

July 6, 2014 14th 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; 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 - Lynn Rovan Cemetery Council President - William Heim Music Minister - Gale Bala

Director of Religion Education - Carol Pisula 254-1961

Weekday Schedule at St. Michael the Archangel Monday and Friday – 9:00 AM

Confession - Saturday - 5:15 PM

Comession - Saturday - 5.15 FW

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.

Annual Catholic Appeal Goal: \$24,795.00 As of June 30: \$8,519.00 was pledged for 23% of goal by 80 families NEWS FROM ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

A BIG THANK YOU to the Gob-makers for a very successful pre-4th of July Gob Sale.

ROSARY SOCIETY will meet on Sunday, July 6 at 2:00PM for Rosary and Benediction.

HEY MATES! Vacation Bible School will be held at St. Francis of Assisi, July 14 thru 18, 2014 in the Activity Center from 9:00AM until 12Noon. All teachers and aides are asked to attend the next planning meeting on Monday, July 7 at 6:30PM in the Activity Center. High school students looking to earn some service hours are invited to help with the Vacation Bible School.

OLD FASHION CHURCH PICNIC – St. Francis of Assisi Church along with its co-sponsor the Men's Club are planning an Old Fashion Church Picnic on Sunday, August 10, 2014 at the ACRP Recreation Park on Knox Street in Tanneryville from 11:00AM to 6:00PM. Fr. Anthony Francis will celebrate Mass at 12:00Noon at the Park Grounds. The luncheon meal will be served immediately following Mass. All food and beverages will be provided at no charge but we do ask that a small desert dish be brought to pass and share. There will be games for the children, watermelon-eating contest, along with bingo, music, corn hole, and so much more. However, to properly plan for this event we are requesting that if you are interested in attending our picnic that you please sign the attendance sheet provided at the entrance of the Church.

A HUGE THANK YOU is extended to Sandy Rager who coordinated the "best fish fry" in the West end of Johnstown for the past five years. What a spectacular job you did Sandy for which I am very grateful. Your absence will create a big hole in our fund raising events. We will truly miss you. And so: we are in a desperate need to find an individual who would be willing to coordinate future fish fries. If you are interested please contact the Rectory Office at 539-19632. *fr. Anthony Francis*

SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn this week for +Margaret "Peg" Dadey by Jim & Sue Ellen Dadey.

CCD CLASSES will begin again in September. Please watch the bulletin for information about registration and class schedule. Classes will once again be held at Resurrection Parish Center on Sunday morning.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND: Adults: \$3,293.01; Loose: \$325.65; Children: \$21.00; Candles: \$73.50; Mission Appeal: \$100.00; St. Vincent DePaul: \$600.55; Peter's Pence: \$395.65; Monthly: \$131.00; Misc.: \$660.06; Total Collection: \$5,600.42. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

Liturgical Reflection — Before people can come to the liturgy they must be called to Faith and to conversion. Faith is a great gift which allows the believer to profess belief in a loving God Who sent us His only Son, Jesus Christ. And once gathered at Mass, the Catholic believer professes that the liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed. At the same time the liturgy is the fount from which all the Church's power flows. The aim and object of apostolic works is that all who are made children of God by Faith and Baptism should come together to praise God in the midst of the Church, to take part in the sacrifice, and to eat the Lord's Supper. Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Numbers 9 and 10. 2014, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pa 16648.

Pace E Bene! Pax Tecum! Peace and All Good!

Annual Catholic Appeal Goal: \$9,503.00 As of June 30: \$2,855.00 was pledged for 24% of goal by 29 families – No change NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND: Total contribution: \$1,790.00. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

MATTHEW KELLY EVENT: "Living Your Faith with Passion and Purpose" sponsored by the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. An event you will want to experience. Internationally known speaker and author, Matthew Kelly, will be coming to St. Francis University on Saturday, September 27, to speak on "Living Your Faith with Passion and Purpose." This one day event has helped tens of thousands of Catholics around the world discover a passion and purpose for their lives to become a better version of themselves. It could do the same for you. It could very well be the event that can help you find what is missing in your life and faith. This may seem like a long way off, but tickets for this event sell out fast. To inquire or to register go to www.dioceseaj.org and click on the Matthew Kelly Event or you may call Sr. Linda LaMagna at 814-674-3712 to do a paper registration. Tickets are \$39.00 for adults and \$15.00 for teens and college students.

Stewardship Reflection...14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – "I will bless Your Name forever and ever" we hear on today's Psalms. A stewardship way of life blesses God with an attitude of gratitude.

Families and the Gospel...Mt 11:25-30 – Today's Gospel is about missionaries. As Jesus received a mission today, parents accept the mission of raising a family. Parents are not alone in this exhausting and difficult mission. Today Jesus tells us "Come to Me and I will give you rest."

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

I ask each of you (parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Michel the Archangel) to support this year's Appeal and to help our parish witness its unity in Christ with other Catholics throughout the Diocese. What is most important is that each one of us offers a gift at a level that is expresses our gratitude to God for blessings already received. The ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL is a vital part of the Catholic Church's mission in Central Pennsylvania. Through it we allow Catholic Charities, the Fulton County Catholic Mission, Family Life, Vocations, Religious Education, and Lay Ecclesial Ministry, and many others to bring the Good News that is Jesus Christ to all who turn to them. If you have not yet made a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please pick up a spare envelope in the vestibule of the Church. You may return it to the Parish office, place it in the collection basket, or mail it to the ACA office. 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. Thank you for your generous response!

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle.....

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, Kathryn Legat, Helen Malysko, Rosalie Marcinko, Jeri Miltenberger, Marci Nickels, Bernard Picklo, Karen Pinkas, Jim Popchak, Betty Rerko, Carly Rice, Doug Rice, Josephine Rovan, 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.

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

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

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.

FESTIVAL BIG BINGO – St. Anthony of Padua, Friday, July 11. Doors open at 5:00PM, Early Bird 6:15PM. Admission is \$39 to play up to 36 paper cards on all regular and special games! NO coupons permitted for this special Bingo. \$100 payout on all regular games & \$125 payout on 2 special games. FREE MEAL to all players in attendance.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH, Windber will hold their Annual Parish Festival on July 12 & 13.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy delicious Italian Food, funnel cakes, games, prizes, bake sale, children's corner and more. Hours of the Festival: Saturday – 5-11PM, Sunday – 4-10PM. \$1,500 cash drawing will be held on Sunday. Come and enjoy a funfilled weekend with your entire family.

- **ST. THERESE ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL** Thursday, July 17 thru Sunday, July 20 on Church grounds, Decker Avenue. Come enjoy rides, games, lamb, ethnic food and music. Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday from 11AM 3PM. Fireworks display on Sunday following Grand Prize Raffle.
- **ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP** meets the second Tuesday of each month at St. Clare Catholic Church. Rosary held at 6:30PM followed by Mass at 7:00PM. St. Pio Prayers and social afterwards. Everyone welcome.