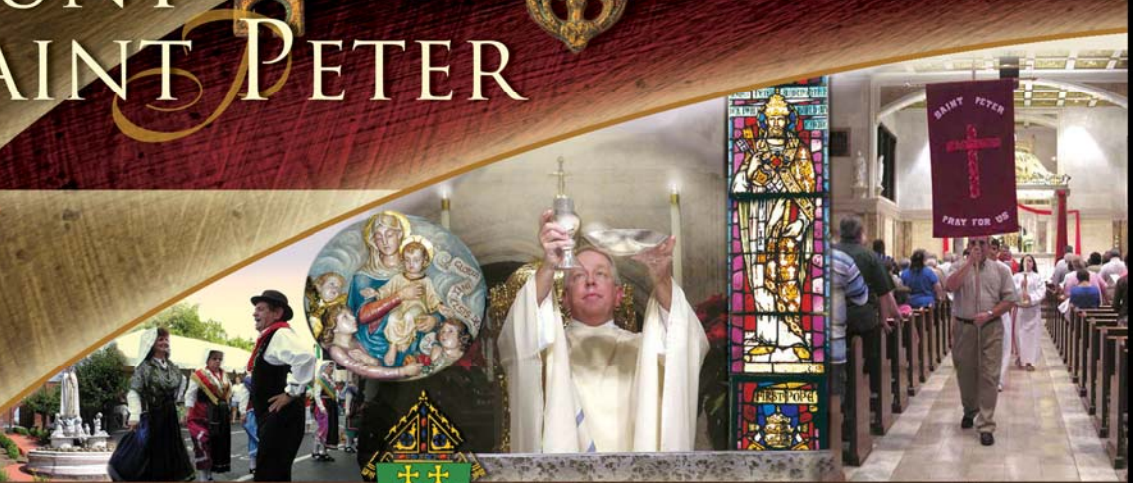
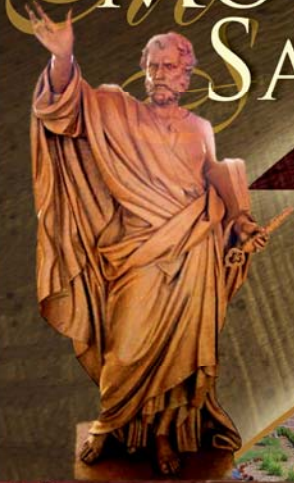


I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven

MOUNT SAINT PETER



A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG



A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:30 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY

AT NOON

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 AM - NOON

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

August 9, 2009

A Call to Peacemaking

Last week on August 6, the Church celebrated the Feast of the Transfiguration, when the presence of Jesus shone with special brilliance to strengthen the faith of his followers. The world community also remembers another kind of light – the flash of nuclear weapons over Japan, August 6 and 9, 1945.

We Remember Hiroshima and Nagasaki

And the skies rained down fire.

Hiroshima. Nagasaki.

In the gardens of those cities the agony began.

The images of flames, smoke, destruction.

The smell of burning flesh.

The taste of ashes on the tongue.

Hiroshima. Nagasaki.

We ask forgiveness again, decades later.

And we will continue to ask forgiveness.

through our acts of contrition.

May we learn to act as peacemakers,

so peace may be the restitution

we offer humanity.

Amen.

As we pray for global peace – in and between nations, as well as among neighbors and in families – we also work to disarm the causes of hatred. Let us ban not only nuclear weapons, but also acts of violence, injurious words, and judgmental attitudes.

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Mary Calvanese	Gregory Farrell
Daniel Casper	Thomas Roberts
Ronald Valasek	



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 Catherine M. Collett, Principal
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Sacramental and Pastoral Life

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
 Contact Sister Valerie for more information
 about becoming a member of the Catholic Church.

Sacrament of Infant Baptism
 Contact Sister Valerie 4 months before the
 child's birth to begin the baptismal preparation process.

Sacrament of Marriage
 Contact Monsignor Begolly at least one year in
 advance of the anticipated date to begin the
 marriage preparation process.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Saturday at Noon.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
 Contact Monsignor Begolly to request the sacrament.

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| Lenten Fish Fry | Sandy Laney
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NINETEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME + AUGUST 9 - 15, 2009
LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 8

5:30 PM Anthony Migliorisi, Oreste & Gesuina Corsi
 (Family)

Sunday, August 9 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 AM *Rosary*
 8:30 AM Derna Buono (M/M John Abate)
 10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

Monday, August 10 - St. Lawrence

8:30 AM Joseph Falsetti
 (Paul & Kathy Marcantonio)
 9:05 AM *Rosary*

Tuesday, August 11 - St. Clare

8:30 AM Domenico Chiarelli (M/M Joseph Fazio)
 9:05 AM *Rosary*

Wednesday, August 12 - St. Jane Frances deChantal

8:30 AM Carl Arabia, Catherine & Gregory Guzzo
 (Wife, Anna Arabia & Family)
 9:05 AM *Rosary*

Thursday, August 13 - Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus

8:30 AM Barbara Tutelo (Akers Family)
 9:05 AM *Rosary*

Friday, August 14 - St. Maximilian Kolbe

8:30 AM Joseph Provenzo
 (Arthur & Frederick Bruni)
 9:05 AM *Rosary*

Saturday, August 15 - Assumption of Mary

8:30 AM Theresa Spataro
 (Angelo Spataro, Evelyn, Rachele & Rick)

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 PM Anthony Marsico
 (Angelo & Monica Bolcato)

Sunday, August 16

7:45 AM *Rosary*
 8:30 AM Sylvester & Mary Lou Begolly
 10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

Regional Confession Schedule

Wednesday	5:30 PM	St. Joseph
Saturday	9:00 AM	St. Mary
	12:00 NN	Mt. St. Peter
	1:00 PM	St. Margaret Mary

Regional Schedule of Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday	5:00 - 6:15 PM	St. Mary
Friday	11:00 - 12:00 NN	St. Mary
Wednesday	5:00 - 6:15 PM	St. Joseph

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

One common reason people give for coming to church is to get help in “being a better person.” Just being in church won’t make us a true Christian any more than sitting idly in a library will make us smart and wise. In his Letter to the Ephesians, Saint Paul offers some good advice on what living the true Christian life entails:

Brothers and sisters:
 Let go of all bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and malice.
 Be kind to one another, compassionate,
 forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.
 And be imitators of God,
 as beloved children,
 and live in love, as Christ loved us.

We are powerless to transform ourselves on our own, but all such transformation can happen over time when we regularly take and eat the bread of life that Jesus gives us.



PARISH NOTES

Baptism

We recently welcomed
Lena Toni Fabian
into the Church through the saving waters of Baptism. We rejoice with her parents and with all who celebrate the gift of life in the family of God.



In Sympathy

We commend to your prayers
Mary Matviko and
Tommaso Montemurro,
who died recently. May God welcome them to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to their families.



Festa of Faith

The parish Festa is part of the fabric of Mt. St. Peter. It's about tradition and heritage, favorite foods and recipes, hard work and fun.

For our children, there is a similar Festa: the Festa of faith. We want to share our Catholic traditions and stories. We want to pass on to the children our recipe for living as God's beloved children. We want to encourage them to join in the work of God's kingdom and to live with joy and generosity.

Faith First is our parish religious formation program. It meets on Monday evenings from 6 – 7:30 PM from September through the first week of May. It has wonderful catechists who share the stories, the traditions and the food of our sacramental life with the children.

But we still need additional catechists, catechetical aides, caretakers of the doors, the hallways, and the parking lot. If you are drawn to serve in one of these capacities, please contact Sister Susan, 724-335-9877, ext. 116 or sienny@dioceseofgreensburg.org. Thank you from the children! They hold the key to our faith Festa of the future.

Mass & Rite of Healing

The Ezekiel 37 Prayer Group is sponsoring a Mass & Rite of Healing celebrated by Fr. William Kiel on Monday, August 24, at 6:30 PM. Praise & Worship begins at 6:15 PM. All are welcome!

Children of Eden

This experience - whether as a performer, musician, tech, costume or stage crew member or member of the audience - was a remarkable moment in our lives. Our faith calls us to ponder our experiences in light of our common mission in the church, as well as in light of the unique, personal mission given to each of us by God. So, Beautiful City Players and friends are invited to a time of prayer and reflection on **Sunday, August 16**, following the 10:30 AM Mass. We will gather in song, prayer, reflection, and sharing. Refreshments will be provided. At that time, we will distribute the CD of Children of Eden photos. Please RSVP to Sister Valerie your intention to participate in this gathering.



Infant Baptism

If you are preparing for the birth of your child, please contact Sister Valerie to make an appointment to meet with her. You might find it helpful to visit Mt. St. Peter Church web site and take a look at the Mt. St. Peter Church Guidelines for Infant Baptism as well as the Godparents' Info/Requirements. After meeting with Sister Valerie, you will then need to make arrangements to participate in one of the Baptism Preparation Sessions on the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM.

28th Annual Italian Day Golf Invitational

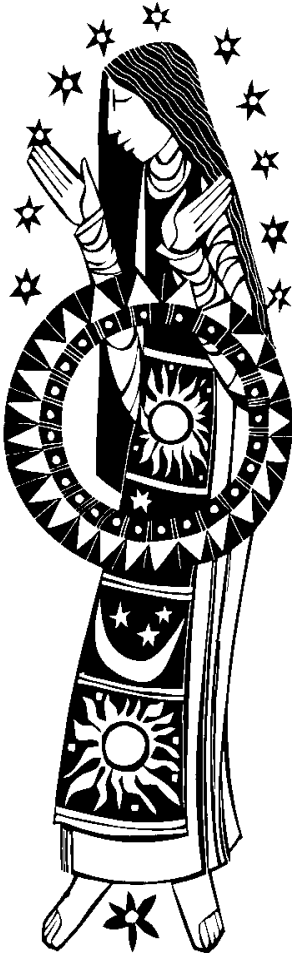
Friday, August 14, 2009

Hillcrest Country Club
Lower Burrell



- The registration fee of \$125/person includes lunch, dinner, and greens fee.
For those unable to spend the entire day, the cost for dinner is only \$35.
- Registration begins at 10:00 AM.
- Lunch is at 11:00 AM, followed by shotgun start at 12 Noon.
- For more information, please contact Ron Valasek at 724-337-8811.
- All are welcome!

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Homilies from the early church preachers all sing of Mary in very glowing terms, and rightly so. In a homily from St. John Damascene he says that upon her assumption the various choirs of angels rejoice, glorify her, exult her, praise her.

There are also many legends about Mary. In an apocryphal work entitled "The Passing of Mary," her going to her eternal glory is described. It was about two years after Jesus' ascension when he appeared to her and announced that in three days she would be assumed into heaven. In that time Mary gathered the disciples around her. St. John kissed her goodbye. And then she was taken into glory to be forever with her divine Son.

Exaggerated or not, true or untrue, these accounts and the long tradition of the Church have surely held Mary in highest esteem. First and foremost because it was she who conceived the divine Son, nurtured him for nine months in her womb, and then gave birth and guided him to adulthood and his mission. Not to be forgotten, however, are the wonderful qualities of Mary. The Gospel depicts her going to help her pregnant cousin Elizabeth, staying with her for about three months. Even though Elizabeth recognizes Mary's greatness, Mary responds with great humility. Most of all, Mary is blessed among women because she believed.

Mary was faithful in responding to God's will; her assumption is her leap into joy. The deeper significance of the Gospel and feast is that she goes before us and, united with her Son in eternity, awaits our entry into the same eschatological glory. This feast is about beginning times and end times. It is about servanthood, humility, believing, and saying yes to God's will. Mary stands at God's "right hand, arrayed in gold." So will we if we believe and say yes to God.

HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Because the Solemnity of the Assumption falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a holyday with the obligation to attend Mass.

However, since the Solemnity of the Assumption is the patronal feast of the Diocese of Greensburg, we will mark the day at Mount Saint Peter Parish with

8:30 AM Mass
on
Saturday, August 15.



Travel Committee

Ohio Amish Country Day Trip is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 11**. Cost of \$79 includes motor coach, 2 meals, sightseeing, shopping and visits to local wineries. Contact Karen Frederick at 724-337-0314 for details.

Our Lady of the Alleghenies Amtrack Adventure is **Thursday, October 15** featuring the Horseshoe Curve, Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel, Mt. Assisi Sunken Gardens and Marian Shrines. Cost is \$89 per person and a \$40 deposit is due now to secure your reservation with the balance due by August 14. First come, first served. Bus departure is at 6 AM from Wards parking lot in Lower Burrell and arrival back home is at 8:30 PM. Contact Mary Calvanese for more information at 724-337-1863.

Free Sunday Concerts

Come to Memorial Park and enjoy an afternoon of music at **2:30 PM**. These are free concerts available to all and are sponsored by the City of New Kensington!

- August 9** Rick Farinelli Big Band
- August 16 Second Time Around Combo

OUT & ABOUT

Retreat for Busy Moms

St. Emma Retreat House announces a special overnight retreat for Busy Moms, August 28-29 with Rev. Angelus Shaughnessy, OFM Cap. The theme for the retreat is Behold the Handmaid of the Lord: The Vocation of Motherhood. The vocation of motherhood is awesome & time consuming! With that in mind, this overnight retreat was planned for mothers of young children knowing that a weekend is impossible, but an overnight is do-able!

The retreat opens with dinner at 6:00 PM on Friday with Mass at 8:00 PM (but you are welcome to come any time after 2:00 PM). The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at various times throughout the retreat. Saturday's schedule includes a conference and Holy Hour as well as time for sharing and quiet time just for you. We invite you to have your families join you for the 4:00PM anticipated Sunday Mass and to stay on for pizza, pop and ice cream.

For reservations, or additional information please call 724-834-3060 Ext. 139 or visit our website www.stemma.org.

A Peek at the Week . . .

Monday	Ezekiel 37 Prayer Meeting	7:00 PM	Marble Hall
Tuesday			
Wednesday	Festa Food Committee Wrap Up Meeting	7:00 PM	Marble Hall
Thursday	Baptism Prep Class	7:00 PM	Sr. Valerie's Office
Friday	Italian Day Golf Invitational	10:00 AM	Hillcrest Country Club
Saturday	Mass for the Assumption	8:30 AM	Church

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August 15/16

Altar Servers

Readers

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 PM
Saturday

S & N Miller
J DeLuca

Sr. Susan
G Hall

K Waltonbaugh, C Kestner, M Kuhns,
M Lifka, K Oddis, N & M Brock

8:30 AM
Sunday

H Lauff, L Capone
M Pavilonis

L Henkel
R Bruni

J Hont, P Tosto, V Gilley, M Watson
C & M Scheler

10:30 AM
Sunday

M & N Cecchetti
D Trozzi

M Kulick
J Palochik

D Marinucci, Z Anderson, M Dorich,
A Meledandri, C Greco, L Lynch, K Cecchetti

COLLECTION REPORT

Mass Attendance	913
Sunday Envelopes Used	525
Sunday Collection	\$10,175.00
EFT (55)	\$ 3,466.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday:	Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21 - 19:1
Friday:	Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Sunday:	Prv 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58