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Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins.

— Luke 11: 3-4

Celebrating the Saints this Week

Tuesday, July 29 is the feast day of Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. These three siblings were friends with Jesus. After Lazarus died, Jesus brought him back to life. Martha would profess her faith in Jesus and the Resurrection. Mary taught us how to be contemplative with Jesus. On Wednesday, July 30, we remember Saint Peter Chrysologus, an Italian bishop who lived in the 5th century and preached with courage and faithfulness. Thursday, July 31, is the feast day of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. In the 16th century he founded the Jesuit Order to be missionaries in non-Christian territories. He also established a university in Rome where Father Freedy and I attended during our seminary days. Friday, August 1, marks the feast day of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, who founded the Redemptorist Order in the 18th century defending the Moral Doctrine of our faith. Two of his priests served here in Pittsburgh - Saint John Neumann and Blessed Francis Seelos.

Parish Family Festival

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the festival from **August 8-10**. Special thanks to the army of volunteers who make this possible, and to everyone supporting the raffle. The evening dinners are a great way to enjoy some family time. We have several new thrill rides this year, along with a cornhole tournament and a section

DIVINE GRACE PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT



Sunday Collection total for **July 12-13, 2025 = \$29,508** Second Collection = \$4,682 (for building upkeep)
Parish Members = 18,742
Parish Households = 7,080

This weekend's second collection is for our Catholic School Contribution.

Thank you for your generosity.

reserved for our teens to hang out. Fantastic entertainment is lined up. The festival is truly a family experience. See you there!

Next Weekend's Bulletin

As we have done the past couple of years, the bulletin next week will feature our Parish Family Festival. We will still have the Mass intentions and other important parish information but the rest of the bulletin will highlight festival facts and features including schedules, a map and our sponsors. Remember to bring your bulletin to the festival. We will order extras for our visitors.

Saint Gregory Adoration & Confession

Beginning **August 5**, Adoration will resume at Saint Gregory Church—moving from Thursdays to Tuesdays. Confessions will also shift from Thursdays to Tuesdays as well starting on August 5.

Getting Ready for School

I encourage students heading off to college to make a good confession so that your semester begins with a clean slate. It's a good idea for our high school students to do the same – we priests understand that summer can create certain temptations and challenges. We are not here to judge but to bring the Mercy of God to you through the Sacrament of Penance.

Saint Gregory School

What a blessing that our parish has an elementary school. Tuition can be an obstacle for many families but the faith formation our students receive is a life-long benefit. It is not too late to consider registration. The first day of school is **August 21**.

Ellwood City Festival Update

Thanks to all who volunteered for the festival, making, transporting and selling pepperoni puffs and other food. Expenses for rental of the pavilion, food preparations, rental of the van, and start-up funds totaled \$14,810. We grossed \$58,222. So, our parish made \$43,412 from the festival. Again, thank you!

Mass Intentions Divine Grace Parish

I ask that...prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone - 1 Timothy 2:1

Saturday, July 26 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand † David Rocco (Greg & Terrie Pecora) 5:00 pm, Holy Redeemer † Julius & Rosemarie Ferrario (Lou, son) 5:00 pm, Saint Gregory † Margaret Nancy Spochacz (Heide & Eric Resch)

6:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand † Linda Naughton (Carol Fornadel)

Sunday, July 27 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am, Saint Ferdinand † Victor & Arlene Murray (Family) 8:00 am, Saint Gregory † Alfred & Elizabeth Langer (Butch & Patti Langer)

9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Joanne DeLuca (Family) 10:00 am, Saint Ferdinand † Gloria Cecchetti (Tina)

10:00 am, Saint Gregory † Nellie Skubak (Divine Grace Choir)

11:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Fr. Raymond Boccardi (Mystical

Rose Society)

Noon, Saint Ferdinand † Mary Chavanne (Booher Family) 5:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand † Elizabeth Batt (Brian & Linda Heery)

Monday, July 28

8:00 am, Saint Gregory † Mary Jo Limmer (Kathy & Rob

Andreone)

8:30 am, Saint Ferdinand † Beau Barclay (DiVito Family) 9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Lois Burgoon (Terri Anglin)

Tuesday, July 29

8:00 am, Saint Gregory † Rita Schoeffel (Dorothy Lipp & Dee

Zimmerman)

8:30 am, Saint Ferdinand † Charles & Florence Listwak (Audrey

9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Mary Scialdone (Sharon Scialdone)

Wednesday, July 30

8:00 am, Saint Gregory † Bill Malkowiak (Wife & Family) 8:30 am, Saint Ferdinand † Karl Kushnereit (Joanie & Pat

Tritschler)

9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Norberta Modliszewski (Frances

Fotia)

Wednesday, July 30...continued

7:00 pm, Holy Redeemer Special Intention for the Temporal & Spiritual Welfare (Judy Bokor) † Daniel Egnacheski (Marge Macher) 7:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand

Thursday, July 31

8:00 am, Saint Gregory † Richard Watkins (Lois Watkins) 8:30 am, Saint Ferdinand † Greg Weimer (Mom & Dad) 9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Richard Santillo (Family)

Friday, August 1

8:00 am, Saint Gregory † Marvin Macher (Marge & Family) 8:30 am, Saint Ferdinand † William Albright (Lucille Albright) 9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Mary Jo Cioffi (John Katsadas)

Saturday, August 2

8:30 am, Saint Ferdinand † Rose Foerster (Dan Wiegand) 9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Paul Petrak (Coral Markantone) 4:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand † Christopher Young (Tom Mohr) 5:00 pm, Holy Redeemer † Rudy & Mary DeSanzo (Linda DeSanzo) 5:00 pm, Saint Gregory † John Domasco (VonHofen Family -Jeanie, Nicol, Andy, Jessica, & Dave)

6:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand † Leah Toth (White Elephant)

Sunday, August 3 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am, Saint Ferdinand † Vincent Plocido, Sr. (Linda & Joe Pawlak)

8:00 am, Saint Gregory † James Young (Thomas & Mana Keiser) 9:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Walter and Margaret Feerst (Mr. &

Mrs. Harry DiBiagio)

10:00 am, Saint Ferdinand † Zachary Balog (Mom, Dad & Josh)

10:00 am, Saint Gregory † David (sister, Carol Martin)

11:00 am, Holy Redeemer † Raymond Engle (Wife & Children)

Noon, Saint Ferdinand † Nick Luft (Luft Family)

5:00 pm, Saint Ferdinand † Richard F. Fueschslin Sr. (Alfred &

Patricia Langer, Jr.)



CARPENTERS PROJECT

Volunteers endured heat and dodged thunderstorms to help fix up the exteriors of 33 homes in the Ellwood City area. For the 24th summer, **The Carpenters Project**, an interfaith effort of 21 churches, mobilized a volunteer workforce for four days.

Leader **Steven Miller** says about half of their 160 volunteers helped to paint and repair siding, fences and railings, power wash concrete, trim bushes and do other landscape work. The rest served them breakfast, lunch and dinner.

"Our homeowners, who are mostly older or otherwise unable to do these jobs themselves are incredibly appreciative," Steven says. "It's also very fulfilling for our volunteers. They feel good to help people in need. It's a lot of hard work, but totally worth it."





Top photo from left: Dominic DiBuono, Hayden Slade and Chuck Moore. Bottom photo from left: Jaesa McGraw and Virginia Smith.

New Neighbor Postcards

A few weeks ago, we mailed a New Neighbor Postcard to the 3,881 families who moved into our parish boundaries in the last year. The postcard welcomes them to our neighborhood with a brief message from Fr. Jim, our Mass, Confession, and Adoration schedules, and a QR code to our website. This postcard also will be mailed each month to every new home purchased within our territory. This is just one way that our parish is reaching out to our mission territory.



Saint Ferdinand Church

2535 Rochester Road Cranberry Twp., PA 16066

 Monday - Friday
 8:30 am

 Wednesday
 7:00 pm

 First Saturday
 8:30 am

 Saturday (Vigil)
 4:00 pm

 6:00 pm
 8:00 am

 10:00 am
 Noon

 5:00 pm

Holy Redeemer Church

415 4th Street Ellwood City, PA 16117

Monday - Saturday 9:00 am Wednesday 7:00 pm Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am 11:00 am

Saint Gregory Church

2 West Beaver Street Zelienople, PA 16063

Monday - Friday 8:00 am Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am 10:00 am





Update on Sister Parish in San Luis R.C., Mexico

Father Rudy Valenzuela will visit Saint Ferdinand Church next month to give an update on his parish in Mexico and thank parishioners for their support.

In 2011, Saint Ferdinand parishioners formed a sister parish relationship with Holy Spirit Parish in San Luis Rio Colorado, Mexico. On the international border just south of Yuma, Arizona, it is one of the hottest and driest cities in Mexico.

Saint Ferdinand has provided financial support and volunteers who have helped build a medical clinic, a church, two chapels, and classrooms for faith

formation. Holy Spirit Parish continues to grow, according to Saint Ferdinand outreach coordinator Walt Scott. This past Easter Vigil, 22 adults and young people were baptized, and 34 adults were confirmed and received their First Holy Communion. About 200 children are in the parish's faith formation program.



Father Rudy will be speaking at Masses at Saint Ferdinand the weekend of **August 16-17**.

Welcoming the Stranger: A Parish Response to Migration

Rooted in the Gospel call to welcome the stranger and the rich tradition of Catholic social teaching, the Diocese of Pittsburgh is convening a meeting for parish leaders to explore how our faith compels us to respond to the realities of migration with compassion and courage.

Jamie Martinez of Casa San Jose will be the speaker at the luncheon meeting. Casa San Jose is a community resource center that supports and empowers immigrant families in southwestern Pennsylvania.

There is no cost to attend. It will be held on **Thursday, August 21**, from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm in O'Connor Hall, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh 15205. To learn more and register, visit https://diopitt.org/welcoming-the-stranger

EUCHARISTIC

-MONDAY-

Holy Redeemer Church 8:00 am

-WEDNESDAY-

Saint Ferdinand Church 9:00 am to 6:30 pm

Holy Redeemer Church 9:30 am to 7:00 pm

—THURSDAY—

Holy Redeemer Church 8:00 am

Saint Gregory Church (will resume in August)

-FRIDAY-

Holy Redeemer Church 8:00 am

Saint Ferdinand Church 9:00 am to 10:00 am

-SUNDAY-

Holy Redeemer Church 12:15 pm to 5:00 pm



CONFESSION

—WEDNESDAY—

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

—THURSDAY—

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

-SATURDAY-

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

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

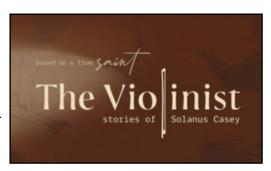
Saint Gregory Church 10:00 am to 11:00 am



This week on Comment of the Comment

The Violinist: Stories of Solanus Casey

The Violinist is a moving documentary about Bl. Solanus Casey, a humble Capuchin friar whose faith, simplicity, and love of the violin touched countless lives. Through personal stories and



heartfelt moments, the film reveals his quiet yet powerful legacy.

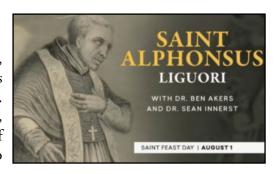
Ignatius of Loyola

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Changes," St. Inatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a loyal and passionate soldier-saint.



St. Alphonsus Liguori, Catholic Saints

In this episode of Catholic Saints, Dr. Sean Innerst and Dr. Ben Akers explore the life and legacy of St. Alphonsus Liguori, preacher, bishop, theologian, and Doctor of the Church, offering insights to inspire Catholics today.



Looking to grow in your faith on your own schedule? Divine Grace Parish offers a free subscription to **Formed**, an online platform packed with Catholic content for all ages, including movies, audio talks, studies, and children's programming. To start exploring, visit https://signup.formed.org, enter our parish name, and gain instant access to inspiring resources that bring the beauty and depth of our faith to life.



This week at Saint Ferdinand Church

Monday, July 28

9:15 am Flame of Love, Children's Liturgy Room

7:00 pm St. Peregrine Prayer

Group, Church

Tuesday, July 29

Contemplative Prayer, 9:30 am Holy Family Room

10:00 am Evangelization Team,

Library

Why Be Catholic? 7:00 pm

Church Cry Room

Wednesday, July 30

10:00 am Summer Storytime,

Holy Family Room Life Teen BBB,

Oldenski Hall

Bereavement Support Group, Holy Family

Room

Thursday, July 31

6:00 pm

7:00 pm

Men's Club, 7:30 pm

McAndrew-Biller Hall



Saint Ferdinand Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm 724-776-2888, ext. 1101

Fax: 724-776-2378



Are all Christians the same?

CATHOLIC?

A 3-Part Series with Deacon Erik Pintar Former Evangelical Protestant

TALK 1: UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE AS GOD INTENDED

Monday, July 28 · 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm Holy Redeemer Catholic Center

Tuesday, July 29 · 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm St. Ferdinand Church (Cry Room)

TALK 2: HOW TO WORSHIP GOD AS GOD INTENDED

Monday, August 4 · 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm Holy Redeemer Catholic Center

Tuesday, August 5 · 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm St. Ferdinand Church

All Are Welcome! Especially Protestants and non-Catholics curious about the Catholic faith. Each session includes a 45-minute talk followed by Q&A. Bring a friend and come explore our faith in a deeper way!

Marriage Prep Weekend

A wedding in your future? We invite you to join us for our next Marriage Prep Weekend on October 17 & 18 at St. Ferdinand. Engaged couples will spend the weekend meeting other couples at our parish and learning more about their own relationship and the sacrament of marriage. There is no fee to attend, but registration is required. Sign up at www.divinegracepgh.org/marriage

Help for Healing and Grace

Saint Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patient and all illnesses. He is one of many saints we can turn to in times of need. Despite his pain, suffering and other difficulties he endured, he turned to the Lord for healing and grace.

You are invited to join others to pray to Saint Peregrine to intercede on your behalf. May our Lord in heaven bring his healing grace to you or your loved one who may be suffering from cancer or a traumatic illness. We will meet on Monday, July 28 at 7:00 pm in Saint Ferdinand Church.

REBOOT: A Life-Changing Event

Mark your calendar for Reboot with internationally acclaimed speaker Chris Stefanick on Wednesday, September 10 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Saint Ferdinand Church, Divine Grace Parish. This high-energy event will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with practical tools to live the life God created you for—a life of JOY! Space is limited, so don't wait. Visit https://buytickets.at/reallifecatholic/1662908 more or register.



Holy Redeemer Office Hours

Mon - Fri: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Closed for lunch (12:30pm to 1:00pm) 724-758-7587, ext. 3002

Fax: 724-752-1466

This week at Holy Redeemer Church



Sunday, July 27

4:00 pm Community Dinner, *Catholic Center*

Monday, July 28

7:00 pm Why Be Catholic? *Catholic Center*

Tuesday, July 29

6:30 pm Women's Study Group,

Rectory

6:30 pm Season of Hope,

Catholic Center

Wednesday, July 30

4:30 pm Evangelization Team,

Library

7:30 pm Summer Book

Discussion, Catholic

Center

Friday, Aug 1

5:00 pm Bingo, Catholic Center

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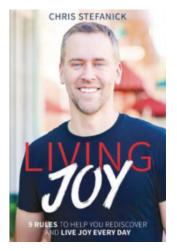


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Holy Smoke

Guys ages 21+ are invited for a relaxed night of fellowship with Fr. Joe Freedy featuring a pig roast, cigars, and a brief witness talk by parishioner Wally Gagric. Join us on **Saturday, August 23**, at 6:00 pm in the Holy Redeemer parking lot. This is a free event; courtesy RSVP at www.divinegracepgh.org/talks

Summer Book Discussions with Father Joe





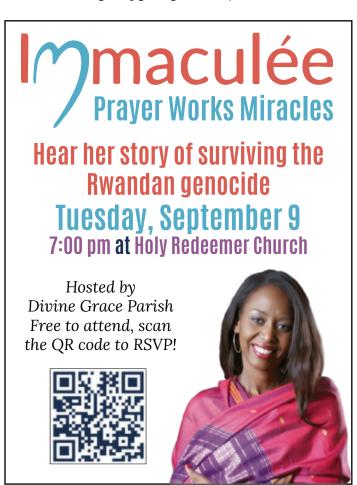
Pick up the books from Lou in the Holy Redeemer office for just \$5 each. Then join Father Joe for a discussion in the Catholic Center.

Kids Bingo

Saturday, August 16 at Catholic Center. See details and sign up form on page 16.

Submissions for Bulletin

With our new bulletin comes a new deadline for submitting information. Announcements must be submitted two Wednesdays before the date you would like it published. Please email Bob DeWitt at rdewitt@divinegracepgh.org. Thank you!





This week at Saint Gregory Church

Monday, July 28

6:30 pm Evangelization Team, School Library

Come Worship With Us!

There's no better way to stay connected than by joining us for Mass. Celebrate your faith, find community, and be renewed each week at Divine Grace Parish.

Stay Connected

Check the parish website, bulletin and social media regularly for upcoming events, service opportunities, and ways to grow in faith!



Saint Gregory Office Hours

Mondays -8:30 am to 12:00 pm Closed: Tuesday - Friday 724-776-2888, ext. 1101 Fax: 724-452-4064

Faith Formation Registration is Open

Online registration for fall Faith Formation programs is now open! Visit www.divinegracepgh.org/formation to read about programs being offered, see full schedules, and register your children and family. We exist to help parents pass on the faith to their kids, and so we offer a variety of options from fully in-person to fully at-home and even a hybrid option. And we offer modifications for families with special needs. If you have questions about how best to address your family's faith formation needs, please reach out to Jason Gawaldo (jgawaldo@divinegracepgh.org).

The Search

What are you searching for? The Search leads people to the deepest questions of the human heart, exploring the meaning and purpose of life through a visually stunning, intellectually stimulating approach. Hosted by Chris Stefanick, The Search guides viewers through seven episodes examining life and death, sorrow and happiness, and science and faith. Astrophysicists, psychologists, astronauts, neuroscientists, professors, athletes, artists, and the beauty of the cosmos all point to one big conclusion: Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. Who in your life do you wish knew Jesus better or was more connected with His Church? Consider inviting them to attend this experience with you. The Search will take place on Wednesdays, September 24-November 5, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm in Oldenski Hall at St. Ferdinand. Sign up at www.divinegracepgh.org/thesearch

MyCatholicWill

Want to ensure that the most sacred part of your life is protected, while easily completing your will? Help pass on the faith to your loved ones through MyCatholicWill.

Divine Grace Parish is making this service available at no charge to registered parishioners. Visit https://divinegracepgh.org/mycatholicwill to sign up.

Annual Parish Appeal

The campaign funds formation, outreach and pastoral care of parishioners and those in need across our diocese. Additional support last year helped parish youth and young adult ministries, growth in religious education, and upkeep of our properties. To date, 1,245 donations have been received. To give to the 2025 Parish Appeal, click on https://bit.ly/4h5LNvW

Supporting Our Parish Year-Round

These busy summer months can affect our parish ministries. You can help us! As you make your summer travel plans, please prayerfully consider signing up for Faith Direct online giving to help consistently sustain our ministries all year long.

It's a way to simplify your giving and help provide the parish with consistent support, which is especially support during the summer when many parishioners are away. Visit https://bit.ly/4h5LNvW to fill out the Faith Direct form or call 866-507-8757 to enroll. Thank you!





Tournament

Join us for a fun-filled evening at Divine Grace Parish's Cornhole Tournament on **Saturday, August 9** at St. Ferdinand Church, in front of the rectory. The tournament kicks off at 6:00 pm and runs until the final toss. Entry is \$30 per team, with payment collected before play begins. The first-place prize includes two Steelers tickets for the Monday, December 15 game against the Miami Dolphins! Scan the QR code to register or visit https://parishfamilyfestival.org for more details.



Scan the QR code to register



Festival Set Up

Are you physically fit and have some time to help out? Festival Grounds Set Up began with Tent Set Up on **Saturday and will continue Monday July 28 through Wednesday, July 30**, and again **Monday, August 4 through Wednesday, July 6** from 5:30 pm to sunset to set up the White Elephant, Kiddie Land, Game Booths and outdoor Food Booths. Whatever time you can offer is appreciated! Please contact Brendan Scott at 724-766–5840 to sign up or if you have any questions.

Thank you for all your donated treasures to the **White Elephant Sale**! We have ended our collection period. We will see you under our white tents, located this year on the opposite side of the Annex, across from the ballfield.

Volunteer Opportunities

With the festival coming up quickly, all help is appreciated. There are lots of fun activities to choose from. You can meet some great people, learn new skills, and help our parish. To learn more and sign up, visit https://bit.ly/3VAhhBF

Calling all Bakers

The Country Kitchen at the festival is need of homemade treats. Package your goodies for easy, on-the-go enjoyment when possible. Please label everything with allergen information, and a full ingredient list is appreciated. Please do not donate anything that requires refrigeration or freezing.

Donations may be dropped off at the Country Kitchen tent outside the dining hall during the festival. Thank you for making this summer party a little bit sweeter!

Dessert Donations Needed

Dessert donations for the Pork Chop Dinner are needed. Please drop them off at Oldenski Hall after 8:00 am on **Sunday, August 10**. Thank you!



The festival Boutique Booth is in need of donations. Ideas include purses, jewelry, bath and body lotions, perfume, candles, hand-crafted items, Afghan blankets, home décor, and kitchen items. They should be new or like new. Please drop off your donations at church offices at Saint Ferdinand or Holy Redeemer marked "Festival Boutique", or contact Peggy at peggyw919@gmail.com to arrange a pickup. Thank you!

Unpacking the Word

— Genesis 18:20-32 —

Our first reading this week presents us with Abraham's barter with God over the destruction of Sodom. Notice the Lord's patience. Abraham is rather annoying in the way he goes about constantly changing his request. Seven different times in this passage he pushes back on the Lord's intention. What bold confidence! The Lord responds with such patience, especially given that he already knows Abraham's next response. It reminds me of Jesus' parable of the persistent widow who nags the unjust judge into vindicating her (see Luke 18:1-8). The Gospel tells us that Jesus told that story to show us that we ought always pray and never lose heart, and with Abraham he shows us exactly why. The Lord is so very patient.

Notice also the Lord's inordinate mercy. He agrees to spare the entire guilty population of Sodom for the sake of just ten innocent people. Perhaps Abraham knows that even ten innocent people in Sodom is a stretch because Genesis never records him attempting to find anyone. After the narrative of our first reading ends, it says that "Abraham returned to his place" (Genesis 18:33) instead of "Abraham went and found ten innocent people." The angels try to save Lot and anyone associated with his household: "Have you anyone else here? Sons-in-law, sons, daughters, or any one you have in the city, bring them out of the place" (Genesis 19:12). Lot attempts to convince his sons-in-law to leave the city, but they assume he must be joking. All that can be mustered is Lot, his wife, and his two daughters, six people short of Abraham's ten. Just six more people would have spared the entire city.

If so few innocent people could have spared an entire guilty city, what blessings can you and your household effect on your neighborhood, our city, our country by pursuing holiness? We are called to go out from our churches, to go out from our homes to spread the Gospel, and yet just simply pursuing holiness in the silent and hidden ways can be enough to save a sick and dying culture. Can we find ten innocent people in our town?



KIDS (UP TO AGE 5) enjoy stories, crafts & snacks at Saint Ferdinand now through August 20. Sign up at www.divinegracepgh.org/storytime or scan the QR code!



Wednesdays 10:00 AM TO 10:45 AM



Director for Evangelization & Catechetical Ministries



"I will spare the whole place for their sake."

Genesis 18:26



Classes begin August 21

To register, call 724-452-9731 or email schooloffice@stgregzelie.org



Michael Assaf

Ministry Coordinator of Youth and Young Adults



What is Life Teen?

The goal of Life Teen is to provide a safe and fun place for youth in 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!

Our regular meetings are held Wednesdays in the summer from 6-8 pm at the Saint Ferdinand's field behind the maintenance annex. Meals are provided.

Upcoming Life Teen schedule – Saint Ferdinand Youth Room **July 30, August 6, August 13**





RESERVE YOUR SPOT + SCORE A RAFFLE ENTRY

BUCKLE UP FOR OUR LIFE TEEN FALL KICKOFF:

Mechanical bull, bonfire, food, and a \$150 Amazon gift card up for grabs!

READY TO RIDE INTO FALL? Join us **Monday, September 15** @ Saint Ferdinand. All in Grades 6-12 welcome!

HOLD ON TIGHT! The longest mechanical bull ride wins a \$150 Amazon gift card + free food, fellowship, and a blazing bonfire.

Youth Ministry Input Forms

As we begin to expand our Youth Ministry and host events at Holy Redeemer Church, we would like to get input from you and your child(ren) on what to include in the program. Please take a few moments together to complete the input forms clicking on the link or scanning the QR code to the right. Please fill out your own copy of the same form. Your feedback is greatly appreciated as it will help us shape the youth ministry in a way that best supports and serves your family. Thank you!



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As a parish family, we lift up the names and needs of those in our hearts through prayer. If you would like to submit a prayer request or have the sanctuary flowers dedicated in honor or memory of a loved one, call 724-776-2888. These offerings are a beautiful way to celebrate, remember, and support one another in faith.



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A candle burns this week at:

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from wife, Jackie

Saint Gregory
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This list will appear

For all Prayers, Flowers and Candle Requests, please call 724-776-2888

every other week.

Be a Light for all to see. - Matthew 5:16





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Spiritual Companionship Training

If you feel called to support individuals and families affected by addiction, consider joining this fall's Spiritual Companionship Training, led by Keaton Douglas. This comprehensive online course runs September 15 to November 5, with sessions on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. For \$350, participants will gain essential skills in pastoral care, motivational interviewing, and establishing parish recovery ministries while earning certification as a Spiritual Companion and 4.8 Continuing Education Units. Presented by Trinity Missions® and iTHIRST Addiction Recovery Ministry in partnership with the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh, this training offers a meaningful way to be a beacon of hope and healing.



Supporting those struggling with addiction and their families.

For details or to register, scan the QR code.

A Gathering of Faith and Hope

The 17th Gathering of Catholic Men Conference will take place on Saturday, September 13, at the Duquesne University Power Center Ballroom, located at 1015 Forbes Avenue in Pittsburgh. This year's gathering, themed "HOPE," coincides with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and features an inspiring lineup of speakers inculding: Mark Hartfiel, Michael Gormley, Jon Leonetti, and Bishop Waltersheid. Early

bird registration is available for \$25 per person, with the price increasing to \$35 after August 31. Students may attend for \$10, and clergy are welcome at no cost. For more details or to register, scan the QR code or visit www.cmfwpa.org



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