

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Mary Jane Jurofcik *High School Ministry*

Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6:00 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass Schedule: Refer to bulletin

Weekday Mass Schedule: Monday - Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Daily: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism is celebrated any
Sunday at 12:15 p.m. Parents are required to
attend a Preparation Class prior to the Baptism.

Sick Calls: Notify the Rectory for hospital visits
or Communion to the sick or shut-ins.

Bulletin deadline: Monday at Noon

Child Abuse Line: 1-888-808-1235

A Family Perspective - Today's gospel tells us to "Be watchful." This comes natural to families. Parents are watchful of their children's health, grades and friends. Children are watchful of parental moods. Today's gospel encourages us to use this ability to see God acting in the innocence, tenderness, love and forgiveness of your family. "Be watchful," the Lord is already with you.

High School Ministry meets Monday, December 1st at 6:00 p.m. in Finley Hall. Supper will be served. We will prepare Christmas baskets for our homebound parishioners.

Protecting God's Children is a program for the clearance for volunteers in the parish. It is a report from the State Police of a clean record. This is required of any person working with children in our parish. Class is tomorrow December 1st at 6:00 p.m., Fr. Leger Hall, St. Damien Parish, Mon City. Register 724-258-7742.

Pictorial Album draws the parish closer together. Please make an appointment after mass today or call the parish office for a time. December 1-7; December 9-10; December 26-30. It won't be as good if your picture isn't in it.

- Pictures will begin Monday, December 1st. Please be on time for your session.

Our Christmas Giving Tree is underway. Ornaments have been placed on the Christmas tree in the Church. Each Ornament includes an anonymous description of the person (adult or child, age, size, etc.) If you would like to purchase a gift for one of these persons, simply take an Ornament from the tree and bring the wrapped gift back the weekend of December 6/7 with the Ornament as the name tag. Questions, 724-348-7145. Please take gifts to the Kitchen Room in Finley Hall.



LUNCH WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 6, 2014
12:30 - 2:30 p.m. in Finley Hall
 Reservations must be made by
Monday, December 1, 2014.

Call Mary at 724-348-5962 or 724-348-7145.
\$4.00 per person. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Good Samaritan Collection will be the weekends of November 30th and December 7th. Boxes will be in the Church. Sponsored by Finleyville Interfaith Council. Donations from the Good Samaritan Collection will be distributed to the needy families along with the 'Giving Tree' gifts in time for Christmas.

Eucharistic Adoration will be Friday, December 5th from 6-9 p.m. in Church. Come and spend some quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament.

Night of Worship on Saturday, December 6th 7-9 p.m. at St. Paul Seminary, Cardinal's Great Hall. Refreshments follow. Join Fr. Joe Freedy, Mr. Ben Walther, and Ms. Holly Joy Penzenstadel and hundreds of people from our parishes. Admission is free. Register on-line at www.stubenvilleconferences.com/pittsburghnow.

Christian Mothers & Ladies Guild Christmas Party will be held Thursday December 11th at 6:30 p.m. in Finley Hall. Bring a paper product for the service project of the Food Pantry, and a \$10 gift if you wish to participate in the gift exchange. Reservations must be made by December 5th. Call Sue at 724-348-4185.

Discovering Christ: The voice crying in the desert doesn't become silent after Christmas. Hear the Spirit and let Christ grow in your heart from Infant to Savior. You are welcome to register for Discovering Christ, starting Thursday, February 12, 2015. Forms in back of Church. Drop in collection basket.

Marriage Moments - "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." (Mk 13:33) Death is not a welcome thought for anyone, but sad as it is, all of us will face death eventually. Are there any endearing words you want to say to your beloved? Don't wait.

Parenting Pointers - As we get ready to start a new liturgical year with Advent. Discuss with your family one new habit each of you would like to develop between now and Christmas. Let lighting a candle on your Advent wreath be a time to remind you of your resolve to begin again to be a better person.

Donuts this weekend, November 29/30

Ministry Schedule – December 6/7**6:00 p.m. Saturday**

Ministers: Foster, Brucker, Stanchak, Hoover,
Checque, Thropp

Lector: K. Jakso

Servers: T., K., C. Berdar

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Yesionek, Jaki, McNally, Schirra,
Durost, Parish, Barner

Lector: L. Obringer

Servers: J., J., & P. Pisarcik

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: J. & C. Patterson, Hamilton, Broglie,
Bublak, D. & K. Lewis

Lector: J. Dimoff

Servers: Z. Bublak, K. Lewis, V. Lombardi

Thank you for your gift to our Mission Co-op speaker from the Salesian Mission of \$3,150 the weekend for August 2/3.

Bingo - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. Jack-pot, Magic Number, "All Nighter Game", Door Prizes. Games begin at 7:15, Regular Games at 7:30.

Christmas Poinsettias – There are Flower Offering envelopes in the back of the church to order flowers for the Church for Christmas. Donation: \$7.00. The Poinsettias may be placed on the Altar "*In Memory of a Loved one*", "*In Thanksgiving*" or "*For a Special Intention.*" Return by **Monday, December 15th.**

The Light is Still On for you! An invitation of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to encourage Catholics to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is the best way to prepare our hearts for the coming of our Lord at Christmas. Confession will be available Wednesday, December 10 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in every Catholic parish in the Diocese.

Healing Mass with the Fraternity of Priests will be at Word of God Parish in Swissvale on Wednesday, December 3rd. All are welcome.

The Sanctuary Candle burns before the Blessed Sacrament 24 hours a day. It is a symbol of the presence of Christ in the Eucharist. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle burn for a special intention, please pick up the special envelope in the vestibule of the Church. Mark the envelope with the name(s) you would like to be remembered, or a special intention and return it with a \$10.00 donation. Each week we will publish in the bulletin the intention.

**Today, November 30, First Sunday of Advent**

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Mary & Carmen Mastandrea & John & Loretta Foley - Lenny & Mary Ann Mastandrea

8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving - Carol & Jack

Monday, December 1, Advent Weekday

Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

8:30 a.m. Jim McHugh - Jim & Cheryl Mazzeo

Tuesday, December 2, Advent Weekday

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

8:30 a.m. Janice Smith - Roseann Laughlin

Wednesday, December 3, St. Francis Xavier

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

8:30 a.m. James H. Wellington - Todd, Denise & Maddox Miller

Thursday, December 4, Advent Weekday

Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

8:30 a.m. Edward Sarsfield - Family

Friday, December 5, Advent Weekday/First Friday

Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

8:30 a.m. Carl Funtal - Funtal Family

6-9 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, December 6, Advent Weekday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

8:30 a.m. Birthday of Father Boyle & Austin Manz
- Daily Mass Friends

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily**Sunday, December 7, Second Sunday of Advent**

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) George & Dolores Tallon - Carleo Family

8:00 a.m. Jared Donovan - Grandma & Grandpap

11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week "*For the Birthday of Father Boyle.*"

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

The Flowers on our Altar today are presented

*"For the Special Intention of
Mary Ann McDonagh."*



*In Memory of Deceased Members of
the Marcoux and Jurofcik Families"*

requested by Rick & Mary Jane.



Offertory Procession - If a Mass is for your intention or at your request, please inform the ushers **before** Mass begins that you will take up the Offertory Gifts (Bread & Wine) during Mass. Many times the ushers do not know who you are, especially if the intention is for a person by a different name.