

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(YEAR A)



Light of the World

Good and gracious God,
in your mercy you called
your people out of darkness
to live as children of the light.
Give us courageous hearts

so our lives may bear witness
to the Light of the World.
Grant us, too, the strength to walk
with those who struggle in darkness.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, March 10, 2024
Man Born Blind



Today's readings: Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41. Today we celebrate the second scrutiny with the elect and hear the story of the man born blind. In the verse preceding today's Gospel, Jesus says that he is the light of the world. This is a primary image as we ponder the Gospel.

During the time of Jesus, sickness was thought to be a punishment for sins. In the Gospels, disease is often used to highlight those who are marginalized from the community. Jesus' ministry is one of healing and bringing people back to the community, back to the flock. When Jesus heals the blind man, he not only cures his blindness, but also reveals

to him God's saving power. Jesus brought light into this man's life, and because he has been made clean, he can rejoin the community. Just like last Sunday's Gospel, today's reading is one of faith. Once the man is healed, he comes to know Jesus, the Messiah, and boldly claims that he believes.

As we pray with the elect during these final days of Lent, think about all the blind spots that keep you from seeing God's saving power. Ask that Jesus will heal those areas of your life that hold you in sin. Once we have named our sin and sought forgiveness, the Holy Spirit fills us to go forth to boldly proclaim, "I do believe, Lord." How can you reach out to the "blind" in your community?

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Please contact
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before the birth of your
child.

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and by appointment.

Marriage:
Please contact
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Begolly in the Parish
Office at least one year in
advance for information
and scheduling.

Holy Communion for
those who are
homebound: Please
contact the Parish
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THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 11 Blind Faith

John tells the story of a man pleading for Jesus to cure his dying child. The miracle of the cure convinced this man and the others present that Jesus was the Messiah. But what about those of us who have never witnessed such a miracle? Take some time to journal about your faith in Jesus. On what do you base your belief? How much do you trust in the Lord? *Today's readings: Isaiah 65:17–21 Psalm 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11–12a, 13b; John 4:43–54.*

Tuesday, March 12 Journeying Together

Asking for or accepting help shows courage because it implies that we are not self-sufficient. Recognizing our dependence on God and one another is a virtue. Being in relationship with others requires listening. Today, await the answer when asking someone how he or she is doing. Then really listen. Similarly, make sure that you leave space and time in your prayer for God's voice to bubble up inside of you. *Today's readings: Ezekiel 47:1–9, 12; Psalm 46:2–3, 5–6, 8–9; John 5:1–16.*

Wednesday, March 13 Blind Faith

While the Lord is a just judge, people are not always so fair or righteous. Are you your worst critic? The idea of self-compassion might seem hedonistic or selfish, yet it can be hard to give what we do not possess. If we desire to extend God's kindness to others, we need to express compassion toward ourselves. Examine how well you practice patience and mercy toward others. To improve, begin with yourself. *Today's readings: Isaiah 49:8–15; Psalm 145:8–9, 13cd–14, 17–18; John 5:17–30.*

Thursday, March 14 Taking a Pause

During every Mass, we encounter Christ in the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. He is present especially in the consecrated bread and wine, in the Scriptures, in the ministers, and in the assembly. God does not want us to continue wandering in the desert; he beckons us to the promised land of eternal life. This week, meditate on a part of the Mass. Practice being truly present during Mass to allow space for conversion and transformation. *Today's readings: Exodus 32:7–14; Psalm 106:19–20, 21–22, 23; John 5:31–47.*

Friday, March 15 Genuine Encounter

What does it mean to truly know someone? Have you followed a famous figure or professional contact and felt that you knew everything about him or her without having even met the person? Or perhaps you met the individual and encountered someone different than you had imagined. In today's Gospel, the inhabitants of Jerusalem think that they know Jesus, but their knowledge is on a surface level. They do not know the One who sent him. When you read the Scriptures, invite the words to fill your heart so that you can know the Lord. *Today's readings: Wisdom 2:1a, 12–22; Psalm 34:17–18, 19–20, 21, 23; John 7:1–2, 10, 25–30.*

Saturday, March 16 The Body of Christ

Many things can distract us as we seek to become closer to God and spread the Good News. How can you stay rooted in a life of discipleship? What are some of the things you can do in your community to continue the ministry of Jesus? Can you read to children at the library? Or volunteer in a soup kitchen? Does your community have a cleanup day for which you could sign up? Strive to be walking testimonies of Jesus' love. *Today's readings: Jeremiah 11:18–20; Psalm 7:2–3, 9bc–10, 11–12; John 7:40–53.*



WELCOME



We are delighted to welcome you to Mass today, whether you are visiting or looking for a parish to join. Our hope is that your experience today encourages you to join our community.

There are a number of ways to get involved. Become a member of our Faith Community today! All are welcome. Scan the QR code above to register as a new parishioner.



DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

A BIG thank you to the 243 MOS families who have responded to the DLA campaign with \$ 166,350 in pledges. All funds over our Diocesan Target of \$ 209,271 will be returned to Mother of Sorrows Parish to fund major capital projects. Our goal is to raise a total of \$300,000. Online pledges and gifts can be made at: www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/sharingourgifts.

OUR NUMBERS

March 2 and 3

Attendance 1,512
Offertory \$ 41,252.61
Outreach \$ 5,152.00



The Catholic Institute
Loan Payment:
\$ 30,660.00

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday 3/9

9:00 AM **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

4:30 PM † Tom Rodjom (*Debbie Rodjom*)

Sunday 3/10

Fourth Sunday in Lent

7:30 AM † Deceased members of the Hill, Kovalesky, & Jonas families (*Cathy & Randy Hill*)

9:30 AM For the Parish

11:30 AM † John Kardes (*Bill & Daloris Gentile*)

12:30 PM **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**

6:00 PM † Dolly Vollmer (*Ely family*)

Monday 3/11

8:00 AM † Adele Stile (*Tony Stile*)

Tuesday 3/12

8:00 AM † Deceased Members of the Dudek Family (*Francis Dudek*)

Wednesday 3/13

8:00 AM † Living & Deceased Members of the Romito Family (*Dante & Sarah Romito*)

Thursday 3/14

8:00 AM † Florence Keyes (*John & Marian Keyes*)

10:00 AM † James Walko (*Francis Dudek*)

11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration

6:30 PM Taizé Prayer

7:00 PM Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Friday 3/15

8:00 AM † Lou Rostand (*Hantz Family*)

2:15 PM Stations of the Cross

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday 3/16

9:00 AM **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

4:30 PM † Norman & Sandy Fetsko (*Darin & Paula Fetsko and daughters*)

Sunday 3/17

Fifth Sunday in Lent

7:30 AM † Kathryn & James Jackson (*Ed & Robin Hohos*)

9:30 AM † Anne Marie Naylor (*Brodbeck Family*)

11:30 AM For the Parish

6:00 PM † John Vargosko (*sister*)



We commend to your prayers Carolyn Mojzer, sister of Kate Pyle, and David Whetsel, son-in-law of Don and Suzanne Teti, who died recently.

May God welcome them to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to their families.

FAITH FORMATION

The next Family Faith Formation sessions will take place on **Sunday, March 10** at 4:30 PM and **Wednesday, March 13** at 6:30 PM.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

The next Baptism preparation session will be held in the church on **March 12, 2024** from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

Infant Baptisms will resume after Easter. Please contact Ellen Mady at emady@dioceseofgreensburg.org or 724-733-8870 if you would like to schedule a Baptism.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sacramental Preparation for all students preparing for First Holy Communion will take place on **Sunday, March 17** at 4:30 PM in the church.

All individuals preparing to receive Sacraments at the Easter Vigil will meet on **Monday, March 18** at 6:30 PM in the Church.

DONUT SUNDAY



Join us on **Sunday, March 17** after all morning Masses for Donut Sunday!

A PEEK AT THE WEEK...

Sunday	March 10
8:30 AM	Faith Formation for those with special needs, Ave Maria Room
10:30 AM	Lenten Scripture Study, Social Hall
4:30 PM	Family Faith Formation, church
4:30 PM	OCIA, Lower Narthex
7:00 PM	High School Youth Ministry, Lower Narthex
Monday	March 11
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts, Social Hall
6:30 PM	Sacramental Prep for First Communion, Church
Tuesday	March 12
10:00 AM	Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room
11:30 PM	Boomers and Beyond, Social Hall
5:00 PM	CGS, CGS Rooms
6:30 PM	Spiritual Direction, Madonna Room
6:30 PM	Baptism Preparation, church
6:30 PM	Pastoral Council, Social Hall
6:30 PM	MOS Outreach Group, Conference Room
Wednesday	March 13
9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study, Ave Maria Room
6:30 PM	Family Faith Formation, church
Thursday	March 14
5:00 PM	CGS, CGS Rooms
7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal, church
Friday	March 15
9:00 AM	Legion of Mary, Ave Maria Room
9:00 AM	Centering Prayer, Madonna Room
Saturday	March 16
9:00 AM	Men's Renewal Group, Lower Narthex
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry, Social Hall
Sunday	March 17 - Donut Sunday!
8:30 AM	Faith Formation for those with special needs
10:30 AM	Lenten Scripture Study, Ave Maria Room
12:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal, church
4:30 PM	Middle School Youth Ministry
4:30 PM	Sacramental Prep for First Communion, church
6:00 PM	OCIA
7:00 PM	High School Youth Ministry, Lower Narthex

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

The Triduum is the Church's endless reflection on a way of life that leads through the cross to the Resurrection. You are invited to come to the liturgies on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Holy Thursday - March 28

Celebrate the joy of ministry that is the fabric of service to others. In the washing of the feet we come to a profound humility rooted in the example of Christ. On this same Holy Thursday night, we celebrate the arrival of the Holy Oils blessed by the Bishop: the Oil of Chrism, the Oil of the Sick, and the Oil of Catechumens.

Good Friday - March 29

Celebrate the ultimate mystery of the triumph of the cross. Unite your sufferings and those of the world with the Lord of the Cross. Venerate the cross, our sign of victory beyond pain and death. Good Friday is the birth of hope and peace.

The Easter Vigil - March 30

Gather around the Easter bonfire as we proclaim Christ is our Light! Recall the history of salvation in Word and song. Relive new life given in the waters of Baptism. Welcome new Christians and join us in the proclamation of the Resurrection and the refreshment of the Eucharist. Plan to be here for this liturgy, the highpoint of the liturgical year!

STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY

The scribes and Pharisees complained about Jesus because he ate with sinners. Jesus defends his actions by telling the parable of the prodigal son, or, as it is also called, the parable of the forgiving father. The father, who daily waits in hope for his son's return, welcomes him back with open arms, and even more, calls for a celebration. To the older brother's complaint, the father emphasizes that he has always been in relationship to him and now the one who was lost is found.

Today's second reading reinforces the parable: "All this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation." Because we have been loved first, we can love; because we have been forgiven, we can forgive.

It is not a surprise that Jesus would use the example of a father and his sons. The family is where most of us first learn about love and reconciliation. Yet it is also the place where many of us also experience tension and estrangement.

Squabbles may be over little matters and relatively short-lived, or arguments and disagreements may tear the fabric of family life into shreds.

Whatever we experience in our families, the season of Lent is an opportune time to consider seriously what needs to be healed and restored. Daily prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation are tools to help us toward that change of heart.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the Mother of Sorrows church altar takes place on **Thursday, March 14** from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM. Know Jesus is waiting for YOU. **Children and families are welcome.** To become a weekly committed adorers, sign up by using the QR code or go to <https://adorationpro.org/mosmurryville>.



REGIONAL PENANCE SERVICES

All are invited and encouraged to take some time for self-examination and to celebrate this great Sacrament of God's mercy. There are weekly opportunities during Lent on Saturdays at 9:00 AM to celebrate the Sacrament. In addition, five regional Penance Services will be held.

All services begin at **7:00 PM**:

Wednesday, March 13	Sacred Heart, Jeannette
Thursday, March 14	St. Regis, Trafford
Tuesday, March 19	Mother of Sorrows Parish
Wednesday March 20	St. Barbara, Harrison City
Thursday, March 21	St. John, Delmont

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

God created us to experience joy in communion with each other, to love all humanity, and to live in harmony with all of creation. But sin separates us from God, our neighbor, and creation; and so we do not enjoy the life our Creator intended for us. As God's beloved children, we are called to struggle against everything that leads us away from love of God and neighbor.

As Lent comes to a close, we can use the prayer we pray every day, the ***Our Father***, as the basis for the examination of our lives, as the benchmark for how faithfully we are living in our relationship to God and others.

Our Father who art in Heaven. Do we live as grateful children of God, our loving Father. Do we put God before all else, or do other things get in the way: our possessions, our schedules, our pleasures? Do we live out our baptismal promises by professing our faith in our daily words and actions?

Hallowed be Thy Name. Do we honor God's name in faithful prayer? Do we show our respect for others by the language we use? Do we respect all life and all of God's creation, as holy?

Thy Kingdom come. Do our actions contribute to the building up of God's Kingdom? Do we share generously of our time, talent, and treasure to do God's work? Are we faithful stewards of the many gifts that God has to given us? Do we live with honesty and integrity?

Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. De we seek God's will or our own in our daily lives? Are we selfless in our service, or selfish with what God has given us?

Give us this day our daily bread. Do we trust that God will give us what we need? Or do we insist upon having what we want, when we want? Do we live our lives in a spirit of gratitude? Do we whine and complain when we don't get what we want? Are we envious or jealous of others?

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Do we forgive others as God has forgiven us? Are we willing to let go of past hurts and resentment?

And lead us not into temptation. Trials can help us grow and temptation can make us strong if we face them with an acknowledgement of our weakness and our need for God's help. Do we pray for God's help? Do we learn from our errors?

But deliver us from evil. Do we avoid what we know is harmful to ourselves or others? Do we really try to avoid the occasions of sin? Do we bring to God our cares and troubles? Do we place our lives in God's hands?

TRIDUUM MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, March 28

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Adoration in the Social Hall until 12:00 MN prayer

Good Friday, March 29

12:00 NN Stations of the Cross
1:30 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, March 30

12:00 NN Blessing of the Baskets
8:00 PM The Great Easter Vigil followed by a parish reception in the Social Hall

Easter Sunday, March 31

7:30 AM Easter Mass
9:30 AM Easter Mass
11:30 AM Easter Mass

COMMUNITY FESTIVAL



We are thrilled to announce that plans for our Community Festival are already in full swing! This event promises to be a

highlight of the year, bringing our church family and neighborhood together for two days of fun, laughter, and connection on **August 2 and 3.**

To make this festival truly spectacular, we are on the lookout for additional talent to join our lineup. If you have any special skills or talents that you would like to share with your community - whether it's face painting, balloon artistry, music, or any other unique talent - we would love to hear from you!

Please reach out to us at mosfestival724@gmail.com to let us know how you would like to contribute. Your involvement will help make our festival even more memorable and enjoyable for everyone.

BOOMERS AND BEYOND

Join us on **Tuesday, March 12** at 11:30 AM in the Mother of Sorrows Parish Social Hall for a presentation on "Planning Your Legacy" presented by attorneys Jim Creenan and Molly Creenan. They will discuss the importance of having certain estate planning documents in place.

Boomers and Beyond is a ministry serving the 'baby boomers' and all adults of Mother of Sorrows Parish and the surrounding communities. Lunch and learn sessions are held on the second Tuesday of each month.



Topics are varied and reservations are not required. Participants gather at 11:30 and the presentation begins at 12:00 NN. All are encouraged to bring a 'brown bag' lunch and a friend. Beverages are provided.

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MOTHER OF SORROWS OUTREACH MINISTRY

We stand by one another with deep compassion...

OUTREACH UPDATE— JANUARY/FEBRUARY

- Our Food Pantry provided food for 316 individuals in January and 371 individuals in February, including meat, cheese, eggs, milk, and produce. We thank First Presbyterian Church of Murrysville for their donation of laundry detergent to the families. We thank all volunteers and parishioners who help to feed the hungry each month.
- Outreach provided \$500 to the Catholic Men's Fellowship for the purchase of coats for the homeless men who come to the Red Door Ministry, St. Mary of Mercy.
- We will sponsor two community dinners at the Knead Café in New Kensington. Anyone is welcome to come and eat at no charge.
- We have sent financial support to a young parishioner at Immaculate Conception Parish who has developed an Outreach program for individuals who have cancer or who reside in nursing homes.
- Financial support was sent to Sr Donatella, a Sister of Charity of Ivrea, who has been living in a village in Lebanon and along with her small community, has been maintaining a Christian presence in the village. Given the current situation in Lebanon, the Sisters are in great need of basic supplies and food.
- Through the Walking with Moms program, Outreach is providing maternity clothing for a pregnant woman in need.
- We continue to help struggling families and individuals with utility and rent assistance.

LENTEN "BREAKFAST BAGS"



During Lent, our Outreach Ministry is sponsoring a "Breakfast Bag" program for our Food Pantry families. Parishioners can pick up a market bag and a suggested list of food before or after Masses this weekend and return it filled with non-perishable breakfast items by **March 24**. Filled bags should be placed in the deck boxes in the Lower Narthex. If you are not able to pick up a market bag but would still like to participate, just buy a couple of non perishable breakfast items and place them in the deck boxes. Thank you for helping to feed the hungry.

BREAKING BREAD DINNER

Every year, Mother of Sorrows Outreach sponsors a couple Breaking Bread Dinners at the Knead Community Café in New Kensington, in addition to providing financial support of this outreach ministry. We are looking for 8 volunteers to help set up, serve and clean up the community dinner this month on **March 21**. The timeline is as follows:

4:50-5:00 PM	arrive
5:20 PM	doors open
6:30 PM	buffet closes/clean up begins
7:30 PM	clean up finished

If you would be interested in helping, please contact Craig Johnson at 724-288-1791 or acjohnson203@gmail.com.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY



Last week in High School Youth Ministry we talked about the Sacrament of Matrimony. We kicked off the night with our own version of "The Nearly-Wed Game" with Courtney and Jacob. Four teen hosts posed questions to our contestants to see how well they know each other, and we congratulate Jacob for winning the contest. He clinched the win with the question, "Jacob, when Courtney's having a bad day, what's her favorite comfort food?" And it was 'ice cream' for the match!

In small groups we talked about the importance of preparing ourselves now for the vocation of marriage. We discussed what qualities we should look for in a future spouse, qualities we should be strengthening in ourselves, and qualities we see and admire in families we know that we would like to have in our own family one day. We were treated to a beautiful and delicious wedding cake, and closed the evening in adoration and benediction with Father Jay, as we prayed for our vocations.

On **Sunday, March 10**, be sure to come and bring all your friends, because Jacob is planning another big social event! We will pit our small group teams against each other in a match of wits and strength in the High School Youth Ministry Olympics! There will be lots of good food and a variety of challenges to keep us on our toes. Stay tuned for further details on this one, for it's sure to be fun. We meet in the lower narthex from **7:00 to 9:00 PM**.

On **Sunday, March 17**, we will welcome seminarian Michael Skanga, who will lead us in Praise and Worship and talk with us about his vocation story.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



The annual Living Stations of the Cross will take place in the Mother of Sorrows School auditorium on **Friday, March 22** at 7:00 PM and on **Saturday, March 23** at 6:30 PM. The Saturday Stations will be preceded by a meal in the Parish Social Hall at 5:30 PM. Please come pray with us; you won't want to miss this!

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to parishioner Bill Hillgrove, who announced his retirement from the Steelers Radio Network after nearly 30 years of calling games for the Black and

Gold.

Bill was born and raised in Western Pennsylvania and is a graduate of Central Catholic High School and Duquesne University. He served as sports director at WTAE Channel 4 for two decades.

Bill has been an influential voice in Pittsburgh sports for decades as the play-by-play voice of the Pitt Panthers football and basketball teams for over 50 years. In 1994 he was handpicked by Steelers owner Dan Rooney as the team's play-by-play announcer.

Bill was inducted into the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters' Hall of Fame last year.



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40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life-40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion through **March 24**. If you would like to prayerfully fast for one day, you can sign up at <https://signup.com/go/RELOVus>.

You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, and help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you would like more information, please contact Nikki Bruni at nbruni@40daysforlifepgh.com.

KIDNEY DONOR NEEDED



My name is Vincent Esposito and I have been placed on the UPMC Living Donor waiting list for a kidney. Due to my age I can only accept a kidney from a living donor. I am fortunate at this point in that my health is acceptable, my medication is keeping my kidney functions stable and I am not on dialysis. As my doctor warns me, “don’t get sick for any reason” as all that will change instantly.

If you are between 18 and 75 and are interested in becoming a living donor, contact UPMC at UPMC.com/LivingDonorKidney, or call 412-647-GIFT(4438) and mention my name. You may remain anonymous. Please pray for all patients waiting for organ donations.



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Mrs. DeGroot guided fifth grade students in a recent coding challenge which included working on sequencing, debugging and function during computer class.



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Mrs. Beer's 5th grade students enjoy their novels on "Read Across America" day.

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