



May 11, 2014  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
**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; 8:00AM; Tues. –6:30 PM

Sat. 8:00AM; First Friday 8:00AM 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** –

**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 – 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 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

**PLEASE NOTE: the Daily Mass schedule will resume as follows: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 8:00AM. Tuesday at 6:30PM with the Novena to St. Anthony.**

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** the family and friends of +Stephen Dadey. Welcoming God, receive from our hands the loved ones we return to you.

**WE REJOICE IN THE BAPTISM** of Nalinia Lucinda Melgar-Istvan and congratulate her parents, godparents and family as they celebrate the beginning of her new life with Christ.

**FISH FRY** – THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all who contributed in any way to the success of the Lenten Fish Fries. Your hard work and dedication helped to realize a profit of \$22,325.71! May God continue to bless you for all of your efforts!

**MARDI GRAS** – The Mardi Gras committee would like to thank all who helped with the Mardi Gras. A profit of \$2,195.02 was gained from this event.

**CCD CLASSES** – will end on Sunday, May 11. A debt of gratitude to all who gave of their time to instruct our children in the Faith: Marlys Harrington, Olivia Murphy, Cecelia Neiderer, Alice Havers, Melanie Seback, Joe Seback, Allison Koch, Miriam Petak, Alexis LaBuda, Bill Stibich and Zachary Yonko.

**RICE BOWLS** – If you have not already done so, please return your Rice Bowl donations to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

**JOIN US** in celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood of Fr. Christian Oravec on Sunday, May 25. Fr. Christian will celebrate the 10:00AM Mass and be honored with a light reception in the Activity Center following the Mass. All invited to attend and congratulate him on this milestone.

**CASH BASH** has been scheduled for Saturday, June 7, 2014 from 6:00PM – 9:00PM in the Activity Center. Doors open at 5:15PM. Cost: \$12.00 includes roast beef sandwiches, hamburgers, hot dogs, pasta salad, beer, coffee and soda. \$100.00 cash prizes awarded every 15 minutes. Qualifiers, paddle tickets, pull tabs, basket chances. **TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE** in the vestibule of the Church before and after all the Masses or by calling the Parish Office.

**SAVE THE DATE** A bus trip is being planned for Friday, June 20, 2014 to Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA to see “Moses.” Cost of the trip which includes ticket to the afternoon show, dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord and bus is \$95.00. Please contact the Parish office if interested in attending. A deposit of \$50.00 is required when booking. The bus will depart from St. Francis parking lot a 7:00AM. A detailed itinerary is forthcoming.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn this week for +Stephen Dadey by Jim & Sue Ellen Dadey. **CANDLE BY THE BLESSED MOTHER** will burn in Thanksgiving by the Gabriel Project. **CANDLE BY THE SACRED HEART** will burn for +Rodger Walls who died this past week by Ray & Jeanne Toth.

**THANK YOU** to all who have participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal to date. Please join those who have already sent in their pledge cards by placing your gift in the collection basket. Thank you for your generous response!

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 27:** Adults: \$2,179.00; children: \$28.00; Easter: \$226.00; Monthly: \$46.00; Loose: \$272.00; Misc: \$531.51. **CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 4:** Adults: \$2,429.45; Children: \$33.00; Monthly: \$765.00; Rice Bowls: \$577.46; Franciscan Mission: \$219.01; Loose: \$435.05; Misc: \$942.57. Thank you for your continued generosity.

## NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

**PLEASE NOTE:** Daily Mass Schedule will resume as follows: Monday & Friday at 9:00AM

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn this week for +Steve Oleksa by Family. **THE CANDLE BY THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** will for +Hilary Schrum by Family.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH** for the week of April 20: \$3,551.00. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

**THANK YOU** to all who have participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal to date. Please join those who have already sent in their pledge cards by placing your gift in the collection basket. Thank you for your generous response!

**Attention:** Anyone interested in helping to plan a **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** at St. Francis of Assisi/St. Michael. If you enjoy working with children and are a practicing Catholic, we can use your skills as: Staff teacher/s to prepare religious educational lessons, prayers, and Bible stories. Aides are also needed to assist with activities, songs, and snack prep. The program would be held July 14 – 18 from 9:00AM until Noon in the Activity Center for ages 4 through grade 3. Call Cel Neiderer at 534-0602 or Carol Pisula at 539-1632 ASAP if you are interested.

**CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES** to our 1<sup>st</sup> Communicants of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Michael the Archangel Parishes! I am very proud to have been the Priest who gave you the Body and Blood of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, our Eucharistic Lord for the very first time. I pray that you will treasure this holy moment all of your lives and that you will always hunger for this Holy Food that strengthens us you on your Journey of Faith. May the Lord Bless You and Keep You always. *fr. Anthony Francis.*

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** – Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter or Good Shepherd Sunday, is a special day for everyone in our parish. We celebrate *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. We ask that we may be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit as we carry on the mission of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Let us pray for one another that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations as married and single people, priests, deacons, and religious. May our youth listen to God's call and be encouraged to respond generously.

*Liturgical Reflection...* In celebrating the cycle of Christ's mysteries, the Church honors with special love Mary, the Mother of God, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. In Mary the Church holds up and admires the most excellent effect of redemption and joyfully contemplates in her that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be. Mary is celebrated in the liturgical year as she leads us to the saving work of her Son. On this Mother's Day, we honor this most blessed of all women, the Mother of God. May God bless all mothers and grandmothers both living and deceased. Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Number 103; A Pastoral Commentary on *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, "The Liturgical Year," Joseph DeGrocco, pages 145-146, 2013. 2014, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, PA 16648.



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

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, Helen Malysko, Rosalie Marcinko, Jeri Miltenberger, Marci Nickels, Bernard Picklo, 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, Jeanne Toth, 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.*

**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 Rovon**, 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**, **1<sup>st</sup>d 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**; **Pvt Daniel Maslo**, Camp Geiger, NC

*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.

**RESURRECTION PARISH** is having an Indoor Flea Market, Saturday, May 17 at the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> Ave and Chestnut Street from 8AM to 2PM. Large variety of items. Baked goods and sandwiches will be available.

**CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION** – Turkey Dinner, Sunday, May 18 from 11AM – 2PM. Cost: \$9.00. Takeouts available. Call 535-2698.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** – St. Patrick Church, Park Ave., Sunday, May 18 from 11AM – 2PM. Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, roll, desert and beverage. Take outs available – 539-2186. Adults - \$6.00, children (10 & under) - \$4.00.

**SPAGHETTI DRIVE-BY** – Church of the Transfiguration, Sunday, May 25 from 10:30AM – 1:30PM. Cost: \$7.00.

**RESURRECTION PARISH PICNIC GROVE** rental dates available. It's not too early to start planning your important events. Grove can be rented for wedding receptions, showers, birthday parties, anniversary parties, graduation parties, reunions, etc. Call Joann at the Parish Office at 539-5788 for more details and to make your reservation.

