

FEBRUARY 16, 2014 6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME THE FAITH COMMUNITIES

OF St. Francis of Assisi

AND

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



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Daily Mass Schedule at St. Francis of Assisi

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

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-

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Daily Mass Schedule at St. Michael the Archangel

Monday and Friday – 9:00 AM

Confession - Saturday - 5:15 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 5:15 PM. 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.

NEWS FROM ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

REST IN PEACE – please keep in your prayers the family and friends of +Dennis Altimore and +Joseph Mirilovich who were laid to rest last week. Welcoming God, receive from our hands the loved ones we return to you. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.*

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION – there will be a meeting of ALL Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Sunday, February 16 beginning with a Holy Hour at 1:00PM. The meeting will take place at 2:00PM. You may come anytime for adoration prior to the meeting.

<u>THERE IS A NEED</u> of additional Lectors. 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.

PARISH OFFICE – will be closed on Monday, February 17 in observance of President's Day.

MARK YOUR 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.

<u>THANK YOU</u> to those who continue to make donations to the poor box. Your generous contributions are used to help those in the area who are less fortunate.

<u>MEN'S CLUB</u> – thank you to the members of the Men's Club for the generous donations to help defray the cost of the children's Easter party and the Mardi Gras. May God Bless you for all that you do for the Parish. *fr. Anthony Francis*.

<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!

Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of MaryAnn Mayko by Family. *Light by the Sacred Heart* will burn in memory of +Stephen David by Stella David and daughters.

LAST WEEKEND'S CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PARISH - Adults - \$3,010.97; Children - \$46.00; Franciscan Seminary - \$688.87 Misc. - \$1,244.58. Total: \$5,342.82. Adults used 243 of 391 envelopes issued. Children used 31 of 79 envelopes issued. Thank you for your continued generosity to the Parish.

Stewardship Reflection... Christian stewards strive to be people of integrity. They practice their God-given gift of free will to choose right over wrong, good over evil.

Families and the Gospel...Mt 5:17-37 – To experience the peace which Christ promises we must shed our grudges, jealousy and feelings of being misunderstood, unappreciated or ignored. Peace and anger don't mix. Today's gospel warns, if you want peace in your heart and home, get rid of your anger. Anger is too costly.

NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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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. THIS IS THE LAST REQUEST!

<u>HELP NEEDED</u> - 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>A 7-DAY CANDLE</u> may burn below the image of Blessed Mother for a special intention(s). Please contact Carol at the office for your request. Please place a donation in an envelope with your name and intention and place it in the sacristy so that it may appear in the bulletin.

<u>LAST WEEKEND'S CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PARISH</u> - Total Collection: \$1,284.00. Adult envelopes: 75, children: 12. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI & ST. MICHAEL

ATTENTION STUDENTS IN GRADES 9, 10, 11 – The second Youth Leadership Program at Resurrection Parish will begin on Wednesday, February 12, and continue for eight Wednesdays at the Oratory, corner of 8th Avenue and Chestnut Street from 6:15 – 7:30PM. The eight session program will end on April 9 and graduation will be held on April 16. The program is open to all 9-12 grade students. For more information or to register for the program, please call Larry Olek at 536-1480. Students can talk with Nicholas Beblar, Joshua Straw, or Mycroft Boose, who graduated from the Fall program. They would be happy to share the value of the program. Youth Leadership is a program designed by Toastmasters International and sponsored free of charge to students by Johnstown Toastmasters.

<u>GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION RETREAT</u> – "Spirit Gifts and Parables/Beatitudes," will be held on Saturday, February 22, from 10:00AM until 5:30PM at Resurrection Church & Hall, corner of Chestnut Street and 4th Avenue. Please bring an item that is special to you and that you received as a gift. We'll want you to share the story of this gift with everyone else.

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, Baby Grayson Esposito, Stephen Fabina, LeAnn Golby, Alicia Junghans, , Susan Keselyak, Donald Kohan, Anne, Kathryn Legat, Mary Liptak, Helen Malysko, Rosalie Marcinko, Jeri Miltenberger, Marci Nickels, 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 .

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 Guaro, USCG; Brandon Burdett, USMC; Capt. Glenn Joseph Lintz, US Navy, Carlisle PA; Master at Arms 2nd 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 1st 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 1st. Class Maxwell Schutte, F. E. Warren, Wy; Sgt. Bryan Maxwell Porath, 1st^d Lt Aaron Donahey, US Army, Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas; Spec Jacob T. Stone, Army National Guard, Austin, Texas; 2nd Class Petty Officer Heather L. Dovala, USS William P. Lawrence, DDG 110, San Diego, Ca., Pvt. 1st. Class Kegan Solomon, Camp Lejeune, NC; Spec Jarod Pisarchik, Army National Guard; Ens. Kara Yingling, USS Higgins; Lt. JG Shannon Yingling; Pvt Daniel Maslo, Camp Geiger, NC

COMMUNITY NEWS

<u>PRO LIFE VIGIL</u> - 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.

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11066 at Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish will hold a PANCAKE BREAKFAST on Sunday, February 16 from 8:30AM to 12Noon in the Church Hall on 4th Avenue. Adults/\$5.00, children 12 and under/Free. Take outs available.

<u>INVITATION TO GOD'S LOVE AND MERCY</u> – On Monday, February 17th a catechesis for adults will begin at St. Therese Parish to help rediscover the treasures of Baptism. God created us to be happy and listening to the catechesis you can clearly see His loving plan for your life. This would be an excellent way to enter in this Lenten season. Sessions will be held Mondays & Thursdays at 7PM in the Church chapel through Lent.

<u>LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR</u> – There will be a Life in the Spirit Seminar on Saturday, March 22, 2014 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament from 8AM until 7:30PM. The seminar, which focuses on the power and presence of the Holy Spirit, will include dynamic spiritual teachings and testimonies by local priests and laypersons, celebration of Mass, praise & worship, a special presentation by Bishop Mark Bartchak, and small group faith sharing. Lunch and dinner is provided. Pre-registration is requested. Adults/\$25.00 (\$20.00 if registered by February 22), students are free of charge. All ages are welcome. To register, call 814-941-3832 or email tonycond@aol.com.