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SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD



“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.” - Mt 21:9

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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.

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Mass Times

Monday

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

Tuesday

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

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

Thursday

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

Second Thursday of the month (Anointing Mass)

12:10 PM.....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

Baptism Preparation Class

Second Saturday of the month at 11:00 AM at Christ the King. Must be scheduled in advance.

All bulletin submissions

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

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 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

HOLY WEEK MASSES

Monday, April 3

8:30 AM Ernie Pomatto
by Nikki and Frank Bazzano

Wednesday, April 5

8:30 AM Benjamin Zanolli
by Wife, Ida

Thursday, April 6 *Holy Thursday*

7:00 PM Joe Mazur

Friday, April 7 *Good Friday*

12:10 PM Stations of the Cross (SG &CTK)

2:00 PM Passion of the Lord (CTK)

Saturday, April 8 *Holy Saturday*

8:30 PM Easter Vigil (CTK)

EASTER SUNDAY RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday, April 9

8:00 AM Fr. Mario J. Tizziani
by the PA Contingent

10:30 AM Susan Molinaro



Memorial Candle: Week of April 2

In Memory Of: Bonnie Bober

by Debbie and Patty



Congratulations to our
Newly Baptized

Cooper Nolan Nuzzo

Child of

Tyler and Courtney (Batiz) Nuzzo

May they be her guide in Christian living.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 8 & 9	(EM)	(L)	(AS)
Sunday 8:00 AM	Patty Kiebler	Fran Milie	Art Ambrose
Sunday 10:30 AM	Justin Delia	Barb Poremski	Dom/Rachel

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 25 & March 26

Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,799.00
Loose	\$ 299.00
Utilities	\$ 45.00
Restoration	\$ 270.00
Accent	\$ 20.00
Easter	\$ 40.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 390.00
Palm Sunday	\$ 70.00
Votives	\$ 148.00

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

One Body in Christ

It's not too late

Diocesan Target	\$ 45,260.00
Parish Target Over Diocesan Target	\$ 60,000.00
As of 3/27/2023 (Pledged)	\$ 44,025.00



EASTER BASKET BLESSING

St. Gertrude

Saturday, April 8 at 11:10 PM

CDA CANDY BARS

The last days to purchase Sarris candy bars from the CDA for Easter will be April 1st, and April 2nd at St. Gertrude Church Masses and at 9:30 AM Mass at Christ the King.

CDA members that still need to pay their dues can do so by mailing them to Mary Daldoss, 324 Sycamore Street Vandergrift PA 15690. Dues are now \$26 annually and should be paid in full by April.

CDA Meeting Date has been changed to April 11th at 6:00 PM. Please plan to attend and bring a nonperishable item with you. We are planning to donate the items to St. Vincent DePaul. Also, we will be having a special guest at the meeting so be sure to attend.



SPAGHETTI DINNER

The next spaghetti dinner will be held on **Thursday, April 20th**. Anyone who would like to help with the next dinner please contact Ron Majeran 724-568-2185.

Christ the King Parish

HOLY WEEK MASSES

Tuesday, April 4

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the
Miglietta Family
by Chris

Thursday, April 6 *Holy Thursday*

8:30 AM Ralph Ferretti
by Wife and Sons

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper (SG)

Friday, April 7 *Good Friday*

12:10 PM Stations of the Cross (CTK & SG))

2:00 PM Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 8 *Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil*

8:30 PM For the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY RESSURECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday, April 9

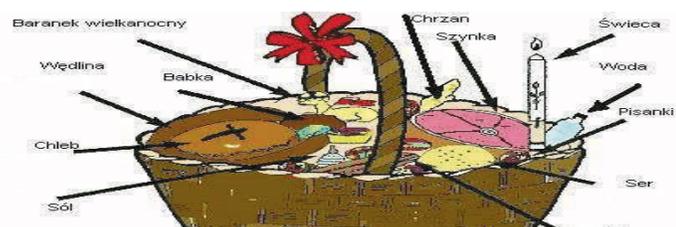
9:30 AM Joe Hirshka
by Wife and Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 8,9	(H)	(L)	(EM)
Saturday	Betty Smail	Jack Billak	
8:30 PM	Debby Vargo	SMI	
Sunday	Andy & Kathy	Kevin	SMI
9:30 AM	Balbo	Ceraso	



*Please pray for the soul of the recently deceased
Dennis Favero
May the consolation of the Lord be with his family.*



EASTER BASKET BLESSING
Christ the King
Saturday, April 8 at 11:10 PM

CEMETERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

In preparation for mowing season, we are looking for volunteers to help clean up St. Catherine Cemetery. If you would like to help, please report to the cemetery on Saturday, April 15th at 9:00 AM. Thank you.

ST. CATHERINE CEMETERY

If you wish to retain your Christmas decorations from your loved ones graves, please remove the decorations before April 15th.

Anything left in the cemetery past April 15th, as a courtesy to you, will be discarded by cemetery staff. Thank you for your cooperation.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Be sure to check out the "Building the Domestic Church" kiosk located at the entrance to the church. It is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and contains 15 booklets on the topic of Christian life. Feel free to take any of the titles that may interest you.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 25 & March 26

Weekly Offertory	\$ 5,463.00
Monthly	\$ 905.00
Loose	\$ 170.00
Votives	\$ 94.00
Utilities	\$ 191.00
Initial Offering	\$ 3.00
Accent	\$ 8.00
Cemetery	\$ 336.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 417.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 4.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 15.00
Good Friday	\$ 15.00
Easter	\$ 30.00
Holy Land	\$ 27.00
Mother's Day	\$ 10.00

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

One Body in Christ

It's not too late

Diocesan Target	\$ 42,225
Parish Target Over Diocesan Target	\$ 50,000
As of 3/27/2023 (Pledged)	\$ 35,400

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR CHRIST THE KING AND ST. GERTRUDE PARISHES

Our Pastor, Fr. James Loew, OSB asks all of you to please welcome Fr. Ken Zaccagnini, VF as the Financial Administrator of Christ the King Parish, Leechburg and St. Gertrude Parish, Vandergrift. Fr. Ken brings many decades of knowledge in assisting parishes to create budgets, pay bills, oversee payroll and track church income. Fr. Ken is a respected leader in our Diocese, serving as Dean of Region III and Pastor of Mount St. Peter Parish, St. Joseph, and St. Mary of Czestochowa Parishes in New Kensington and St. Margaret Mary Parish in Lower Burrell. Fr. James welcomes Fr. Ken's assistance so he can continue to care for the pastoral needs of our two Parishes as our Pastor.

VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND

Do you or do you know someone who is not able to come to church because of an illness or is homebound? Please call the parish office to arrange a pastoral visit ~ (724)845-8191 or (724) 568-2331. Thank you.



GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

The Good Friday collection is taken for the support of the services and facilities of the Church in the Holy Land. This is a special place where Jesus taught, healed, forgave, and finally suffered, died and rose for our salvation. As good stewards of this place, we are responsible for the upkeep and preservation for future generations of the faithful. Monies from this collection are also used for the education and social service support of our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land who are desperately in need of our help.

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA

The St. Anthony Novena will be recited nine consecutive Tuesdays beginning April 18th through June 13th after the 7:00 P.M. Mass at Mt. St. Peter Parish, New Kensington. Traditional prayers will be said. All are welcomed to attend as we unite in prayer for individual, community and global needs seeking the intercession of St. Anthony to our heavenly Father. Bread distribution and a reception are planned for June 13th. Please contact Melinda Ziegler at melsyzig@gmail.com with any questions concerning the St. Anthony Novena.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30 PM at Christ the King. **Social Time 5:45 – 6:30 PM.**

UPCOMING DATES 2023

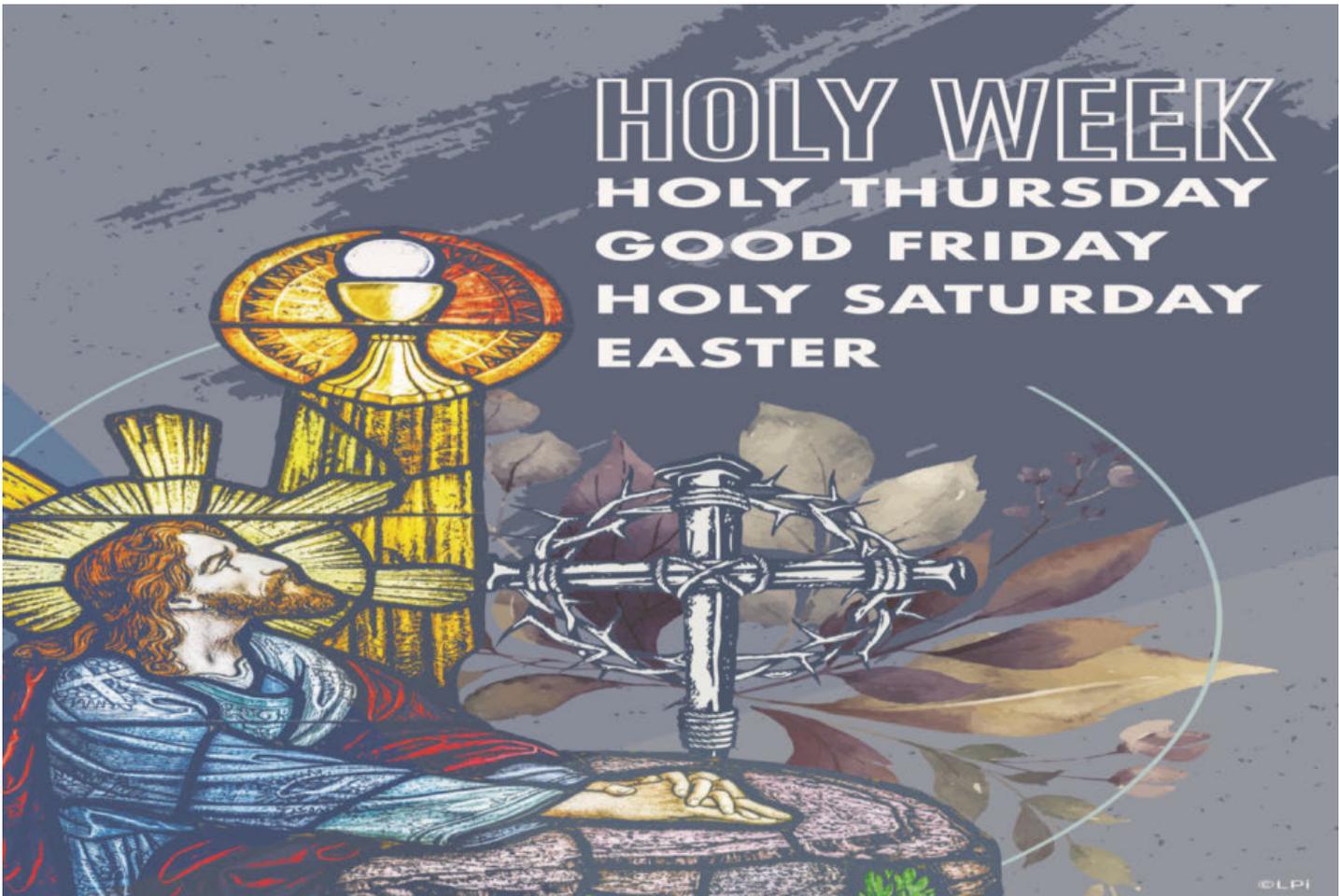
**ST. GERTRUDE
CHRIST THE KING
SPRING SEMESTER
FAITH FORMATION
YOUTH MINISTRY**

April—**2nd** (Combined four parish event on Palm Sunday at Divine Redeemer School, Ford City), **16th, 30th** (last Faith Formation session)

May—**7th**—Youth Ministry only (last session) combined with Christ the King/St. Gertrude

6th-8th and 9th- 12th grades meet every week until May 7th with the exception of Easter Sunday.

**For more info contact:
Natie at 724-212-6740**



HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 PM

ST. GERTRUDE

GOOD FRIDAY

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

12:10 PM CHRIST THE KING & ST. GERTRUDE

PASSION

2:00 PM CHRIST THE KING

HOLY SATURDAY

EASTER VIGIL

8:30 PM CHRIST THE KING

EASTER SUNDAY

9:30 AM CHRIST THE KING

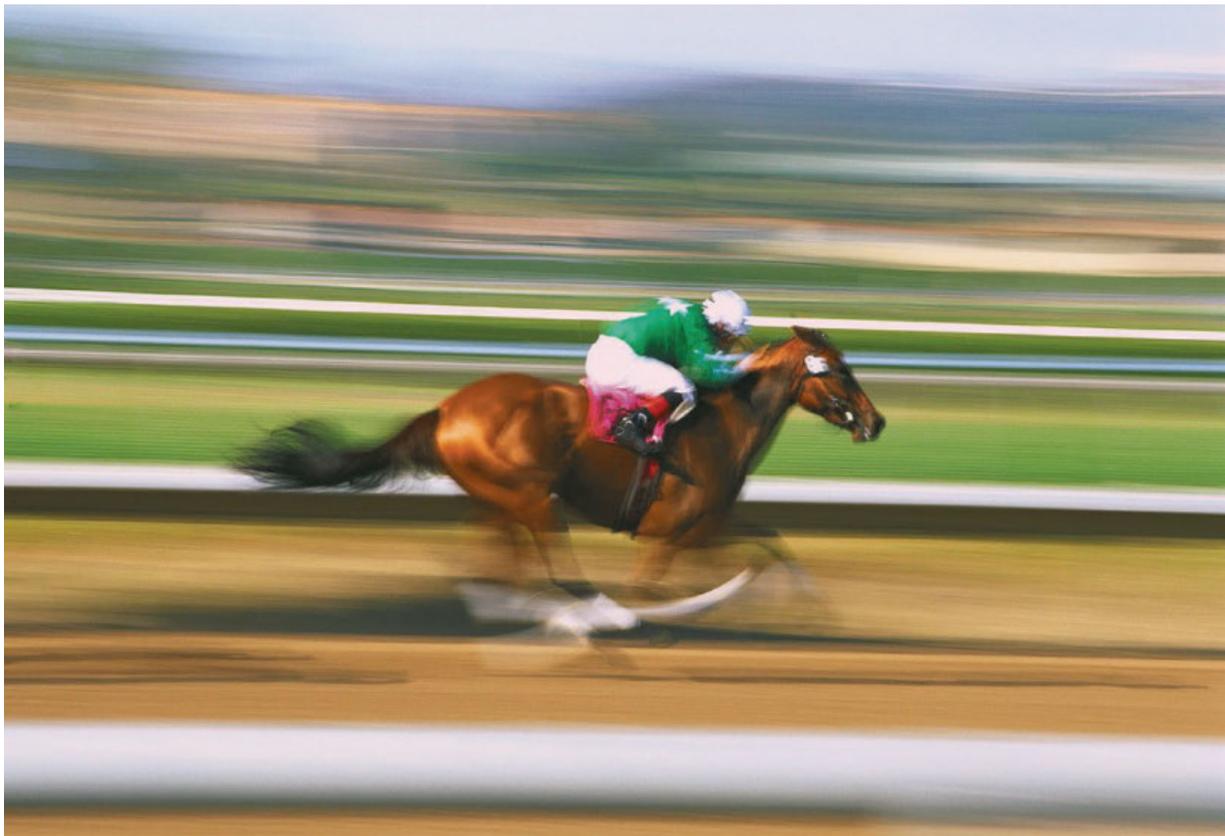
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM ST. GERTRUDE

RACE NIGHT

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April 22, 2023

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