



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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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 - The gospel today points to Jesus' humanity; like us He needed RECOGNITION ("You are my Son"), AFFECTION ("My Beloved Son") and AFFIRMATION ("With you I am well pleased.") In our families it is easy to focus on irritating behaviors and take for granted all the positives. This New Year take a lesson from God the Father, be an AFFIRMER and not a BLAMER.

Christmas Season ends today January 11, 2015. We will tear down our decorations after 11 mass today. Please stick around and help, or come back and help. We'll start at 12:00 noon and hope to finish quickly if we have "many hands". Thank you. Take a poinsettia home.

Discovering Christ - Today St. Paul writes, "In truth I see that God shows no partiality," and He does not. The Discovering Christ program is for ALL seekers: the magi of 2015 who travel far and wide searching; the faithful of 2015 who gather at Mass; the lost of 2015 whose sandal straps are broken; the Christians of 2015 who serve with a joyful heart; the lonely of 2015 who long for a place at any table. Join this diverse community to journey with others. Seven sessions, Thursday evening, starting February 12, 2015. See flyer for details.

Discovering Christ Facilitators & Helpers meeting Thursday, January 15th at 7:00 p.m. in Finley Hall.

Prayer Blanket Ministry - Ladies, please return your sewn prayer blankets by January 22nd. Drop them off at the parish office between 9-3 Monday through Friday. Our group will meet on January 30th to put them together. We are always looking for more sewers. If you would like to join this ministry, call Mary Jane 724-344-2444.

Second Collection next weekend January 17/18 is for St. Anthony School Program and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech. This collection is credited to our Parish Share assessment. Please be generous.

Flower Calendar for 2015 still has a few dates open. The cost for one vase is \$20.00. Open dates are: January 18 & 25, February 1 & 8, March 15, September 13 & 27. Call the parish office to reserve your date. (724-348-7145)

Pictorial Album - If you were not able to schedule an appointment or had to cancel your appointment for any reason, we will try to schedule a make up date with the Photography Company if enough families are interested. Please call Kathy Pitzer at 724-348-5361 by Monday, January 19th.

March for Life in Washington D.C. on Thursday, January 22nd. Five parishes in our neighborhood have buses going. If you're interested you can call:

- ◇ St. Benedict the Abbot in Peters, Vic Vanderwaten - 724-941-9749
- ◇ St. Patrick in Canonsburg, Nicole Guyton, youth rally - 412-874-5385
- ◇ St. Thomas More in Bethel Park, Carolyn Martin (2 buses) - 412-257-0780
- ◇ St. Louise de Marillac in Upper St. Clair - Andy Lucas - 412-914-0639
- ◇ St. Gabriel in Whitehall - Sue O'Keefe - 412- 881-2787.

You must call to reserve a seat and see what time the bus leaves.

Bingo resumes hopefully! - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$1,175.00 in 55 numbers. The Magic Number will be 158.00 plus this week's take. The 'All Nighter' will be 630.00 plus this week's take. Early Bird games begin at 7:15, Regular games start at 7:30.

Super Bowl Hoagie Sale - The Knights of Columbus will take orders for 12" bun loaded with meats, cheeses and fixings. Fresh hand crafted on Saturday January 31st for pickup in Finley Hall between 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Place your order January 17/18 or 24/25 in the vestibule of the church, or fill out the order form that will be inserted in next week's bulletin. Price \$8.00, please submit payment with your order. Proceeds benefit charities supported by the Knights of Columbus.

South Hills Children's Choir is scheduling auditions for children ages 8-15. The Children's Choir is an independent nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of children from all back grounds through vocal excellence and celebrated choral music. Practices are held at Viewcrest Presbyterian Church in Eighty Four. Contact Director Jennifer Nolan for more information at 724-949-0048 or check the website at www.shcchoir.org.

Ministry Schedule – January 17/18**6:00 p.m. Saturday**

Ministers: D. Lewis, Thropp, Kovscek, Foster,
Brucker, Hoover, Checque
Lector: K. Lewis
Servers: K. Lewis, T. & T. Smida

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Barner, Banahasky, M. A. & H. Lassige,
Schirra, Durost, Parish
Lector: L. Obringer
Servers: R. Funtal, E. & C. Rega

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Pitzer, D. & C. Stewart, J. Wardle,
Folz, Gallo, Bublak
Lector: L. Kenavey
Servers: K. & K. Gindele, Z. Bublak

Marriage Moments - A Trip down Memory Lane: First home. Homes can be wonderful, but they can also take a lot of work. Remember the first home you shared together whether it be a house, a rental, or a tent. What did you like most about sharing the same dwelling? Did you have any decorating or lifestyle disputes?

Parenting Pointers - Many children are baptized soon after birth and much later confirmed. Others come to Baptism as adults. What difference has Baptism made in your life? (Really! Think about something specific.) Once you have your own answer talk to your children about their baptisms. Show photos. Reenact it.

“Molokai” Movie, the story of St. Damien the leper will be shown on Wednesday, January 14th, 12 noon at the Mon Valley YMCA, Country Club Rd., Monongahela. (Duration 108 minutes). Mandatory sign up in the Business Office.

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.

Offertory Collection

Sunday, December 21st	\$ 8,018.10
Christmas Collection	\$12,867.00
Children & Youth Collection	\$ 4,903.47
Sunday, December 28th	\$ 5,040.55
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	\$ 2,099.50
Sunday, January 4th	\$ 7,031.55

This is My
Beloved Son

**Today, January 11, The Baptism of the Lord**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) For the People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. Ed Banahasky - Wife, Anna

11:00 a.m. Mary Ann McGinty - Gavin

Monday, January 12, Weekday Mass

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

8:30 a.m. Kathy Pasquinelli - Carol Cicci

Tuesday, January 13, Weekday Mass

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28

8:30 a.m. Mary Costello - Merle Spencer &

Shirley Pinchok

Wednesday, January 14, Weekday Mass

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

8:30 a.m. Jim McHugh - Daily Mass Friends

Thursday, January 15, Weekday Mass

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

8:30 a.m. William Andrewson - Ellen

Andrewson

Friday, January 16, Weekday Mass

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

8:30 a.m. Neil Amann - Roseann Laughlin &

Family

Saturday, January 17, St. Anthony

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

8:30 a.m. Beatrice Donovan - Vic & Mary Ann

Satter

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily**Sunday, January 18, Second Sunday in Ordinary**

Time 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Edward Poisel - Wife, Kathy &

Family

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

11:00 a.m. Ken & Flo Koppitz - Cheryl & Al

Simone & Family

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week **“In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Parish & Whitco Families”** requested by Steve & Mary Parish & Family.

Home With Christ - Please pray for the souls of *Edward Zalagens* of our Parish; for *Bernadette Sweeney*, mother of David Sweeney; for *Edith Cupido*, mother of Rosemarie DiCenso; *Paul Banahasky*, brother-in-law of Anna Banahasky; for *Cecelia Petro*, sister of Mary C. Parish; for *Ed 'Fiz' Lew*, father of Donna Lew-Buechel; and for *Geraldine Roman*. *May they rest in peace.*