

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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November 17, 2024 ~ Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, November 16, 2024 4:00 pm Frank, Agnes & Carl Magdic (Laura Pollock) Sunday, November 17, 2024 8:30 am Robert & Kathryn Madden (Terry & Natalie Madden) 11:30 am Joseph & Helen Stanish (Julie & Bob Henry) Monday, November 18, 2024 8:30 am Don Henderson (Gail, Judy, Don & Bill) Tuesday, November 19, 2024 8:30 am Nancy Veitz (Daughter, Nancy Flenner) Thursday, November 21, 2024 8:30 am For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Friday, November 22, 2024 8:30 am Andrew Stanko (Stanko & Chefuta Families) Saturday, November 23, 2024 4:00 pm John P. Gergely (Son and Daughters) Sunday, November 24, 2024 8:30 am George Legin (Gene, Chris & Kate Komondor) 11:30 am Francis P. Orban (Dorothy Orban) Confessions—Saturday* 3 pm—3:45 pm *On 1st Saturday—Confession will follow 8:30 am Mass

Readings for the week of November 17, 2024

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35 -43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11 -28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/ Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40 Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-

Pope Pius XII Religious Award

Three of our scouts, Zach, Brad and Hunter Hoffman are working on the Pope Pius XII religious award. They participated in a panel discussion on exploring vocations and ministries in the church. The goal of this program is to help foster a better understanding for the youth on current issues facing the Church and society. They hope to receive this award from Bishop Kulick who himself is an Eagle Scout, during the annual Scout Convocation Mass in May. As their parish family we are proud of their achievements and wish them well and they continue with

Remembering Our Beloved Dead

During the month of November we pray for all of the faithful departed. In a special way we ask that you re-

Memorials Sanctuary Candle

Nov. 16—22 William R. Bellis By Bill & Kathleen Bellis **Altar Candles** Donna Mediate By Kevin & Rita Bredeman **Altar Bread & Wine** Fr. John Moineau By Bill & Kathleen Bellis





Death is a Part of Living

During the month of November we remember in our thoughts, prayers and masses all of the faithful departed. Also during this month we will end another Church Year. Because of these two factors our liturgy pushes us into thinking about the end of times. Death and dying is one aspect of life that none of us like to think of; and yet we all know that death is the one part of living that awaits us all.

Even though we know in our minds that death is a part of life and a part of God's plan for salvation, often our hearts tell us something different. Whenever someone that we love dies, a part of our heart goes right with them. This is the part of dying that we don't like to think about. Too often we forget about the hope that our faith connects to dying and what would life be without hope. In today's readings we hear from the Prophet Daniel as well as Jesus speaking about those last days and what a message of hope they give us.

The setting for both Jesus and Daniel was a world filled with pain and suffering. It seemed as though the end of times was near. The type of writing we hear from in both the first reading as well as the Gospel is known a apocalyptic literature. The word itself means an unveiling of something that is not known. This type of literature is filled with stark images about the end of the world and the eternal realm of God. However, the darkness doesn't get the last word. We are reminded that people would experience bliss and see "new heavens and a new earth." We are given images of light and darkness, goodness and evil, redemption and judgment, reward and punishment. A New Jerusalem appears on the horizon and the wedding feast of the Lamb presents Christ as victor.

By assuring us of an end of time when the world as we know it will disappear, it makes the present time all the more important and special; at least it should! The words of Jesus referring to the end of time are certainly not meant to scare people. Rather they remind us to pay attention to life and the choices that we make. I suppose that old saying which tells us not to put off until tomorrow what can be done today is appropriate. As we near the end of the Church year we are asked to look at our lives and see how we are living and what choices we are making. If for some strange reason God came to you and told you that your life will end tomorrow, what would you do for the last 24 hours that you had on this earth? As you look at how you would answer that question, it tells us something about how we are living. If there are many loose ends that we would want to take care of, then we need to determine why we haven't taken care of them as they came up. If there are people we need to make up to, then why haven't we taken care of that. It is good for us to think about life and the end of life. It is healthy to see what we are "putting off" for the tomorrows that we might never see.

Today we are reminded that Christ came to save all peoples and salvation is not limited to those who have specifically known Christ. God's love is universal. It is not how long we live in life that is important; it is how we live that counts. As we all stand before the judgment seat of God we will be asked how we planted God's word in our hearts. Jesus is interested in where we stand, what kingdom we belong to, what word we serve, what truth we speak, what we have done in God's name – in this world. It is in this world that we make it or break it!



Dear Parish Family,

As we approach Thanksgiving, I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for the incredible support you provide to Queen of Angels Catholic School. It is truly a blessing to be a part of a community that values faith, learning, and compassion as much as ours does.

Our students and their families, teachers, and staff feel deeply supported by your prayers, encouragement and generosity. With your partnership, we are able to nurture not only academic growth but also the spiritual and moral development of our students. For this, we are immensely thankful.

This Thanksgiving, I pray that you and your families are surrounded by warmth, love, and the joy of gathering with loved ones. May we all continue to be guided by gratitude and faith, and may our community remain a beacon of hope and kindness.

Thank you for being a vital part of our mission. Wishing you all a blessed and joyful Thanksgiving.

God Bless,

Mrs. Filak

Principal

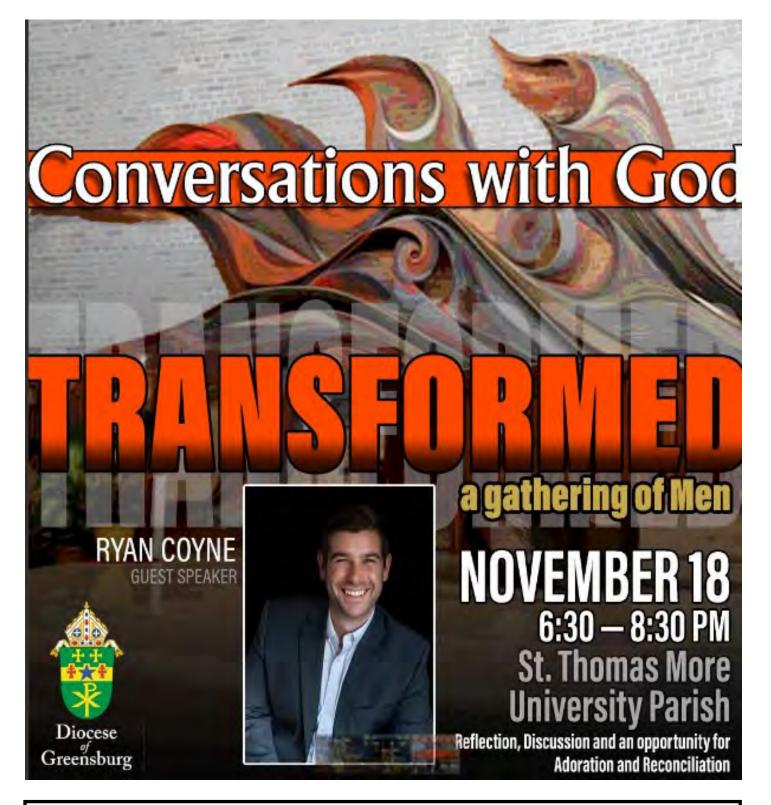
Support students in Catholic schools through the Pennsylvania Educational Tax Credit Program

Did you know that you can redirect your Pennsylvania state taxes into scholarships for students attending Catholic schools in the Diocese of Greensburg? It's possible through the Pennsylvania Educational Tax Credit Program (EITC). Select the Catholic school(s) you'd like to support with your contribution and receive 90% of that amount as a tax credit for a two-year commitment. The school(s) will receive up to 100% of your donation to provide tuition assistance for qualified families in the upcoming school year. Visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/EITC to fill out the interest form or contact Bill Barnes in the Office of Catholic Schools at 724-552-2589.



SARRIS CANDY SALE

Please support our local school by ordering sweets for the holidays. Candy makes great gifts for all, including teachers, co-workers, babysitters and **clergy**. If you are interested in ordering, please complete your order form, found on the back counter, along with payment (checks payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School) and mail to Queen of Angels School or return to the parish office in an enveloped marked, "Sarris Candy Order". Pick up is scheduled for December 11th at the Queen of Angels gym. Any questions please call Mrs. Noblick at



"Transformed – Conversations with God" men's gathering Nov. 18 at St. Thomas More University Parish, Indiana

The Diocesan Men's Ministry Team and the Diocesan Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship will present "Transformed – Conversations with God," a gathering for men of the Diocese of Greensburg, Monday, Nov. 18, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More University Parish, Indiana. The evening will include a talk by Ryan Coyne, reflection, discussion and an opportunity for adoration and reconciliation. There is no charge.



Diocesan Christmas Night Market Dec. 14 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

The Diocesan Christmas Night Market is planned Saturday, Dec. 14, from 1-8 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. The Christmas Night market is a festive, fun and faith-filled event! Stroll the outdoor attractions under the twinkle of Christmas lights and warm yourself with hot chocolate by the fire, or head inside to enjoy dozens of food and craft vendors. Join Bishop Larry J. Kulick for Mass at 4 p.m. Explore collectibles created by St. Nicholas-inspired artist Pipka Ulvilden, who will present a free lecture on "The Madonna in Christian Art." Children can learn about the traditions surrounding Christmas cookies, and why we leave a treat for Santa each Christmas Eve as a sign of our thankfulness for God's many blessings, as well as create their own edible Christmas scene and enjoy a visit with St. Nicholas. Register for the Christmas beer and wine tastings showcasing the cultural nuances of St. Nicks from many countries (must be 21). For details or to register, visit ChristmasNightMarket.org. Admission and parking are free!

Mass with Anointing of the Sick will be held Monday, Nov. 18, at 11 a.m. at St. Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon. Father Daniel J. Ulishney, Pastor, will be principal celebrant, and Father Matthew J. Morelli will be homilist. A light lunch will be served in Resurrection Hall afterward. For information, call 412-956-3105. Support Ukrainian Refugee Fund

Support is needed for the Ukrainian Refugee Fund administered by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg, which provides assistance to individuals and families who have been forced to leave their homelands because of war. Visit ccharitiesgreensburg.org/donate/donate-now/ to donate. More than 100 families are on a waiting list to resettle in Western Pennsylvania.

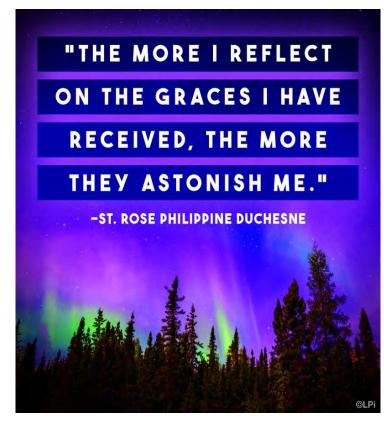


Thanksgiving Day There is one day out of the year that we recognize as a time to be "Thankful", as you prepare your holiday plans, be sure to make time to come to mass and give thanks with your Parish Family. Mass will be celebrated at: **9:0'clock on Thanksgiving day.**



St. Vincent De Paul has been extremely busy over the past few months, and they are grateful for your generosity. The Shoe Box project went very well and they thank all of you who participated. The next collection will be in December 7 & 8. They are in need of Clothing for boys 2T—12 as well as for girls from 2T—8. Winter coats are always welcome in all sizes. If you have any questions about any donations you can contact Julie McNamara 412-310-1505

SUBSTANCE ADDICTION MINISTRY (SAM) will host the next Rosary and Prayers for Recovery on Wednesday November 20, 2024 at NOON. Pray with us on the third Wednesday of each month as we invite anyone afflicted or affected by addiction to be with us for a time of prayer and support. Join us via ZOOM.Meeting ID: 896 6222 3370 Passcode: 940458 For questions or a copy of the prayers- Jennifer Macioce 724-708 -9150 or Jenn.macioce@gmail.com



Christian Mothers and Ladies Guild

Our meeting will be held on November 21, 2024, at 6:30 pm in Mack Hall. Please remember to bring dues of \$10 if you have not paid yet. Our Christmas Party is scheduled for December 7, 2024 from 1pm—3pm at Abruzzi's in Irwin, the cost is \$25.00. Joyce McCurdy and Julie McNamara will need payment and menu choices at this meeting. Those on the phone tree please call your members to give them this information.



Catholic Relief Services

Last month, severe tropical storm Trami dumped over 2.5 months of rain in just 24 hours on the Philippines, causing widespread flooding and landslides. CRS Philippines is responding in the hardest-hit provinces with financial assistance, emergency supplies, and shelter. Visit <u>www.crs.org</u> for more information and to see how you can help!