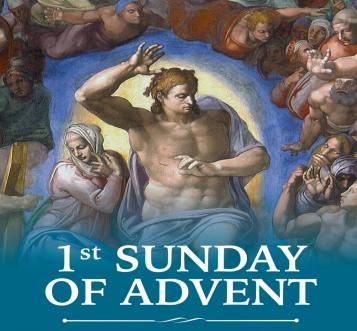


A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023



"Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning." - Mk 13:35

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the faithful of Resurrection Parish, seeking to grow as disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, are committed to proclaiming his Gospel by our words and actions in the community of Northern Indiana County, that we may build up the Kingdom of God and continually form new disciples.

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Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment. Catechesis is required.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Friday of the Month at 9:30 AM in Rossiter and the First Saturday of the Month at 11:00 AM in Clymer. Weekdays after morning Mass. You may also call the office to schedule an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements must be made in person at least six months in advance. Please contact the Pastor to make arrangements.

Parish Registration/New Members: If you are new in the parish, we welcome you and invite you to complete a confidential census form to complete your membership. Parish membership is required to be a sponsor, to get married in the parish, or to have a child baptized.

(RCIA) Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Anyone interested in obtaining more information on the Catholic Church or interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the parish office.

Father Jim's Thoughts for the week ...



First Sunday of Advent

Question: "Fr. Jim, I want to be more prepared for the Lord in my life. My prayer life is consistent, but I find that I have trouble opening up to the Lord in prayer. Often, I just don't know what to say when I'm not praying the Scriptures or the Rosary. Do you have any good prayer suggestions to help facilitate my *opening up* to the Lord that can help me this Advent season?"

Answer: Great Question!... Let me suggest a prayer I have recently started to pray during my late evening Holy Hour. I call this *the prayer of the harsh and merciful judge*.

First, I prayerfully review my day to the Lord as a harsh judge on myself. I examine my day (each step) and I talk about all my failings; I look at all ways I could have been holier and more like Christ. I leave no stone unturned. When I conclude this I say; "Lord, I submit this report of my day to you as a harsh judge on myself."

Second, I prayerfully review my day to the Lord as a merciful and lenient judge on myself. I pray about all the ways I did well by following the promptings of the Holy Spirit. I view my actions and prayers with great mercy, highlighting to the Lord all the good I did by His grace! This second review makes a wonderful contrast to the first. When I finish reviewing my day with a merciful and lenient analysis, I say; "Lord, I submit this report to you as a merciful and lenient judge on myself." Please accept both reports from me this day Lord; my prayer of a harsh and then a very merciful judgement of my day!

Romans 9:16

"So it depends not upon man's will or exertion, but upon God's mercy."

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, I love you, help me to love you more.



DECEMBER 9TH & 10TH WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE							
	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>E. Minister</u>	<u>Server</u>		
Saturday, Dec. 9th	Heilwood Clymer Glen Campbell	4 pm 6 pm 6 pm	Christa Charlie Layden	Linda L Kay L Dian	Simon Packs Julie/Ryan		
Sunday, Dec. 10th	Rossiter Heilwood Ernest Clymer	8:30 am 9 am 10:30 am 11 am	Teresa Wimp Paul Andrew	Gina Janet S Bill P	Alex & John Sharer Blakes		
PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS		FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEMBERS			
Linda Benko George Deabenderfer Sandy Greene Tom Lester		Ms. Betty Gene Clayton Matthew Steve Re Julie I	Lamer Polenik einoehl	Sandra Black Frank Johns Peter Larme Steve Reinoehl Jerry Shipe	en Black - Facilitator John Hardesty Clayton Lamer Mark Little Jerry Roof		



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF December 3, 2023

- Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
- Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24
- Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27 Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/
- Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

SANCTUARY LAMP

December 4 - 17, 2023 BURNING IN MEMORY OR INTENTION OF:

CLYMER

In loving memory of Rodney Harbrige by Jean, Heather & Justin

ERNEST

For the Babco & Adamson Families by Jill

GLEN CAMPBELL

In loving memory of Mary Hovanec by sister Irene Mattis

HEILWOOD

For the health & recovery of Sophie Biesiada by Greg & Marie Kirsch & Family

ROSSITER

For the health of Jonathan Pearce by Bubba Janocha

YOU MAY REMEMBER A LOVED ONE OR ANY PERSONAL INTENTION by

lighting the Sanctuary Lamp. This can be done by placing a donation of \$10.00 along with the name of the intention and placing it in the collection basket. The intention will be placed in the bulletin for a period of two weeks.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- Saturday, December 2 4:00 PM (Heilwood) - Jean Polenik
 - by John & Joann Stibrik & Family 6:00 PM (Clymer) - Leonard Evansic by Charlie & Gina Venturella 6:00 PM (Glen Campbell) - April Pearce Kline by Family SCI Pine Grove Mass - Billy Ruddock by Family +

Sunday, December 3

- 8:30 AM (Rossiter) Mass for the People
- 9:00 AM (Heilwood) Deceased & living Pastors of former St. John the Baptist Church by Kristine Bunyak
- 10:30 AM (Ernest) Charles Stapleton
- by daughter Cindy, Bob, Ryan & Julia **11:00 AM** (Clymer) - Theresa Mano & Sandra Ruddock by Family
- Monday, December 4 St. John Damascene, Priest & Dr. of the Church 9:00 AM (Glen Campbell) - Josephine Kolesar by Bryan Cury Family
- Tuesday, December 5 Advent Weekday 9:00 AM (Ernest) - Tom Lostrick by Joe & Rosemary Krolick †
- Wednesday, December 6 Saint Nicholas, Bishop 9:00 AM (Heilwood) - Phyllis Gaston by Shirley Strong †
- Thursday, December 7 St. Ambrose, Bishop & Dr. of the Church
 4:00 PM (Glen Campbell) Sophie Matko by Walter Woytek
 5:30 PM (Ernest) Mass for the People
 6:00 PM (Clymer) David Buggey by Bruce & Mary Beth Pontani †

Friday, December 8 - THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00 AM (Rossiter) - Evelyn Kollar by John & Debbie Kollar T 6:00 PM (Heilwood) - Joseph Mroskey Jr. by Phillip & Linda Henry T

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 9 4:00 PM (Heilwood) - Ken Fayak by Sandy & Randy Greene & Family 6:00 PM (Clymer) - Joe Myers by Dave & Deb Malicky 6:00 PM (Glen Campbell) - Ann Swansiger by grandson Tom Swansiger SCI Pine Grove Mass - Barbara Matous by George Matous

Sunday, December 10

8:30 AM (Rossiter) - Ed & Marge Evanick by Daughter 9:00 AM (Heilwood) - Uncle Nick Veltre by Tessa, Paula & Bear 10:30 AM (Ernest) - Anthony Mamrowich by friend Patty Yamrick 11:00 AM (Clymer) - Mass for the People

Children's Liturgy of the Word Corner



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First Sunday of Advent: Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7; Psalm 80; Mark 13:33-37

Prayer of the Day: God, you love us so much that you want to be among us and share your life with us. Make us ready to welcome you by following your ways and living at peace with one another. We ask you to do this through Christ, our Lord.

Our God is coming! Stay awake! Be ready!

With today being the First Sunday of Advent, the above words make us think todays readings will be about Christmas and the Birth of Christ. However, what both readings today are referring to is that even though Advent is a time of preparation for the birth of Christ, our lives are a time of preparation for Christ coming at the end of time. The first reading from Isaiah tells us that we can make choices and some of those choices make us turn away from God. God is a loving God and so he gives us a chance to repent and try again. Is it hard to start over and try not to do the same thing again? Of course, it is! But we have the sacrament of reconciliation to help us ask for forgiveness and the ability to start again. What a remarkable gift from God. Even in Mark's gospel, Jesus is telling us to be prepared. We do not know when the end of time will come, but if we live a life of doing the right thing and preparing ourselves to be with Jesus, we do not need worry. Think about what you can do to be prepared.



REGIONAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES Please take time amidst everything else for Confession. Plan ahead to make full use of our Regional Advent Penance Services.

PENANCE SERVICES FOR AREA PARISHES WILL BE:

Monday, December 4 - Holy Family, Seward	7:00 PM
Wednesday, December 6 - SS Simon & Jude, Blairsville	7:00 PM
Tuesday, December 12 - St. Thomas More, Indiana	7:00 PM
Wednesday, December 13 - St. Matthew, Saltsburg	7:00 PM
Thursday, December 14 - Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent	7:00 PM
Saturday, December 16 - St. Bernard, Indiana	10:00 AM
Monday, December 18 - Church of the Resurrection, Clymer	7:00 PM
Tuesday, December 19 - Our Lady of the Assumption, Lucernemines	7:00 PM

The Rosary Society of the Church of the Resurrection will be holding a Christmas Party on Sunday, December 10th, 2023 at Luigi's Restaurant in Clymer. We would like to extend an invitation to all ladies of the parish to this event.

Social will begin at 1:30 PM and Dinner will follow at 2:00 PM. Your choices for dinner are as follows: Chicken Parmesan, Fettuccini Alfredo, Lasagna or Cod Romano. This will include salad and beverage for the cost of \$15.00 per person.

We will have a gift exchange this year. If you wish to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a \$10.00 gift. If you are planning to attend, please return this form and payment by Monday, December 4th.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 3, 2023



"Making the Scriptures Come to Life"

A Presentation by Paul Hart using pictures from the Holy Land

Today - Sunday, December 3

2:00pm at the Clymer Social Hall

Join us for the presentation and sample some food from the Middle East! A great way to begin Advent! **Everyone is Welcome!**



PREPARING FOR ADVENT -ADORATION HOLY HOUR

Join us to spend an hour in Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on:

Sunday, December 3rd - 6 PM Heilwood Monday, December 4th - 9:30 AM Glen Campbell Tuesday, December 5th - 9:30 AM Ernest Thursday, December 14th - 9:30 AM Clymer

CLYMER MINISTERIUM - ADVENT LUNCHEONS

This Advent the Clymer Ministerium will be having brief word services along with Advent Luncheons. Please join us in faith & fellowship.

December 6th - 12 PM Clymer Presbyterian Church -**Pastor Jackie**

December 13th - 12 PM Kenwood Church of

the Nazarene - Father Jim

December 20th - 12 PM Clymer Methodist Church -Pastor Al

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Friday, December 8th. Normal office hours will resume on Monday, December 11th at 9:00 AM.



OPLATKY: Christmas Wafers (Oplatky) are available in the vestibule of the church and at the parish office. The donation is \$3.00 for a packet containing four individual wafers.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR A "TRAVELING MARY & JOSEPH" ON THEIR WAY TO BETHLEHEM AT EACH CHURCH SITE





JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS!!

Our JANUARY Calendar tickets are available. This ticket is a favorite...prizes will be awarded for both afternoon and evening drawings. The cost of the ticket is \$10.00. Tickets are available in the back of church or by calling the parish office. Take a book with you and sell to friends. These tickets make a great gift or stocking stuffer!



WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING **NEW MEMBERS** baptized into Christ:

Brooke Elizabeth Mano & Kelly Lynn Mano

Daughters of Mark Mano & Jenny Eiselman

Clymer Site

Let us now, as one Body in Christ, seek to support them by prayer and example as they grow in their faith in Jesus Christ.



Mass Schedule for The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Vigil Masses:

Thursday, December 7th - Glen Campbell 4 PM Ernest 5:30 PM Clymer 6 PM

Feast of the Immaculate Conception:

Friday, December 8th - Rossiter 9 AM Heliwood 6 PM

There will be NO 9 AM Mass in Clymer on Thurs., Dec. 7th

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE November 4/5 - Collection

			Fiscal YTD
Adult	\$	9,059.33	** 125,431.62
Children	\$	22.00	372.20
Loose	\$	741.75	8,382.75
Project Fund	\$	318.00	3,723.20
Fuel	\$	250.00	1,242.00
Accent	\$	90.00	1,695.00
Parish Needs	\$	-	455.00
Christmas/Easter	\$	-	-
TOTAL COLLECTION:	\$	10,481.08	141,301.77
Candle	\$	251.00	
All Saint's Day	\$	940.05	
Thanksgiving		65.00	
Poverty Relief		125.00	
Retired Religious		800.00	
Offset cost of Missals	\$	35.00	
Donation - Mercy Meal	\$	225.00	
OLG Monthly Fee (Nov.)	\$	-29.00	
** Online included in totals	\$	1,845.28	
Envelopes Issued: Envelopes Returned: Offertory Average Gift:			593 242 (40.8%) \$ 37.44

Parish Debts/Arrears:

None