

**MAY 22, 2016**  
**Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity**  
**THE FAITH COMMUNITY OF**  
**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

*Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi is a Roman Catholic worshipping community, dedicated to ministering to our members and to the greater community in the image given to us by Jesus. This ministry is centered on the Sacraments and our Acts of Faith, Hope and Charity.*



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**Daily Mass Schedule at St. Francis of Assisi**  
Mon., Wed.; Thurs., Fri. – 8:00AM; Tues.–6:30PM;  
Sat - 8:00AM

First Friday 8:00AM and 5:30 PM

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

First Friday 5:00PM

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday – 4:00PM / Sunday – 7:30AM / 9:30AM

**Parish Secretary – Carol Pisula**

**Office Hours – 9:00AM to 3:00PM – Mon. thru Thurs**

**Parish Council President – Ryan Woodruff – 659-9781**

**Finance Council President – Robert Bimeal – 536-5114**

**Cemetery Council President - William Heim – 254-2942**

**Director of Religious 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. 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.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 3** is the First Friday of the month. *Adoration will begin after the 8:00AM Mass and continue until 3:00PM. Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3:00PM followed by Benediction. There will NOT be Confession at 5:00PM and NO MASS at 5:30PM.* Signup sheets are in the vestibule of the Church. There should be at least two adorers present for each time slot. (This is also a matter of safety for the Blessed Sacrament – adorers adore and protect.)

**GOB ICING** – Help is needed to make Gob icing on Monday, May 23 and Tuesday, May 24 beginning at 7:00AM. Gobs will be packed on Wednesday, May 25 at 6:00PM. All help is greatly appreciated.

**WINNERS OF THE MEN'S CLUB MOTHER'S DAY TICKET:** #277 - \$300.00 – Dorothy Gibson; #276 - \$100.00 – Gene Gibson; #275 - \$100.00 – Jeanne Toth. Thank you to all for your continued support.

**PARISH OFFICE** will be CLOSED on Monday, May 30 for the Memorial Day Holiday.

**WE WILL HONOR** our graduates from 8<sup>th</sup> grade, High School and college at the 9:30AM Mass on Sunday, June 12. Please use the signup sheet in the vestibule if you are planning to attend or wish to be acknowledged even if not attending the Mass in honor of graduates.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** has been scheduled for Monday, July 11 through Friday, July 15. Registration forms are now available in the vestibule.



15. Registration

**MEMORIAL DAY** Mass will be celebrated at 10:00AM at St. Francis Cemetery. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather Mass will be held in the Church.

**GOB SALE** – Saturday, May 28 from 9:00AM until 12Noon just in time for your Memorial Day Picnic!

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn this week for Living & Deceased of the Rosary Society by Rosary Society. **CANDLE BY OUR LADY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN** will burn for John Joseph Blasko by Raymond & Jeanne Toth.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND:** Loose - \$399.00; Adults - \$2,438.00; Children - \$24.00; Monthly - \$185.00; Candles - \$97.38; Missalettes - \$19.00; Mother's Day - \$25.00; Holy Day - \$25.00; Pentecost - \$112.00. Total Collection - \$3,324.38. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

**THANK YOU** to all who have participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal. As of May 16, \$8,599.00 was pledged toward our goal of \$23,864.00 with 72 of 328 families contributing (22% participation). If you do not have a pledge card, you may place your gift (made payable to "Annual Catholic Appeal") in the collection basket, or you may make an online gift at [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org).

**PIE SALE** – We are now taking orders for a Pie Sale to be held in June. The pies are prepared by The Pie Shoppe in Laughlintown, PA. They are also offering Cinnamon Rolls, Pumpkin Rolls and Snails in addition to pies. Order forms were included with the bulletin last week and additional forms are available in the vestibule or by contacting the Parish Office. Order forms **along with payment** are due in the Parish Office Monday, June 13 (NO ORDERS ACCEPTED after June 13). Orders may be dropped in the collection basket at all Masses. Pies may be picked up at the Activity Center on Thursday, June 23 from 11:00AM until 6:00PM. Plan to take part in this "easy as pie" fundraiser!



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 23 – Gob Icing – 7:00AM  
Tuesday, May 24 – Gob Icing – 7:00AM  
Wednesday, May 25 – Pack Gobs – 6:00PM  
Saturday, May 28 – Gob Sale – 9:00AM – 12Noon  
Monday, May 30 – Memorial Day – Mass – 10:00AM – St. Francis Cemetery (weather permitting)  
Sunday, June 12 – Graduate Recognition Mass – 9:30AM  
Thursday, June 23 – Pie Pick up – 11:00AM until 6:00PM  
Monday, July 11 thru Friday, July 15 – Vacation Bible School



*Liturgical Reflection...* Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Our Trinitarian God is passionately relational. As the Father is intimately connected to the Son and the Spirit is in close relationship with the Father and the Son, so the Baptized enjoy a deep and life-giving relationship with our Triune God. At Baptism we entered into relationship with God and with each other. God has revealed the redeeming gift of His mercy. From the core of the Trinity comes Divine Mercy. And we share that compassionate mercy with others. This Jubilee year is a call to celebrate God's mercy to us with others. We do so in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, PA 16648.*

*Stewardship Reflection...* A lifestyle of stewardship includes the sharing of time, talent, and treasure as much as you can whenever you can according to the allotment given to you by the Father, Son and Spirit.

*Families and the Gospel* – May 22 – John 16:12-15 – The Words of Jesus in today's Gospel, "I have many things to say to you, but you cannot hear them now," could have been said by any parent. It can be frustrating because our desire to guide is often misinterpreted or poorly received. We cannot program our children. We can only teach, lead and trust the Spirit of Truth will guide them.

**OUTDOOR SUMMER MASSES** – Fr. John D. Byrnes, Rector, and the Parish Family of St. Michael the Archangel Basilica, Loretto, invite the faithful to join us each Sunday at 7:00PM for the outdoor Sunday Mass at the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. The first Mass of the season will be celebrated on Sunday, May 29, 2016, and will continue through Labor Day Weekend, September 4, 2016. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be held on the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

**ST. FRANCIS CHURCH GABRIEL PROJECT** Pro Life Catholic Outreach Ministry: "Bring Your Own Stuff Garage Sale!" St. Francis Church Activity Hall. Earn Some Extra Summer Cash and Help Our Babies too! Saturday, June 4, 2016, 8am-1pm; rent a Table for \$15, profits are yours, public vendors are welcome! Set up Day is Friday June 3, 2016; plus 1 Vendor will have a chance to win a \$15 Sheetz Gift Card on Sale Day! Call Stephanie, Gabriel Project Coordinator at 814-254-2211 - Tables Rent Fast! Food /Drinks will also be sold; there will also be an in *The Tribune Democrat!* Free Parking, No Steps!

**NEEDED:** A ride to Mass on Sunday morning. If you are willing to help by giving someone a ride from Stone St. to Mass on Sunday morning please contact the Parish Office.

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

Bill Babik, Rose Blaschak, Sister Carol Jean Czynnik, Mary Davis, Joan Delusa, Stephen Fabina, LeAnn Golby, Alicia Junghans, Susan Keselyak, Kathryn Legat, Helen Malysko, Nilay Parekh (Bishop McCort High School), Sophie Regula, Carly Rice, Doug Rice, James Schuster, Joanna Stone, Carol Sobecky, Leona Sutt, Agnes Swarney, Jeanne Toth, Rose Trapanotto, 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; **Master at Arms 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Izeke W. Pinkas**, Okinawa, Japan; **Lt. Col. Joshua P. Higgins**, US Army; **Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Paul Rambish**, US Navy, Coronado Naval Base, San Diego; **Ret. SMSgt. Michael A. Caddy**, Major **Melinda Rovon Corallo**, Lakenheath Air Force Base, England; **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**, **Captain Aaron Donahey**, US Army, Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas; **Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Heather L. Dovala**, Bahrain.; **Spec Jarod Pisarchik**, Army National Guard; **Ens. Kara Yingling**, USS Higgins; **Lt. JG Shannon Yingling**; **Pvt Daniel Maslo**, Camp Geiger, NC; **Airman Devon Gilbert**, Tinker AFB, OK; **Senior Airman Daniel Christner**, USAF, 193<sup>rd</sup> Special Operations Wing; Deployed; **Lt. Col Steven Thomas**, USAF, deploying to the Middle East; **2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Colin Harrington**, US Army, Bethesda, MD; **2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Ryan Powers**, USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC; **Anthony Rosage**, USAF, The Presidio, Monterey, CA.

*To add a name to our Salute to those in the Military, please call 539-1632. If a person is no longer serving on active or reserve duty, please call the Parish Office to remove his/her name.*

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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.

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, PORTAGE, FIRST ANNUAL WINE TASTING EVENT** – Saturday, June 4 from 7PM – 10PM in the Parish Social Hall at 509 Caldwell Ave., Portage. Wine tasting, sales, food and merchandise. \$20 ticket includes wine bag and wine

glass and food. \$10 ticket for designated driver. Must be 21 years of age or older. Valid ID required. No outside coolers, food or alcohol permitted. No refunds. For tickets and more information please contact Janet at 487-5106.

**ST. CLARE OF ASSISI FESTIVAL:** Woodvale, will hold its annual festival June 4 & 5. Hours on Saturday are from 5PM until 10PM and Sunday from Noon until 10PM. A spaghetti dinner will be served Sunday beginning at 11AM until 5PM. This festival features live music, Church tours, outdoor kitchen, Italian cookies and Frita Pitas, basket raffles, a \$1,000.00 drawing Sunday night, and much more.

**RESURRECTION PARISH** – 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Summerfest on Sunday, June 12 at the Picnic Grove in Tanneryville. The festival will begin with Mass at 10:30AM and conclude at 9:00PM. Music: 1PM-4PM – Ribbon Grass; 5PM – 9PM – Flood City Brass. Ethnic food, roasted lamb, bake sale, bar. There will be games of chance and much more.

**FAITH DAY** at DelGrosso's Amusement Park, Sunday, June 26. Sponsored by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. All day Ride and Slide pass available for a reduced rate of \$20 (a \$29.95 value) with Diocesan vouchers from the Parish Office. Liturgy with Bishop Mark at 3PM, Diocesan picnic at 5PM in Pavilion #2. All meal tickets must be pre-ordered and may be purchased at the Parish Office or from the Youth Ministry Office – 814-317-2646.