

PARTNERED PARISHES OF ST. BRUNO AND ST. PAUL



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Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM and Friday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
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NOVEMBER 15, 2026 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Adoration

St. Paul - **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday:** 8:30 AM - 3:15 PM

St. Bruno - **Tuesday** 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM, **Thursday** 9:30 AM - 6:45 PM

St. Bruno Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 8:00 AM Mass
Thursday: 7:00 PM Mass (Confession 6:00 PM)
1st Saturdays: 9:00 AM Mass (Confession 8:15 AM)
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Mass
Sunday: 11:00 AM Mass

St. Paul Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8:00 AM Mass
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM Mass
Sunday: 9:00 AM Mass

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Office to schedule Baptismal Preparation and the Sacrament of Baptism.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Holy Communion is distributed to the sick and homebound monthly. To be added to the list, or to receive anointing of the sick, please call the Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Bruno: **Tuesdays** 3:00 PM, **Thursdays** 6:00 PM, **Saturdays** 3:30 PM, and **1st Saturdays** 8:15 AM
St. Paul: **Saturdays** 3:00 PM
Confession may be requested as needed.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact the Office at least one year in advance to schedule your wedding and begin Marriage Preparation.

This Week's Calendar of Events

SB = ST. BRUNO | SP = ST. PAUL | OLOG= OUR LADY OF GRACE

Monday – November 16

SP – Daily Mass	8:00 AM
SP – Adoration: Church	8:30 AM – 3:15 PM
SP – Divine Mercy Chaplet: Church	3:00 PM
SB – Prayer Shawl Ministry: Parish Center	6:00 PM

Tuesday – November 17

SB – Daily Mass	8:00 AM
SB – Adoration: Church	8:30 AM – 3:30 PM
SB – Confession: Church	3:00 PM
SP – Men's Group	7:00 PM

Wednesday – November 18

SP – Daily Mass	8:00 AM
SP – Adoration: Church	8:30 AM – 3:15 PM
SP – Divine Mercy Chaplet: Church	3:00 PM
SB – Choir Practice: Parish Center	7:00 PM
SP – Choir Practice: Choir Room	7:00 PM

Thursday – November 19

SB – Morning Prayer: Church	9:00 AM
SB – Adoration: Church	9:30 AM – 6:45 PM
SB – Spanish Rosary	9:30 AM
SB – Confession: Church	6:00 PM
SB – Daily Mass	7:00 PM

Friday – November 20

SP – Daily Mass	8:00 AM
SP – Adoration: Church	8:30 AM – 3:15 PM
SP – Divine Mercy Chaplet: Church	3:00 PM

Saturday – November 21

SP - Confession	3:00 PM
SB - Confession	3:30 PM
SP – Vigil Mass	4:30 PM
SB – Vigil Mass	5:00 PM

Sunday – November 22

SP – Sunday Mass	9:00 AM
SB – Sunday Mass	11:00 AM
OLOG – Regional Mass	6:00 PM



The Rosary Altar Society of St. Bruno will have their next meeting on Thursday, November 19, in the Parish Center.
The Rosary will be recited at 6:00 PM.
The meeting will follow at 6:30PM.

Mass Intentions

Saturday- November 14: Vigil Mass
4:30 PM St. Paul: For the members of St. Paul and St. Bruno Parishes
5:00 PM St. Bruno: The deceased members of the Legion of Mary
By: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Praesidium Legion of Mary

Sunday- November 15: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM St. Paul: Bob McCurry
By: Bonnie McCurry
11:00 AM St. Bruno: Alfonso, Bertha (Sis), Carl and the deceased members of the D'Angelo Family
By: Mary Giacobbi

Monday- November 16: St. Margaret of Scotland, St. Gertrude
8:00 AM St. Paul: Beverly Juliano, Valerie Bayne & John Kozak
By: Ross and Rose Farber

Tuesday- November 17: St. Elizabeth of Hungary
8:00 AM St. Bruno: Iezzi and Panebianco Families
By: Iezzi Family

Wednesday- November 18: The Dedication of the Basilicas of SS.Peter and Paul, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
8:00 AM St. Paul: Ed & Trish Paulin
By: Children

Thursday- November 19: Weekday
7:00 PM St. Bruno: Richard Rosensteel
By: Family

Friday- November 20: Weekday
8:00 AM St. Paul: Steven Semekoski & John Tricini
By: Family

Saturday- November 21: Vigil Mass
4:30 PM St. Paul: Dr. Scott Drab
By: Mom and Dad
5:00 PM St. Bruno: Archilletti and Pomponi Families
By: Andrew Pomponi

Sunday- November 22: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
9:00 AM St. Paul: James Bushey
By: Loretta Bushey & Family
11:00 AM St. Bruno: For the members of St. Bruno and St. Paul Parishes

Remembrances and Prayer Lists

St. Bruno Parish Community Prayer List

Al, Anna, Becky, Bill P., Cody, Dave, Don, Donna, Ed, Jacob, Jamie, Jerry, Joan, John, Keith, Kenny, Lisa, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Michele, Mike, Nellie, Ray, Rich, Ron, Sally, Sean, Sharon, Stacey, Sue, Tanya, Bill A., Cheryl H., Melvin H., Dee K., Bill P., Linda R., Nicole S., Geno Z., Mike Z., Tim Z., Patti Baird, Dave Bartley, James Bartley Sr., Jack Cherubini, Bob Cook, Bill Costelnock, Bill Courtney, Louis DiCriscio, Elaine Esola, John Every, Marian Giacobbi, Richard A. Green, Jan Harper, Melissa Heithaus, Joanne Hudock, Brian Hunt, Kevin Johnson, Denny Kemerer, Barbara Kitta, Jason Lastik, Lucious Lewis, Ron Levendusky, Fr. Lawrence Manchas, Bryan McHenry, Christopher Merritt, Joseph Peters, Tony Petroy, Sally Plevelich, Jim Poreca, Antonia R., Connie R., Barbara Stokes, Eleanor Testa, Shawnna Todaro, Matt Weir, Bailie Zilli.

St. Paul Parish Community Prayer List

Tim, Tom Adams, Barb Antoniak, Jim A., Connie Badish, Michael Carl, Bonnie Colarusso, Carl Colarusso, John Conti, Robert and Adam Craig, Deborah Davis, Helen Deasy, Paul DeBaldo, Ray and Nina DeFazio, Irene DiPietro, Mathilda Fidazzo, Kathy Gongo, Theresa Hanley, Carole Johnson, Shaunna Korber, Jason Lastik, John Leechalk, Steven Long, Fr. Lawrence Manchas, Kenzie Madison, Mark and Paul McCool, Tony McCullough, Bryan McHenry, Michelle Moore, Riley Murphy, Matt Myers, Virginia Oplinger, Joan Overton, Ann Pandolph, Mark Pardus, Nick Parise, Debra Petraccaro, Sally Plevelich, Alberta Polvinale, Joanna and Gary Pritchett, Larry Raczkowski, Luke Sacco, Tony Schabel, Virginia Sternick, Anthony Sunseri, Bill Taylor, Kayla Wahl, Carmen Willochell, Gloria Wilson, Tim Z.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candles will burn from November 14 through November 20.

St. Bruno Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Alwine Family

Requested by: Nick Alwine

Adoration Candles

Michael Secocky

Requested by: Carol and Elaine

St. Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Bill and Anna Kozakiewicz & Paul and Rose Farber

Requested by: Ross and Rose Farber

ALTAR FLOWERS

St. Bruno Parish

Main Altar

The Fedor and Altieri Families

Requested by: Janice and Vince Altieri

Mary Altar

Elizabeth Ghion and the decesed members of the Delose and Pezze Families

Requested by: Jeff and Lorraine Ghion

St. Paul Parish

Altar Flowers

Leona Barkley and Thomas Detore (In memoriam)

Requested by: Thelma and Paul Highberger

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathies to all who are grieving the loss of a loved one, especially the family of Msgr. V. Paul Fitzmaurice, a retired priest of the Diocese of Greensburg, who passed away November 10.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they Rest in Peace. Amen.



DONUT SUNDAY



Donut Sunday at St. Bruno is this Sunday, November 15, after the 11:00 AM Mass. Join us for friendship and camaraderie!

2026 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

St. Bruno Parish DLA		St. Paul Parish DLA
Diocesan Goal: $44,578	***St. Bruno & St. Paul***	Diocesan Goal: $64,756
Parish Goal: $68,072	***have exceeded their Diocesan Goal!!!***	Parish Goal: $150,000
Total Overall Goal: $112,650	***100% of the money given through the DLA will now remain in the parish assessment-free!!!***	Total Overall Goal: $214,756
Total Pledged as of 11/3/26: $131,211.20		Total Pledged as of 10/27/26: $113,820
Total Paid as of 11/3/26: $127,943.46		Total Paid as of 10/27/26: $109,129.54
Number of Participants: 216		Number of Participants: 248

Online Giving Options (Scan the QR Code) or Go to www.pbcatholic.org

ST. BRUNO

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN SET UP YOUR TITHING TO ST. BRUNO'S OR ST. PAUL'S THROUGH OUR ONLINE GIVING PORTALS? YOU CAN VISIT WWW.PBCATHOLIC.ORG OR YOU CAN SCAN THE QR CODE FOR YOUR PARISH AND GO DIRECTLY TO THE WEBSITE TO SET UP YOUR ONLINE AUTOMATIC DONATION.

ST. PAUL

Fr. Andrew's Homilies

Simply scan this QR code or visit **hamiltonhomilies.com** to listen.
May God's Word continue to bear fruit in your heart throughout the week!

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Both St. Bruno and St. Paul have a St. Vincent de Paul Help Line for those community members who need assistance with rent, utilities, gas, and other expenses. If you, or someone you know, need assistance, please call the Help Line.

St. Bruno | 724-217-9460 St. Paul | 724-420-3279

The St. Bruno RAS Prayer Chain is activated as needed at 7:00 PM. Emergency prayers are activated at the time of request. Make prayer requests directly to *Pat Farrell 724-834-4808 or the Parish Office 724-836-0690.*

The St. Paul Prayer Chain is activated every Tuesday evening. If you would like to volunteer your time or submit names, call *Philomena Lillie, 724-832-8521 or Audrey Lucotch, 412-817-2781.* The St. Paul Prayer Chain is honored to pray for your loved one. As their situation is resolved, please make sure to remove them from the list.

The Rosary in Spanish

Join us at St. Bruno on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month to learn and practice praying the Rosary in Spanish. *The time has been changed to 9:30 AM.*

No prior knowledge of Spanish is needed. All are welcome!

Helpful Reminder

On November 15, the Church celebrates St. Albert the Great, a brilliant Dominican scholar, bishop, and Doctor of the Church. Yet perhaps one of his greatest accomplishments was not something he wrote, but someone in whom he believed.

Among Albert's students was a large, quiet young Dominican named Thomas Aquinas. Thomas rarely spoke in class, and his fellow students mistook his silence for stupidity. They mockingly nicknamed him "the Dumb Ox."

But Albert saw something they did not.

Recognizing the extraordinary intellect hidden beneath Thomas's quiet exterior, Albert reportedly declared, "You call him a Dumb Ox; I tell you this Dumb Ox shall bellow so loud that his bellowings will fill the world."

And indeed, he did! Thomas Aquinas would become one of the greatest theologians in the history of Christianity.

But imagine if Albert had simply dismissed him like everyone else.

Albert was willing to take a risk on someone whose potential others failed to recognize. He invested his time, attention, and confidence in a young man who did not appear particularly promising.

How often do we miss opportunities because we are unwilling to take such risks?

Perhaps there is a young man in our parish who has the makings of a wonderful priest, but nobody has ever encouraged him. Perhaps there is someone with extraordinary gifts who has never been invited to serve. Perhaps someone simply needs another person to believe in him.

God has placed talents in every human soul, but sometimes those talents remain hidden until someone helps bring them to light.

St. Albert reminds us that Christian discipleship isn't merely about recognizing our own gifts. It is about discovering and cultivating the gifts of others.

After all, the next great saint might be someone everyone else has overlooked.

Fr. Andrew J. Hamilton

Today's Readings

3nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / November 15, 2026

First Reading:

She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life.
She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. (Prv 31:12-13)

Psalm:

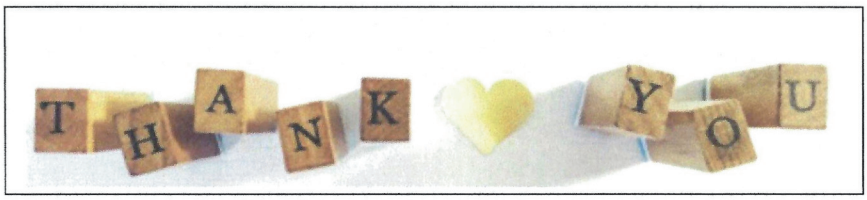
Blessed are those who fear the Lord. (Ps 128)

Second Reading:

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief.
For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. (1 Thes 5:4-5)

Gospel:

"'Since you were faithful in small matters,
I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'" (Mt 25:21)



Father Arnel will be returning to his home Diocese of Davao in the Philippines at the end of November.

Please join us for a luncheon reception as follows:

DATE: **Sunday, November 22, 2026**
TIME: **After the 11:00 am Mass at St. Bruno Church**
PLACE **St. Bruno Church Hall**

Let's gather in thanksgiving as we offer Father Arnel our gratitude for his priestly service to our parishes and our best wishes for his future.

BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

Here are the results for the Blood Drive at St. Bruno on November 3.

Goal – 28 **Scheduled donors – 30**
Power reds – 1 **Whole Blood – 20**
Units collected – 22 **Deferrals – 8**

ANGEL TREE: ST. BRUNO

The St. Bruno Angel Tree is in the vestibule with 25 tags representing children in need of a sponsor. Please consider taking an angel and help make a wonderful Christmas for a child or two. Do not wrap any of the gifts. Instead, they are to be placed in a gift bag with the angel tag attached. Please return all gift bags to the vestibule or they can be returned to the St. Bruno Office located on the St. Paul Campus by Wednesday, November 25. Please be sure to sign your name and phone number next to the tag that you are taking on the sheet that is provided. We apologize for not having the sign-up sheet available last week. If you've already taken a tag, just be sure to fill in what tag you have taken. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

ANGEL TREE: ST. PAUL

We would like to thank everyone who took an angel from the Angel Tree in the St. Paul vestibule. The Angel Tree is the tool of a ministry called *Families Helping Families*. Each year they work with Catholic Charities to provide Christmas gifts for teens in our area. Now that you have picked an angel off the tree, please shop the wish list and place the unwrapped items in a gift bag. Then place your angel in the bag and drop it off in the parish office by November 25, the day before Thanksgiving. Again, we would like to thank everyone who is participating this year. If you have any questions, call the church office.



St. Bruno

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

Our purple papers are now available for you to fill out with your loved ones' names that you would like to be remembered during our Masses. You can put your completed forms in the collection basket and they will be placed on the Altar for the rest of the month of November.

Connection Ability Rights Empower Support

C.A.R.E.S.

Where: St. Paul Parish, Sullivan Room
820 Carbon Rd.
Greensburg, PA 15601

When: Monday, November 16, 2026 @ 6:30pm

FOR ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT AWDY WALLACE @ 814-450-4522
OR EMAIL CARESSUPPORTGBG@GMAIL.COM

Support Group for Special Needs Families

Join us at St. Paul Parish for a welcoming evening of connection, encouragement, and support. Jennifer Armstrong-Shaefer from Westmoreland Case Management Inc. will share information on the PA Waivers for people with disabilities.

Everyone is Welcome!

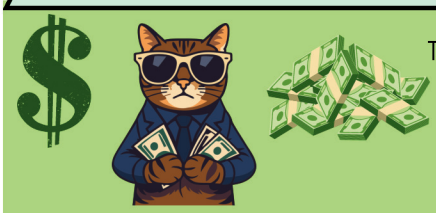
January Lottery Calendar

Winning Number Taken From the First Pick 3 PA State Daily Lotery Number Drawn at 7:00 PM
No Alternate Numbers. All Cash Winnings will be determined by the amount of money indicated on each day of this Calendar.
Not responsible for typographical errors. Void after 30 days. All unsold tickets become the property of Saint Paul Parish.

ONLY 1,000 TICKETS **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!** **DONATION: $10.00**

$5,000 IN CASH

TICKETS COMPLIMENTS OF KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #1480 GREENSBURG



Tickets will be available in the vestibule at St. Paul Parish after Masses or in the Office. It would be appreciated that parishioners consider taking a packet of tickets to sell. Each packet will contain 10 tickets. Cash and checks, made out to St. Paul Parish, will be accepted for payment. No credit card purchases for these tickets. Please contact Paul Whalen at 724.331.7827 or 724.836.3096 or the Office for more information.

Yuletide in Europe:

A Feast of Faith and Festivity

A FIVE-COURSE JOURNEY THROUGH
EUROPE'S CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

COURSE 1 ITALY	COURSE 2 SLOVAKIA	COURSE 3 DENMARK	COURSE 4 ENGLAND	COURSE 5 FRANCE
TORTELLINI IN BRODO	BÔBÁLKY	BEET SALAD	ROAST BEEF & YORKSHIRE PUDDING	CROQUEMBOUCHE
A comforting beginning with traditional Italian Christmas soup.	*Small baked yeast rolls with honey and poppy seed, a beloved Slovak Christmas treat.*	*A vibrant and flavorful salad with Danish flair and bold flavor.*	*A classic English Christmas tradition—hearty, savory, and satisfying.*	*A stunning French dessert to celebrate and conclude our Yuletide feast.*

CULTURAL & HISTORICAL PRESENTATION

LIVE FESTIVE MUSIC

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11TH
6:00 PM

ST. BRUNO CHURCH HALL
1715 Poplar St.
Greensburg, PA 15601

$85 A SEAT
8 PEOPLE TO A TABLE

FAITH. TRADITION. COMMUNITY. CELEBRATION.
Come hungry. Leave inspired.

To purchase your tickets you may use the QR code in the corner, or you can go to our parish website, *pbcatholic.org*, or our Facebook page and use the hyperlink. If you would like to pay by cash or check you can come to the church office. A limited quantity of tickets is available.

TROOP 405
SOUTH GREENSBURG, PA
1937

ADULTS $10

KIDS $7

KIDS UNDER 5 ARE FREE

AGES 5-12

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

JOIN US FOR ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES AND SAUSAGE

WE HAVE RAFFLE BASKETS, 50/50, BAKE SALE, AND MORE

CASH OR CREDIT/DEBIT ACCEPTED



December 13th from 9:30a.m.- 1p.m.

TICKET

St Bruno Parish Hall

8th Annual St. Bartholomew Church

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER

5K Run

&

2 Mile Walk

Take a Picture & Sign Up Here! --->

When: Saturday, December 5th, 2026
Time: 9:30 AM registration and packet pick-up
Race starts at 11:00 AM
Where: Saint Bartholomew Church
2538 Route 119
Crabtree, PA 15624
Registration: $30 registration through Nov. 28th
$40 Nov. 29th through Race Day
TSHIRT DEADLINE NOV. 23RD! Shirts will be long-sleeved ugly sweater themed and are only guaranteed to those registered by Nov. 23rd!
5k run/2 mile walk open to all ages!

Complete the entry form below (make checks payable to Saint Bartholomew Parish) and mail to P.O. Box A 2538 Route 119, Crabtree, PA 15624.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/_____ Age: ____

Address:_____ City:_____ State:____ Zip:_____

Gender: M F Email:_____ Phone:_____

Event: (Circle one) 5K Run 2 Mile Walk Shirt Size: Adult S M L XL XXL Youth S M L

(Sign if applicable for $5 off each participant)
I am a parishioner of Saint Bartholomew Church: _____

Waiver: I acknowledge that I have sufficiently trained for this event and that this event may involve strenuous activity. I absolve the organizers of this race from any responsibility or consequences associated with my participation. I also release any photos that may involve myself. Registration does not imply endorsement.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(parent or guardian if under the age of 18)

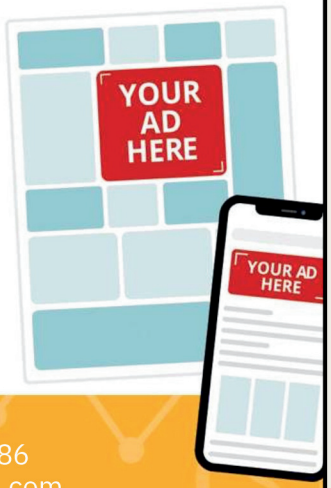
Registration is also available at **runsignup.com** parishioners use code "stbarts2026" for $5 off!



AVAILABLE NOW!
PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Rich from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



LPi

Rich Waloff
215-760-7886
rwaloff@4lpi.com

GRACE SPACE FOR FAMILIES

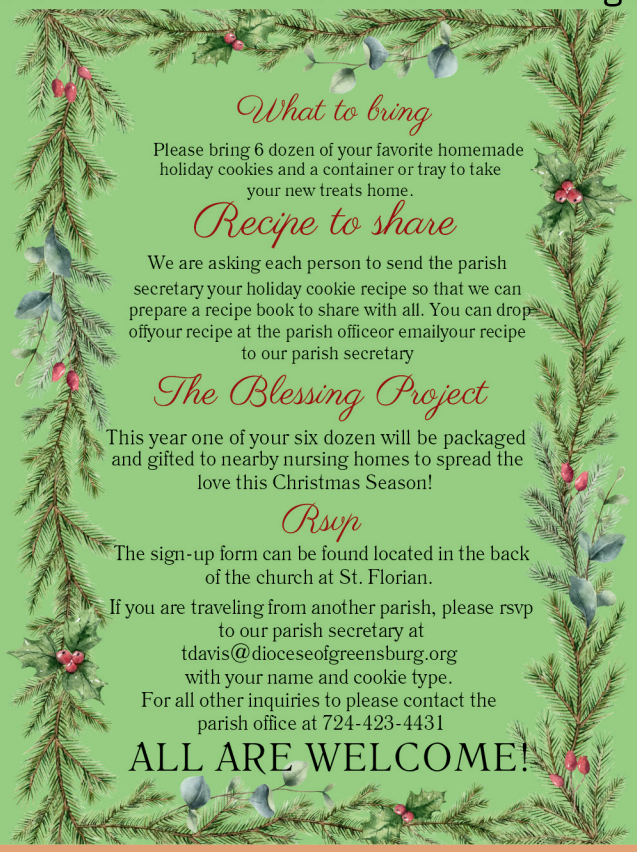
Grace Space is a new opportunity for families with toddlers to grow in faith together through practical resources, conversations and community support.

Five new Grace Space locations will open this fall: Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg; Saint Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon; Saint John the Baptist Parish, Perryopolis; Saint Regis Parish, Trafford; and Saints Simon and Jude Parish, Blairsville. To learn more about Grace Space, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/Learn-More-About-Grace-Space/ or contact Danielle Cribbs at DCribbs@DioceseofGreensburg.org or 724-837-0901, ext. 1122. Come discover simple ways to nurture faith at home and strengthen your family's spiritual journey through Grace Space.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg is looking for caring volunteers interested in being matched with older adult clients. Volunteers provide supportive and regular visits, telephone calls, greeting cards and other mailings to prevent loneliness and isolation and brighten a person's day. Volunteers interested in delivering food boxes to clients are also welcome. For information, contact Deborah Klinvex at 724-837-1840 or dklinvex@DioceseofGreensburg.org

St. Florain Christmas Cookie Exchange



The Saint Vincent College Concert Series **presents our next "Music at Midday" concert featuring Roger Cazden (Flute) and Dr. Josie Merlino (Harpsichord and Piano) in a program entitled *"Soli Deo Gloria (Glory to God Alone): The Music of Johann Sebastian Bach"*. The concert is on Friday, November 20 at 12:00 PM in the Verostko Center for the Arts (Dale P. Latimer Library) on the campus of Saint Vincent College in Latrobe. Admission is free.**



THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

Discernment Group for Young Adult Men 18+

PRAYER DISCUSSION FRATERNITY

Learn more about the priesthood
Discover how to discern God's call

PRIESTLY VOCATIONS
DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG

GreensburgPriest.org

SUNDAYS 6:30 PM
5:30 start
SEPT. 27
OCT. 11
OCT. 25
NOV. 8
NOV. 29
DEC. 13

Saint John De LaSalle Church, 497 Athena Drive, Delmont



EXPLORING GOD'S CALL

Discernment Group for Young Adult Grades 9-12

PRAYER DISCUSSION FRATERNITY

Send a message to vocations@dioceseofgreensburg.org for more info!

PRIESTLY VOCATIONS
DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG

GreensburgPriest.org

SUNDAYS 3:30 PM
SEPT. 27
OCT. 11
OCT. 25
NOV. 8
NOV. 29
DEC. 13

Learn about the priesthood and discover how to discern God's call!

Second Collection

There will be a second collection next weekend for the ***Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund and Catholic Relief Services.*** This collection is annually taken the weekend before Thanksgiving.
Three-fourths of the contributions will remain in the diocese to support the Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund, a quarter of which will be designated to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg to provide funding for heating fuel and utilities during the particularly difficult winter months. The remaining quarter of the collection will go to CRS, the U.S. bishops' overseas relief effort. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

Catholic Relief Services is the authorized international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States and is the official overseas relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

A message from Catholic Relief Services after the elections:

It can be easy to wonder whether one message, phone call or meeting really makes a difference. But members of Congress are elected to represent their constituents; and constituent input can shape what they prioritize. Research shows that personalized messages from constituents are one of the most effective ways to influence decision-making. In a survey by the Congressional Management Foundation, 92% of congressional staff said individualized messages positively influence lawmakers' decisions. And 94% said the same about in-person visits.

Your elected officials work for you. When you share why an issue matters to you, you help them understand what their constituents care about. Your action can help shape decisions. If they don't hear from you, they may never know how strongly people in your community care about an issue. Whether you send a message, make a phone call or attend a meeting, advocacy gives you a concrete way to stand with people in need and help shape decisions that affect families and communities around the world. Visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can advocate!



75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG IN SONG

The Diocesan Choir of Greensburg, Christ the Divine Teacher School Choir and instrumentalists will celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Diocese of Greensburg in song Sunday, Nov. 22, at 3:00 PM at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. The concert will feature the world premiere of "Te Deum" by J. Christopher Pardini, composed to honor the anniversary. The concert will also feature sacred works that the Diocese has commissioned such as "Risen Lord, We Gather Round You" and "With Grateful Hearts." Admission is free and all are welcome.