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MEMBERSHIP — We welcome those who are interested in joining our parish family. We invite you to complete a registration form and return it to the Parish Office. Also we ask current parishioners to notify us of any change of address.

BAPTISM — One must be an active registered parish member for at least six months prior to making the arrangements. A preparation class for first time parents is required prior to the baptismal date.

MATRIMONY — Arrangements are to be made with the pastor one year in advance of the wedding date. One must be an active registered parish member for at least one year prior to making the arrangements.

SICK AND SHUT-INS — The Sacraments are available to those who are unable to celebrate Mass due to sickness or age. To make arrangements for visitation to your home call the Parish Office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE — Bulletin information must be in writing and received by noon on Monday. You may email articles to dsummerhill@dioceseofgreensburg.org.
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<td>11:00 a.m. Martin Minarcin by Bettie Minarcin</td>
<td>As a means of generating income to supplement our parish's operating budget, the activities center [former school cafeteria] is available to rent. The center seats 200 people, has ample parking and is an ideal setting for baptism parties, bridal and baby showers, birthday parties, wedding anniversary celebrations, etc. Aside from a $150 fee to cover the cost of the janitor and the required diocesan insurance, there is no cost to use the center if you are a registered and active member of the parish. A donation, however, will be accepted. Non-parish members may rent the center for $300 [which includes the required diocesan insurance and the janitor's fee]. The cost to use the kitchen is an additional $50. A $100 security deposit will be charged at the scheduling of the event. Following the event if the center is in good order, the security deposit will be refunded. Otherwise, the deposit will be forfeited and used to pay for repairs, etc. For more information on renting the center, or to check on the availability of dates, we invite you to contact the parish office.</td>
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<td><strong>September Cash Bash</strong></td>
<td>As a means of supplementing our operating budget, our parish is holding a cash bash in the social hall on Saturday evening, September 18. Many hands will be needed to make this event a successful one for the parish. At this point we have identified various 'captains' to oversee different areas. If you are willing to assist at the cash bash we ask that you contact one of the captains. Those who will be overseeing various areas include: Debbie [kitchen] (724) 859-3186; Linda [beverages] (724) 882-8776; Barb [strip tickets] (724) 396-8169; Laurie [50/50 raffle] (724) 478-1581; Randy [clean-up/set-up] (724) 478-1581; Crystal [tickets] (724) 882-9212; Denise [theme basket raffle] (724) 972-9504; and Chrissy [desserts] (412) 607-3862. If you are interested in this role we invite you to contact the parish office. Thank you for this consideration as we work together to secure the financial viability of our parish.</td>
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<td><strong>New Member Welcomed</strong></td>
<td>Because God calls us to work together to establish His Kingdom on earth, it is with much joy that we welcome the following individual who has recently joined our parish family: Steven Rago. We assure Steven that he is most welcome and very much a part of our mission to convey the Good News with us at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish.</td>
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<td><strong>Theme Baskets Donations</strong></td>
<td>We are hoping to raffle many theme baskets at our September 18 cash bash. If any individuals or organizations are interested in contributing a basket for the raffle, we invite you to contact Denise @ (724) 972-9504. In addition, we are collecting scratch-off lottery tickets, bottles of wine and/or liquor, and snack/junk food to be included in the baskets. If you are interested in donating any of these items, a box has been placed in the vestibule to accept your contribution. Items may also be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for this consideration</td>
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### Forwarding Church Envelopes

Please know that if you are a member of one of our partner parishes, but you attended Mass at a different church, that your contribution envelopes will be forwarded to their respective parishes. Likewise, if visitors from another parish are celebrating Mass at one of our partner parishes, the visitors’ collection envelopes will be forwarded to their respective parishes.

### Rummage Sale Items

Donated items for our monthly rummage sales are collected on an ongoing basis. Please consider donating any sellable items. We are in need of knick-knacks, small appliances, small pieces of furniture, collectables, etc. We are not accepting clothes, cribs with drop sides, car seats, encyclopedia sets, entertainment centers, furniture that is not in good condition, TVs, computers [keyboards, monitors, mouse], typewriters and fax machines, console stereos, console sewing machines, suitcases without wheels, exercise equipment, organs or pianos, bowling balls, guns or bows and arrows, and broken items or items with missing parts. Donations may be dropped off in the storage room next to the confessional unlocked everyday from 9 a.m. to noon. Items may be dropped off in the church basement as you arrive for Mass on Wednesdays and/or Sundays. In addition, the church is unlocked every evening from 9 a.m. to noon. Items may be dropped off in the storage room next to the confessional during these hours. For additional drop off arrangements, please call the parish office. Thank you for this consideration.

### Rental Opportunity

As a means of generating income to supplement our parish’s operating budget, the social hall is available to rent. The hall seats 150 people, has ample parking, is air-conditioned, and is an ideal setting for baptism parties, bridal and baby showers, birthday parties, wedding anniversary celebrations, etc. Aside from a $125 fee to cover the cost of the janitor and the required diocesan insurance, there is no cost to use the hall if you are a registered and active member of the parish. A donation, however, will be accepted. Non-parish members may rent the hall for $275 [which includes the required diocesan insurance and the janitor’s fee]. The cost to use the kitchen is an additional $50. A $100 security deposit will be charged at the scheduling of the event. Following the event if the hall is in good order, the security deposit will be refunded. Otherwise, the deposit will be forfeited and used to pay for repairs, etc. For more information on renting the hall, or to check on the availability of dates, we invite you to contact the parish office.

### Mass Sent to Saint Vincent Archabbey

The following Mass intention has been sent to Saint Vincent Archabbey to be satisfied by the Benedictine Monastic Community: Marie Spirnak (1).

### Successful Endeavor

Our parish is grateful to all who made our August vendor fair a successful endeavor. We thank the vendors who participated, those who volunteered at the affair, as well as all who patronized the venture. Through these combined efforts our parish realized a profit of $200. May God bless each of you for your kindness to the parish.

### Gift Card Donations

Our parish is holding a Night at the Races in the activities centers on October 16. We are looking for new gift cards to be utilized at the event. If you are interested in donating a gift card for this purpose we ask that you place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. Thank you for this consideration.

### Honoring Saint Joseph

During the Year of Saint Joseph [2021], we are hoping to have fresh flowers in front of the statue of Saint Joseph. The following weeks are available in September: 12, 19 and 26. If you are interested in purchasing flowers for a particular week In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received... or In Loving Memory of... a family member or friend, we invite you to contact the parish office.

### Millions in Catholic School Tuition Assistance

Spread the news! The 12 Diocese of Greensburg Catholic schools now have millions of dollars in tuition assistance available! Become a TOP Student today. Visit [http://www.CatholicSchoolsGuide.org](http://www.CatholicSchoolsGuide.org) or call 724-552-2565.
**Prayer for Students**
Loving God, be with our students as they prepare for another school year. We thank You for their many talents and gifts and for the opportunity of education. Calm their nerves and anxiety, help them to remember that You are always with them to guide and help them in all situations. Holy Spirit, give our students courage and strength to make good decisions and surround themselves with good people and friends. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Ministry of the Sick**
The Ministry of the Sick program sends monthly cards to all of our members of our partner parishes who reside in nursing homes and personal care facilities, those who are homebound and unable to join us for Sunday Mass because of age or health issues, and those who are temporarily unable to join us for Sunday Mass because they are undergoing chemotherapy, rehabilitation, etc. If you are interested in joining this ministry we invite you to attend our next meeting in the activities center of Saint James Parish on Monday, August 30 at 6:30 p.m. Thank you for this consideration as we offer our thoughts, prayers and best wishes to the sick, elderly and homebound of our partner parishes.

**Mandated Reporter Class**
The PA Mandated Reporter Class will be held at St. James Parish Hall on August 24, 2021 starting at 5:00p.m. A brief overview of clearances needed will be on the agenda. Anyone volunteering for anything at either parish that has not taken this 3 hour course is highly encouraged to attend as it will be the only time it will be held in person before upcoming fundraisers. Questions on whether you need this class should be directed to the parish office at 724-478-4958.

**Catholic Daughter Members**
Those ladies belonging to the Catholic Daughters can pick up their 2021-2022 year book at the back of the church.

**Rosary Confraternity Meeting**
The Rosary Confraternity will meet on Monday, August 30, at 1:00p.m. in the parish hall to discuss the Nut Roll Bake. Anyone who has helped in the past should join us, as well as those considering volunteering for the first time. All are welcome! All are needed.

**Pathways Registration Open for 2021-22**
Registration is open for Pathways, the Diocese’s commitment to adult faith formation and nurturing mature discipleship. The next session will include 15 Thursday evening sessions and two Saturday workshops in September, October, March, April and May at Holy Family Parish in Seward. To register or to learn more, visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/pathways. For information on financial assistance from the Francis Fund, visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/francisfund.

**Divorce Support Group**
Saint Vincent Basilica Parish in Latrobe will offer a divorce support group on Wednesdays, September 8 through December 8. You may register at www.divorcecare.org/groups/135997/registrations/new. For more information visit basilicaparishstv.org/divorce-support or contact Teri Pomerleau at 724-539-8629, ext. 15.
Benedictine Annual Appeal

For nearly 150 years, the Saint Vincent Benedictines have been doing God’s work in this world by responding to the spiritual and educational needs of people at home and in missionary fields abroad. We express our sincere gratitude for your support of our community’s work in the past, and now invite you to be partners with us in the future. We ask you to be generous as you can in your response to our Benedictine Annual Appeal. A special collection will be taken up at all Masses this Saturday and Sunday.

Catholic University/Catholic Schools Diocesan Appeal

Annually, a collection is taken to support Catholic education both locally and nationally. In the Diocese of Greensburg this collection is combined with a collection for the Catholic University of America. The Catholic University is unique among the Catholic institutions of higher education as the national university for the Catholic Church in the United States. It is the only higher education institution founded by the American bishops and chartered by the Vatican. This year fifty percent of this collection will go to support The Catholic University and fifty percent will be used to aid the Catholic schools here in our own Diocese. Our Catholic schools are an asset of the community that prepare future leaders for the Church and the nation. Here in the Diocese, parents of students in our 12 schools sacrifice to send their children to a Catholic school because they recognize how important academics and Catholic values are to their child’s lifelong success. Our Catholic schools are centered in Christ’s teachings and Catholic doctrine. The annual appeal will take place next weekend, August 28-29, 2021.

Lottery Ticket

Saint James Parish is sponsoring this lottery ticket with proceeds being applied toward our operating budget. Each ticket costs $10 and has two 3-digit numbers. The winning number will be selected at the first officially drawn PA Daily Pick 3 number on Labor Day, Monday, September 6. The winner will receive 1 complete roll of $5, $10 and $20 PA Lottery Scratch-off Tickets.

Chances are available in the vestibule after weekend Masses, at the parish office, as well as by calling Linda @ (724) 882-8776.

Labor Pay Weekend Lottery Ticket

Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish is sponsoring this 3-day lottery ticket with chances to win $2,500! Each ticket costs $10 and contains two 3 digit numbers. The winning numbers will be from the first official 7 p.m. PA Pick-3 lottery drawing. Tickets may be obtained in the vestibule after Sunday Masses, at the parish office, or by contacting Debbie @ (724) 859-3186.

Tapping Theology

All young adults of Our Lady, Queen of Peace and Saint James Parishes, as well as their family members and friends, are invited to this new parish program at Allusion Brewing Co. on 134 Grant Avenue in Vandergrift on Thursday, September 16, from 7 to 8 p.m. The topic, The Year of Saint Joseph, will be delivered by Ryan Coyne. The format is a 20 minute presentation, 20 minute socializing, and 20 minute question/answer. All participants are responsible for their own beverages.
Please keep the following in your prayers: Mary Ann Amorino, Rose Ashbaugh, Mary Bailey, Marge Bernat, Mike Bernat, Richard Bopp, Ed Brucker, James Clawson, Mary Ann Cieslinski, Barbara Ferrari, Richard Ferrari, Kelly Flemm, Michael Fraser, Judy Grzybek, Steve Gularski, Carol Hollenbaugh, John Jackson, Jennifer Kettering, Bob Keys, Charlie Kirk, Buddy Koffman, Albena Martinazzi, Mary Ann McIlwain, Fred Morabito, Sonny Pencak, Carol Schneider, Matt Summerhill, Frank Stefaniak Sr., Rick Tamski, Diana Tamski, Juliana Uskuraitis, and all the sick who need our prayers.

‘The Accent On-Air’ Premieres August 22
“The Accent On-Air,” a television show produced by the Diocese, will air on WTAE Channel 4 at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, August 22 and Sunday, August 29. The theme for the episode is Vocations: Grow in the Lord. Bishop Kulick in his garden talks about planting the seeds of faith in our young people and explains what it will mean for all vocations, especially future priests. Father George Saletrik, Pastor of Saint Regis Parish in Trafford, talks about “praying it forward” after the wonderful support he received as a seminarian. Also featured is a local dance teacher shot in the leg by a mass shooter in Las Vegas. Under fire and crawling for cover, she turned to the Lord. You can also watch online at TheAccentOnline.org.
Care Package Items
This Fall our partner parishes will be sending care packages to our members who are away at college. We are in need of items to include in the packages, such as Twizzlers; Swedish fish; Oreos; single-serve soups, mac-n-cheese, and oatmeal; gift cards to Chick-fil-A, Starbucks, etc.; pudding cups; Nutella spread; Pop Tarts; Rice Krispies treats; Wheat Thins; cheese crackers; peanuts; granola bars; fruit roll ups; microwave popcorn, etc. If you are interested in donating any of these items, a box has been placed in the main vestibule of our churches to accept your contribution. All items must be received by Sunday, September 19. Those who are interested in assembling the items for packaging are asked to contact Father Vincent. Thank you for this consideration as we remember our parish members who are away at college.

Registrations Accepted for Formation Courses
Registrations continue to be accepted for the fall 2021 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I Formation Course being offered at Saint Thomas More University Parish in Indiana. The course begins November 20. Francis Fund scholarship applications are being accepted until September 1. For information visit DioceseofGreensburg.org, and click on “Catechesis of the Good Shepherd” under the Ministries tab, or contact Mary Beth Palko at hmpalko@dioceseofgreensburg.org or 724-463-2277.

Seeking Housekeeping Staff
Christ Our Shepherd Center in Greensburg is accepting applications for a full-time housekeeping staff opening starting October 1. Duties include cleaning retreat and conference center offices, meeting, dining and lodging rooms, and chapel and other public spaces, and providing housekeeping and laundry services for retired clergy. Appropriate work or domestic experience is desired. The position is mostly weekday daylight hours and includes a competitive wage and excellent benefit package. Forward a resume or standard application form to Jerry Bertig at HR@dioceseofgreensburg.org or mail to Human Resources, 723 East Pittsburgh St., Greensburg, PA 15601.

Are You Interested in the Catholic Faith?
The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a process designed for adults who have never been baptized or have been baptized in other faith denominations and want to become Catholic. It is also for those who may have been baptized Catholic, but have not yet received the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation. This process is a journey in which people grow in faith, spirituality, and understanding. As part of this journey, the topics of Sacred Scripture, the life of Christ, and the development of the Church through history will be explored. Participants will learn about the sacraments, Mary, the saints, areas of Christian morality, and Catholic social teaching. Finally, the practices and rituals of the Catholic Church will be examined. Those wishing to enter fully into the Catholic faith or those needing more information are asked to contact Father Vincent at (724) 478-4958.

Outdoor Movie Night
Saturday, September 11
Toddlers through 5th grade children of Our Lady, Queen of Peace and Saint James Parishes, and their extended family members and friends, are invited to an outdoor movie night ‘drive-in’ style in the parking lot of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. There is no cost. Those who are interested in participating are to RSVP via the parish office by Monday, September 6. In case of inclement weather the event will be held in the social hall.
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