



Church of the Good Shepherd

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May 4, 2025— Third Sunday of Easter

LENTEN DINNER REPORT

All Dinners for 2025

Dine In: 2,494 Drive Thru: 2,732

2025 Total: 5,226

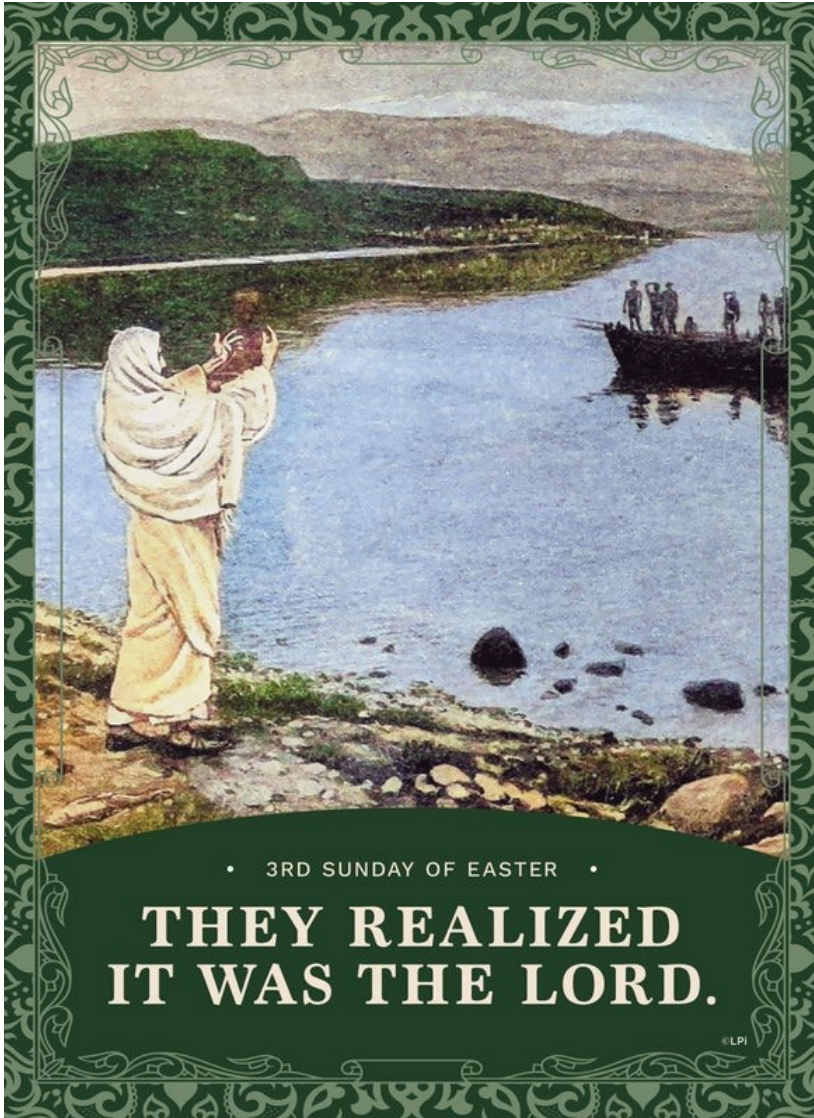
2024 Total: 5,202

**THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR 2025 LENTEN
DINNERS!!!**

FR. DINO'S "GOING HOME" RECEPTION:

To wish Fr. Dino the best on his journey home, there will be an Open House Reception on Sunday, June 1st from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Ss. Simon & Jude's Marian Hall. Please join us to give your regards to Fr. Dino for all he has done for our parishes.

FOOD NEEDED: We are asking parishioners to donate cookie/meat/cheese/cracker trays or individual bags of chips/pretzels for Fr. Dino's reception. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Phyllis Geletka will be handing out cookie boxes with instructions on May 24th/May 25th after mass. She will be gathering offerings on May 31/June 1 after mass. Your help is truly appreciated.



• 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER •

**THEY REALIZED
IT WAS THE LORD.**

Mass Schedule:

Good Shepherd, Kent:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Weekdays: 6:00 PM Monday

8:30 AM Tuesday/Thursday

(unless otherwise noted)

Ss. Simon & Jude, Blairsville:

Saturday: 4 PM; Sunday: 9 AM

Weekdays: 8 AM Mon/Wed/Fri

Office Hours:

Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri: 8 AM—2 PM

Wednesday-closed

Reconciliation:

Monday 5—6 PM during
Holy Hour, and by appointment.

To schedule Baptisms or
Weddings, please contact
the Parish Office.

Staff & Directory

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Masses and Candles — Week of 5/4/25

<u>Third Sunday of Easter</u>	
<i>Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30; Rv 5:11-14;</i> <i>Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14</i>	
Saturday, May 3	
6:00 PM	All the People of Good Shepherd Parish
Sunday, May 4	
11:00 AM	Cavalier/Phipps family by Don & Kathy Cavalier
Monday, May 5, Cinco de Mayo	
<i>Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119; Jn 6:22-29</i>	
5:00 PM	Holy Hour, Adoration
6:00 PM	Mary & Flossie Smith by Dick & Marie Dandois
Tuesday, May 6, Easter Weekday	
<i>Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31; Jn 6:30-35</i>	
8:30 AM	Joseph Egry by Patty & Tricia
Wednesday, May 7, Easter Weekday	
<i>Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66; Jn 6:35-40</i>	
NO MASS	
Thursday, May 8, Easter Weekday	
<i>Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66; Jn 6:44-51</i>	
8:30 AM	Doloris Yatzkanic by Husband Bob & Family
Friday, May 9, Easter Weekday	
<i>Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117; Jn 6:52-59</i>	
NO MASS	
Saturday, May 10, St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church	
<i>Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116; Jn 6:60-69</i>	
<u>Fourth Sunday of Easter</u>	
<i>Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30</i>	
6:00 PM	Joseph & Kathryn Mlinarich by Elaine Maudie
Sunday, May 11, Mother's Day	
11:00 AM	All the People of Good Shepherd

	Good Shepherd Candle is lit in memory of Ted & Julia Gordish by Ted & Virginia Gordish
	Good Shepherd Garden Candle is lit in memory of John A. Simko by Bernard & Betty Jo Rairie
	Blessed Mother Candle is lit in memory of Louise Marra & Jean Bonarrigo by Cathy & Nick Bonarrigo

From Fr. Dino's Desk


Third Sunday of Easter Reflection

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41, Psalm: 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13, Revelation 5:11-14, John 21:1-19.

Following Beyond Failure

Strict orders from the Sanhedrin did not deter the disciples from obeying “God rather than men.” Ever faithful to Jesus’ command to follow him, they even rejoiced that they were able to “suffer dishonor for the sake of the name.”

The Gospel hints at two failures: the fishermen coming back with no fish, Peter’s denial of Jesus before his death. Yet these failures became occasions for Jesus’ gift of abundance: a large catch of fish, a fuller love that would “glorify God.” Faithful discipleship is not measured by absence of failure, but by openness to obeying new commands from Jesus, recognition of God’s abundant gifts, and willingness to grow into new life.

	<u>Prayer Chain Updates</u>
	<u>Critical Prayer:</u> Ashley Layton as well as Layton, Yount, Blystone & Ryan families
	<u>For the Repose of the Soul of:</u>
Nathan Blystone	+ 26 April 2025
Elliana Ray Blystone	+ 26 April 2025
Daniel Ryan	+ 26 April 2025
Kenneth Arduini	+ 28 April 2025

Around the Diocese

Continue your REBOOT


On Wednesday, March 12, Chris Stefanick left all of us several "to do's" to keep our REBOOT moving forward. The Diocese of Greensburg has a method for supporting us in building and facilitating the small groups Chris challenged us to create. That method is the *Kerygma Discipleship Retreat*. At the Kerygma Discipleship Retreat, you will be encouraged to "love yourself" and will receive the tools to "frame your mind with faith" through opportunities of deep spiritual self-care. During this retreat, you will most definitely "make friends," and we give glory and "thanks - in all circumstances" - to God as we move through the weekend.

Many of you are sharing your experience from REBOOT with Chris Stefanick. Use the link below to find more information and register today to continue your REBOOT at our next Kerygma Discipleship Retreat!


<https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/kerygma-discipleship-retreat/>

Parish Stewardship

Weekly:	\$ 1,286.00
Monthly	\$ 235.00
Loose:	\$ 32.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 41.00
Mother's Day:	\$ 400.00
Father's Day:	\$ 60.00
Holy Thursday:	\$ 25.00
Easter:	\$ 410.00
Parish Improvements:	\$ 20.00
Online Giving:	\$196.00
Total Income:	\$ 2,745.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,242.83
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$1,497.83)
Fiscal Year-to-Date:	
Collected:	\$132,760.60
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$178,198.87
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$45,438.27)
Diocesan/Other Collections:	
Good Friday:	\$ 40.00


	
Total pledges/gifts received:	\$ 11,934.00
Percent of Diocesan Goal (\$ 23,606.00):	73.1%
Percent of Parish Goal (\$41,006.00):	42.1%
Participating Households - 2 (290):	15.9%
Average 2025 Parish Gift:	\$ 331.65
Average 2024 Parish Gift:	\$ 295.71

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 4th St., Indiana



Need a Mother's Day gift (or want to treat yourself) – Women's tops (white tags excluded) are only \$1 this week at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street in Indiana. Store hours are Monday thru Saturday 10am-2pm with donations accepted 10am-1pm at the back door (as space permits).

Please continue to watch for further information in the bulletin and on Facebook (@SVDPIndianaPa).
To request assistance from SVdP, please call the SVdP hotline at 724-471-2210



SAINT DAMIEN of MOLOKAI
 WITH DR. JAMES PROTHRO AND MARY MCGEEHAN
 SAINT FEAST DAY | MAY 10



St. Damien of Molokai | Catholic Saints

St. Damien was born in Belgium but spent most of his life ministering to lepers in Molokai, Hawaii. An incredible example of holiness, he dedicated his whole life to spreading the Gospel. Sit down with Dr. James Prothro and Mary McGeehan as they discuss the life and witness of this great saint.

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Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.

Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

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New Registration For:

- Good Shepherd
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Want Envelopes
- Endowment



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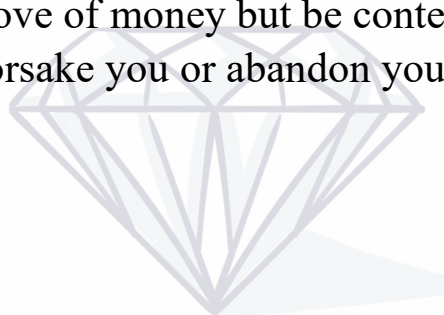
When Happiness Isn't Enough: A Story of Lost Diamonds

There was a farmer in Africa who was happy and content. He was happy because he was content. He was content because he was happy.

One day a wise man came to him and told him about the glory of diamonds and the power that goes along with them. The wise man said, "If you had a diamond the size of your thumb, you could have your own city. If you had a diamond the size of your fist, you could probably own your own country." And then he went away. That night the farmer couldn't sleep. He was unhappy and he was discontent. He was unhappy because he was discontent and discontent because he was unhappy. The next morning, he made arrangements to sell off his farm, took care of his family and went in search of diamonds. He looked all over Africa and couldn't find any. He looked all through Europe and couldn't find any. When he got to Spain, he was emotionally, physically and financially broke. He got so disheartened that he threw himself into the Barcelona River and committed suicide.

Back home, the person who had bought his farm was watering the camels at a stream that ran through the farm. Across the stream, the rays of the morning sun hit a stone and made it sparkle like a rainbow. He picked up the stone and put it in the living room. That afternoon the wise man came and saw the stone sparkling. He asked about the farmer. The new owner said, "No, why do you ask?" The wise man said, "Because that is a diamond. I recognize one when I see one." The man said, "no, that's just a stone I picked up from the stream. Come, I'll show you. There are many more." They went and picked some samples and sent them for analysis. Sure enough, the stones were diamonds. They found that the farm was indeed covered with acres and acres of diamonds.

Let your life be free from love of money but be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never forsake you or abandon you." (Hebrews 13:5 NABRE).



Faith Formation News

Vacation Bible School 2025:

Join us for summer fun around the Indiana Region! Vacation Bible School (for age 3 through 5th Grade) will be taking place at multiple location with varying themes throughout our area. Don't miss out on these opportunities for faith-filled summer fun for your kiddos!

All Vacation Bible School offerings will run from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Wed. - Fri., June 18-20 at SS. Simon & Jude focusing on The Saints.

Tues. - Fri., June 24 - 27 at Our Lady of the Assumption (Lucerne Site) focusing on Old Testament Heroes.

Tues. - Fri., July 8 - 11 at Holy Family, Seward, focusing on the Parables of Jesus.

Tues. - Fri., July 15 - 18 at St. Bernard School, Indiana focusing on the many titles of Mary.

Register for Vacation Bible School at:
<https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/2025-vacation-bible-school-permission-form/>

Nature Palooza 2025:

Be at Blue Spruce Park on Saturday, June 7 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM for Nature Palooza! The Catholic Parishes of Indiana and Seward will have a booth. Find us for faith-based natural crafts. This event is FREE to all! Bring a friend and enjoy the beauty God has surrounded us with in western PA!

Calling ALL Collectors of Rocks and Pinecones...
...or those looking to get rid of rocks and pinecones. We will graciously accept donations of rocks and pinecones for use during Nature Palooza.

Please do not present yourself at the Parish Office with a truck load of rocks (or pinecones). Anyone with donations is asked to contact Danielle Cribbs at 814-804-1336 to arrange delivery. Thank you!

Support VBS

Your support of our upcoming Vacation Bible School session is greatly appreciated. We are accepting donations of:

- Individually wrapped snacks (No Nuts Please)
- Small bottles of water or juice boxes
- Old greeting cards
- Seeds for planting

