



## 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

**A Family Perspective** - Jesus went into the desert to put his life in perspective. This lent, take a fresh look at a difficult relationship in your life. Concentrate on the positive things that person does, not just the negatives. Try to understand why their behaviors 'bug' you. Can you honestly share your feelings with them without attacking them? Make Lent a time to MEND and FORGIVE!

**Stations of the Cross and Benediction of Blessed Sacrament** every Friday in Lent at 7:00 p.m., beginning this Friday, February 20. Great Lenten prayer with the community. Join us.

**If your are in need of an Annulment** of a previous marriage, and you would like to know how to go about it, a description of all that's involved, you're welcome to a talk by the Diocesan Tribunal worker at St. Benedict the Abbot Parish on Monday, March 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Register by calling the Diocese 412-456-3033. No further obligation involved, strictly information.

**Discovering Christ Program** is coming along great. We had over 110 people at Talk I February 12th. This Thursday February 26th. *Pray for us.*

**Finleyville Interfaith Council Lenten Services** begin tonight here at St. Francis at 7:00 p.m. Speaker is Brent Furlong of Go Time Ministries. Hot cross buns, coffee and tea to follow in Finley Hall.

**PSP Pledges** to our Parish Share Program are coming in. THANK YOU! If you haven't made your pledge yet, please do and get it off your "must do" list. Return your pledge or donation and return it by way of the collection basket in an envelope marked **PSP 2015**, or mail it to the rectory by Sunday, March 22nd. Any amount collected over our assessment stays here at St. Francis and that amount is not taxed/assessed for the next year. If you are new in the parish, please pick up a form in the church. Please use separate checks for the PSP payments, do not include with your Sunday collection.

**Today is Donut Weekend.** Stop in Finley Hall after Mass.

**Blood Drive** here on Wednesday, March 4th, 12:30 - 6:00 p.m. in Finley Hall. Make an appointment, call Kathy at 724-348-5361. Mark it down, eat well, stay hydrated, and bring ID.

**Bingo** - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$1,175.00 in 55 numbers. The Magic Number will be \$199.00 plus this week's take. The 'All Nighter' will be \$49.00 plus this week's take. Early Bird games begin at 7:15, Regular games at 7:30.

**Men's Retreat** at St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe on Friday July 17th. Supper at 5:30 till Sunday after 1:00 lunch. Retreat Master is Father Bonaventure O.S.B. Fee is \$185. Check in 3 - 5 p.m. Our contemporary world confuses pleasure with happiness. We are told that money, travel, pleasure, power, and other attractions will make us happy. These allurements never satisfy us. Jesus teaches us about happiness. Questions, call Fr. Hugh Lester, O.S.B. 724-805-2139. Deacon Vic Satter highly recommends this retreat.

**World Day of Prayer** is Friday, March 6th at 11:00 a.m. at Mingo Presbyterian Church, off Route 88. Each year since 1920 Christian women in the USA and Canada pray for world peace. A luncheon will follow the Service.

A **rehearsal** will be held at Mingo Church on Friday, February 27th at 11:00 a.m. for anyone wishing to participate in the readings.

**Marriage Moments** - "I establish my covenant with you." (Genesis 9:11) Although this passage refers to God's covenant with Noah to never again destroy all living creatures by a flood, your marriage covenant is likewise a life-giving promise. Choose a symbol (like a rainbow) to be a reminder of your promise to each other.

**Parenting Pointers** - God's covenant with Noah was a solemn promise. Talk with our child(ren) today about what it means to make a promise. Is it ever OK to break a promise?

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development** is March 15th, and helps individuals help themselves. This collection in the past has improved education, housing situations and community economic development. Your generosity will help those living on the margins. Please help.

**Ministry Schedule – February 28/March 1**

**6:00 p.m. Saturday**

Ministers: Kovscek, K. & D. Lewis, Brucker,  
Hoover, Checque, Thropp  
Lector: K. Andrews  
Servers: E. MacKenzie, K. Lewis, Tanner Smida

**8:00 a.m. Sunday**

Ministers: F. & R. Funtal, Banahasky, Schirra,  
Durost, Sherred, Parish  
Lector: J. Valecko  
Servers: E. & C. Rega, J. Pisarcik

**11:00 a.m. Sunday**

Ministers: Pitzer, Broglie, Trovato, Folz, Gallo,  
C. & J. Patterson  
Lector: L. Kenavey  
Servers: V. Lombardi, A. Parker, K. Brant

**Stroke Screening** by Washington Health System here on Friday, March 27th in Finley Hall. Pre-registration is required. To register for an appointment and receive a \$10 discount call 1-888-653-6450 or [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners). Screening will be for:

- ⇒ Stoke/Carotid Artery Screening
- ⇒ Heart Rhythm Screening (Atrial Fibrillation)
- ⇒ Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening
- ⇒ Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening
- ⇒ Osteoporosis Risk Assessment.

Pick up a pink flyer in the vestibule for the cost of your choice of tests or special discount for packages.

**500 Catholic Schools in PA** graduated millions of successful community minded citizens. Catholic Schools boast 100% graduation rate; 90% go to college or university. We employ 10,000 teachers and staff jobs in PA.

If every Catholic student went to public school, costs would be unbearable ([www.pacath.org](http://www.pacath.org) or [com/pacath Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/pacath) or [Twitter](https://twitter.com/pacath).) Billions more if home schooled students and Christian Academies transferred. Public Schools educate at the cost of \$14,924.08 per student per school year. Catholic Schools save PA taxpayers 2.2 billion dollars a year. Our Parish Share Program assessment helps support Catholic Schools in our Diocese of Pittsburgh.

**The quality of Change** - To change and to change for the better are two different things. -German proverb

**Beauty in Forgiveness** - Humanity is never so beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving another. —Jean P. F. Richter



**Today, February 22, First Sunday of Lent**

*Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15*

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Helen Ely - Carol & Jack Schneider  
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish  
11:00 a.m. David Goettel - Collins Family

**Monday, February 23, Lenten Weekday**

*Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46*

8:30 a.m. Neil Amann - The White Family

**Tuesday, February 24, Lenten Weekday**

*Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15*

8:30 a.m. Mary Costello - Husband, Paul

**Wednesday, February 25, Lenten Weekday**

*Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32*

8:30 a.m. Kathy Pasquinelli - Don & Mary Ann Kims

**Thursday, February 26, Lenten Weekday**

*Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12*

8:30 a.m. Jose Romero - Jim, Mike & Peter Mansmann

**Friday, February 27, Lenten Weekday**

*Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26*

8:30 a.m. 50th Wedding Anniversary of Lenny & Mary Ann Mastandrea  
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross & Benediction

**Saturday, February 28, Lenten Weekday**

*Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48*

8:30 a.m. Ed Zalagens - Jim & Nancie McNally

**Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily**

**Sunday, March 1, Second Sunday of Lent**

*Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10*

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Ray Spencer - Daughter, Debra Newman & Family  
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish  
11:00 a.m. Paul Owens, Jr. - Mary Zoe Young

**Home With Christ** - Please pray for the souls of **Mary Ann Bobak, and for Dolores Isenberg** both of our Parish. *May they rest in peace.*

**The Sanctuary Candle** will burn this week **“For the 98th Birthday of Mary C. Parish”** requested by Steve & Mary Parish & Family.

Financial Overview	
Needed/week.....	\$9,355.71
Last week.....	\$4,356.50
Deficit/Surplus.....	(\$4,999.21)

**HELP!** We still need a cook for as many nights a week as you can to prepare supper only for Fr. Boyle, Fr. Tusky, sometimes a guest, not often though. Please call the Rectory 724-348-7145.