

July 20, 2014 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time **THE FAITH COMMUNITIES**

OF

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

AND

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



Pastor - Fr. Anthony Francis Spilka, OFMConv St. Francis of Assisi **120 Barron Avenue** Johnstown PA 15906 Rectory Phone - 814-539-1632 Activity Center - 814 - 539-3518 Fax: 814 - 539-5888 Friar in Residence - Fr. James Smyka, OFMConv. 123 Barron Avenue Johnstown PA 15906 Phone - 814 - 533 - 6236 Email - sfassisich@atlanticbbn.net Oremus Ministry (Prayer Chain) - 814-539-1632 Web Site: http://www.stfrancisofassisijohnstown.com St. Michael the Archangel 180 Gilbert Street Johnstown PA 15906 Rectory Phone- 814-535-6277 Daily Mass Schedule at St. Francis of Assisi Weekday Schedule at St. Michael the Archangel Mon / Wed / Thurs/ Fri; 8:00AM; Tues. -6:30 PM Monday and Friday - 9:00 AM Sat. 8:00AM; First Friday 8:00AM and 5:30 PM 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

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 Rosary & Benediction - First Sunday of the month – 2PM Parish Secretary – Carol Pisula <u>Office Hours - 9 AM to 3 PM</u> - <u>Monday thru Thursday</u> 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

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 July 7: \$9,369.00 was pledged for 24% of goal by 83 families/342 households NEWS FROM ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

KUDOS GOES TO THE STAFF OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

An outstanding experience for our little ones was realized the week of July 14-18 in the Activity Center of St. Francis of Assisi Parish. 19 youngsters gathered each day to learn about God, the Bible, and to enjoy crafts, games, singing and snack-time. May God bless all the workers and aides for their dedication to God's little ones! Unless you were there you cannot imagine the joy and happiness of the youngsters as they encountered each activity. I was so impressed! *fr. Anthony Francis*

CONGRATULATIONS to Francis and Elizabeth Dukery who celebrated their 59th Wedding Anniversary on July 15. May God continue to bless you with many more years together.

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, watermeloneating 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.

DUE TO DEMAND there will be two GOB MAKING sessions this month. Icing will be made on Tuesday, July 22 at 8:00AM and gobs filled on Wednesday, July 23 at 6:00PM. Icing will also be made on Saturday, July 26 and gobs filled on Monday, July 28 at 6:00PM. Thank you in advance for your dedication to this project.

ATTENTION ALL fish fry workers of both St. Francis and St. Michael: You are cordially invited to a meeting on Wednesday, July 30, 2014 at 6:30PM at St. Francis of Assisi Activity Center. The "West End Famous Fish Fry" is not only a fund raiser but it provides a service to the Greater Johnstown Community. I like to think that it is a ministry of service to those who "hunger" for our fish and all the trappings. Please consider attending this important meeting. *fr. Anthony Francis*

CCD CLASSES will begin on **Sunday, September 7, 2014** for students in pre-school through 8th grade. Parents are reminded of their obligation to see that their children are instructed in the Faith. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church. They may be returned via the collection basket as soon as possible so that supplies may be ordered. Classes will once again be held at Resurrection Parish Center on Sunday morning.

SAVE THE DATE –Friday, Nov. 21, 2014 – We are planning a trip to see the Christmas Show at the American Music Theatre in Lancaster, PA. More details to follow.

SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn this week for Living and Deceased Members of the Rosary Society by the Rosary Society.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND: Adults: \$2,995.96; Loose: \$476.61; Children: \$31.00; Candles: \$80.25; St. Vincent DePaul: \$25.00; Monthly: \$44.00; Misc.: \$26.00; Total Collection: \$3,678.82. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

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

Annual Catholic Appeal Goal: \$9,503.00 As of July 7: \$4,525.00 was pledged for 28% of goal by 35 families/121 households NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers the family and friends of +Dorothy Spisak who was laid to rest last week. Welcoming God, received from our hands the loved ones we return to You.

HEY MATES! THANK YOU to all who helped in any way to contribute to the success of our first Vacation Bible School. The children were able to discover and learn what a treasure we have in our Faith.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND: Total contribution: \$1,294.00. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

CONFIRMATION FORMATION – Attention parents of children in grades 9, 10 & 11 both in public schools and Bishop McCort: Formation classes for Confirmation Preparation will begin on Sunday, September 14, 2014 at Resurrection Oratory and Parish Center. All students in grade 9 need to register by contacting Mrs. Marcy Olek at Resurrection Parish, 536-1480.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM – Students in grade 9-12: The Youth Leadership Program invites you to participate. WHEN: Wednesdays, beginning on September 17 at Resurrection Oratory. To register call Larry Olek, 536-1480.

BISHOP MARK BARTCHAK and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th and 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2014 (and their families) to attend the Annual Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, Sept. 14 in Altoona at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, Sept. 21 in Johnstown at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2PM. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Punch and cookies will be available after the Mass for anniversary couples and their families. **Reservations must be made through the parish office no later than Tuesday, Aug. 26.**

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

I ask each of you (parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Michael 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; Sgt. Anthony Urban, 252 Engineer, National Guard, Afghanistan.

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.

ST. THERESE ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL – continues from 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.

BISHOP MCCORT ALL SCHOOL REUNION – Fri., July 25 at PNG Park from 5PM-10PM, Sat.; July 26 – Duranko-Seidel Golf Outing 1PM Shotgun start at Tom' Run, Chestnut Ridge Golf Resort; Sun, July 27 – Alumni Mass at Noon, Visitation Church, Brunch to follow in BMCH Cafeteria. Brunch by RSVP only at 814-248-3885.

RESURRECTION PARISH is sponsoring Groovin' at the Grove on Saturday, July 26 from 6PM to 9PM at their Picnic Grove in Tanneryville. Music by FULL KILT – rain or shine – no admission fee, free parking. Good music with food and drink.

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.