

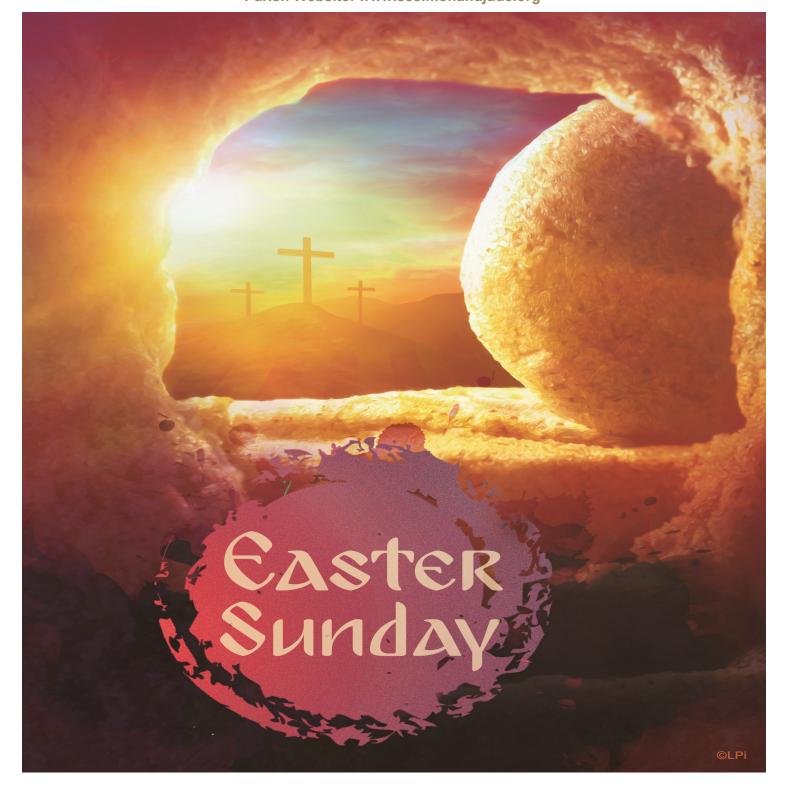
CHURCH OF SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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March 31, 2024

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03/30/24-Saturday-Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Vigil)

2:00pm Blessing of the Easter Foods (Baskets) (Church) 9:00pm For The People

Social in Marian Hall following Easter Vigil Liturgy

03/31/24-Sunday-Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

9:00am Wayne T. Fumea by sister, Pauline Children's Easter Egg Hunt to follow the 9:00 a.m. Mass

04/01/24-Monday-Monday within the Octave of Easter 8:00am Tonya Marie Heiland by Mary Moore

04/03/24-Wednesday-Wednesday within the Octave of

8:00am Deceased of the Henigin Family by Family

04/05/24-Friday-Friday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am Norman Murphy by Karen Walker

04/06/24-Saturday-2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) (Vigil)

1:00pm Sacrament of Penance

4:00pm Sam Ferguson by Family

04/07/24-Sunday-2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

9:00am For The People

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, KENT MASS SCHEDULE FOR EASTER

Sunday, March 31-Easter Sunday- 11:00 a.m.

WINE IN MEMORY OF ELEANOR MILLER BY DAN BAKER

HOST IN MEMORY OF JOHN A. MILLER BY DAN BAKER

CHAPEL CANDLE IN MEMORY OF DAVID W. & SHIRLEY BAKER BY DAN BAKER

MASS SCHEDULE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, KENT

MONDAYS Holy Hour-5:00 p.m.; Mass-6:00 P.M.
TUESDAYS 8:30 A.M.
THURSDAYS 8:30 A.M.
SATURDAY 6:00 P.M.
SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.

+++ FINANCIAL REPORT*** This report will be in a future bulletin.

WEEKLY READINGS:
GATHER HYMNAL #1047 (Easter Vigil)
GATHER HYMNAL #1065 (Easter Sunday)

PARISH COMING EVENTS:

Monday, April 1

♦ Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, April 3

- ♦ Bible Study,1:00 p.m., Marian Hall, and 7:00 p.m., Parish Center
- ◆ CD of A Meeting, Marian Hall, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 7

 Practice for 1st Eucharist, Church, 10:15 a.m.-Noon

PASCHAL CANDLE IN MEMORY OF CECELIA AND HERB HENIGIN BY DAUGHTER, SUSAN AND FAMILY.

MATCHING ALTAR CANDLES

- 1) IN MEMORY OF CECELIA & HERBERT HENIGIN BY NIECE, ROSEANNE LINKO
- 2) IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL & FRANCES SUPINKA AND WILLIAM & ROBERTA BU-CHANAN BY BILL & ROSEMARY BU-CHANAN
- 3) IN MEMORY OF PATRICIA A. SUMAN BY HUSBAND & FAMILY

EASTER SUNDAY PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

Jer. 31:31-34, Ps.: 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15, Phil. 2:6-11, Mk. 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

We are an Easter People! Mary arose "early in the morning" to go to Jesus' tomb. This image of a new day speaks to us of a new beginning, new opportunities, new encounters. Early morning speaks to us of the freshness of new life. By contrast, this gospel uses the word "tomb" seven times, speaking to us about the seeming finality of Jesus' death. By even greater contrast, the gospel ends with the Scripture certitude that Jesus "had to rise from the dead."

Death is overcome. Death has no victory. God is the Lord of life. Easter celebrates a new beginning, our certitude of new life. May we choose that Life.

READINGS-April 7,2024

Acts 4:32-35 (1st) 1 John 5:1-6 (2nd) John 20:19-31 (Gospel) Second Sunday of Easter



BOTTLES OF HOLY WATER are available in the back of the church for you to take home for \$2.00 each.

THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLET for the Easter season is available at the entrances of the church. We invite each family to take one home.

"A KNIGHT AT THE RACES": The Knights of Columbus, Council 10960, are having their annual fundraiser on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at the Graceton-Coral Sportsman's Club. \$25 admission includes a catered buffet meal, with refreshments, snacks and dessert. Sponsor a horse for \$10. If your horse wins, you win \$50!! A fun night for those over 21. Open to all. Tickets are available at Church of the Good Shepherd office and Our Lady of the Assumption office, or contact Norb Rayko at 724-422-1533. Basket donations are welcome. All proceeds benefit the charitable works of the Knights.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Memorial Day car cruise is set for Monday, May 27, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. John Baptist de La Salle Parish, Delmont. The event will include more than 300 cars, food, vendors, a basket auction, a disc jockey and a 1 p.m. tribute to veterans. Entry fee is \$10 per vehicle. All proceeds will benefit the Veterans Pennsylvania Hero Fund, Westmoreland County Veterans Food Bank, the H. John Heinz III Department of Veterans Affairs A Medical Center and Clelian Heights School, Greensburg. For information, contact Dennis Majewski at 724-325-4235 or DTMajewski@aol.com or Don Granata at 412-215-3473 or granms@outlook.com.



DLA: Thank you to all who have supported our DLA to date. Thus far, we have contributions from 126 families, totaling \$34,260.00 Our diocesan target is \$40,870.00. We ask that you be as gener-

ous as possible to this appeal and we encourage everyone to participate, for anything over our target, will remain here in the parish for our use. Pledges may be made by turning in your pledge card by mailing it DIRECTLY TO THE DIO-CESE in the envelope provided. If you have misplaced your pledge card or for some reason did not receive one in the mail, Lenten Appeal offering forms are available at the entrances of the church that you may use to make your donation. Thank you.

LOOKING FOR CRAFTERS: In order for our parish to host a craft show in 2024, we need at least 30 crafters to make it feasible. If you sell crafts or know of anyone who does crafts, please contact Peggy Mosco at 724-464-7371. Spread the word!

CD OF A WILL MEET ON APRIL 3RD: The Court is nominating Pat Dettore for the Woman of the Year Award. Dues for 2024 are due, unpaid members will be notified. April committee is Barb Kozar, Donna Crawford, Pat Halmes, and Peg Uncapher. Hope to see you there.

COME TO A LADIES' GAME NIGHT! Our Catholic Daughters will host this fundraiser on April 18th at 6:00 p.m. in Marian Hall. Bring a friend, family member, and a game to play! The cost is \$2.00 per person, Snacks will be available. Also, bring a used wrapped gift in good condition. We will be having a white elephant game at each table. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by Friday, April 12th by calling Christina Bell at 412-309-0084.

Easter Prayer of Thanksgiving

Good and gracious heavenly Father, we come before you on this Easter Sunday with full and grateful hearts for the gift of the Paschal Mystery that you showed us in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, our brother by adoption, Jesus Christ.

Bless us and all those who profess belief in your saving love.

Bless also those who have yet to profess belief in you. You are God for all.



We ask all this in Christ's name. Amen.





