

The Epiphany of Our Lord Parish

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Dear Parishioners,

Peace and blessings to you all!

It is with a grateful heart that I offer this year's annual report, *ThanksGIVING for Our Parish*. As we reflect on the blessings and growth of our faith community, we are reminded of Pope Leo XIV's inspiring call for every parish to recognize its vital role within the universal Church. Our parish is not simply a local gathering spot; it is a living part of the Body of Christ, united with the Holy Father and Catholics worldwide in mission, prayer, and service.

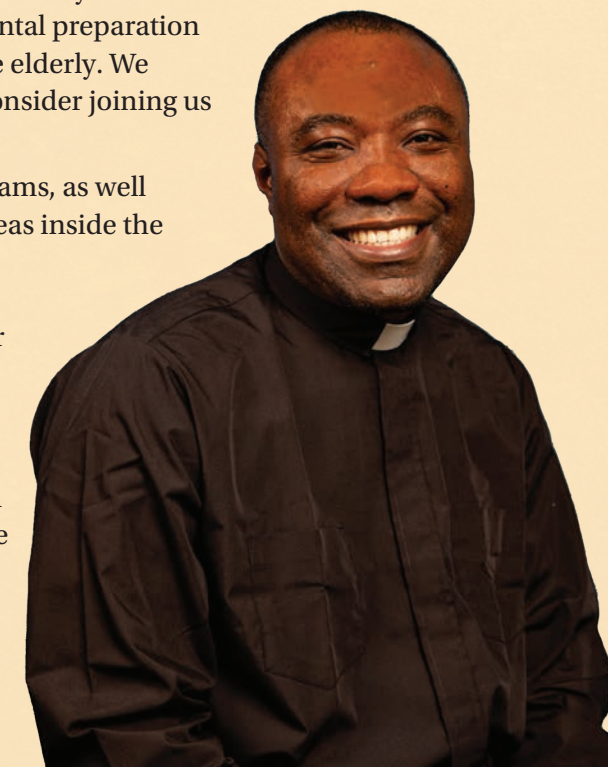
Bishop Larry J. Kulick has challenged us to build a strong and vibrant parish community that will flourish well into the future — rooted in faith, hope, and charity. Our parish has responded generously to this call by nurturing discipleship, deepening faith formation, and reaching out with Christ's love to those in need.

Through your prayers, time, and generosity, we continue to grow as a parish family united in Christ's mission. Our educational programs inspire the young, our sacramental preparation strengthens hearts, and our outreach ministers to the sick, the poor, and the elderly. We encourage you to explore the many ministries our parish has to offer and consider joining us in this joyful work. Your gifts are truly needed and welcomed!

Looking ahead, we are grateful for your support as we undertake new programs, as well as complete the roof project, including repairs in the vestibule and other areas inside the church, to continue to make The Epiphany of Our Lord Parish a welcoming presence for all who seek God's presence. For your convenience, a Giving QR Code is included to help you easily participate in online giving or make a year-end gift. Traditional offerings remain deeply appreciated as well.

Our parish is a blessing, not only to each other but also to the wider community and Church. Let us move forward together with thanksgiving in our hearts, confident that by strengthening our parish, we are answering the universal call to be a living witness of Christ's love in the world.

With gratitude and prayers,
Father Anthony Onoko, Pastor



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Annual Report 2025



Our Shepherds

His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, Supreme Pontiff of the Universal Church

Pope Leo XIV, elected in 2025 as the first American Pope, hails from Chicago. Before his election, he was Cardinal Robert Prevost. Known for his pastoral heart, theological clarity, and commitment to evangelization, Pope Leo brings a renewed focus to the vital role of the parish in the life of the universal Church. Pope Leo spent more than two decades in Peru, where he became a naturalized citizen and served as a missionary and Bishop. He is fluent in English, Spanish, Italian, French, and Portuguese, and also reads Latin and German.



The Most Reverend Larry J. Kulick, J.C.L., Bishop of Greensburg

Bishop Larry J. Kulick, J.C.L., is the sixth Bishop of Greensburg, having been appointed by Pope Francis on December 18, 2020, and consecrated on February 11, 2021. He is the first native Bishop of the Diocese, hailing from Leechburg. His episcopal motto is *Christus est veritas* ("Christ is the truth"), reflecting his deep devotion to truth rooted in the Gospel. He is steadfastly committed to strengthening and nurturing our parishes, ensuring they remain vibrant centers of faith and service for generations to come.

Father Anthony Onoko, Pastor



Father Anthony Onoko is from the Diocese of Ilorin in Kwara, which he calls the "middle belt" of Nigeria. He arrived in Greensburg in January 2020 and was installed as pastor of Saint Raymond of the Mountains Parish, Donegal, in 2021. While at Saint Raymond Parish, he also served as Chaplain at Frick Hospital in Mount Pleasant, and Harmon House and Amber House senior care facilities in Mount Pleasant. He was ordained a priest November 21, 2013. He served as a Secretary and Chancellor of his home diocese for four years. Bishop Ayo-Maria Atoyebi required all his secretaries to travel to gain missionary work experience. Although far from home, Father Anthony continues to share his smile, his song, and his joy in God's world. He is also Pastor of Saint Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon, and Saint John the Baptist Parish, Perryopolis.



Father Michael Thomas, O.S.B., Parochial Vicar

Father Michael Thomas serves as Parochial Vicar at The Epiphany of Our Lord Parish, Saint Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon, and Saint John the Baptist Parish, Perryopolis. Ordained in 2017, he was a Benedictine monk in New Jersey before coming to the Greensburg Diocese. Originally from the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese, he studied Social Studies Education and Biology at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He attended seminary at Seton Hall University in Newark, N.J., where he also earned a Master's degree in Special Education.



Giving With Gratitude

This is our Giving QR Code. By scanning it, you can easily enroll in online giving, make your first gift, increase your weekly offertory, make a year-end gift, or donate in honor of or in memory of someone you love.



Or, visit our website to make a donation: EOLParish.com and click on GIVE ONLINE at the top of the page. Of course, traditional check or cash donations are always deeply appreciated too. Mail your gift to The Epiphany of Our Lord Parish, 44 Pennsylvania Boulevard, Monessen, PA 15062.

Our Parish by the Numbers:

Registered Households
2025: 1,097
2024: 1,097
2023: 1,121

Baptisms
2025: 3
2024: 3
2023: 3

First Holy Communions
1

Confirmations
4

Weddings
2025: 2
2024: 2
2023: 1

Funerals
2025: 47
2024: 47
2023: 42

Households that Give
563

Households that Don't Give
534

A Call to Serve

We truly need your help to serve our parish family. Serving in one of the ministries at Mass serves God and allows you to share your talents with your parish family. Cantors are always needed to help lead the parish in praising God. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, readers, altar servers, ushers, greeters, or catechists — know that your ministry brings Christ's light to our community. Please prayerfully consider answering this call, and don't hesitate to reach out to the parish office — we're here to guide you through every step, including the clearance process, so you can share your gifts confidently and joyfully.



Ministries in Action

The Epiphany of Our Lord Parish recognizes that all our brothers and sisters in Christ may not be able to physically join us, but they are always remembered. Weekend and Holy Day Masses are livestreamed, sharing God's Word. Several times during the year, a Brown Bag Sunday is held where parishioners are invited to bring in various items to be shared with the less fortunate in the community. In August, we request school supplies, during Advent we promote the Angel Tree for children, and in February we request baby items. Through the year, there may be additional Brown Bag Sundays as the occasion warrants.

Our Prayer Shawl committee makes lap robes and items that are distributed to local hospitals and dialysis centers, and each year, they present a robe to a parishioner who has recently become homebound.

The Epiphany Ladies focus on spirituality and service throughout the year. In the winter, they deliver homemade soup to the homebound.

The Holy Name Society delivers fruit baskets to our shut-ins at Christmas.

Parish Financials

	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23
Offertory	\$ 314,619	\$ 339,031	\$ 335,438
Other Ordinary Income <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	5,626	5,457	4,480
Extraordinary Income <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	151,557	183,497	133,823
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	5,008	3,451	8,607
Other Non-Assessable Income <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)</i>	17,998	15,060	71,155
Special Collections	15,203	28,335	5,924
Total Income	\$ 510,011	\$ 574,831	\$ 559,427
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 99,196	\$ 93,841	\$ 94,844
Church	35,377	35,718	34,733
Rectory	7,285	3,918	4,619
Education and Ministry	87,620	85,462	82,933
General Expenses	266,078	225,104	240,837
Special Collections	11,789	29,035	4,287
Extraordinary Expenses *	57,391	100,509	110,388
Total Expenditures	564,736	573,587	572,641
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (54,725)	\$ 1,244	\$ (13,214)

* Includes additions to the Reserve Fund of \$14,500, \$77,000, and \$21,000 for FY25, FY24, and FY23, respectively.