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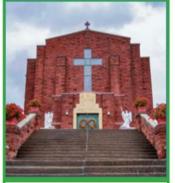
# of Lower Burrell New Kensington February 18, 2024 First Sunday of Lent





Saint Margaret Mary 3055 Leechburg Road Lower Burrell, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m. Sunday ~ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Daily Mass: (Monday - Thursday) 7:30 a.m.



Mount Saint Peter 100 Freeport Road New Kensington, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:30 p.m. Sunday ~ 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Daily Mass: (Tuesday - Friday)

8:30 a.m.



Saint Joseph 1125 Leishman Avenue New Kensington, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m. Sunday ~ 9:30 a.m. Daily Mass: (Monday - Wednesday, Friday)

12:30 p.m.



Saint Mary of Czestochowa 857 Kenneth Avenue New Kensington, PA 15068 Sunday ~ 7:30 & 11:30 a.m. Daily Mass: Monday ~ 8:30 a.m. Thursday ~ 12:30 p.m. Friday ~ 9:30 a.m.

# Your presence here makes all the difference!

#### QR CODES

Below are QR codes that will link you to the Lower Burrell and New Kensington website.

You will find the details to all events and answers to your questions listed on the website.

Point your smart phone at the QR code for more parish information on the Lower Burrell website.

Point your smart phone at the QR code for more parish information on the New Kensington website.





## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Considering entry into the Catholic Church? Contact the Parish Office for more information.

**SACRAMENT OF INFANT BAPTISM** Contact the Parish Office.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office at least **nine months** in advance for information and scheduling.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

12 noon - Saturdays at MSP 1:00 p.m. - Saturdays at St. Margaret Mary

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK** Contact Father Ken, Father Joel or Father Bimbot to request the sacrament.

#### **MINISTRY OF HOME VISITATION** Contact the Parish Office at 724-335-9877 or the Sisters of Mary Immaculate at 724-845-2828.

#### The Eucharistic Table

#### SATURDAY, February 17, 2024 - Saturday After Ash Wednesday

3:00 pm	MSP	Baptism - Gemma Ann Gaydos	Father Ken
3:00 pm	SMM	Baptism - James Christopher Mackay	Fat her Bimbot
4:00 pm	SJ	Tillie Stelmach (Theresa & Barb)	Father Ken
4:00 pm	SMM	Karen Cortese (Family)	Father Bimbot
4:30 pm	MSP	Abate/Muto Families (Mary Abate)	Father Joel

#### SUNDAY, February 18, 2024 - First Sunday of Lent

7:00 am	SM	Rosary	
7:30 am	SM	Rita Szul (Charles & Cathy Brestensky)	Father Ken
7:55 am	MSP	Rosary	
8:30 am	MSP	Michael A. Phillips (Family)	Father Joel
8:30 am	SMM	Ronald & Maryann Cully (David T. Foley)	Father Bimbot
9:30 am	SJ	Marilyn Barton (Diane Painter & St. Joseph Choir)	Father Ken
CANDLE	SJ	panne Loperfito (Family)	
10:30 am	MSP	Donald Briscoe, Jr. (Nanette Briscoe & Daughters)	Father Joel
11:00 am	SMM	Timothy Knapp (Wife, Kelly)	Father Bimbot
11:00 am	SM	Rosary	
11:30 am	SM	Joseph Discello (Michael & Cathy Collett)	Father Ken

#### MONDAY, February 19, 2024

7:30 am	SMM	Deceased Members of Sanner, Belczyk, Stadterman & Bell Families (Jack & Catherine Sanner)         Father Bimb	
8:30 am	SM	Reck & Mulley Families (Carol Reck)	Father Ken
12:30 pm	SJ	Gail Falleroni (Dom Petricca)	Father Joel

TUESDAY, February 20, 2024			
7:30 am	SMM	Stacy Bieranoski (Husband)	Father Bimbot
8:30 am	MSP	David Carabin (Gae & Kay Reano)	Father Ken
12:30 pm	SJ	Ann Meledandri (Peter & Darlene Duryea)	Father Joel
2:00 pm	MSP	Eucharistic Adoration/Holy Hour of Mercy/Reposition	Father Bimbot
7:00 pm	SMM	Stations of the Cross	Father Ken

#### WEDNESDAY, February 21, 2024 - St. Peter Damian

7:30 am	SMM	Jon, Anna, Vit & Robert Chalmovsky & Emil Pachnik (Daughter)	Father Bimbot
8:30 am	MSP	Mr. Cosimo & Jeanne Corsi (Mr. Ronald Corsi & Family)	Father Ken
12:30 pm	SJ	Connie Gentile (Jacqui Burford)	Father Joel
1:00 pm	SJ	Stations of the Cross	Father Joel

THURSDAY, February 22, 2024 - The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle				
7:30 am	SMM	George Singer (Wife, Agnes)	Father Bimbot	
8:30 am	MSP	Dario Massarelli (Edward Ostravecky)	Father Joel	
12:30 pm	SM	Ann Marie Whipp (Cousins, Kim & Kathy Wescoat)	Father Ken	

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		The Eucharistic Table	
FRIDAY, Fel	oruary 2	3, 2024 - St. Polycarp	
8:30 am	MSP	Gail Falleroni (Linda & Jack Henkel)	Father Ken
9:30 am	SM	Mary Ann Ceschini (Michelle & Larry Struhar)	Father Joel
12:30 pm	SJ	Birthday Remembrances of Living & Deceased Members of the Chodelka, Ruman, Vidas, & Jason Families (Ed & Eleanor Chodelka)	Father Bimbot
12 nn-5 pm	SMM	charistic Adoration	
SATURDAY,	Februa	ry 24, 2024	
12:00 nn	MSP	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Father Ken
1:00 pm	SMM	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Father Joel
3:00 pm	MSP	Baptism - Maeve Alexandra Rossi	Father Ken
4:00 pm	SJ	Robert A. Ventorini (Joanne Ventorini & Family)	Father Bimbot
4:00 pm	SMM	Jane Rearic & Betsy McGreevy (Matt Davis & Family)	Father Joel
4:30 pm	MSP	Joseph B., Elizabeth, Paul & Michael Tabacek (Syl & Dorothy Jancech)	Father Ken
SUNDAY, F	ebruary	25, 2024 - Second Sunday of Lent	
7:00 am	SM	Rosary	
7:30 am	SM	Thomas H. Kaniecki (Kaniecki Family)	Father Bimbo
7:55 am	MSP	Rosary	
8:30 am	MSP	Ralph & Pauline Latagliata (Linda & Jack Henkel)	Father Ken
8:30 am	SMM	Fay Branzet (Dale Branzet)	Father Joel
9:30 am	SJ	Anna Ziccarelli (In Memory of Birthday) (Phyllis & Gabe Ziccarelli)	Father Bimbo
10:30 am	MSP	Guido & Adriana Bartolacci (The Zafred Family)	Father Ken
11:00 am	SMM	Lawrence S. Lagattuta (Marilyn Lagattuta)	Father Joel
11:00 am	SM	Rosary	
11:30 am	SM	Bernard F. Taylor (Lillian Pfeifer)	Father Bimbo

#### Father Ken's Lenten Note This Lent "Exercise Your Gifts and Talents to Glorify God."

When President Kennedy entered Congress and began his political career he was told, "The way to get along is to go along." Well, that is one way for us to find our place in the world. We can simply go along with the tide, believe what those around us believe, do what they do, say what they say. It is a comfortable way to live, except for the fact that we become frightfully weary of ourselves and life becomes "intolerable and a torment." One reason why there are so many people with emotional problems and nervous exhaustion is that, in going along, they do violence to themselves. In going along, we can become cyphers, victims of the choices and decisions of other people. In going along, we deny the very essence of our being.

Life becomes meaningful, however, only when we exercise our gifts and talents to "glorify God" with integrity and independence, faith and fortitude. Some years ago, at the Empire Exhibition in Johannesburg, South Africa, a peculiar technical glitch on the opening night of the exhibition caused many people to be disappointed. It had been planned that a 3,000 foot beam of light, cast by a 14 million candle power beacon, would be thrown into the sky. But when this occurred, no beam of light was able to be seen, for the engineers had not taken into account the Johannesburg climate. The light was invisible because there was no humidity, no dust, no cloud for it be reflected against. Light, unless it strikes an object, is invisible. Likewise when we simply "go along", our light that we can offer as a person, strikes nothing and is invisible. Our light does not shine in the darkness of our time unless it challenges things as they are. We, as Christians, are not here to go along. Jesus did not stir up the dust of His day by going along. He stirred up the dust of His day so that His efforts of good could be seen by all.

Jesus says to all of us this Lent, "Let your light shine that all people may see your good works and give glory to your Father." My prayer, our prayer, this Lent needs to be this: "O God, in whom I trust, grant me the courage to stand against the tide of the many, help me to battle the injustice of the world and my community. Let me stir up the dust in my battle for good, so that my light, my difference may be seen. Keep me from sitting back and just going along to get along, because in this, I who can change the world, become invisible."



#### **BAPTISM**

Last weekend, we welcomed into the Church through the saving waters of Baptism:

Damon Augustus Ousley, Mount St. Peter Charlotte Cynthia Emanuele, St. Margaret Mary

We rejoice with their parents and with all who celebrate their newborn lives in the family of God.



#### ST. ANTHONY GUILD MEETING

After taking a break over the holidays, the St. Anthony Guild will have their February meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM in Marble Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you are thinking of

becoming a member, please join us at the meeting.



#### NKCC PASTORAL COUNCIL

The NKCC Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at 7:00 PM in Peter's Table. All members are encouraged to attend.

## Lower Burrell Parish

(St. Margaret Mary) A Peek at the Week . . .

Saturday February 17	Baptism-James Chris 3:00 pm	topher Mackay Church
	Family Game Night 5:00 pm-7:00 pm	Sullivan Room
Sunday February 18	Youth Music Ministry F 9:40 am-10:45 am (Gr Jr. Youth Choir Rehea 9:40 am-10:30 am	ades 4-12)
Monday February 19	President's Day Parish Office Closed	
Tuesday February 20	Men's Bible Study Gro 6:30 am Acts Bible Study	bup Lobby
	11:00 am-12:30 pm	Freude Room
	Adult Handbell Rehea 5:00 pm-6:30 pm	Church
	Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm	S Church
Wednesday February 21	Youth Group Rosary 6:00 pm Middle & High School 6:30 pm-8:00 pm Adult Choir 6:45 pm-8:45 pm	Church Youth Group Room B-1 Church
Friday February 23	Eucharistic Adoratio 12 nn-5 pm	n Church

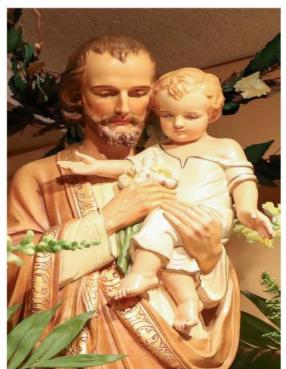
#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	ls 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18;
	Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



#### New Kensington Parishes (Mt. St. Peter, St. Joseph, St. Mary) A Peek at the Week . . .

Monday February 19	President's Day Parish Office Closed NO Faith First	
Tuesday February 20	Community Clothes 0 12 nn-2:00 pm	Closet
	Eucharistic Adoration 2:00 pm-4:00 pm	on MSP Church
	Catechesis of the Go 6:00 pm MSP	od Shepherd Disciple Center
	Saint Anthony Guild I 7:00 PM	Meeting Marble Hall
	RCIA 7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Peter's Table
Wednesday February 21	Stations of the Cros 1:00 pm St.	s Joseph Church
	NKCC Pastoral Coun 7:00 pm	cil Meeting Peter's Table
Thursday February 22	Lectio: The Gospel of 1:00 pm-2:30 pm	f Mark Peter's Table
	Grab and Go Meal 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Kne	ead ommunity Café
Friday February 23	Fish Fry 11:00 am-2:00 pm, 4:	2
Saturday February 24	Community Clothes ( 11:00 am-1:00 pm	Closet
-	Baptism-Maeve Alex 3:00 pm	andra Rossi MSP Church



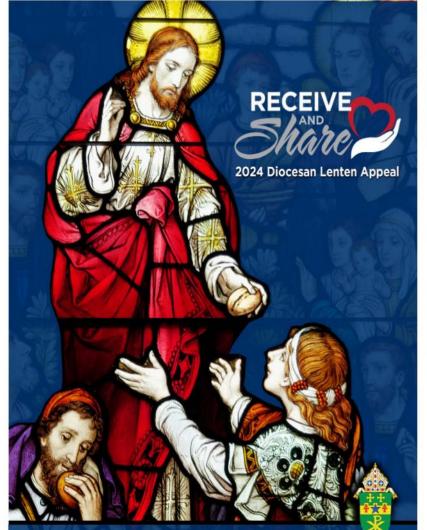
# DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG SAINT JOSEPH PILGRIMAGE March 18, 2024

Bishop Larry J. Kulick will lead a pilgrimage to the four Saint Joseph parishes and Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, to dedicate the Diocese of Greensburg to the guardianship and protection of Saint Joseph for the Eucharistic Revival Year of Mission in 2024, the Jubilee Year of 2025, and the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Greensburg in 2026. Patron of the Universal Church, Families, Workers, Immigrants, and a Happy Death, Saint Joseph nurtured the child Jesus in the first Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in his home in Nazareth, responded with faith each time he was called by God, and is a model to us of faithful discipleship as we live our mission as Eucharistic people. Each site along the pilgrimage will focus on a different aspect as Joseph as a faithful disciple, helping us to strengthen and rededicate our own relationship with Jesus Christ.

#### SAINT JOSEPH: PATRON OF WORKERS

#### Monday, March 18, 6 PM Saint Joseph Parish, New Kensington

Evening Prayer with special presentation on Saint Joseph the Worker by author Mike Aquilina from the Saint Paul Center for Biblical Theology.



When you share your gifts through the 2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal, you join those who are faithful in their generosity. Last year, only one-third of the faithful across the Diocese participated. When you share what you have received, you are keeping your parish energized and connected to our faith community.

Donate today at DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2024



# Eclipse Your Expectations!

Donate March 3-16 and receive free solar eclipse glasses & T-shirt Limited time | Redeemable by email | While supplies last

We know your compassion for others is endless – dare we say, out to the stars and beyond! Be a shining light for patients by donating before the upcoming solar eclipse. Join us for this celestial celebration and save lives in style.

All donors who come to give blood, platelets or plasma March 3-16 will receive FREE solar eclipse glasses\* PLUS an exclusive T-shirt to brighten your day, both redeemable by email.\*\* While supplies last.

# Lower Burrell Police Department Blood Drive

Saturday, March 9 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Moose Lodge 53 Lower Burrell 499 Reimer Street New Kensington, PA 15068

To schedule an appointment to donate:

- Go to vitalant.org and search with Account Code 10055683
- Call 1-877-25VITAL or contact Sharon Crawford at 412.600.4333
- Or scan code for a list of all available times

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# **STEWARDSHIP**

### February 3-4, 2024 - Collection Report

	Mt.	St.	Peter
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Offertory	\$ 8,779.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 2,452.00
Monthly EFT	\$ 13,196.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 2,780.00
Eastern European	\$ 301.00



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St. Joseph	
Offertory	\$ 5,642.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 175.00
Monthly EFT	\$ 4,040.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,075.00
Eastern European	\$ 166.00

#### Saint Margaret Mary

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Offertory	\$ 14,495.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 7,137.00
Eastern Europe	\$ 459.00
Food Bank	\$ 1,185.00
Maint/Other Misc.	\$1,112.00/\$383.00

# St. Mary Offertory \$ 6,561.00 Weekly EFT \$ 265.00 Monthly EFT \$ 1,497.00 Electronic Giving \$ 620.00 Eastern European \$ 385.00



#### CATECHESIS CORNER - WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION? PART 1

How do you truly get to know someone if you do not spend time with them? Think about your most special friendships. How did they become so special? Probably through a lot of confiding and listening while sharing joys and sorrows, consoling each other in the

priceless quality time spent together. How do you really get to know and love Jesus if you do not share these things with him too? This is what Eucharistic Adoration is. It is the opportunity to spend one-on-one, quality time with Jesus, face-to-face. Laugh and cry with him; thank, praise, and adore him; ask for his help, protection or consolation; or just sit in silence, rest and bask in his love, open to receive any graces he wishes to give to you. There is nothing too little to talk with him about. Nothing is unimportant to him. Think about taking Jesus up on his offer to "Come away with me by yourselves to a quiet place and rest a while," Mark 6:31.

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Deadline for bulletin submissions for Sunday, February 25 is Monday, February 19 at 10:00 a.m. Send submissions for SMM to: marabia@dioceseofgreensburg.org Send submissions for MSP, SJ, SM to:

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SMM Parish: Phone: 724-335-2336 Website: www.smmlb.org Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon & 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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Please join us on Palm Sunday, March 24, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret Mary Church to make a **Butter Paschal Lamb** for your Easter dinner table.

Sign up by **Monday, March 11**, to ensure that we have sufficient supplies. There is no cost for this event and all supplies will be provided. Open to anyone age 10 or older.

Come down to the Sullivan Room after the 11:00 am Mass to enjoy this fun event.

Name\_

#### Phone Number

Please place form in the SMM offertory, in the mailbox in the lobby, or mail to St. Margaret Mary Church c/o SMM Social Committee 3055 Leechburg Rd. Lower Burrell, 15068.

Save the Date St. Margaret Mary Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for Sunday, August 18. Mark your calendars!



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