

Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

January 29, 2012

Faithful God, your Holy One, Jesus of Nazareth, spoke the truth with authority, and you confirmed his teaching by wondrous deeds. Through his healing presence, drive far from us all that is unholy, so that by word and deed we may proclaim him Messiah and Lord and bear witness to your power to heal and save.



Father Kaczmarek's Messages



Our Faith, Our Commitment, Our Future

Remember what that is? Of course, Parish members recognize that as the title of our Capital Campaign begun in 2010. Working with the Diocese of Greensburg, we conducted this effort to address some of the needs of our diocese and the concerns of our parish. Many people worked long hours placing phone calls, making personal visits, and processing the paperwork necessary for a successful campaign. A number of our people made generous pledges, some for a certain amount each year for up to

five years.

As a result of these generous responses, some significant parish goals have been met. A couple of years ago, the parish was unable to meet the monthly bills. All of our bills are now paid in full and on time. Revenue from the Capital Campaign (*your generosity*) made it possible to resolve the arrears. The Parish has a loan from the Diocese (in addition to the bond, which is over \$5,500,000.00, used to finance reconstruction of the church and school years ago). Using capital campaign money, we will be able to make a \$100,000 payment to the diocesan debt, bringing it below \$1,000,000.00 dollars to \$945,904.51. *A big thank you to those who regularly support our parish!*

Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This Collection supports Catholic organizations that provide food, shelter, medical care, catechesis, and companionship for the lonely in a region still struggling in the aftermath of atheistic Soviet rule. Your donations help to restore the strength of the Church in the region. Please give generously to the Collection next week. Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections to learn more.

Feast of St. Blaise

The Feast of St. Blaise is Friday, February 3. Blessing of Throats will take place at the 8am Mass, and blessing of the throats only at 9:30am, 12:10 and 7pm.



In the Parish Community



Faith Formation

Religious Education Kindergarten-5th Grade

NEWLONSBURG/HERITAGE

Tuesday, January 31
4-5:30pm

Busing and Snacks Provided

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus/Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Thursday, February 9 from 1-7pm in the parish hall. In addition to the constant need for blood, each unit of blood donated contributes to the scholarship account the Red Cross has established to be distributed to worthy students at Mother of Sorrows School. The Manordale Valley Council of the Knights of Columbus provide the volunteers to assist the Red Cross staff. For questions, please call Ken Geiser at (724) 531-7593.

Ministry of Care

The mission of the Ministry of Care is to provide spiritual care and comfort to members of our parish community. Please give some thought to giving your time and talent. Please join us for a very rewarding hour or two each month to visit those who cannot attend church services. A short training session is given before starting this ministry.

How and Where you can Help:

Forbes Hospital: Provide comfort visits to patients to let them know they are an important part of our parish family. We do not distribute communion to patients at Forbes.

Golden Living, Redstone Highlands and Altera Clare Bridge (All located in the Murrysville area): Be part of a team that provides a Communion Service.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to the Homebound: Take Communion to our parish members who are unable to attend church services due to age or illness.

For additional info or join, contact Judy Schlenke at (724) 733-7633.

Question About the Parish?

The Mother of Sorrows Pastoral Council has initiated a way in which parishioners can ask specific questions directly to the pastor and council for review and response. Responses will be received and treated with discretion. If certain issues seem to be more prevalent over time, the pastor and council may decide to address it in a more public way for the benefit of all parishioners. So, if you have a question about anything related to Mother of Sorrows parish life, we encourage you to take advantage of this line of communication so that you can receive the information from the most reliable source! Questions must not be anonymous and must be in writing. Please include your name, phone number, email address (if you have one) with your question. You can email the address below or drop an envelope in the collection basket marked "AskMOS." The pastor and council will review the inquiries as they are received and do their best to respond in a timely manner. Since this is a first-time initiative, we ask for your patience as we become accustomed to this process. There are two ways to submit questions: **Email:** Send contact information and question to askmos@dioceseofgreensburg.org or **In Writing:** Include info in an envelope marked "AskMOS" and place in the collection basket.

Welcome Back!

We welcome back to the Catholic Church and our parish any in attendance today who have been away from the Church for a while. We have missed you! Many of you may have "come home" because of the commercials that were aired by Catholics Come Home on major television networks from December 16 -January 9, encouraging people to "come home." The goal of this advertising effort is to bring a message of hope and invitation. It is the desire of our parish that you have also heard this message at Mass and through the welcome of our parishioners. We encourage you to contact the parish office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor or a parish staff member if you have questions or would like to discuss further "coming home."

**Discovering
C h r i s t :
Don't miss
out on the
opportunity
this Lent.**



Baptized into God's Family!

Phoenix Xavier Cammuso

*May he grow in wisdom,
age & grace.*



In the Parish Community

Cub Scouts K of C Spaghetti Dinner



Scout Pack 207 in conjunction with their sponsor, Knights of Columbus Council 4226 invite all families to their delicious fundraising spaghetti dinner to be held on Sunday, February 5 in the Parish Hall. Serving will begin at 12:30 and continue to 3pm. Yes, it is Super Bowl Sunday and since our Steelers didn't quite make it (although they played valiantly), we as family can still celebrate their successful season by discussing the season's great play and players, and argue who will win the Super Bowl. And just as important, it is Scout Sunday. All our scouts will be honored at the 11:30 Mass that day—another reason for all parish families to gather for both Mass and a delicious meal. Mark your calendars. Sign up in the narthex soon!

Natural Family Planning Instruction

CM-BBT is a medically based, highly effective NFP method that can be used to avoid, postpone, plan pregnancy. The next CM-BBT Method of Family Planning Instruction Session is scheduled for Monday, February 6 at 6pm at Catholic Charities, Greensburg. Participants are required to attend only ONE session. The instruction, continued support and follow-up are provided by a medically certified CM-BBT Professional. Please call at least one week prior to instruction date to PRE-register. Contact Mary Ann Newhouse, Catholic Charities at (724)837-1840, ext. 658 for information or to register for this or an upcoming class.

Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild

There will be a Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild meeting Wednesday, February 1 at 7pm in the parish hall—weather permitting.

Women's Retreat

It was a wonderful retreat weekend to strengthen our love for Christ. Twenty-six women enriched their knowledge of the Catholic Church and enjoyed the fellowship of women from the other parishes. Voluntarily, many responded to the need for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for the Saturday and Sunday Masses. Many thanks to those who made donations to help two women from the parish attend the retreat.

Food Pantry News

The January Food Pantry distributed food to 170 clients (452 family members) with 109 volunteers contributing 421 hours of service. Additional support included Clelian Heights students, FRHS wrestling team assisted in unloading the food bank truck, Murrysville Lions Club and Murrysville First Presbyterian Church members. Client hospitality was provided by First Presbyterian Church; opening prayer offered by Pastor Chuck McPherson. Special thanks to the following for supplemental items: MOS parishioners, MTO, First Presbyterian Church, Salem Lutheran Church, Turner Dairy, Panera Bread and Dunkin Donuts. William Penn Care Center for toothpaste and toothbrush gift bags. The next food pantry will be February 7 with Salem Lutheran Church in charge of client hospitality.

No 6pm Mass at St. Barbara's on Sunday, February 5

Please note that there will be no 6pm Mass at St. Barbara, Harrison City on Sunday, February 5.

Morning Women's Bible Study

Our winter/spring study will be Second Corinthians; we'll begin on February 1. This letter includes Paul's theology of suffering, emphasizing Paul's own weakness, struggle, and experience of God's grace. Join us anytime to see how scripture study can enhance your faith. We meet on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am in the Priest Room. For more information, contact Sherri Tollari at (724) 325-3901 or sherritollari@yahoo.com.

Boy Scout Sunday

On Sunday, February 5, 2012, in observance of Boy Scout Sunday, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorers of the parish are invited to attend, in uniform, the 11:30am Mass. Please recognize these scouts and support them in their endeavors.

"Divorce and Beyond"

"Divorce and Beyond" is a Catholic 10 week program designed to help newly divorced participants deal with the hurt, anger and stress of divorce. The program at St. Vincent Parish in Latrobe begins Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 7pm and continues weekly through Wednesday, May 2 with breaks for Ash Wednesday and Holy Week. It is open to anyone who has been granted a divorce or has already filed for divorce. Group size is limited to 15 people. Cost is \$15 for book and materials. Reservations are required. Call (724) 539-8629, ext. 15 to reserve your place.



For more information, visit mosyouth.com (Please note the change in our website address!)

Sr. Youth Group (Grades 9-12)

Sunday, January 29, 7-8:30pm. Family Life Center. Journey to the Center of the Gospels. The beatitudes were an important part of Jesus' ministry; it is the heart, or center, of his preaching. But these teachings are radical and counter-cultural in a society that is obsessed with feeling good and being happy. We will give you the chance to unpack this seemingly unusual road to happiness.

Tuesday, January 31, 7:30-8:30pm. Priest Room. Planning Team. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday, February 5—No Youth Group! Enjoy the Super Bowl!

Keys and the Sword Bible Study (Grades 9-12)

Join us for our 4-week Bible Study every Sunday in January from 6-6:45pm in the School Library as we take a look at the Acts of the Apostles. Cost is \$5. Questions or to register please contact Gretchen.

Full-Filled Lenten Retreat (Grades 9-12)

Join us on February 24-26 at Jumonville Retreat Center. Cost is \$125 due February 8. A great way to start off Lent 2012 by emptying yourself so that God can fill you up! If interested in attending or chaperoning, please contact Gretchen.

Jr. Youth Group (Grades 6-8)

SUNDAY, January 29, 4:30-5:45pm. Family Life Center. Ranger Rosaries. Make camouflage rope rosaries for soldiers, a fun and easy service project to support our troops! (Don't know anything about the rosary? No worries—we'll teach you!)

CD Spotlight

CDs are for sale in the lower narthex bookcases for \$5 each. An example: *Eucharistic Adoration*. It is the heart of who we are as Catholics: the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. But how many Catholics really understand what Eucharistic Adoration is? This guide to prayerful and thoughtful devotion includes concrete suggestions and illustrated explanations.



January /February

30 Monday

- 9:15am Legion of Mary-Priest
- 6:30pm Cub Scout Den Meeting-Hall

31 Tuesday: Saint John Bosco

Eucharistic Adoration until 6:45pm

- 4:00pm Faith Formation-NEWLONSBURG/HERITAGE-School
- 6:00pm Confessions
- 6:30pm Spring Gala Meeting-Family Life Center
- 6:30pm Discovering Christ-Bishop
- 7:30pm Youth Group Planning Team-Priest

1 Wednesday

- 9:30am Women's Bible Study-Priest/Pope
- 6:00pm MTO Board Meeting-Bishop
- 7:00pm Christian Mothers Meeting-Hall
- 7:30pm Women's Bible Study-Priest

2 Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord

- 9:00am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd-Atrium
- 9:30am School Mass
- 10:15am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd-Atrium
- 12:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd-Atrium
- 6:00pm Weight Watchers-Priest
- 7:30pm-7:30am All Night Adoration

3 Friday: Saint Blaise and Saint Ansgar

Blessing of Throats 8am (Mass), 9:30am, 12:10pm, 7pm

- 9:00am Centering Prayer-Bishop
- 4:00pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd-Atrium

4 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:30am Confessions
- 9:00am Catholic Men's Fellowship-Bishop
- 5:00pm Sunday Vigil

5 Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses at 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

- 8:30am Special Needs Faith Formation-Library
- 10:30am RCIA-Priest/Bishop
- 11:30am Boy Scout Recognition at Mass
- 12:30-3pm Cub Scout/K of C Spaghetti Dinner-Hall
- 1:00pm Baptisms



Mother Teresa Outreach



Clelian Heights: We are seeking volunteers to assist with several projects at Clelian Heights School for Exceptional Children and Adults. Please consider any one of these opportunities:

- Volunteers needed to help with running occasional errands.
- Volunteers needed to accompany adult female resident to occasional doctor's appointments.
- Volunteers needed as buddies for a specific adult resident, visiting on a regular basis.
- 2-4 volunteers needed to resume monthly cooking classes for small groups of residents.
- Volunteers needed to help with Spring cleaning tasks or handyman projects.

Some of these opportunities will require clearances, and funds are available to take care of this. If you are interested in hearing more about helping in any of these areas, please email Mary Lynn Jacko at marylynnjacko@yahoo.com. Thanks for considering!

Ministry of Consolation: The Ministry of Consolation invites all those who have lost loved ones to a pot luck dinner social on Saturday, February 11, beginning at 6:30. The social will be held in the church hall. Please RSVP to Fred Frank at 724-327-2148, Dorothy Gray at 724-387-2097, or Sharon Brown at 724-733-3719.

*"How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love...
And we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts..."*
Mother Teresa



Stewardship of Time & Talent

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for February 4 & 5—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	<i>Saturday, 5:00pm (Vigil)</i>	<i>Sunday, 7:30am</i>	<i>Sunday, 9:30am</i>	<i>Sunday, 11:30am</i>
<i>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</i>	Carol Temofonte Kimberly Bondi Richard Jacko Mary Lynn Jacko Kathryn Majewski Judith Pearlman OPEN	Jerome Johns Mary Jean Johns Dennis Cadwell Ron Hritz Adrienne Heinrich Mark Rubino Marge Wolff	Elizabeth Bivens James Kepins Cindy Kepins Joe DeMartino Donald Miller Peggy Miller Gregory Wagner	Donna Filipowski Ronald O'Toole Geraldine Burgoon Kim Schwab Amy Kuruc Lauren Laird Sherri Tollari
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Benjamin Johnson Maria DeBone Lauren McCarthy	Nathan Kinser Alex Kinser Josh Carfang	Michael Krauza Maria Beer Owen Beer	Zachary Iovino Anna Bonfiglio Joseph Bonfiglio
<i>Lectors</i>	Rita Freuchtel Linda Brecht	Joel Carolla Barbara Lyskava	Barbara Hantz Linda Morris	Anita Louttit Joseph Filipowski
<i>Cantor</i>	Mary Komandt	Nicole Kociela	Greg Bivens	Caitlyn Pezze

<i>Children's Liturgy of the Word</i>	February 5	9:30am: Mary Lynn Bruce; 11:30am: V. Yankauskas
<i>Daily Altar Servers</i>	January 30-February 3	8:00am: Alexander Kinser and Nathan Jordan
<i>Money Counters:</i>	February 6	8:30am: Kozbelts, Stromberg, Espositos
<i>Redstone:</i>	February 1	Ostrowski, Dover, Wolfe, Rostand
<i>Golden Living:</i>	February 5	Dorn, Wolfe, Sweeney, Giannangeli
<i>Alterra</i>	February 1	Mary Jo Smithula, Bonnie McDade
<i>Hospital Visitations</i>	January 30—J. Serra; February 1—K. Ebert; February 3—H. Wolfe	



Stewardship of Treasure

January 21 & 22, 2012

Regular Offertory	\$21,619
Debt Reduction	150
Ash Wednesday	23
Other (<i>Catholic Accent, Catholic Home Missions Appeal</i>)	169
Mother Teresa Outreach	\$1,192

God bless you!

Electronic Giving is available!

You now have the option of enrolling in our Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) contribution program—a completely secure and confidential form of giving! This option will allow you to have your weekly giving automatically paid directly through your checking account or using any major credit card. Please visit mosparish.org for information. Another option is to give via your on-line banking service. This method is preferred, because there is no fee assessed to either you or Mother of Sorrows! If you have any questions, please contact Meg Young at (724) 733-8870.



Mass Readings & Intentions

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

30 Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
8:00am Edward Oroukin and Family + (Family)

31 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25/Mk 5:21-43
8:00am Mrs. Jane Monigle + (Mary and Bob Murray)

1 Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
8:00am Ruby Pope + (Ed and Sue Mejia)

2 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
8:00am Catherine Thomas + (MOS Priest and People)
9:30am Mary Jane McRickard + (MOSS Faculty)*

3 Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29
8:00am Marilyn Macaluso + (John)**
9:30am Blessing of Throats**
12:10pm Blessing of Throats**
7:00pm Blessing of Throats**

4 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34
8:00am Wendy Spencer + (Kathy Hoyman)
5:00pm Deceased Sarver Family Members + (Beth Ann Sarver)

5 Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-30
7:30am Agnes Dolan + (Jim and Linda Obman)
9:30am Carol Wozinski + (Lisa and Dustin Helm)
11:30am Pro Populo (For the People)***

* School Mass **Blessing of Throats ***Boy Scout Recognition Mass

Altar Candles

Will be lit from January 29-February 4 for Christine Gesuale for Healing by Family.

Tabernacle Candles

Will be lit from January 29-February 4 in memory of Eleanor Proctor by Jack and Ginny Diehl.

Sanctuary Lamp

Will be lit from January 29-February 4 in memory of Wladyslawa Mozur and Sons Ted and Richard, by Jeannie Mozur.



SPAGHETTI DINNER



Cub Scout Pack 207
& Knights of Columbus Council 4226

invite all families to a delicious fundraising
SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sunday, February 5th

12:30 to 3:00 pm

Mother of Sorrows Church Hall

**Dinner will include spaghetti, meatballs,
salad, roll, beverage, and desert**

Cost: \$8.00 per adult (12 yrs and older)
\$6.00 per child (6 thru 11 yrs old)
Children 5 and under eat free

Note: Take out Dinners will be available

Please mark the "sign up" sheet in the Church
Narthex indicating number in family attending

Discovering
CHRIST



"ASK, AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU;
SEEK, AND YOU WILL FIND;
KNOCK, AND IT WILL BE
OPENED TO YOU."
MATTHEW 7:7

Mother of Sorrows Parish
Monday Evenings
(Dinner included)

February 27th to April 9th
6:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

Discovering Christ is an exciting course designed to help men and women encounter the person of Jesus Christ and accept his invitation to know him in a personal relationship. Share a meal, listen to a dynamic presentation, and explore answers with others in small groups on basic questions of purpose, faith, and life.

WEEKLY TOPICS:

- What is the Meaning of Life?
- Why does Jesus matter?
- What does Jesus want us to know?
- Why do I need a Savior?
- Why is the Resurrection Important to us?
- Who is the Holy Spirit?
- Why do we need the Church?

Mother of Sorrows Parish will host this free course for seven consecutive Mondays from 6:45 to 9:15 p.m. in the hall at MOS. The course includes a free one-day retreat on Saturday, March 31st. Space is limited to the first 100 participants.

Please register by Sunday, February 19th.

Discovering Christ Registration Form [please print]
Mondays, February 27th to April 9th

Name(s) _____ Total # _____

AGE: _____ 18-32 _____ 33-45 _____ 46-59 _____ 60 & up

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Childcare is *NOT* provided. Babysitter referrals are available if requested. For any questions please contact Tina Rojtas at 412-554-1963 or email creatinginvestors@comcast.net **Please place registration in the box in the Narthex OR register on-line on the Parish Website – www.mosparish.org.**

For OFFICE USE Only:

Date Received: _____

Registration entered: _____



Mother of Sorrows School News

50 Years

In 1962 a new principal came to Murrysville accompanied by two fellow teachers. These three sisters of Charity started a long standing tradition of *academic* excellence, based in the Catholic *faith*, and teaching *service*. These three amazing individuals started Mother of Sorrows School. Sister Ida Marie McCarthy was our first principal, and she was joined by Sister Kevin Mary Mannion and Sister John Mary Halloran. Mother of Sorrows School became a reality due in large part to the efforts of the Pastor, Reverend Regis M. Hickey who passionately wanted to open a school for his parish. Mother Claudia responded with a resounding "yes".

Over the years, Mother of Sorrows School has stood as a steady and strong educational institution in Murrysville. The school has been accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. The teachers are highly qualified with most holding Masters degrees. The students regularly score above average on standardized tests. The school is a family.

I hope and pray that Mother of Sorrows School is living up to the ideals that Father Hickey envisioned 50 years ago. We meet and exceed *academic* standards. We try to give back to our community as often as possible through *service*, but most of all we live our *faith*. Mother of Sorrows School has developed into a place where students are not only taught about the Catholic church, but that it is important to live that faith in all of our actions. We make it popular to do the right thing, when our society does not always hold those same values. We create a place where Faith, Academics, and Service guide our every action, and we hope to allow those actions to make our world better. Thank you to those that braved the unknown, and began this journey 50 years ago! Happy Birthday Mother of Sorrows School.



Faith. Academics. Service.

Catholic Schools

Fish Fry News!

Be sure to sponsor our placemats again this year. It is a great ad for your business and very helpful to the fish fry!

Call: 724-733-8840

Take-Out Phone Number:

724-972-6100

Lent is on the way.
Fish Fry-Catch It!

Dates to Remember:

- Jan 29-Feb 4: Catholic School's Week: Faith, Academics, Service
- Feb 6-10: DIBELS K-3
- Feb 20: President's Day No School
- Feb 22: Ash Wednesday
- Feb 24: Stations of the Cross
- Mar 2: Stations of the Cross
- Mar 9: Stations of the Cross
- Mar 16: Act 80 No School for students
- Mar 22: End of the 3rd Quarter



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