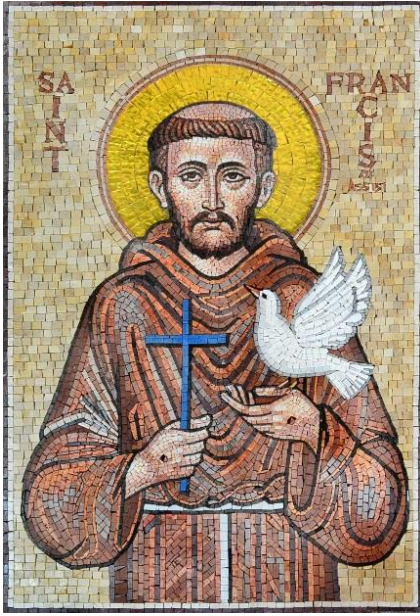


**June 30, 2019**  
*13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
**THE FAITH COMMUNITY OF**  
**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

*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.*

**Pastor – Fr. Anthony Francis Spilka, OFMConv.; Permanent Deacon Bruce Becker**



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**Daily Mass Schedule at St. Francis of Assisi**

Schedule – Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. -9:00AM; Tues. 6:15PM;  
Sat - 9:00AM

First Friday 9:00AM and 5:30 PM

**Confession** – Tues., 5:45PM, 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** – Brian Mayko

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

**Director of Religious Education** – Carol Pisula 539-1632

**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.

**First Friday** – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30AM – 5:30PM.

**Rosary Society** – First Monday of the month at 6:00PM. Recitation of the Rosary, Reflection, Benediction.

**Men’s Club** – First Thursday of the month at 7:00PM.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – “Who is my neighbor”** will be held Monday, July 15 thru Friday July 19 from 9:00AM until Noon at the Activity Center. The next planning meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 3 at 1:00PM in the Parish Office. All those interested in assisting with Vacation Bible School are encouraged to attend. Please contact the Parish Office for more information. *Registration forms are now available in the vestibule. Please note: children do not have to attend each day to benefit from VBS. Parents/guardians are asked to please provide a clean white T-shirt for each child. Shirts should be placed in the basket provided in the vestibule.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Rosary Society will NOT meet on Monday, July 1 nor will there be Adoration of Blessed Sacrament on First Friday, July 5.

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed on Thursday, July 4 as well as Friday, July 5.

**MISSION APPEAL** will take place next weekend, July 6 & 7. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, August 4 – St. Francis Annual Parish Picnic** will take place at Lorain Boro Park, 503 Green Valley Street, 11:00AM – 6:00PM. Mass will be celebrated at 12Noon. Come for food, fun and fellowship and enjoy an old family Church picnic. Children’s games, Bingo, watermelon eating contest and much more. Food and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dessert to pass and share.



**CONGRATULATIONS, BEST WISHES AND GOD’S SPECIAL BLESSINGS** to all recent graduates on the various educational levels! Good luck on your future endeavors.



**THE PARISH COUNCIL** of St. Francis of Assisi Parish held elections on Thursday, June 20, 2019. Our deepest thanks to Ryan Woodruff for his dedicated service as President of the Parish Council for the past few years and for Jeff Konieczny for his service as Vice-President. Gary Woodruff was elected the new President. Congratulations and best wishes! Diane Shoup was elected the new Vice-President. Joyce Smith was re-elected as Secretary of the Parish Council. Thank you for your continued dedicated service.

**GREAT JOB** to all those donating food for St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen. At the end of May we have a total of 1,048, which is more than half a ton. For the month of May alone, there was 153 pounds donated. This act of kindness makes the world a better place. God Bless you!

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn this week for Joe & Paulette Torchia in Thanksgiving for their 56<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. **CANDLE BY OUR LADY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN** will burn this week for the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance of +Mary Cononie by Joe & Paulette Torchia. **CANDLE BY THE SACRED HEART** will burn for +Vincent E. Petak by Jim & Sue Ellen Dadey.

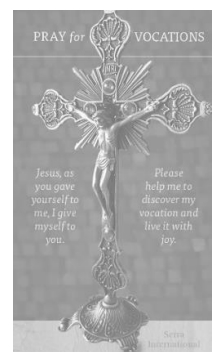
**THE ST. FRANCIS GABRIEL PROJECT** Pro-life ministry is currently serving more than 50 babies and their families. During the summer, donations often lag behind our needs. Diapers of any size are always needed. Bibs, socks size 0-3 months, and baby wipes are also in short supply. Any help would be greatly appreciated. For information please call Gala Bala, Volunteer Coordinator at 539-0155. *\*\*Please note: we can no longer accept used ink cartridges.*

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH JUNE 16:** Loose - \$322.00; Adults - \$2,244.52; Children - \$15.00; Monthly - \$10.00; Father’s Day - \$431.00; Candles - \$120.50; St. Vincent de Paul - \$55.00; Ascension - \$1.00; Donation - \$10.00; Misc. - \$300.00. Total Collection - \$3,509.02. **CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PARISH JUNE 23:** Loose - \$406.00; Adults - \$2,445.27; Children - \$17.00; Monthly - \$56.00; Father’s Day - \$60.00; Candles - \$93.50; St. Vincent de Paul - \$25.00; Holy Day - \$5.00; Pentecost - \$10.00; Catholic Communication - \$10.00; Donation - \$10.00. Total Collection - \$3,137.77. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE** - Thank you to all parishioners who have responded to the Catholic Ministries Drive. Please join them in supporting our parish and a select group of ministries that provide outreach to the poor, family life, youth and seminarians. On behalf of these vital ministries thank you for your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure. All gifts received beyond our parish target amount of \$19,977.00 will be returned to the parish. *As of April 30, 2019: \$3,810.00 has been received toward our target amount. Please note again: 100% of your gift goes to these ministries!*

**VOCATION CRUCIFIX**- A special Crucifix that travels from family to family or household to household ordinarily for 1 week to inspire prayer for vocations is available here at St. Francis of Assisi. The purpose of the Traveling Vocations Crucifix is to intercede for vocations and encourage children to consider a Priestly or Religious vocation themselves. The Crucifix represents the sacrifice Jesus made for us by dying on the Cross. Enthroned in a highly visible place in your home and pray together once each day for vocations. You may use the prayers included with the Crucifix, or substitute them with the Rosary or another simple prayer (such as the Our Father, Hail Mary, or the Glory Be). Each week the Crucifix travels to a new family or household.

The Traveling Vocations Crucifix is a wonderful way to unite Parishes in perpetual prayer for more Priestly and Religious vocations. If you or your family are interested in taking part in the Traveling Vocations Crucifix program,



please contact the Parish Office at 539-1632. *The case with the Vocation Crucifix is now located in the main vestibule for the taking. Please sign the signup sheet so that we are aware of where the Vocation Crucifix is located.*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, July 15 thru Friday, July 19 – Vacation Bible School – 9:00AM – Noon  
Sunday, August 4 – St. Francis Annual Parish Picnic – Lorain Boro Park

*Stewardship Reflection...* In today's Gospel, two disciples agreed to follow Jesus, but only on the condition that they first take care of what they needed to do. They claimed that they had more important matters. May we remember that Jesus calls us to deepen our bond with God by sharing our time and talent with all families in the community, not only our own.

*Families and the Gospel...* In today's Gospel Jesus left for Jerusalem. This was dangerous and His friends could not prevent Him because He was "resolutely determined." Family life is a series of leaving – letting-go for school, jobs, marriage and finally in death. We are able to let-go because we believe and anticipate we will be reunited again.

**FISH FRY - WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF CHAIRPERSON(S) TO OVERSEE THE FISH FRY!** Be part of your St. Francis Fish Fries. You are welcome to contact the Parish Office with any questions or concerns. **PLEASE NOTE: the time schedule for completing tasks associated with the Fish Fry is flexible and can be adjusted to suit the volunteer's availability. Afternoon and evening hours will be considered and determined by the response received.** We need YOUR commitment to be a part of our team so that a schedule can be put together.



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

James Edward Adams; Rose Blaschak, Galynn Brady, Sister Carol Jean Czynnik, Joan Delusa, LeAnn Golby, Alicia Junghans, Kathryn Legat, Tyler McKinley, Rick McKinley, Ron Petak, Rowen Ream, Alexandra Rice, Carly Rice, Doug Rice, Rose Rice, James Schuster, Mary Slezak, Betty Spisak, Joanna Stone, Carol Sobacky, Leona Sutt, Agnes Swarney, Jeanne Toth, Irene Virus, and Sheila Weppner.

### 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 Guarno, USCG; Master at Arms 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Izeke W. Pinkas, Fallon, NV; Lt. Col. Joshua P. Higgins, US Army; Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Paul Rambish, US Navy, Coronado Naval Base, San Diego; Major Melinda Rovon Corallo, Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, NV; HMC David Bakos, US Navy; PFC; Lance Corporal Jacob Taylor, USMC; Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class Zack Taylor, US Army; 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 Stewart, GA; Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Heather L. Dovala, Great Lakes, IL.; Sgt. Jarod Pisarchik, Army National Guard; Ens. Kara Yingling, Pentagon; Lt. JG Shannon Yingling; Senior Airman Devon Gilbert, Tinker AFB, OK; Senior Airman Daniel Christner, USAF, 193<sup>rd</sup> Special Operations Wing; 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; Senior Airman Anthony Rosage, USAF; Fort Gordon, GA; Tech Sgt. Daniel Bracken, USAF, deployed to Kobal Afghanistan; Spc. Adken Torchia, US Army, Fort Drum, NY; Sgt. Lucas Tomak, US Army, Fort Hood, TX; Lt. Kenneth Yacynych, US Army, Fort Lewis, WA; Cpl Elliott Mulvehill, USMC, New River, NC.; Senior Airman Jeremy Williams, Kandahar Air Base, Afghanistan; Kasey Meredith, O.C.S., USMC, Quantico, VA.; Pvt. Harrison Barham, US Army, Fort Leonard, MO.**  
*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.*

**A PRAYER FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY:** Heavenly Father, inspire those who are overseas for the cause of peace. Send Your Son, Jesus Christ, as the Prince of Peace. Bless the men and women of our military who respond to the needs of peacekeeping. Keep them safe from harm. Let them be models of discipline and courage, and bring them home safely to their loved ones. We ask this in Your Name. Amen.

### 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. ANTHONY OF PADUA WINDBER** – Annual Festival, Saturday, July 13 from 5-11PM, Sunday, July 14 from 3-9PM. Ethnic foods, games, baskets, music & more!

**ANOINTING MASS** – St. John Gualbert Cathedral, Sunday, July 14 at 1:30PM. This Mass satisfies the Sunday Obligation.

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI:** Connect with your Creator, Redeemer, and Spiritual Guide in a stress free environment at the Eucharistic Adoration every First Friday of the month from 9:30AM until 5:30PM at St. Francis of Assisi Church. It is important that each ½ hour or hour have two adorers to adore and protect the Blessed Sacrament. PLEASE SIGN UP on the schedule of times provided in the Main

Vestibule. The needs of our World, our Nation, our City, our Parish and the Dioceses of the Commonwealth of PA are many. Bring them to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. **NOTE: There will NOT Adoration in July.**