to those suffering from cancer or any other serious health issue. The evening is led in spoken prayer using a guided booklet. The prayerful are welcome to make prayer intentions aloud or in silence during the service. Each prayer service is approximately one hour.

The Saint Peregrine Prayer Ministry was started by Dave, a parishioner with brain cancer. He wanted to offer hope to those suffering, no matter the illness. The group has continued since his passing in 2012. Dave's wife, Cathy, continues this prayer ministry with her faithful friend, Marge.

All are welcome to offer prayer, find healing and share support through the intercession of Saint Peregrine. The group meets on the **fourth Monday of each month** at 7:00 pm in Saint Ferdinand Church.

Please contact [jlivorse@divinegracepgh.org](mailto:jlivorse@divinegracepgh.org), 724-776-2888 ext. 1210 for more information.



When: Saturday, March 15

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Where: Holy Redeemer Catholic Center

311 Lawrence Ave., Ellwood City

For: Ages 5 and up

Cost: \$10

Parents or Guardian must be present

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# FAITH FORMATION



**JASON GAWALDO**

**Director for  
Evangelization Ministries**

## ***This Week in Faith Formation***

This week, students in our Faith Formation sessions will be learning about the Liturgy of the Word.

**“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”**

2 Timothy 3:16-17

## ***Save the Dates***

**Lenten Parish Mission with Sonja Corbit**, Monday, March 17 to Wednesday, March 19 at Holy Redeemer. Reinvigorate your Lenten practices.

**Reboot! with Chris Stefanick**, September 10 at Saint Ferdinand. Reboot your faith by rediscovering the beauty and genius of the Gospel.

## ***Unpacking the Word***

### ***Deuteronomy 26:4-10***

With the beginning of the Lenten Season, the first readings at Mass will retell the story of salvation history through its key events and with a special emphasis on the Passover. This week's reading summarizes the period of the Patriarchs—Jacob is the “wandering Armenian” whose descendants “went down to Egypt” according to the Lord's promise to Abraham as recounted in Genesis—through the events of the Exodus. The passage from Deuteronomy comes from the end of the section of covenant stipulations (5:1-26:19), just before the covenant ceremony in 27:1-14.

Our reading this week also, presents Moses' instruction for a one-time offering to the Lord of one tenth of the produce of the land, held in the “basket,” as a special act of gratitude for the gift of the Promised Land. This is similar to but also in addition to the annual offering of first fruits detailed in 18:4. Moses instructs the Israelites to come to the Temple regularly to worship the Lord and to make a gratitude offering from the fruits of their labors, from the compensation of their work. Part of the worship involves recounting salvation history and the great actions of the Lord. Remembrance is important in worship, as Jesus also highlights while instituting the Eucharist as an act of remembrance. Recalling our covenant stories, offering the Lord a portion of our money, and praise in his presence as a community are the key elements of the worship that we owe to the Lord.

As Lent begins again, the Spirit reminds us of these important details that will make this season more fruitful. Remember the great deeds of the Lord from salvation history as well as from your own history. What have been the highs and lows of your walk with the Lord? What was your life like before you really knew him personally, and what changed to bring you into a covenant relationship with him? How can you share this story with someone else? One way is to visit [divinegracepgh.org/share](http://divinegracepgh.org/share). If you haven't already, consider making a one-time gratitude offering to the Lord, as Moses describes in this reading. Rededicate yourself to communal worship at Mass more often than you currently do. And then see what the Lord does next.





## Week One | Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

In the Week One video for the Restore Lent series, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, reflects on the theme of the week—the desert. She explains that Jesus is inviting you to move beyond your comfort zone and into the deepest places of your heart with him. It is Jesus who helps you root out the sin, sickness, and self-hatred in your life. Sr. Miriam assures us that we can look to him for comfort, love, and healing.



## St. Frances

Join the Tierney family as they celebrate the feast of Saint Frances of Rome, patroness of homemaking! Learn about practicing the corporal works of mercy in the home, the very Catholic Lenten history of pretzels and beer, and watch Kendra and three-year-old Barbara make something they like to call "trash can soup." Find this episode's feature recipes and more about liturgical living in the home at Catholic All Year. <http://catholicallyear.com/at-home/>.



## Living Lent as a Family (Part 1 of 4)

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Augustine Institute Graduate School Professor Dr. Sehorn and his wife, Sarah Sehorn, to discuss liturgical living during Lent.

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Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.  
Scan the QR code to download the Formed app to your phone.



## BIBLE STUDY: REVELATION

**Tuesdays, March 11–April 22**, from 7:00–8:30 pm  
in the Upper Room at Saint Ferdinand.

The book of Revelation, also known as the Apocalypse, has fascinated believers for centuries. Colorful imagery, rich symbolism, layers of meaning, and brilliant allusions to the Old Testament convey the book's perennial truth: God will triumph over evil, and God's faithful ones will share in that victory. Break open this ancient text with Little Rock Scripture Study's Revelation and discover its ongoing relevance for us today. \$15 for a workbook. Register and pay at [divinegracepgh.org/biblestudy](https://divinegracepgh.org/biblestudy)

## CATHOLICISM SERIES

**Tuesday, March 4–May 6**, from 10:00 am–Noon  
in the Upper Room at Saint Ferdinand.

Journey around the world and deep into the Faith. Journey with acclaimed author, speaker and theologian **Bishop Robert Barron** to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries. Be illuminated by the spiritual and artistic treasures of this global culture that claims more than one billion of the earth's people. Thanks to a generous donor, there is no charge for this study. Register at [divinegracepgh.org/biblestudy](https://divinegracepgh.org/biblestudy)

## REGISTRATION REMINDERS

Join the Lent Pray40 Challenge by visiting [hallow.com/parish/](https://hallow.com/parish/)

Register for our next Baptism Prep Class on  
**Wednesday, March 12** at  
<https://divinegracepgh.org/baptism>

Register for True North VBS at  
[divinegracepgh.org/vbs](https://divinegracepgh.org/vbs)

# YOUTH MINISTRY/YOUNG ADULT



**MICHAEL ASSAF**  
**COORDINATOR OF**  
**YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS**

## OUR YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM IS EXPANDING

We are looking to add a motivated and devoted Catholic with a passion for bringing young people Christ to our Youth Ministry Team. Working with our Coordinator for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Michael Assaf, the position will largely be based out of our Holy Redeemer site and be focused on our Middle and High School age groups. To see the full job posting please visit <https://divinegracepgh.org/job-opportunities>

### What is Life Teen?

The goal of Life Teen is to provide a safe and fun place for youth grades 7-12 to find a solid Catholic community, get answers to questions, and, most importantly, strengthen their relationship with Christ!!

We get together for weekly meetings, fun outings, service opportunities, retreats, and more. All in grades 7-12 are welcome to attend!

Our regular meetings are held every Monday from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm in the Youth Room at Saint Ferdinand with a meal provided!

### A PARTY AND PRAYER



*Our LifeTeen Group celebrated Mardi Gras (left) on Monday, March 3, and later spent time with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration.*

### Upcoming Schedule

Located at Saint Ferdinand Youth Room

**Life Teen - March 10th**

**Life Teen - March 17th**

**Life Teen - March 31st**

### Life Teen Open Gyms

Located at the Catholic Center  
(Holy Redeemer)

**March 12th: 6:30-8:00 pm**

**March 26th: 6:30-8:00 pm**

### This Week at Life Teen

Join us this **Monday from 6:00-8:00 pm** in Saint Ferdinand's Youth Room as we dive into the foundations that God has laid out for His Son in the Old Testament

*Lenten*  
**SILENT  
RETREAT**

**WHERE:**  
Villa Maria Retreat Center

**WHEN:**  
March 28 to March 30  
7pm Friday - 12pm Sunday

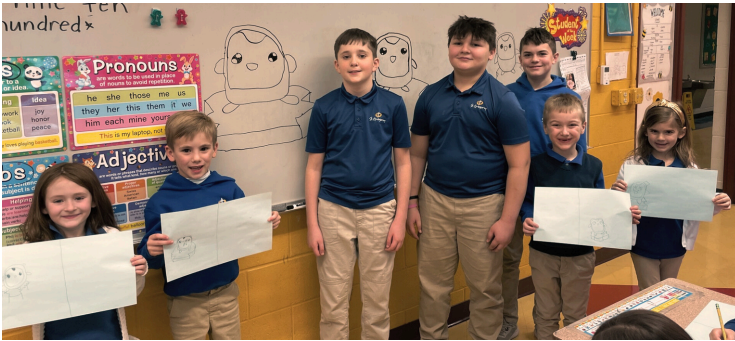
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## LEARNING THROUGH ART



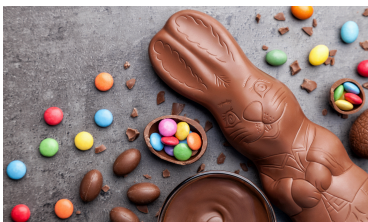
Last week some of our seventh graders joined the first grade for art class as they were wrapping up a science lesson on animals. Their art assignment was to follow step by step instructions drawing an animal from the polar region.

The seventh graders set a great example following directions, and their penguin artwork was awesome! When a first grader needed help, the seventh graders were able to guide and help them with their drawings.

### EASTER CANDY SALE

We will be selling **Rosalind Candy** this spring for your Easter treats.

There are paper forms in the Saint Gregory Church narthex.



We will need orders sent to the school office by **Tuesday, March 18**.

Pick-up will be **Wednesday, April 9** at the school. Thank you.

### SUBSTITUTE TEACHER, AIDE WANTED

We are looking for applicants interested in becoming a substitute teacher for Preschool through 8th grade, and a substitute classroom aide for Preschool, Kindergarten and 1st Grade.

Please contact the school office at 724-452-9731 for more information and to get started on the necessary clearances.

### SAINT GREGORY'S LENTEN DINNERS

Fish or Shrimp Dinners are available every Friday except Good Friday in the Saint Gregory School cafeteria.

Eat-in or Take-out

Dinners include Baked or Fried Fish, Fried Shrimp or Fish Sandwich, two sides, coleslaw, dinner roll and beverage. Pizza is available for children.

Adult - \$13; Seniors (65 and over) - \$10; Ages 4 to 10 - \$6;

Under 4 - Free

Call 724-452-8010 after 3:30 pm



## **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday:**

**6:00 pm to 6:45 pm  
Holy Redeemer Church**

**Thursday:**

**5:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Saint Gregory Church**

**Saturday:**

**9:30 am to 10:30 am  
Holy Redeemer Church**

**10:00 am to 11:00 am  
Saint Ferdinand Church**

**10:00 am to 11:00 am  
Saint Gregory Church**

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Monday**

**8:00 am  
Holy Redeemer Church**

**Wednesday**

**9:00 am – 6:30 pm  
Saint Ferdinand Church**

**9:30 am – 7:00 pm  
Holy Redeemer Church**

**Thursday**

**8:00 am  
Holy Redeemer**

**1:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
Saint Gregory Church**

**Friday**

**8:00 am  
Holy Redeemer Church**

**9:00 am – 10:00 am  
Saint Ferdinand Church**

**Sunday**

**12:15 pm – 5:00 pm  
Holy Redeemer Church**

## **REST IN PEACE**



**Mary Ann Burgess**

**Theodore Ciccozzi, Sr.**

**Joan Docchio**

**John Domasco**

**Barbara George**

**Richard Kuhn**

**Frank McKevitt**

**Keith Mitchell**

**Anthony Platek, Jr.**

**Elizabeth “Betty” Schlueter**

**Matthew Richard Sefscik**

**Andrew J. “Scooter” Soltesz, Jr.**

**Sally Irene Stephens**

**S. Lee Strayer**



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AS REQUESTED BY PARISHIONERS



Anthony Yannachione	BJ Biondi
Taylor Lagydin	Patrick McCloskey Sr.
Steven Lagydin	Patrick McCloskey Jr.
Jordan Bland	Brianna McCloskey
Jeri Lewis	Heather McCloskey
Kelly Hickey	John McCloskey
Beth Amos	Don McCloskey
John Humensky	Phyllis Fusco
Tom & Nicole Miller	Carol Fletcher
Mickey Pieuch	Bob Flecher
Paula Maochi Laird	Mary Hayes
Peter Osbourne	Mike Buzzeli
Diane & Tim Mike	Joe Hayes
Beth Fabian	Phyllis Dudash
Denise Corwin	Glen McDonald
Johnny Hickey	Patricia Pegher-Miller
Beth Jansen	Patty Morabito
Jim Hackett	Helen Colosimo
Jimmy Hackett	Alli Rader
Joyce Hackett	Susan Racke
Joey DeLuca	Lori Grim

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS



**To Resume in the  
Easter Season**

## SANCTUARY CANDLE

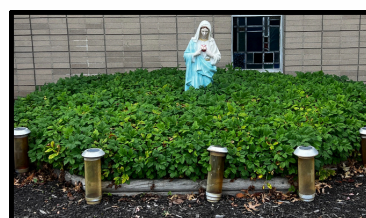
**lit this week  
at**

**Saint Ferdinand**  
**Barbara Scharding**  
from Bonnie Connell



## PRAYER GARDEN CANDLES

**A candle will be lit this  
week for**



**Theresa Mogielski**  
from daughter, Connie

**For all Prayer, Flower  
and Candle Requests,  
please call  
724-776-2888**

# Parish & Community Page



OUR LADY of the  
**SACRED HEART**  
HIGH SCHOOL



## SPRING OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, March 23**  
**1:00-3:00 pm**

Families with students in grades 6-8 are invited to join OLSH Student Ambassadors, faculty, staff, coaches, and parents for a guided tour of campus to learn how OLSH transforms lives, one student at a time!



Registration recommended,  
walk-ins welcome.

Learn more at [www.olsch.org](http://www.olsch.org)!



## COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER IN WEXFORD

**St. Aidan Parish's** (St Alphonsus and St Alexis Churches) Walking with Moms In Need ministry is sponsoring a community baby shower this May for pregnant and new moms in need. Information on how to register or donate is listed below. Contact Denise at 724-494-1552 with any questions.

**SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025 1-4PM**

St. Aidan Parish

Ryan Center at Blessed Seelos School  
210 Church Road Wexford, PA

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our Wish List, visit us  
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"I heartily endorse St. Paul Street Evangelization. I attended their Basic Evangelization Training Workshop here in the Diocese of Pittsburgh in May and witnessed firsthand the contagious joy and enthusiasm of the presenter and the effect it had on the participants. They couldn't wait to hit the streets and go share their faith!"  
- Most Reverend William J. Waltersheid, Auxiliary Bishop of Pittsburgh

**Saturday, March 15, 2025, 8:00AM-4:00PM**  
Mass will begin at 8:00AM. The workshop will begin at 9:00AM.

## Invite One Back Training

In light of the National Eucharistic Revival and Congress, St. Paul Street Evangelization has partnered with the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh to offer this unique one day workshop. We will help you discover and understand missionary discipleship based on Eucharistic sending, how to invite others back to Mass who have yet to return and anticipate various conversations, we will review our basic methodology of listen, befriend, proclaim, and invite, and we will review and practice our entire door to door ministry program. All of this is done within a framework of non-confrontational relational ministry.



St. Matthew Parish  
St. Bonaventure Campus  
2001 Mount Royal Blvd.  
Glenshaw, PA 15116

This free workshop is sponsored  
by the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Registration is required  
and includes:

- Workshop and training
- All materials
- Morning hospitality & lunch

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STREET EVANGELIZATION

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