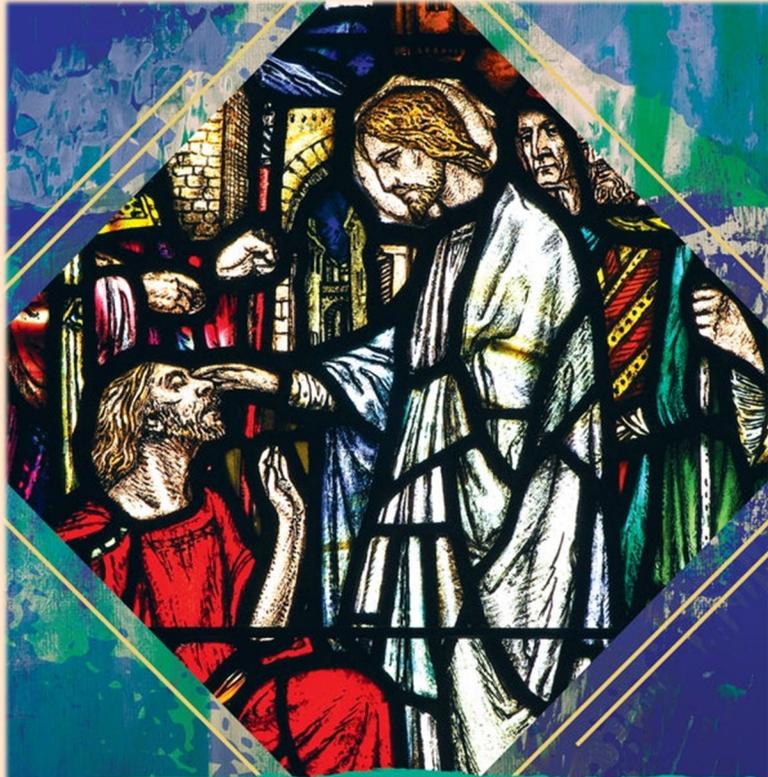


# FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

## MARCH 15, 2026



### 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

The Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." - Jn 9:15

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### SACRAMENTS

#### Baptism:

Please contact Ellen Mady at MOS or Joann Giuffre at St. John and St. Mary at the Parish Office four months before the birth of your child.

#### Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 12:00 NN at St. John;  
Tuesdays at 5:00 PM at St. Mary;  
OR by appointment.

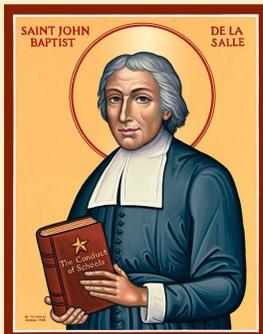
#### Marriage:

Please contact Monsignor Michael 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 Office.

New members are always welcome.  
Please call the Parish Office to register.



**St. John Baptist de La Salle**  
497 Athena Drive  
Delmont, PA 15626  
(724) 327-0647

Saturday anticipated Mass 4:00 PM  
Sunday Mass 11:00 AM



**Saint Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes**  
5900 Kennedy Avenue  
Export, PA 15632  
(724) 327-0647

Sunday Mass 9:00 AM



**Mother of Sorrows**  
4202 Old William Penn Highway  
Murrysville, PA 15668  
(724) 733-8870

Saturday anticipated Mass 4:30 PM  
Sunday Masses 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 6:00 PM

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**Sunday, Mar 15, 2026**

**Believe what you see**

Did you ever go looking for your glasses when they were sitting right on top of your head? Or search everywhere for your car keys when they were lying on the table where you left them? There are times when we can look directly at something and not see it because we can't believe it's there. Take Jesus, for instance. We say we look for him and can't find him. Yet the Bible says he is "near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (Romans 10:8). Christ is in you, wrapped up in your humanity. There is nothing that can separate you from the love of God you have in Jesus Christ. Seeing may be believing, but in this case believing is seeing.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41 (31). *"Jesus said to him, 'You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he.'"*

**Monday, Mar 16, 2026**

**Scrap your plans**

"Hear our prayer" is a common response to the Prayers of the Faithful. Though you may go to God humbly, sometimes you have a pretty good idea of what you want God to do; all that's needed is for God to set your plan in motion. Yet faith requires not a well-thought-out solution but a willingness to give yourself over to God. "Surrender without reservation to the Lord who has called us," says Saint Benedicta of the Cross. "This is required of us so that the face of the earth may be renewed." Who wouldn't want to experience such global renewal? Let your faith open you to glories you never dreamed of.

LENTEN WEEKDAY

Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54 (244). *"He went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, who was near death."*

**Tuesday, Mar 17, 2026**

**Commit to being healed**

Jesus posed an intriguing question to one man who had been ailing for 38 years: Do you want to be well? It appears as though the answer would be obvious. So why does Jesus even bother to ask before healing him? Perhaps because he knew how often we find it difficult to leave our own suffering. We cling to our suffering because we have grown so comfortable in it. Ailments can explain all our insufficiencies before God. But what would we cling to when those ailments have been cured? Muster the courage to commit to true health, and say yes to an offer to be healed.

LENTEN WEEKDAY

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; John 5:1-16 (245). *"Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been ill for a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be well?'"*

**Wednesday, Mar 18, 2026**

**Building spiritual muscle memory**

Catholics give up all kinds of things for Lent: cookies, drinking, cussing, not to mention meat on Fridays. They also try to find time for prayer and charitable works. Why do we do it? What purpose do these small, penitential acts serve? As dietary measures the impact on the scales is slight, and as behavioral correctives they don't always "take" beyond the 40 days. The main benefit, then, is

strength training for the will. We have to learn to say no to the self, so that when it comes time to say yes to God, we'll be ready.

LENTEN WEEKDAY

Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30 (246). *"I do not seek my own will but the will of the one who sent me."*

**Thursday, Mar 19, 2026**

**Getting past polarization**

A righteous man follows the laws of his religion yet allows mercy to guide his actions. That is why Joseph decided to divorce Mary quietly, so that she might avoid the harsh penalty for what seemed to be her infidelity. But true righteousness—God's righteousness—goes beyond religious law and draws on the dictates of a well-formed conscience to discern a deeper response. This "third way" of compassion makes room for the mysterious work of God to bring forth fulfillment. Trusting this call, Joseph came to believe that God wanted him to welcome Mary into his home, and so took a courageous risk. His decision changed the course of history. In our polarized world, perhaps Joseph's discerning spirit can inspire us to break free from our rigid either/or thinking and choose the path of compassion.

SOLEMNITY OF JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a (543). *"Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly."*

**Friday, Mar 20, 2026**

**Add depth to your days**

Are you feeling a time crunch in your life? Many Americans report that they do, especially families with school-aged children. None of us can add breadth to the span of time available to us, but we can add depth to it by living more consciously aware of the grace of each moment. In the gospels this Lent we will hear how Jesus was keenly aware that "his hour" was drawing near. This is the hour of the greatest possible depth, when he freely gave his life so that faith could overcome fear, holiness could overcome sin, and life could triumph over death. We, too, will live more fully when, like Jesus, we realize we are sustained in every hour by the love of God.

LENTEN WEEKDAY; DAY OF ABSTINENCE

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 (248). *"No one laid a hand upon him, because his hour had not yet come."*

**Saturday, Mar 21, 2026**

**A question of justice**

Justice doesn't come easy for most of us. That's why Moses and company felt compelled to lay down the law, which continues to shape our modern understanding of justice. Consider the question Nicodemus poses in today's gospel: "Does our law condemn a man before it first hears him and finds out what he is doing?" Our updated version of that is: One is innocent until proven guilty. How often we fall short of this precept. Think of detainees at refugee and detention camps who languish while waiting to be processed, those inadequately defended who now sit on Death Row, or the people you meet every day whom you subject to snap judgments. Let's each resolve, yet again, to act justly and work for justice.

LENTEN WEEKDAY

Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53 (249). *"Does our law condemn a man before it first hears him?"*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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# MOS, ST. JOHN AND ST. MARY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## Saturday 3/14

12:00 NN SJ                      **Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
 4:00 PM SJ                      † William Gillis (*Mary Ellyn & Bob Ladick*)

## Sunday 3/15    Fourth Sunday in Lent

7:30 AM SM                      For the Parish  
 9:00 AM SM                      † Barbara Steel (*Brian & Sherri Cavanaugh*)  
 9:30 AM SJ                      † Rosalie Lesser (*Don & Peg Miller*)  
 11:30 AM SJ                      † Linda Beblo (*Barb Staniscia*)  
 6:00 PM SJ                      † Mark Drutch (*Terry Muir & Family*) *Scrutiny 2*

## Monday 3/16

8:30 AM SM                      † John Carl Cappa (*Peter Cherellia*)  
     Jerry Anderson (*Hantz Family*)

## Tuesday 3/17

8:30 AM SJ                      † Tom Smeal (*Wife, Barbara & Family*)  
 12:00 NN SM                      Eucharistic Adoration  
 5:00 PM SM                      **Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
 6:00 PM SM                      Benediction and Reposition

## Wednesday 3/18

8:30 AM SM                      † Agnesa DiPadova (*Tony Stile*)  
 6:30 PM SJ                      **First Reconciliation**

## Thursday 3/19

8:30 AM SJ                      † Sandra Oravec (*Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wolcott*)  
     Julia O'Connor (*Bob & Robyn Roche*)  
 7:00 PM SM                      Taizé Prayer

## Friday 3/20

8:30 AM SM                      † Gilda Thompson (*Mike & Lori Nichola*)  
     Deceased members of the Dudek & Cotyk Families (*Francis Dudek*)  
 12:00 NN SM                      Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 PM SJ                      Stations of the Cross

## Saturday 3/21

12:00 NN SJ                      **Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
 4:00 PM SJ                      † Marc Delissio (*Family*)

## Sunday 3/22    Fifth Sunday in Lent

7:30 AM SM                      For the Parish  
 9:00 AM SM                      † Dolores Speer (*Alex Speer & Family*)  
 9:30 AM SJ                      † John Daley (*Mary Daley*)  
 11:30 AM SJ                      † Joe Purdue (*Gram & Pap Quaglieri*)  
 6:00 PM SJ                      † Eleanor & Carl Urban (*Daughter*)



We commend to your prayers Roy Bruggeman, Anne Fears, Kathleen Perkovich, and Leo Shimshock, brother of parishioner John Shimshock, who died recently. May God welcome them to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to their families.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be held **June 15 to 19** at St. Barbara Parish. Registration is now open. For more information, please contact Joann Giuffre at [jgiuffre@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jgiuffre@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation will take place **Wednesday, March 18** at 6:30 PM at St. John Church.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School Youth Ministry will meet **Sunday, March 22** from 3:30 to 5:30 PM in the **MOS Social Hall**.

### FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH



Rizzo's Malabar Inn in Crabtree will celebrate its annual Feast of St. Joseph celebration **March**

**14, 15, 18 and 19, 2026**. A traditional St. Joseph's Day menu and an ornate St. Joseph altar will be featured. Reservations are highly recommended. Please call 724-836-4323.

### MOS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AND PARISH SCHEDULES

We will need to make a few modifications to our weekly schedule during the construction project in the church:

- Eucharistic Adoration continues at St. Mary Parish on Tuesdays from 12:00 NN – 6:00 PM
- Through March 27**, there will be **NO MASS** held at MOS. The weekend schedule for **all three parishes** will be as follows:

**St. John - Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM and 6:00 PM**

**St. Mary - Sunday 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM.**

**Daily Masses will alternate between St. Mary and St. John Churches at 8:30 AM.**

- FUNERALS** will be scheduled at either St. Mary and St. John Church through March 26.

- CONFESSIONS** will be held at St. Mary Church on Tuesdays at 5:00 PM and at St. John Parish on Saturdays at 12:00 Noon.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays During Lent

Join us for this special devotion as we reflect on Jesus' Passion.

**12:00 PM (Noon) at St. Mary Church**  
**7:00 PM at St. John Church**



"We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You. Because by Your holy Cross, You have redeemed the world."

We are looking for altar servers to assist with Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. If you are available please e-mail Joann.

## OUR WEEKLY NUMBERS

March 7 and 8

### MOTHER OF SORROWS

Offertory \$ 31,460.67

Outreach \$ 2,217.00



**Diocesan Assessments for The Accent and Technology, Catholic Education, Pastoral Healthcare, Property Insurance and Diocesan Support:**

**\$ 60,052.33**

### ST. JOHN

Attendance 1,075

Offertory \$ 9,385.25



### ST. MARY

Attendance 408

Offertory \$ 5,921.00



### STEWARDSHIP NOTES

*“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart.” 1 Samuel 16:7*

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary will take place on **Tuesdays** from 12:00 NN until 6:00 PM.



## A PEEK AT THE WEEK...

Sunday		March 15
8:30 AM	MOS	Faith Formation for those with special needs, Social Hall
12:00 NN	SJ	Spaghetti Dinner, St. John Social Hall
7:00 PM	MOS	High School Youth Ministry, Lower narthex
Monday		March 16
6:30 PM	MOS	Cub Scouts, Social Hall
Tuesday		March 17
10:00 AM	MOS	Staff meeting, Conference Room
6:00 PM	MOS	Festival Committee Meeting, Conference Room
7:00 PM	MOS	Pastoral Council, Social Hall
Wednesday		March 18
9:30 AM	MOS	Women’s Bible Study, Ave Maria Room
6:30 PM	MOS	Choir Rehearsal, Social Hall
Thursday		March 19
12:00 NN	SJ	Lenten Luncheon, St. John Social Hall
Friday		March 20
9:00 AM	MOS	Centering Prayer, Ave Maria Room
Saturday		March 21
7:00 AM	SM	Catholic Men’s Fellowship, Social Hall
9:00 AM	MOS	Men’s Renewal Group, Social Hall
Sunday		March 22
8:30 AM	MOS	Faith Formation for those with special needs, Ave Maria Room
10:30 AM	SJ	Choir Rehearsal, St. John Church
3:30 PM	MOS	Middle School Youth Ministry, Social Hall
4:00 PM	SJ	Family Faith Formation, St. John Church
4:00 PM	SJ	OCIA, St. John Social Hall
7:00 PM	MOS	High School Youth Ministry, Lower narthex



# Community Lenten Lunches

THURSDAYS  
NOON LUNCH  
12:30 DEVOTION

HOSTED AT

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March 19  
March 26

Free Will Offering supports local  
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## LENTEN TAIZÉ PRAYER

Taizé is a distinctive style of meditation prayer developed by an ecumenical community of monks in rural France. This quiet, moving reflective prayer combines elements of the Church's traditional Liturgy of the Hours with elements of contemplative meditation.

A typical Taizé prayer service incorporates periods of silence with meditative readings from Scripture, prayers of praise and intercession, and the frequent repetition of simple, contemporary chants based on the Psalms or other parts of Scripture. The result is to gradually move prayer from the head to the heart.

Join us for Taizé prayer in St. Mary Church on **Thursdays in Lent** at 7:00 PM.

## PENANCE SERVICES

On Ash Wednesday we hear the solemn invitation: *Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.* St. Paul tells us that "this is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation." All are invited and encouraged to take some time for self-examination and to celebrate this great sacrament of God's mercy during Lent.

During Lent confessions will be heard at St. John Parish on Saturdays at 12:00 Noon and at St. Mary Parish on Tuesdays at 5:00 PM. Five regional Penance Services will be held during Lent.

<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>March 21</b> - noon	St. John Parish, Delmont
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>March 23</b> - 6:30 PM	St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>March 24</b> - 6:30 PM	St. Regis Parish, Trafford
<b>Wednesday,</b>	<b>March 25</b> - 6:30 PM	Sacred Heart, Jeannette
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>March 26</b> - 6:30 PM	St. John Parish, Delmont

## TRIDUUM MASS SCHEDULE

### Holy Thursday, April 2

- 6:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper,  
St. Mary Parish
- 7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper,  
MOS, followed by Adoration in the  
Social Hall until 12:00 MN prayer

### Good Friday, April 3

- 12:00 NN Stations of the Cross, St. Mary Parish
- 1:30 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion,  
MOS
- 6:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion,  
St. John Parish

### Holy Saturday, April 4

- 12:00 NN Blessing of the Baskets, MOS
- 12:00 NN Blessing of the Baskets,  
St. Mary Parish
- 8:30 PM The Great Easter Vigil, MOS  
followed by a parish reception in the  
Social Hall

### Easter Sunday, April 5

- 7:30 AM Easter Mass, MOS
- 9:00 AM Easter Mass, St. Mary Parish
- 9:30 AM Easter Mass, MOS
- 11:00 AM Easter Mass, St. John Parish
- 11:30 AM Easter Mass, MOS



## DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

Thanks to  
your generosity in  
DLA 2025, over  
one million

dollars was returned to our three  
parishes:

Mother of Sorrows	\$ 981,532
St. John	\$ 18,018
St. Mary	\$ 69,166

These funds enabled each parish to  
move forward on a number of capital  
improvements.

We need the participation of each  
parish household to continue this  
momentum in 2026. We plan to pave the  
driveway and circle at MOS, to repair  
the front steps at St. Mary, and to repair  
or replace the church roof at St. John.

When you make your gift to this year's  
DLA, you will be helping us to honor the  
past while preparing for the future God  
calls us to build. Make your gift now at  
[DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2026](https://DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2026).

## CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Diocese of Greensburg has set forth clearance requirements for individuals who volunteer at Parishes throughout the Diocese. The following clearances must be renewed every five years: FBI Fingerprint Check, Volunteer Affidavit, Pennsylvania Criminal History Clearance, Pennsylvania Child Abuse Clearance and Virtus Protecting God's Children Training.

As of February 1, 2026, there are over 210 volunteers in our Parishes who will need to update their clearances on or before March 31, 2026. We are making every effort to simplify this process by having in-person training classes; having a notary available at the Mother of Sorrows Parish office; and meeting with individuals to assist with the renewal process. Both the Virtus Training and Mandated Reporter Training can be completed online or at an in-person training session.

Please note that the Diocese of Greensburg will perform an audit of all clearances on June 30, 2026. **If your clearances are not current as of June 29, 2026, you will be marked inactive and cannot volunteer until your clearances are brought current.** If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Linda at [lkuchar@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:lkuchar@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or 724-733-8870.

**FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY**

Fellowship Sunday will be taking a break in March. We look forward to seeing you again on **Sunday, April 26** for coffee, donuts and good fellowship at St. Mary.



**Vacation Bible School registration is now open.**

**Remember, VBS fills up quickly. Registrations are open until April 10, 2026 at noon.**

**For registration information please e-mail Joann @ jgiuffre@dioceseofgreensburg.org**



In need of material assistance? Contact the St. John St. Mary St. Vincent DePaul Conference. Call (724) 575-9888

**ONLINE GIVING OPTION NOW AVAILABLE, VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE**  
[www.stjohnstmary.net](http://www.stjohnstmary.net)

St John's & St Mary's Partner Parishes

**SPAGHETTI**

*Dinner Fundraiser*

**Sunday March 15th 12-4pm\***

(\*or until sold out)

**Includes: Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad, Bread, Dessert & Drinks.**

**Drive Thru 1-4pm**

**Take out Available**

**Try your luck at the Basket, 50/50 & Cash Raffles**



**\$15** per person  
**\$5** for Children 10 & under

Questions? Contact Dina Colangelo 410-300-1244 or [dina.colangelo@gmail.com](mailto:dina.colangelo@gmail.com)

**Tickets available at the door**  
*St. John's Social Hall*  
 497 Athena Dr, Delmont, PA 15626

**EASTER EGG HUNT FAITH FORMATION CELEBRATION**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026**

**9:00 AM MASS**

During Mass, children will receive their blessed medals. After Mass, we will continue the celebration with an Easter -Themed party!

Even if your children are not part of Faith Formation, they are invited to join in the celebration! Come together with family and friends for a special day of faith, community and Easter joy,



*Easter Celebration*

Join us for a joyful Easter celebration!

**When: Sunday, April 12 9:00 AM Mass**  
**Where: St. Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes**

After Mass, stay for donuts and an exciting Easter egg hunt!

To help the Easter Bunny prepare, please fill out the form below with your child's age and return it no later than March 29th.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name(s) and Age(s):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Age: \_\_)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Age: \_\_)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Age: \_\_)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (Age: \_\_)

**Please submit this form by March 29th to ensure the Easter Bunny has treats ready for your child(ren)!**



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

Please join MOS parishioners as they pray at Planned Parenthood on the following days:

**Barb Koury each Tuesday**  
from 11:00 to 1:00 PM

**Mary Lawrence each Friday**  
from 10:00 AM until noon.

St. Mary, St. John and MOS parishes are scheduled to pray at Planned Parenthood on **March 24** from 11:00 until 1:00 PM. Contact Barb Koury at [barbkoury@gmail.com](mailto:barbkoury@gmail.com) for more information.

**FORMED**

Mother of Sorrows, St. John and St. Mary Parishes are now subscribed to FORMED, a Catholic Streaming Platform, and now so can you!

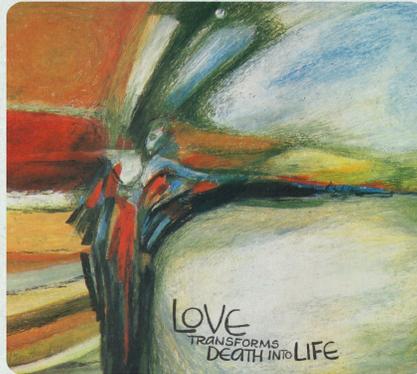
Go to [formed.org/](http://formed.org/) individuals and simply enter your email address, search for "Mother of Sorrows," and you will have access to countless hours of movies, documentaries, Bible studies, devotionals, children's TV shows and more.

**This week on FORMED:**

*Joseph of Nazareth*

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!

## THREE-DAY OVERNIGHT IGNATIAN RETREAT

**COME TO THE TABLE**

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*Altar to Table:  
Transformed  
by Jesus' Love*

Dates: Sunday, March 15 – Tuesday, March 17, 2026

Arrival: Sunday between 4:00–5:00 pm

Departure: Tuesday at 3:00 pm

Retreat Leader: Anne Papinchak, Spiritual Director/Leader

Location: St. Paul of the Cross Monastery, Pittsburgh, PA

<https://passionistsspiritualplaces.org/st-paul-of-the-cross>

**FAMILY AND PARISH-WIDE FAITH FORMATION**

Special Family and Parish Faith Formation sessions are planned on **Sunday, March 22** from 4:00 to 5:30 PM and **Wednesday, March 25** from 6:30 to 7:30 PM at St. John Parish to give families and all members of our parishes the opportunity to discover together the importance of the Easter Triduum. We will explore a number of the important ritual actions of the Triduum, including:

*Holy Thursday* - Washing of Feet and Procession with the Blessed Sacrament

*Good Friday* - Veneration of the Cross

*Easter Vigil* - Procession of Light and Blessing of Baptismal Water

All families are invited and encouraged to attend, especially those preparing for the celebration of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, those with children in Faith Formation, and those with children in Mother of Sorrows School.

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Last Sunday in High School Youth Ministry, the warm weather and extra hour of daylight invited us to begin outdoors with games of football and spike ball in the parking lot. After cooling down with root beer floats, we gathered in the lower narthex for a great discussion on the sacraments and how they work to change us. Jacob explained that this is known as *theosis*, or the process of becoming more like God through the power of grace, and frequent reception of the sacraments builds up that grace in our souls.

Join us on **Sunday, March 15**, from **7:00 to 9:00 PM** at Mother of Sorrows, for our second Night of Encounter, when the topic will be *Integrity and Cheating*. After the presentation, there will be time of

prayer and praise, adoration, and an opportunity for confession. Please come and bring a friend!



## LIVING STATIONS

Middle School and High School Youth Ministry will present a prayerful reflection of the living Stations on **Friday, March 27** and **Saturday, March 28** at 7:00 PM in the Mother of Sorrows School cafeteria. All are welcome!





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**PILGRIMAGE TO ST. ANTHONY CHAPEL**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring an evening at St. Anthony Chapel in Troy Hill on **Wednesday, April 29**. The evening will begin at 7:00 PM with Mass celebrated by Monsignor Michael followed by a tour of the chapel. Please plan to join us for this beautiful celebration. If you plan to attend, please contact Brooke in the MOS Parish office at [btognarina@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:btognarina@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

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The Rite of Election for catechumens and the Rite of Calling to Continuing conversion for candidates took place at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. May God bless all the elect and candidates as they continue their journey to the Easter Vigil.

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Ellen Mady at [emady@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:emady@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Mahoy Family and the Duco Family on the blessing of their marriages. May God continue to bless them and their families for many years to come!



Andrew and Olivia Mahoy



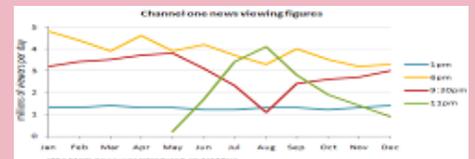
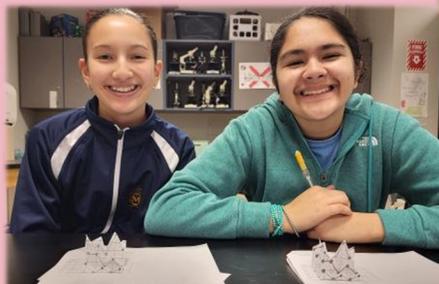
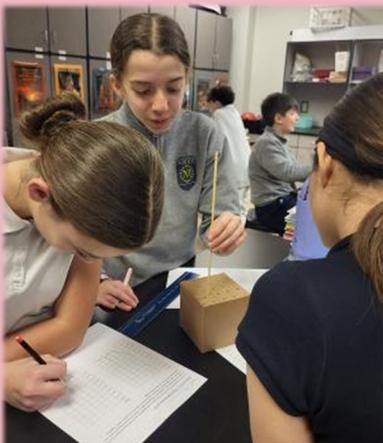
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In Science this week, 6<sup>th</sup> grade Earth Science students learned about Bathymetry, how oceanographers map the seafloor using sound waves. They were tasked with mapping foam shapes inside boxes without looking inside by measuring and plotting the depth with wood rods. They used their plots to make 3D models of their ocean floors.



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