

# JANUARY 26, 2014 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time THE FAITH COMMUNITIES OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI **AND**



# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Pastor - Fr. Anthony Francis Spilka, OFMConv Parochial Vicar - Fr. Steven Frenier, OFMConv.

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Daily Mass Schedule at St. Francis of Assisi

Mon / Wed / Thurs/ Fri / Sat - 8:00 AM; Tues. - 6:30

First Friday 8 AM and 5:30 PM

Confession - Tues., 6:00 PM, Sat. 3:15 - 3:45 PM

First Friday 5 PM

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday – 4:00 PM / Sunday – 7:30 AM / 10:00 AM

Parish Secretary – Carol Pisula
Office Hours - 9 AM to 3 PM - Monday thru Thursday

Parish Council President - Ryan Woodruff Finance Council President - William Heim

Cemetery Council President - William Heim

Music Minister - Gale Bala

Director of Religion Education - Carol Pisula 254-1961

Daily Mass Schedule at St. Michael the Archangel Monday and Friday - 9:00 AM

Confession - Saturday - 3:15 - 3:45 PM

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:30 PM / Sunday 8:45 AM

Parish Council President - Doug Puchko Finance Council - Rick Rambish / Len Vigna Marisa Williams

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 and at St. Michael's Sat at 3:15 PM. Communal Penance Services - Advent and Lent.

**Anointing of the Sick** Communal Celebration 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

#### NEWS FROM ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

**REST IN PEACE** - Please keep in your prayers the families of +*Matilda Piskura* and +*Glenn Dugan* who were buried last week. Welcoming God, receive from our hands the loved ones we return to you. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.* 

**THE MEN'S CLUB** – Valentine's Day Tickets are available from any member.

<u>CHILDREN'S BULLETINS</u> are once again available in the vestibule of the Church. Please take one home and share the Good News with your children!

**OUR NEXT FISH FRY** will take place on Friday, February 14 from 11AM until 7PM. Preparations will begin on Thursday, February 13 at 8:00AM. Donations of bottled water and soda are appreciated. Much help is needed and very much appreciated.

MARK YOU CALENDAR: MARDI GRAS – will be held on Saturday, March 1 in the Activity Center from 6:00PM until 11:00PM. Cost: \$25.00/couple, \$15.00/single. Admission includes appetizers, beer, soda (cash bar available), turkey dinner with all the fixings, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, jambalaya rice. Music provided by "Flood City Brass." Doors open at 5:15PM. Tickets are available in the vestibule of the Church or by calling the Parish Office at 539-1632.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH COUNCIL - Is asking for help from its Parishioners. In the hope of getting some feedback as to where we are as a Faith Community, as well as, set some goals for the future, we've prepared a survey. The survey identifies four areas of Parish Life: Worship, Education, Finance, and Evangelization. From the questions that are listed, we hope to learn what we do well as a Parish and learn what we need to do better. The data gathered will help us fully use our time, talent and treasure for our Parish's future needs and growth. When completing the survey, you may either add your name or remain anonymous. We hope to receive responses from Parishioners in all age groups, as well as those who have been lifelong Parish members and people who joined since the closing of the Cambria City Churches.. Completed surveys can be dropped in a box that is in the vestibule. You can find the surveys on the counter in the vestibule. The deadline is January 31, 2014. If you have any questions about the survey, see any Parish Council Member (Ryan Woodruff, Dolores Fatula, Joseph Fatula, Mike Grandinetti, Mary Frances King, Jeff Konieczny, Olivia Murphy, Cel Neiderer, Bill Oleksak, Jack Rovan, Cindy Shorto).

Light by Our Lady, Queen of Heaven will burn this week for Jeanne Toth by Children, Michelle, Ray Jr., and their families. The Sanctuary Light will burn this week for Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Society by St. Francis Rosary Society. Light by the Sacred Heart will burn in memory of Joseph Shander by Marie and Family.

<u>LAST WEEKEND'S CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PARISH</u> - Adults - \$2,127.91; Children - \$47.00; Misc. - \$696.66. Total: \$3,142.69. Adults used 223 of 391 envelopes issued. Children used 20 of 79 envelopes issued. Thank you for your continued generosity to the Parish.

World Day for Consecrated Life – Since 1997 the universal Church celebrates World Day for Consecrated Life close to the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, February 2. Next Sunday we will observe this day with special emphasis on the call to consecrated life in today's world.

Stewardship Reflection... May we answer Jesus' call as passionately as those first disciples. Our lives will never be the same again.

#### NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

<u>WE ARE IN NEED</u> of additional Lectors, particularly for the Sunday Masses. We are also in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This is a very beautiful ministry and certainly it demands a deep love for the Holy Eucharist. What a special way to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion to your brothers and sisters. If you are interested in assisting with these very important ministries, please drop your name in the collection basket or contact the Parish office for more information.

**SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH** is looking for several "ANGELS" to assist in the beautifying of the Sanctuary area (changing Altar Cloths, extra cleaning of candles, the extra added touch that gives Glory and Honor to God), and the general upkeep of the Sacristy. Please submit your name via the collection basket or call the Rectory at 539-1632 if you would like any further information.

**HELP NEEDED** - We are in need of a money counter one Sunday a month after 9:30AM Mass. If you can spare a little time we would greatly appreciate it. If interested please call Rick Rambish at 535-3490.

<u>LAST WEEKEND'S CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PARISH</u> - Total Collection: \$1,368.00. Adult envelopes: 71, children: 8. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish

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## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI & ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

FROM THE MINISTER PROVINCIAL – Due to unexpected changes in St. Anthony Province, and a critical new shortage of available Franciscan priests, Fr. Steven Frenier is being transferred to replace the pastor of one of our churches in Eastern Pennsylvania, effective the 1<sup>st</sup> of February. I very much regret that this will result in there being only priest, Fr. Anthony Francis Spilka, to serve both parishes of St. Francis and St. Michael. I have informed Bishop Mark Bartchak that we Franciscans do not anticipate being able to replace Fr. Steven. Thank for understanding this sad predicament. We are grateful for your good will and cooperation, and rely upon your continued prayers for new vocations to the priesthood and Franciscan way of life. Fr. James McCurry, OFMConv., Minister Provincial, St. Anthony Province

**JOIN US** - in saying "farewell and thank you" to Fr. Steven on Sat., Jan. 25 & Sun., Jan 26. A cake and coffee social with be held in the Activity Center after all the Masses next weekend in honor of Fr. Steven. Stop by and wish him well as he begins his new assignment.

**ATTENTION:** Due to Fr. Steven leaving the parishes, the Mass schedule will have to be adjusted. The new Mass schedule is as follows:

#### EFFECTIVE WEEKEND OF FEB. 1-2, 2014

Saturday – 4:00PM – St. Francis of Assisi Saturday – 5:30PM – St. Michael the Archangel Sunday – 7:30AM – St. Francis of Assisi Sunday – 8:45AM – St. Michael the Archangel Sunday – 10:00AM – St. Francis of Assisi Weekday Mass Schedule remains the same

Because of the change in the Mass schedule, the time of CCD Classes will change to 11:15AM until 12:15PM. Your cooperation and understanding during this time of transition is greatly appreciated.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

Leo Barczak, Helen Beck, Rose Blaschak, Pauline Boldin, Betty Boxler, Vincent Bremer, "Mary Chamiok, Jean Chase, Sister Carol Jean Czyrnik, Mary Davis, Stephen Fabina, LeAnn Golby, Alicia Junghans, Rick Keenan, Susan Keselyak, Donald Kohan, Robert Kovac, Anne, Kathryn Legat, Mary Liptak, Helen Malysko, Rosalie Marcinko, Jeri Miltenberger, Joseph Mirilovich, Marci Nickels, Josh Pavlosky, Karen Pinkas, Jim Popchak, Betty Rerko, Carly Rice, Doug Rice, Frances Sakmar, Robert Schiffhauer, Aurora Schrum, Thaddeus Schrum, James Schuster, Carol Sobecky, Anthony Sokolowski, Veronica Smith, Agnes Swarney, Rose Trapanotto, Emily Turkovich, Katherine Twardziak, Irene Virus, and Agnes Warhul.

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# 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.

HT2 Brandon Lamoureux, USN; Ensign Adam Guaro, USCG; Brandon Burdett, USMC; Capt. Glenn Joseph Lintz, US Navy, Carlisle PA; Master at Arms 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Izeke W. Pinkas, El Centro CA; SSgt. Joshua Petak, Army, National Guard; Lt. Col. Joshua P. Higgins, US Army; Petty Officer 1st Class Paul Rambish, US Navy, Coronado Naval Base, San Diego; PFC Ethan Serball, USMC, Cherry Point, NC; PFC Joseph Rivera, USMC; Ret. SMSgt. Michael A. Caddy, Captain Melinda Rovan, Kyrgystan Transfer Base; Lt. Gen. Raymond Palumbo, US Army; HMC David Bakos, US Navy; PFC; Lance Corporal Jacob Taylor, USMC; Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class Zack Taylor, US Army; Spc. Cody Holloway, US Army, Afghanistan; 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 1<sup>St</sup>. Class Maxwell Schutte, F. E. Warren, Wy; Sgt. Bryan Maxwell Porath, 1st<sup>d</sup> Lt Aaron Donahey, US Army, Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas; Spec Jacob T. Stone, Army National Guard, Austin, Texas; 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Petty Officer Heather L. Dovala, USS William P. Lawrence, DDG 110, San Diego, Ca., Pvt. 1<sup>st</sup>. Class Kegan Solomon, Camp Lejeune, NC; Spec Jarod Pisarchik, Army National Guard; Ens. Kara Yingling, USS Higgins; Lt. JG Shannon Yingling; Recruit Daniel Maslo, Parris Island

To add a name to our Salute to those in the Military, please call 539-1632.

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## **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.

**SS. GREOGORY & BARNABAS** – Altar & Rosary Society BINGO, Sunday, Jan. 26. Doors open at Noon. Bingo starts at 1:00PM. Cost: \$10.00 admission (9 cards for 20 games).

<u>CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION</u> – Sportsmen Raffle, Sat., Feb. 8. Doors open at 6:00PM, drawing begins at 6:30PM. Cost: \$10.00/ticket.

<u>ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA, WINDBER</u> – will hold a Rigatoni Dinner on Sunday, February 9 from 11:00AM – 2:00PM. Adults: \$8.00, children \$4.00. Takeouts are available.

<u>CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION</u> – Pierogi Sale – Orders due by Monday, Feb. 10. Cost: \$6.00/dozen. Call Pat Unger at 539-7351 or Irene Cristoff at 322-4915 to place an order. You will be called when your order is ready.

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</u> Councils 11308 & 10409 will host "Knights Pot O'Guns" Gun Bash, Sunday, March 16 at St. Andrew's Social Hall. Doors open at noon – drawing begins at 1:00PM. Donation of \$30.00 includes admission, food and beverage(s). There are 15 guns listed on the ticket to be chanced off. Please contact a Knight of Columbus to purchase a ticket.