# **The Last Supper and** the Gift of the Eucharist

Join us for a one-of-a-kind experience about The Last Supper mural painted by Leonardo da Vinci! Vatican Art Historian Dr. Elizabeth Lev recorded PEVINA a captivating talk for you about the scriptural nuances of this historic piece of art. This is a wonderful opportunity to immersive yourself in the Eucharistic Revival!

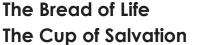
Following all weekend Masses May 13 & 14 and St. Anthony Novena May 16 St. Anthony Hall inside Ascension Church Sponsored by Pantalone Funeral Home

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"On your First Communion Day, know that Jesus loves you, and your family and friends do too. We are so proud of you. Happy First Communion!"







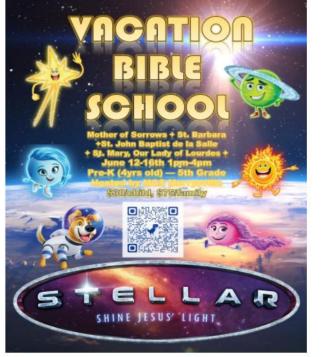
On Sunday, April 23, seven children from our Jeannette Catholic Community were welcomed to the Lord's table for the very first time in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

First up was Ella Cycak, who received her First Eucharist during our 8:30 AM liturgy at Ascension Church.

Later that morning, during our 10:30 AM liturgy at Sacred Heart, from left, Khai Koschack, Roland Dopkowski, Kaitlyn Marshall, Ariana Engle, Capri DiPietro and Siena Gajski each received their First Eucharist.

Our community joyfully celebrates this momentous occasion. We praise God and thank Him for the gift that these children and their families are to our parish family.







Fourth Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023

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## Sacraments

#### Mass Times

Sunday
8:30 am Ascension Church
10:30 am Sacred Heart Church
6:00 pm Ascension Church*
Monday
8:00 am Sacred Heart Church
Tuesday
6:15 pm Ascension Church
Wednesday
8:00 am Ascension Church
Thursday
8:00 am Ascension Church
Friday
8:00 am Sacred Heart Church
Saturday
9:00 am Sacred Heart Church
4:30 pm Ascension Church
Confession & Reconciliation
Wednesday
4:30 pm Ascension Church
Friday
2:00 pm Sacred Heart Church
Saturday
9:45 am Sacred Heart Church
3:00 pm Ascension Church
* Mass in Spanish



# **Confirmation Reminder**

All teens set to receive their Confirmation are reminded of our practice, Sunday, May 7, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in North Huntingdon.

Practice is slated for 6:30 PM and your sponsor should be present with you. If your sponsor is unable to attend, you must attend with a parent who can relay the directions/message to your sponsor. This practice is vital and families must make every effort to be present.

Please let Elisa Esasky know if you have any questions this week.

Email eesasky@dioceseofgreensburg.org.



Camp Virtue is a day camp that allows 6th-8th grade youth the opportunity to explore their Catholic faith while also exploring the world around them. Camp Virtue will help participants to understand that they can enjoy each day to the fullest while being filled with faith and a love for God. Camp Virtue will include dynamic talks on the virtues, praise and worship, small group sharing, games and much more until lunch time. After lunch we will depart via school bus for a HIGH ADVENTURE activity for the afternoon.



# Fourth Sunday of Easter Reflection

#### Good Shepherd Sunday—Beth Price

Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd calls to us in every one of today's readings. We are the sheep, He is our Master, our Savior, and forgiver of sins. The apostle Luke is quite direct in the First Reading from Acts. "...God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." (Acts 2:14) Luke then reports that Peter called on all to repent and have their sins forgiven. He tells them to follow the call of our Lord God, Jesus Christ.

Follow the call of the Lord. This phrase reminded me of a fantastic animated short video about David the shepherd. A very young lamb is seen frolicking about and gets itself into a very precarious situation. David, an expert with a slingshot and a faith-filled youth, is able to rescue the lamb. The two wind up very far from the rest of the herd. The scene cuts to a late evening shot of the now sleeping herd while a very impatient ewe paces, stops, turns her ear and hears a familiar voice singing a song of praise and worship while carrying the lamb in his tunic.

I'm reminded how we are all the lambs and sheep. Some easily recognize the voice of the One who cares for them. There are many others, possibly even our youthful selves, our kids [pun intended] or a person with not as much wisdom or experience as I may have, who don't or can't recognize that there is danger or harm in their path.

The Gospel is clear: "I am the gate for the sheep... Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." (John 10:7,9)

# Coming Up in Our Parishes

#### St. Anthony Novena

Tuesday, May 2, 7:00 pm, at Ascension Church.

#### St. Vincent Assembly 918 Business Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 7:30 pm, Council Meeting Room. *Eucharistic Adoration* 

#### Wednesday, May 3, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, at Ascension Church. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm, Confessions at 4:30 pm, Vespers at 5:30 pm, followed by Benediction.

#### **Catholic Book Study**

Wednesday, May 3, 6:15 pm in Mersinger Hall.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Friday, May 5, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, at Sacred Heart Church. Confessions at 2:00 pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm, followed by Benediction.

#### K of C Bingo

Friday, May 5, Doors open at 6:00 pm in Mersinger Hall.

#### Sacred Heart Church Cleaning

Saturday, May 6, 10:30 am, at Sacred Heart Church. Ascension Rosary Altar Society

Sunday, May 7, 9:30 am, in Mersinger Hall.

#### Sacred Heart Church Centennial Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 7, 11:30 am, in the Sacred Heart Cafeteria.

I have to be very intentional in all aspects of life; thoughts, words and deeds. It is up to me to be vigilant in my desire to hear the Master's voice in every situation throughout the day and night. I need to hear His voice in my mind so I am not stolen away by a thief or

robber, who would lead me astray and abandon or slaughter me. The Good Shepherd is there for me to turn to in every situation. He is there to forgive my erring way and to heal me. He is the Truth, the Way, the gate to everlasting life. Blessed be God in all His designs! Amen! Alleluia.

# Around the Parishes

#### TRIP TO ROME "THE ETERNAL CITY"

There are still 2 seats available for our trip to Rome on May 8th to 18th. The price per seat is \$4,790.00 based on double occupancy. Contact Fr Job at 717 875 3369 if you are interested.

#### "Mother's Day Special" lottery tickets are available

Sacred Heart's "Mother's Day Special" lottery ticket are still available. The winner will receive a cash prize of \$2,500 or 1 roll each of \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5, \$10 and \$20 instant lottery tickets. The win-

ning number will be the first Daily Pick 3 number at 7 p.m. on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14. Tickets are \$10 (two numbers per ticket) and are available at the church after Mass or by calling 724-396- 9737.

#### Tickets are still available for the Super Bingo May 20 at Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Parish will hold a "Super Bingo" Saturday, May 20, in the cafeteria. Doors open at noon and games begin at 1:30 pm. Tickets are \$30, which includes lunch, 20 regular games, four special games and a \$1,000 jackpot game. There will also be a 50/50 drawing and basket raffles. Only 250 tickets will be sold. Tickets can be purchased after weekend Masses, at the St. Vincent de Paul Store in Jeannette or by calling 724-875-2437 or 724-396-9737.

## Scripture Readings

The Week of A	pril 30, 2023
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter
	Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; 1
	Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10
Monday	Memorial of Saint Joseph the Worker
-	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4; Jn 10:11-18
	or Mt 13:54-58
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Athanasius, Bishop and
	Doctor of the Church
	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22
	-30
Wednesday	Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles
	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14

Thursday	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 & 27; Jn 13:16-20	
Friday	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9 10-11ab; Jn 14:1 -6	
Saturday	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7 -14	
Sunday	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12	
Readings are available at <u>bible.usccb.org</u>		



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# Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 2 3:00 pm 4:30 pm	<ul> <li>9 • St. Catherine of Siena</li> <li>Confessions cancelled</li></ul>
	• Fourth Sunday of Easter Deceased Members of K of C # 1222 ASC
8:30 am 10:30 am	Vivian & Ted Duckworth (Jim & Rod Duckworth)
6:00 pm	Alfred Celani (Silvina Orsatti) ASC
Monday May 1	• Easter Weekday
8:00 am	John & Mary Elias and Infant Son (Chuck & Betti Fontana) SH
Tuesday, May 2	
6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Father Eric Vogt, O.S.B ASC St. Anthony Novena (Week 7) ASC
Wednesday, Ma	y 3 • Saints Philip and James
8:00 am	Joseph V. Ponzetti, Jr. (Domenick Ponzetti & Family) ASC
4:30 pm	Confessions ASC
Thursday, May 4	• Easter Weekday
8:00 am	John Cordera
	(Family) ASC
Friday, May 5 •	
8:00 am	Jeffrey McKissock (Uncle Jim) SH
2:00 pm	Confessions
Saturday, May 6	• Easter Weekday
9:00 am	For the Conversion of Russia SH
9:45 am	ConfessionsSH
3:00 pm 4:30 pm	Confessions ASC Domenick Catalano
4.50 pm	(Wife, Daughters, Grandchildren
	And Great-Grandchildren) ASC
	Fifth Sunday of Easter
8:30 am	Living & Deceased Members Of Our Parishes ASC
10:30 am	John & Stephanie Pawlik
6:00 pm	(Family)SH Intention of the CelebrantASC
	eard Monday through Friday from noon to 1:00 pm

## Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord

at Saint Vincent Archabbey Basilica in Latrobe

#### Laura Sarego Loretta Smith

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou, O prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

# Around the Parishes

#### Sacred Heart Church Cleaning

There will be a May cleaning at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, May 6 at 10:30 am. If you have a few hours to spend that day, bring your bucket and join your fellow parishioners. All help is greatly appreciated! More hands make less work!!

#### Ascension Rosary Altar Society

The Ascension Rosary Altar Society will be meeting after the 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 7 in Mersinger Hall.

#### Sacred Heart Church Centennial Committee Meeting

There will be a Sacred Heart Church Centennial committee meeting on Sunday, May 7, following the 10:30 am Mass in the Sacred Heart cafeteria.

#### **Pastoral Visitation**

If you have a loved one who is hospitalized, homebound, incarcerated or in a nursing home, please phone or text Fr. Job at 717-875-3369. This is a private line; no one has access to the information except for Fr. Job. If it is an emergency after 9:00 pm, please call 724-532-6754.

#### Homebound Ministry

Holy Communion will be distributed monthly to our homebound parishioners. Please call Rosemary Lewis, 724-523-2159 to schedule a visit.

#### Prayer Chain

If there are any concerns, needs, or people in your life that you would like to have prayed for, please contact a dedicated group of parishioners who believe in the power of prayer and would love to assist you. Feel free to call Jan Mangan @ 724-523-5645 or Mary Hershberger @ 412-485-8681 to place your prayer request.

## Thank You!!!

#### Sacred Heart Fish Fry

The net result of this year's Lenten Fish Fries was \$13,297.45. Thanks again to all of you who worked so hard assisting the parish in meeting her temporal responsibilities.

## Monthly Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

#### May—For church movements and groups

We pray that church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

## Our Stewardship

#### Offertory for April 16, 2023

Ascension	\$3,544.00
Sacred Heart	\$4,509.00

#### Attendance for April 16, 2023

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4:30 pm 12	
8:30 am 11	17
10:30 am 12	23
6:00 pm	54

## 2023 DLA Pledges

#### As of April 22, 2023

Ascension \$38,187 (91.9% of the Diocesan Target and 80.3% of the Diocesan & Parish Target)

Sacred Heart \$47,751 (104.3% of the Diocesan Target and 85.6% of the Diocesan & Parish Target

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# Around the Diocese

#### Craft show May 6 at St. Bruno Parish, South Greensburg

The Rosary Altar Society of St. Bruno Parish, South Greensburg, will host a "Swing Into Spring" crafters' market Saturday, May 6, from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The kitchen will be open. There will be a basket raffle with crafter items and a 50/50 raffle. Crafter applications are still being accepted. For more information, contact Beth lezzi at balwine7@yahoo.com.

#### Registration open for Eucharistic Congress

Registration is open for the Diocese of Greenburg's Eucharistic Congress. "Creating a Eucharistic Community: Forming Disciples of Christ in Love and Service" will feature engaging workshops, speakers and national experts who will provide insight into fostering a Eucharistic culture in parishes, schools and the Diocese. Diocesan and parish staff and members of the general public can select from one of two sessions: May 8-10 or May 9-11. To view a list of speakers, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival. Attendance is free for the first 400 people to register.

#### Taize Prayer for Peace

Every first Thursday of the month, you are invited to Assumption Hall, Caritas Christi, Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill, to pray for peace. The next scheduled Taize prayer is May 4 at 7:00 pm. Praying for peace is the bond that will unite the heart and hopes of the community at prayer. For more information, contact Sister Barbara Ann Smelko, SC, Taize Prayer and Music Director at 724-454-8524. Prayer and music volunteers are welcome to share in the presentation of the prayer service.

#### Annual Diocesan Scout Convocation Mass May 7

The Diocese of Greensburg's Catholic Committee on Scouting invites all members of the scouting family to attend the Diocesan Scout Convocation Mass Sunday, May 7, at 3 p.m. at St. Regis Church, Trafford. Bishop Larry J. Kulick will be the main celebrant for this annual celebration of Catholic Scouting in the Diocese. Catholic Scouts who have completed work on their religious emblems in the past year will be recognized. Units are encouraged to attend as a group and display their unit flags. A light reception will follow. Information on the religious emblems program and on the Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting will be available. The Mass fulfills the Sunday obligation. No registration is necessary; however, units planning to attend are asked to contact Diocesan Scout Chaplain Father George E. Saletrik at 412-372-4577, ext. 205, or gsaletrik@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

#### Burger Bash May 13 at Immaculate Conception Parish, Irwin

Immaculate Conception Parish, Irwin, will hold a drive-thru Burger Bash Saturday, May 13, from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Upcoming dates are June 10, July 8, Aug. 12, Sept. 9 and Oct. 14. For information, call 724-863-9550.

#### Annual Faith and Reason Summer Program June 18-24 at Saint Vincent College, Latrobe

Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, will host the 12th annual Faith and Reason Summer Program June 18-24. Students age 15 and older are invited to apply for admission to the program, which introduces young minds to the rich intellectual tradition of the Catholic faith and is designed to prepare students for college-level education. Housing in a college residence hall and three daily meals in the college dining hall are included in the cost (\$495). Limited scholarship funding is available. Students may register at stvincent.edu/faithandreason. For information, contact Dr. Michael Krom at 724-805-2844 or michael.krom@stvincent.edu.

#### Bus trip to Sight and Sound Theatre's 'Moses' planned June 23

St. Paul Parish, Greensburg, is planning a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theater, Lancaster, to see "Moses" Friday, June 23. Cost is \$178. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. The trip will include an Amish-style dinner at Plain & Fancy. Participants can register, pay the deposit and sign waivers at https://scholasticatravel.groupcollect.com/go/15477a. For information, call 724-989-6034.

#### 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 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 <u>after</u> you have called the Child-Line number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

# Around the Community

#### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive in Mersinger Hall on Thursday, May 4 from noon to 5:30 PM.

#### Jeannette American Legion Bingo

A bingo benefitting "Legion Activities" is taking place on Sunday, May 7. Doors open at 11:30 am and bingo begins at 1:00 pm. Food will be available for purchase courtesy of the Legion Auxiliary. For more information, call the Legion at 724-523-6231.

#### YWCA offers tutoring for reading and writing

The adult basic literacy program at the Greensburg YWCA offers one-on-one tutoring for individuals who may need help with reading and writing skills. The YWCA is looking for students who, after an initial assessments, will make a commitment to the program, and is also seeking volunteer tutors, who must complete training modules before tutoring. For information, contact Paula Egnot at 724-834-9390, ext. 106, or <u>literacy@ywcawestmoreland.org</u>.

# Around the World

#### **CRS Spotlight**

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) recently urged Congressional lawmakers to increase funding for international humanitarian aid and development assistance in the 2024 foreign aid appropriations, citing the devastating impacts of climate change on the world's most vulnerable families. "We witness the devastation of drought and desertification, flooding and cyclones, and food insecurity and famine," the testimony stated. "We urgently take up the Pope's call to combat climate change and ensure food security for all." Please visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

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