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**2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)**

**Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:26-27**

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**Parish Council Mission Statement** ~ We, the partnered parish communities of St. Gertrude and Christ the King, are faith-filled Catholics who have been called by our Baptism and empowered by the Good News of Jesus Christ to be Church for all. Although made up of multicultural faith communities we are ever united by our common faith.

We are committed to "building up the Body of Christ" through Word, Worship, Evangelization, Leadership, Service, Stewardship, and Fellowship. Dedicated to deepening our love of Christ and one another, together we strive to become a living reflection of Christ for our region.

We willingly accept our obligation to be the "Light of the World" for others and in that spirit we promise to use our resources to practice gospel justice, to heal divisive wounds among God's people and to join with all people of good will in addressing the spiritual and physical needs of all.

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8:30 AM.....St. Gertrude

**Tuesday**

8:30AM.....Christ the King

**Wednesday**

8:30 AM.....St. Gertrude

**Thursday**

8:30 AM.....Christ the King

Second Thursday of the month (Anointing Mass)

12:10 PM.....Christ the King

**Friday**

8:30 AM.....St. Gertrude

9:00 AM – 10: 00AM (Holy Hour)

**Saturday**

8:30 AM.....Christ the King

9:00 AM – 10: 00AM (Holy Hour)

4:00 PM.....St. Gertrude

5:30 PM.....Christ the King

**Sunday**

8:00 AM.....St. Gertrude

9:30 AM.....Christ the King

10:30 AM.....St. Gertrude

**CONFESSION / RECONCILIATION**

Saturday, 3:15 PM-3:45 PM.....St. Gertrude

Saturday, 9:00 AM.....Christ the King  
(or by appointment)**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**Arrangements must be made at least six months in  
advance of the anticipated date.**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Baptism Preparation Class

Second Saturday of the month at 11:00 AM at  
Christ the King. Must be scheduled in advance.**All bulletin submissions****must be and turned into the parish office by  
Tuesday, 12:00 noon.****MATTERS OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT INFORMATION**

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS  
OF OUR PARISHES.**





## St. Gertrude Parish

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, April 17

8:30 AM Penelope Yanchik  
*by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Landowski*

Wednesday, April 19

8:30 AM Mary Naccarato  
*by Florence Truffa*

Friday, April 21

8:30 AM Melinda Silvestri  
*by Peggy Ament*

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, April 22

4:00 PM Michael and Mary Carricato  
*by Family*

Sunday, April 23

8:00 AM For the Parish

10:30 AM Dolly Nasser  
*by Loretta Veselicky*

 **Sanctuary Lamp: Week of April 16**  
In Memory Of: Jodie Stone  
by John and Etta Solar

**Memorial Candle:** Carmelina DiBiasio & Elvira  
DiBiasio by Brian and Paulette May

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 22 & 23	(EM)	(L)	(AS)
Saturday 4:00 PM	Justin Delia	Sue Iagnemma	Maria Safranyos
Sunday 8:00 AM	Patty Kiebler	Fran Milie	Art Ambrose
Sunday 10:30 AM	Sheila Tilson	Barb Poremski	Dom/ Rachel

### DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

*One Body in Christ*

It's not too late

Diocesan Target	\$ 45,260.00
Parish Target Over Diocesan Target	\$ 60,000.00
As of 4/06/2023 (Pledged)	\$ 48,925.00

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 1 & April 2

Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,964.00
Loose	\$ 1,976.00
Utilities	\$ 40.00
Restoration	\$ 358.00
Easter	\$ 155.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 57.00
Palm Sunday	\$ 2,358.00
Votives	\$ 149.00

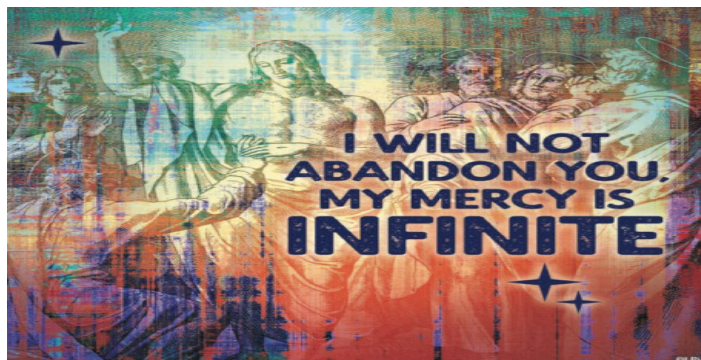
### WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 8 & April 9

Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,909.00
Loose	\$ 335.00
Utilities	\$ 43.00
Restoration	\$ 32.00
Holy Days	\$ 825.00
Easter	\$ 3,686.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 30.00
Palm Sunday	\$ 93.00
Votives	\$ 144.00

### GOLLY GEE 2023

Thank you to all who participated in the 3-month Golly Gee 2023 lottery which netted \$4,154.92. there were 36 winners. Two ticket holders had their numbers drawn twice; one ticket holder had two separate numbers drawn; and six winning tickets were sold by one parishioner. We hope to do another lottery at year's end 2024.



## Christ the King Parish

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEULE

Tuesday, April 18

8:30 AM Aleda Favero  
*by Jim and Toni*

Thursday, April 20

8:30 AM Mary Naccarato  
*by Sisters of Mary Immaculate*

Saturday, April 22

8:30 AM For the Parish

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:30 PM Joseph V. Trupkovich  
*by Friend*

Sunday, April 23

9:30 AM Julia Graden  
*by Bob and Yvonne Schrecengost*

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 22 & 23	(H)	(L)	(EM)
Saturday 5:30 PM	Jack Canzano	Jack Billak	Mary Jane Gruber
Sunday 9:30 AM	Andy & Kathy Balbo	Kevin Ceraso	Carol Ferretti



*Please pray for the soul of the recently deceased  
Albert Csonka & Denise Kummick  
May the consolation of the Lord be with their families.*

### EASTER BAKE SALE

A big thank you to all our faithful workers, those who so generously donated money and ingredients, those who took orders, those who collected money, those who set up the hall and those who helped in other way.

We baked 1320 rolls and 421 paska breads– all of which were sold.

Our sale was a huge success with a profit of \$16,716.98.



### WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 1 & April 2

Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,517.00
Monthly	\$ 1,661.00
Loose	\$ 228.00
Votives	\$ 102.00
Utilities	\$ 47.00
Initial Offering	\$ 3.00
Accent	\$ 352.00
Cemetery	\$ 327.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 244.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 3.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 80.00
Good Friday	\$ 95.00
Easter	\$ 655.00
Holy Land	\$ 10.00

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 8 & April 9

Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,210.00
Monthly	\$ 930.00
Loose	\$ 603.00
Votives	\$ 96.75
Utilities	\$ 5.00
Accent	\$ 35.00
Cemetery	\$ 188.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 65.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 452.00
Good Friday	\$ 1,124.00
Easter	\$ 4,081.00
Holy Land	\$ 362.00
Mother's Day	\$ 35.00

### DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

*One Body in Christ*

It's not too late

Diocesan Target	\$ 42,225
Parish Target Over Diocesan Target	\$ 50,000
As of 4/06/2023 (Pledged)	\$ 35,040

**UPCOMING DATES 2023**

**ST. GERTRUDE  
CHRIST THE KING  
SPRING SEMESTER**

**FAITH FORMATION**  
April—16th, 30th (last Faith Formation session)

**YOUTH MINISTRY**  
April 16th—Saint Presentations/Confirmation interviews  
23rd—Session  
30th—Decision Point: Confirmation session  
May 7th—Last session--food, fun and games (please RSVP ASAP)

**For more info contact:  
Katie at 724-292-6740**

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

GriefShare, a weekly seminar and support group, meets Sundays from 6-7:30 p.m. at St. Mary, Mother of God Parish, Freeport. To register, call 724-295-2281.

## ST. ANTHONY NOVENA

The St. Anthony Novena will be recited nine consecutive Tuesdays beginning April 18th through June 13th after the 7:00 P.M. Mass at Mt. St. Peter Parish, New Kensington. Traditional prayers will be said. All are welcomed to attend as we unite in prayer for individual, community and global needs seeking the intercession of St. Anthony to our heavenly Father. Bread distribution and a reception are planned for June 13th. Please contact Melinda Ziegler at melsyzig@gmail.com with any questions concerning the St. Anthony Novena.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30 PM at Christ the King. **Social Time 5:45 – 6:30 PM.**

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and various volunteers for their assistance at the Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday at Christ the King.

Reminder: This Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be giving their Saint Presentations, Confirmation interviews and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered.

First Communion at Christ the King will be held on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 AM Mass with practice that morning at 8:30 AM. First Communion at St. Gertrude will be held on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 AM Mass with practice that morning at 9:30 AM.

## VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND

Do you or do you know someone who is not able to come to church because of an illness or is homebound? Please call the parish office to arrange a pastoral visit ~ (724)845-8191 or (724)568-2331. Thank you.



## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

**First Reading:**  
Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. (Acts 2:46)

**Psalm:**  
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118)  
Or Alleluia.

**Second Reading:**  
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Pt 1:3)

**Gospel:**  
On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Jn 20:19)

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### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Doubting Thomas is a mood, and we've all had it. We hang our every hope on this sign, that proof. We challenge God. "Make me believe." To each of us he extends his wounded hand, to each of us he shows his pierced side. He will always meet us in our unbelief.

### Observances for the week of April 16, 2023

**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)  
**Friday:** St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Saturday:** Earth Day  
**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter



### Saint of the week

Venerable Cornelia Peacock Connelly overcame incredible adversity caused by her husband and other men in her life to go on to form a wildly successful congregation — the Society of the Holy Child Jesus — which still operates in spiritual works of mercy in 14 countries to this day.

### Prayer

*The Prayer of Cornelia*  
Let us love one another and pray,  
Let us love one another and be faithful,  
Let us love one another and be humble,  
Let us love one another and be filled with the charity of God.  
Let us love one another with God, in God, and for God,  
And we shall thus be one with God for all eternity.

(Written by Cornelia Peacock Connelly, Foundress, Society of the Holy Child Jesus)



SAINT GERTRUDE PARISH  
CHURCH HALL

SPAGHETTI DINNER

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023  
4 P.M. UNTIL 7 P.M.

EAT IN

ADULTS: \$10.00 (13 AND UP)

CHILDREN: \$5.00 (5 TO 12)

CHILDREN: FREE (4 AND UNDER)



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CHILDREN  
\$5.50



# April Faithful Challenge: **SELF-CARE**

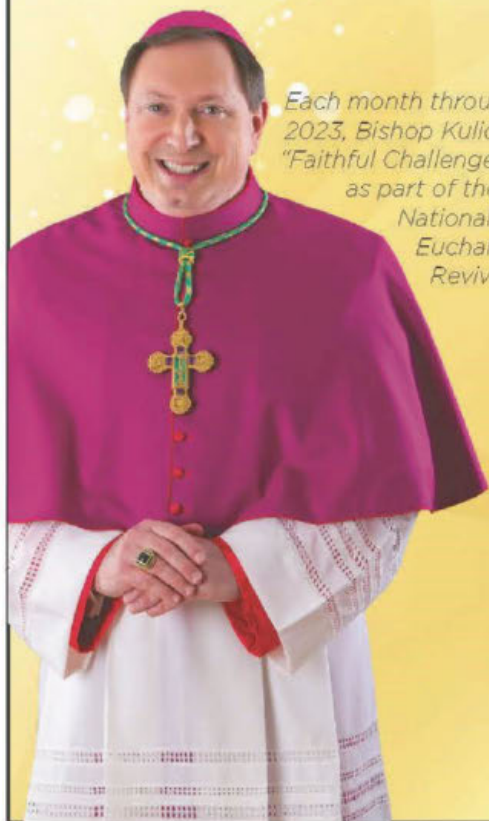
***Be still and know that I am God***

***Psalm 46:10***

Bishop Kulick's April Faithful Challenge is self-care. Be patient and kind with yourself. Nurturing your spiritual, mental, physical, and emotional health makes you stronger and enables you to better serve others. How we should serve God while taking care of ourselves is evident throughout the New Testament. There are many examples of Jesus spending time in prayer with God and doing so away from the crowds. Couldn't we all focus more on being still? Take time this Easter season to nourish yourself with His word.

## **Challenge yourself:**

- Spend time with Jesus during Eucharistic Adoration
- Extend your time alone with God in prayer
- Make a day of rest and relaxation a priority this month



*Each month throughout 2023, Bishop Kulick will issue "Faithful Challenges" as part of the National Eucharistic Revival.*



Eucharistic Revival is a three-year process initiated by the USCCB to invite the faithful to reflect upon the mystery and meaning of the sacrament of the Eucharist in our lives. While much of year one involves providing devotional and formational opportunities for parish and Diocesan staff, you, too, can be a part of Eucharistic Revival right now! Visit the Diocese of Greensburg Facebook page every Thursday to participate in a Faithful Challenge, and hopefully you will feel yourself growing in a relationship with Christ. Visit the Eucharistic Revival resource page at [DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival](https://DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival) for videos, prayers and gathering dates. Consider Bishop Kulick's invitation to become an intentional disciple this year!



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