

MAY 28, 2017
7th Sunday of Easter
THE FAITH COMMUNITY OF
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi is a Roman Catholic worshipping community, dedicated to ministering to our members and to the greater community in the image given to us by Jesus. This ministry is centered on the Sacraments and our Acts of Faith, Hope and Charity.



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Daily Mass Schedule at St. Francis of Assisi
Mon., Wed.; Thurs., Fri. – 8:00AM; Tues.–6:30PM;
Sat - 8:00AM

First Friday 8:00AM and 5:30 PM

Confession – Tues., 6:00PM, Sat. 3:15 – 3:45PM
First Friday 5:00PM

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday – 4:00PM / Sunday – 7:30AM / 9:30AM

Parish Secretary – Carol Pisula

Office Hours – 9:00AM to 3:00PM – Mon. thru Thurs

Parish Council President – Ryan Woodruff – 659-9781

Finance Council President - TBA

Cemetery Council President - William Heim – 254-2942

Director of Religious Education – Carol Pisula 254-1961

Baptism – Parents are expected to be registered members of the Parish and to attend a class for new parents in preparation for the Baptism of their child. It is encouraged that this be done prior to the birth of the child. Please call the Rectory to make early arrangements.

Reconciliation – The Sacrament of God’s merciful love and compassion is celebrated Tues at 6 PM and Sat 3:15 PM at St. Francis of Assisi. Communal Penance Services - Advent and Lent.

Anointing of the Sick Communal – Celebration 2nd Sunday of Advent and 3rd Sunday of Lent.

Marriage in accordance with Diocesan directives, arrangements must be made at least 9 months before the marriage date. All couples are required to attend Diocesan sponsored Pre-Cana sessions and to participate in the FOCCUS inventory. Call the Rectory for information and schedules.

Christian Initiation (RCIA) – Those who are interested in becoming Catholic, as well as those who are interested in learning more about their Catholic Faith, may call the Parish office for more information.

Parish Membership – We are always happy to welcome new parishioners. You may register at the Parish office. Registration, the practice of stewardship (the regular use of envelopes) and regular participation in the Eucharist Indicates active membership and eligibility to act as a Godparent or Sponsor. Your stewardship of time, treasure and talent is essential for the common good and provides a stable income for the Parish, enabling us to prepare a budget.

Ministry to the Sick - If you or someone you know are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive the Sacrament of Penance or Holy Eucharist please contact the Parish Office to schedule a visit.

First Friday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30AM – 5:30PM.



Remember -
our fallen heroes.
They are the reason
that we are free.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be celebrated at 10:00AM on Monday, May 29 at St. Francis Cemetery. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather Mass will be held in the Church.

PARISH OFFICE will be **CLOSED** Monday, May 29. Office will reopen on Tuesday, May 30.

WINNERS OF THE MEN'S CLUB MOTHER'S DAY TICKET - #131 – Elaine Lenz; #130 – Dolores Kralik; #132 – James Kiek. Thank you to all who supported this endeavor!

FIRST FRIDAY, JUNE 2 – Mass will be celebrated at 8:00AM followed by adoration until 3:00PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3:00PM concluding with Benediction. There will NOT be a 5:30PM Mass on June 2.

ROSARY SOCIETY will meet the first Monday of each month at 6:00PM in the Church with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Benediction and a reflection. Come & join us! The next meeting will take place on Monday, June 5.



CALLING ALL GRADUATES! – We will honor all those graduating from 8th Grade, High School and College at the 9:30AM Mass on Sunday, June 11. Please use the signup sheet located in the vestibule if you are able to attend or wish to be acknowledged.

GOB ICING will be made beginning at 7:00AM on Tuesday, June 13 and gobs will be filled on Wednesday, June 14 at 6:00PM. All help is greatly appreciated.

BRICK PAVING PROJECT – Please be aware that we have been in contact with Hilltop Nursery and have been assured that as soon as engraved bricks are received they will be placed. Thank you for your patience.

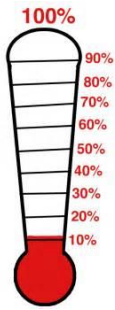
IF YOU WOULD LIKE to light a candle in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, please contact the Parish Office. The offering of \$3.00 may be placed in the candle money box at the rear of the Church.

SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn this week for Capt. Aaron Donahey by Dave & Fran King. **CANDLE BY OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN** will burn for the Good Health and God's Blessings for John Maggs, Jr. Family and Ray Toth Sr. and Jr. Families.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND: Loose - \$355.00; Adults - \$2,592.77; Children - \$30.00; Monthly - \$165.00; Candles - \$169.00; St. Vincent de Paul - \$15.00; Mother's Day - \$43.00; Missalettes - \$33.00; Holy Day - \$36.00; Pentecost - \$3.00. Total Collection - \$3,441.77. 172 out of 314 families used envelopes. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will take place Monday, July 9 through Friday, July 14 from 9:00AM until 12Noon at the Activity Center. **Registration forms are available in the vestibule.** This summer your children will embark on a discovery to hear the special mission God has for each one of them. Students explore marriage, the priesthood, religious life and missionaries during this energetic, Catholic Vocation Bible School! Exciting assemblies, creative art, fun games, terrific music, Catholic prayers, yummy snacks, remarkable role plays and more await your families. ***The next planning meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 30 at 3:00PM in the rectory office.***

UPCOMING EVENTS
 Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day Mass -10:00AM at St. Francis Cemetery (weather permitting), in case of inclement weather, Mass will be celebrated in the Church
 Monday, July 10 thru Friday, July 14 – Vacation Bible School
 Thursday, Sept. 28 & Fri., Sept. 29 – Trip to Basilica of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Lewiston, NY



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE (formerly known as the Annual Catholic Appeal) has now begun. While each parish is asked to achieve a “target” amount, unlike other years the parish will not be assessed if its target is not reached. *The target amount for St. Francis of Assisi is \$18,608.00 which breaks down to \$59.26 per family.* Contributions exceeding the target will be refunded to the parish. Total received as of May 14: 21 of 314 families contributed \$1,792.50 which is 9.5% of our goal.

Liturgical Reflection... The Priest or Deacon who assists at the celebration of Marriage receives the consent of the spouses in the name of the Church, and gives the blessing of the Church. The presence of the Church’s minister, and also of the witnesses, visibly expresses the fact that marriage is an ecclesial reality. Marriage is a state of life in the Church. Both the man and the woman are obliged to fulfill their nuptial promises within the Church community. Their married love will witness to the love of Christ for His Church. And their children will be witnesses to the great love of God for the spouses, the family, and the Church. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, Numbers 1630 and 1631). 2017, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648.

Stewardship Reflection... Christian stewards use all of their resources to glorify God.

Families and the Gospel... May 28 – John 17:1-11a – Jesus appointed Apostles, He also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; “make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don’t worry, I am with you always.”

REMINDER: Information for the bulletin must be submitted no later than NOON ON WEDNESDAY. Thank you for your cooperation.

FAITH DAY – sponsored by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Sunday, July 2 at DelGrosso’s Amusement Park in Tipton. Highlights include: Liturgy with Bishop Mark at 3:00PM, picnic with delicious DelGrosso’s Food, non-perishable food item or cash collection to benefit Catholic Charities, best DAJ Dessert Contest, Discounted All Day Fun Passes (available at www.dioceseaj.org/youthministry), free parking and admission (park opens at 11:30AM).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

James Edward Adams, Rose Blaschak, Galynn Brady, Sister Carol Jean Czynnik, Mary Davis, Joan Delusa, Stephen Fabina, LeAnn Golby, Alicia Junghans, Susan Keselyak, Scott Lanz (Godson of fr. Anthony Francis), Kathryn Legat, Larry Olek, Sophie Regula, Alexandra Rice, Carly Rice, Doug Rice, James Schuster, Mary Slezak, Bernadette Solomon, Joanna Stone, Carol Sobecky, Mary Subich, Leona Sutt, Agnes Swarney, Jeanne Toth, Irene Virus, and Agnes Warhul, Sheila Weppner.

SALUTE TO THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND A REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS

May God bless these brave men and women who serve God and Country.

Ensign Adam Guarno, USCG; **Master at Arms 2nd Class Izeke W. Pinkas**, Okinawa, Japan; **Lt. Col. Joshua P. Higgins**, US Army; **Petty Officer 1st Class Paul Rambish**, US Navy, Coronado Naval Base, San Diego; Major **Melinda Rován Corallo**, Lakenheath Air Force Base, England; **HMC David Bakos**, US Navy; **PFC Lance Corporal Jacob Taylor**, USMC; **Private 1st Class Zack Taylor**, US Army; **Trista L. Urban**, PFC, Army National Guard; **Jared N. Dull**, HM3, US Navy, Quantico, Va.; **Stefanie Kollar**, TSgt. Air Force, Hurlburt Field, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; **Fr. Don Fullerton**, USS Enterprise, **Airman 1st Class Maxwell Schutte**, F. E. Warren, Wy; **Sgt. Bryan Maxwell Porath**, **Captain Aaron Donahey**, US Army, Fort Benning, GA; **Petty Officer 1st Class Heather L. Dovala**, Great Lakes, IL.; **Spec Jarod Pisarchik**, Army National Guard; **Ens. Kara Yingling**, Pentagon; **Lt. JG Shannon Yingling**; **Pvt Daniel Maslo**, Camp Geiger, NC; **Airman 1st Class Devon Gilbert**, Tinker AFB, OK; **Senior Airman Daniel Christner**, USAF, 193rd Special Operations Wing; **Lt. Col Steven Thomas**, USAF, deploying to the Middle East; **2nd Lt. Colin Harrington**, US Army, Bethesda, MD; **2nd Lt. Ryan Powers**, USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC; **Airman 1st Class Anthony Rosage**, USAF; Fort Gordon, GA; **Tech Sgt. Daniel Bracken**, USAF, deployed to Kobal Afghanistan; **Adken Torchia**, US Army, Fort Benning, GA; **PVT. 1st Class Lucas Tomak**, US Army, Fort Hood, TX; **Lt. Kenneth Yacynych**, US Army, Afghanistan; **Cpl Elliott Mulvehill**, USMC, New River, NC.

To add a name to our Salute to those in the Military, please call 539-1632. If a person is no longer serving on active or reserve duty, please call the Parish Office to remove his/her name.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PRO LIFE VIGIL Every Thursday from 4:00PM - 5:00PM we hold a prayer vigil across from the Franklin Street Planned Parenthood facility here in Johnstown. For more information, call Gale at 539-0155.

RESURRECTION PARISH is having their 8th Annual Parish Summerfest on Sunday, June 11 at their Picnic Grove in Tanneryville. The festival will start at 10:30AM with an outdoor Mass and go until 9:00PM. Music: 1:00 – 4:00PM, Whiskey River Pan Handlers; 5:00-9:00PM, Flood City Brass. Ethnic Food: Roasted Lamb, homemade Haluski, Pierogi, Pigs, Pulled Pork, Kielbasa, Walking Taco, Grilled Chicken Salad, Hot Sausage, French Fries, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Funnel Cakes and Baked Goods. There will be games of chance, bar and much more.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH FESTIVAL, 609 Park Avenue, June 9, 10, 11. Come enjoy great food, basement sale, bake sale, bingo, games, theme baskets, craft and other booths. Fri. – June 9, 6:00 – 10:00PM; Sat., June 10, 5:00 – 10:00PM, Sun, June 11 – Noon – 6:00PM.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: Every 1st Friday there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30AM – 5:30PM. Our nation and the world needs our prayers. Come before Jesus in the Eucharist with our hopes and concerns.

Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for Us

***ALL LIVES MATTER – INSIDE THE WOMB
AND OUTSIDE THE WOMB.
IT'S NOT ABOUT A WOMAN'S RIGHT TO KILL HER BABY...
IT'S ABOUT HER BABY'S RIGHT TO BE BORN.***