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SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

22ND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

“Nothing that enters one
from outside can defile
that person; but the
things that come out from
within are what defile.”
- Mk 7:15

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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.



St. Gertrude

OFFERTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS

The summer months include many celebrations, parties and picnics; graduations, birthdays, anniversaries. It is only natural when you are invited to a party to think about the gift that you will bring. Even when the invitation says, “No gifts, please,” most of us still show up with a bottle of wine, gift card or some other token of our affection. We bring gifts to show our gratitude for being invited and to show our love for the one being honored and celebrated. So, when God Himself invites you to the greatest celebration of all – the celebration of the Eucharist – do you bring a gift? Do you take time to wrap it in



Christ the King

an envelope? Do you select a gift that truly reflects your gratitude for being invited to be a part of God’s family? Do you bring a gift that shows your love for the crucified Jesus, who we remember at every Mass? The invitation to the Mass does not say “No gifts, please.” In fact, since God first called the Israelites to be His people He taught them, “No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you” (Deu 16:16-17)

Parish Office

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Monday to Friday.....9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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Mass Times

Monday

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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

Thursday

8:30 AM.....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

Must have a Baptism Preparation Class.
Must be scheduled in advance.



All bulletin submissions must be and turned into the parish office by Tuesday, 12:00 noon.

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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	
Saturday, August 30	
4:00 PM	+ Eleanor and Tim <i>by Tim Zahumensky</i>
Sunday, September 1	
8:00 AM	+ David Mottura <i>by "Beans" Moliterno</i>
10:30 AM	Living & Deceased Members of St. Gertrude & Christ the King Parishes
Monday, September 2	
8:30 AM	Soizic Ziegler <i>by Mom and Dad</i>
Wednesday, September 4 <i>St. Gregory the Great</i>	
8:30 AM	+ Josephine DiBiosaio <i>by Koleny and Rock Families</i>
Friday, September 6	
8:30 AM	No Intention
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
Saturday, September 7	
4:00 PM	+ Alex, Josephine, Elvira & Carmelina <i>by Aldo and Emilia Pacchioni</i>
Sunday, September 8	
8:00 AM	No Intention
10:30 AM	No Intention

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased
Robert Bucci and Wilmer Shaner
 May the consolation of the Lord be with their families.

 Mass Intentions are available at **both parishes** for the months of September and October. Please call the parish office if you would like to schedule a Mass.

Memorial Candle for the week of September 1, 2024
 In Memory of : Ron and Bonnie Bober
by Debbie and Patty

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
August 24 & 25	
Weekly Offertory	\$ 3,674.00
Loose	\$ 164.00
Restoration	\$ 30.00
Votives	\$ 85.00
Energy	\$ 11.00
Assumption	\$ 5.00
Catholic University/Schools	\$ 476.00
Mission Cooperative	\$ 5.00

CDA NEWS

The monthly meeting of the CDA will be held Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:00 PM at the Valley Dairy Restaurant. Please plan to attend.

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club will meet this Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:30 PM in the church hall. At the request of the organizers, the spaghetti dinner for September is canceled.

ST VINCENT de PAUL CONFERENCE


The St Vincent de Paul Conference will meet at 6:30 PM in the church hall on Wednesday, September 4th. All members are encouraged to attend.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE			
Sept. 7 & 8	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Server
Saturday 4:00 PM	Carlo Fantuzzo	Gail Lightner	Nick Pityk
Sunday 8:00 AM	Patty Kiebler	Sheila Tilson	Nico Enciso
Sunday 10:30 AM	Gerri Michela	Crystal Dellemonache	Dom Dellemonache

Christ the King Parish

WEEKLY MASS SCHEULE			
Saturday, August 31			
8:30 AM		+ Laura and Stanley Poskus <i>by Dion Urban</i>	
5:30 PM		+ Gene Vigna <i>by Christine</i>	
Sunday, September 1			
9:30 AM		+ Helen Sciberras <i>by Dion Urban</i>	
Tuesday, September 3			
8:30 AM		+ Richard and Dorothy Tumas <i>by Dion Urban</i>	
Thursday, September 5			
8:30 AM		+ Ed Minarcin <i>by Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Figler</i>	
Saturday, September 7			
8:30 AM		+ Sister Connie Sciberras <i>by Dion Urban</i>	
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
5:30 PM		+ Philip and Helen Pfeil <i>by Family</i>	
Sunday, September 8			
9:30 AM		+ Angie Guido <i>by Bill and Kathy Daugherty</i>	
MINISTRY SCHEDULE			
September 7 & 8	Hospitality	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday 5:30 PM	Pam Pastiva	Kathleen Uncapher	Chris Vigna
Sunday 9:30 AM	Andy & Kathy Balbo	Valerie Zanotti	SMI

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
August 24 & August 25	
Weekly Offertory	\$ 3,751.00
Monthly	\$ 805.00
Loose	\$ 174.10
Votives	\$ 105.00
Utilities/Energy	\$ 23.00
Cemetery	\$ 59.00
Accent	\$ 5.00
Easter	\$ 20.00
Assumption	\$ 95.00
All Saints	\$ 10.00
All Souls	\$ 10.00
Catholic University/Schools	\$ 52.00
Mission Cooperative	\$ 7.00
Seminarian/Clergy Formation	\$ 22.00
Mission Sunday	\$ 21.00
Retired Religious	\$ 20.00



A Prayer For Labor Day

Lord on this Labor Day, we thank You for the blessing of work. We ask for strength to complete each day. We ask for rest when we are weary. We ask for Your guidance and hope for everyone seeking employment. We ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see but who work tirelessly each day for the good of all of us.

Amen.

"Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy burdened, And I shall give you rest."

Matthew 11:28-30

ASTRALIS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE CONCERT

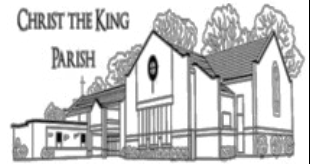
The Baroque chamber ensemble Astralis will present a joint concert with George Pecoraro, organ, in St. Mary Church, Monday, September 16, 6:30 PM. A free-will offering will be taken. Everyone is invited.



September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Mass 8:00 AM Mass 10:30 AM	2 Mass 8:30 AM Office Closed Labor Day	3 CDA Meeting 6:00 PM Valley Dairy Restaurant Men's Club Meeting 6:30 PM (CH)	4 Mass 8:30 AM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:30 PM (CH)	5	6 Mass 8:30 AM	7 Confession 3:15 PM Mass 4:00 PM
8 Mass 8:00 AM Mass 10:30 AM	9 Mass 8:30 AM	10	11 Mass 8:30 AM	12	13 Mass 8:30 AM	14 Confession 3:15 PM Mass 4:00 PM
15 Mass 8:00 AM Mass 10:30 AM	16 Mass 8:30 AM	17	18 Mass 8:30 AM	19 Food Bank Mobile Market Noon - 1:00 PM	20 Mass 8:30 AM	21 Confession 3:15 PM Mass 4:00 PM
22 Mass 8:00 AM Mass 10:30 AM	23 Mass 8:30 AM	24	25 Mass 8:30 AM	26	27 Mass 8:30 AM	28 Confession 3:15 PM Mass 4:00 PM
29 Mass 8:00 AM Mass 10:30 AM	30 Mass 8:30 AM			Christ the King Church (CTK) Assumption Hall (AH) Picnic Grounds (PG) St. Gertrude Church (SG) St. Gertrude Church Hall (CH) Former School Building (FSB)		

September 2024



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8 Mass 9:30 AM	9	10 Mass 8:30 AM	11	12 Mass 8:30 AM	13	14 Mass 8:30 AM Confession 9:00 AM Holy Hour 9-10 AM
15 Mass 9:30 AM	16	17 Mass 8:30 AM	18	19 Mass 8:30 AM	20	21 Mass 8:30 AM Confession 9:00 AM Holy Hour 9-10 AM
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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to express their gratitude to the parishioners of St. Gertrude and Christ the King Churches for their generous donations of food for our friends in need. Our collection baskets will continue to be available for a few more weeks, if anyone still wishes to donate. Thank you!




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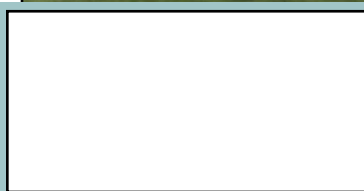

PA MARCH FOR LIFE
 Harrisburg, PA
September 23, 2024

JOIN US on five coach buses with 13 pick-up locations taking Greensburg Diocesan Parishioners to the PA March for Life. All ages are encouraged to join Bishop Larry Kulick on this peaceful March supporting the unborn. Use the link below or QR code to register. Tell your loved ones, tell your friends: **COME** and support LIFE in Pennsylvania. All are welcome!




General Itinerary:
 Early AM – Bus Pick-up at 13 Parishes (Register to find out your pick-up time.)
 11:00 – Bus arrival in Harrisburg
 11:00 – 12:00 Rally (Eat your packed lunch during the rally.)
 12:00 – 1:00 March
 1:30 - 2:15 – Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral
 3:00 - 3:45 – Meet with representatives and group photo
 4:00 - Bus departure for home
 TBD – Stop for dinner, drop-off at same pick-up location
 Register Here:
<https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/pro-life-ministries/>
 Need help? Contact Deacon Bill Newhouse at wnewhouse@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Local Bus Departure Times
 Christ the King, Leechburg – 5:45 AM
 St. Margaret Mary, Lower Burrell – 6:30 AM




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