



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 words in today's gospel, "Whoever gives a cup of water in the name of Christ will not lose their reward" hits us at home. As parents we gain our "reward" when we bring water to a frightened child in the middle of the night, or Kool Aid to parched five-year olds, or hold ice chips to the fevered lips of a spouse. It is that simple and that sacred. In our homes we give until it hurts "in the name of Christ."

RCIA is underway. It is an adult education course to know our faith better. Come in every Thursday, 7:30 - 9 p.m. to Finley Hall. If you're not Confirmed, you need this class.

Eucharistic Adoration this Friday October 2nd, from 6-9 p.m. Stop in for a brief or long visit to spend time with Our Lord in the Eucharist.

Confirmation of our High School Freshman class is next Sunday, October 4th, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi at 12:30 Mass with Bishop William J. Winter.

Blessing of Animals - Bishop Winter will bless animals at 2:00 p.m. after Confirmation. Gather in the yard beside Finley Hall.

Eucharistic Rosary March Sunday October 4th at 1:30, Epiphany Church, 164 Washington Rd., Pittsburgh, 15219. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Liturgy of the Word, followed by Procession with the Blessed Sacrament and a Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Fr. Anthony Gargotta will be presider and homilist. The Rosary will be prayed in route from Epiphany Church through the City of Pittsburgh and will return to Epiphany Church for Benediction and Crowning of Our Lady of Fatima. Those who cannot process will pray the rosary at Epiphany Church during the procession. Eucharistic Rosary is sponsored by the Legion of Mary with over four million active members worldwide. It is the largest lay association in the Church.

Baby Bottles will be distributed by our High School Ministry next Sunday, October 4th for your loose change to benefit the Pregnancy Resource Center. Return bottles the weekend of October 17/18.

October Count is each year during this month. We are asked to note our weekend Mass attendance compared to the number of parishioners we have registered. Our average is under 30%. Be loyal, if you belong to our parish come to Mass these 4 Sundays in October.

Blood Drive for our high school parishioner, Alicia Hruby, on Saturday, October 17th from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Finley Hall. To schedule an appointment: Visit centralbloodbank.org, click Make an Appointment, and search with group code ZRTN0946 or contact Donna Hruby at 724-292-1154. *Prepare for your donation - Eat Well - Stay Hydrated - Bring ID. Replenishment Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Screening.*

Bingo - Congratulations to the winner of the Magic Number. Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$1,025.00 in 55 numbers. A new Magic Number will be started. The 'All Nighter' game will be \$305.00 plus this week's take. Early Bird games begin at 7:15, regular games at 7:30 p.m.

Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held November 20-22 at the Spiritan Center at 6230 Brush Run Rd., Bethel Park, 15102. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348. The National Hotline is 1-800-5WE-CARE, Western PA 412-456-3167.

Marriage Moments - "While a lone man may be overcome, two together can resist. A three-ply cord is not easily broken." (Eccles.4:12) Bond yourself together as husband and wife. With bringing God into your relationship, you create a three ply cord, giving you the strength that is not easily broken.

Parenting Pointers - September 29 is "Eat Dinner Together Day." Maybe you do this most of the time anyway. Congratulations. If not, take heed. The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse says that one habit of healthy families is that they "eat dinner together most every night."

Proceeds from the Roast Beef Dinner last Sunday amounted to \$4,710.00 for the Finleyville Food Bank and Mon Valley Food Bank. Thank you to all who attended the dinner, and to everyone who helped make the dinner a success.

Ministry Schedule – October 3/4

6:00 p.m. Saturday

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

Lector: K. Jasko

Servers: E. MacKenzie, T. & T. Smida

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Parish, Hirsch, Dishong, Yesionek,
Patellos, Banahasky, Fox

Lector: J. Valecko

Servers: E. & C. Rega, D. Drahnak

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: J. Wardle, Trovato, Folz, Hamilton,
Battaglia, Gallo

Lector: L. Kenavey

Servers: J. Scherer, J. Gallo, K. Brant

Donuts this weekend after masses in Finley Hall. Come and visit with your fellow parishioners.

Lynch Landscaping - Last call for getting a dollar for our Youth Ministry by buying a cubic yard of mulch, mushroom compost, or topsoil. Mention "St. Francis Youth Ministry. No additional charge for the customer.

Why do we have to attend Mass every weekend? The moral obligation to attend Mass has been Church law since the fourth century. But rather than think of it as something we "have to do," we should think of Mass as valuable time spent with our loving God and with others. When we go to Mass, we begin to see that we are not alone and recognize that we are part of the Body of Christ, and if one part of the body is missing, the whole body suffers.

Sometimes we get so accustomed to doing something - like going to Mass - that we never get around to asking the questions we have about it. Chances are you have a few unanswered questions about the Mass, or you may know someone who has questions. Ask your priest.

Home With Christ - Please pray for the souls of *Roseann Lyle*, daughter of Lois Chornak and sister of John Chornak, and for *Eleanora Northen* of our Parish. *May they rest in peace.*

Financial Overview

Needed/week.....	\$9,355.71
Last week	6,338.95
Deficit/Surplus.....	(\$3,016.76)



Today, September 27, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Larry Withum - Richard & Carol Withum

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

11:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Ladies of Charity - St. Francis Ladies of Charity

Monday, September 28, Weekday Mass

Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

8:30 a.m. George & Agnes Owens - Paul & Joan Owens & Family

Tuesday, September 29, SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

8:30 a.m. Loretta Wagner - Nancy & Walt

Wednesday, September 30, St. Jerome

Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

8:30 a.m. Beatrice Donovan - John & Kathy McKenzie

Thursday, October 1, St. Therese of the Child Jesus

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Bobak - Vic & Ruth Ann Zayac

Friday, October 2, The Holy Guardian Angels/First Friday

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10

8:30 a.m. Dolores Lang - Dave & Char Sweeney
6-9 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, October 3, Weekday Mass

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

8:30 a.m. Raymond Carnevali, Sr. - Sarah & Kerry Burgan

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily

Sunday, October 4, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Frank Kelly - Janice & John Schmitt

8:00 a.m. Mark Cooper - Aunt, Anna Banahasky

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

12:30 p.m. Sacrament of Confirmation

2:00 p.m. Blessing of Animals

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week **"In Memory of Susan Lipinski"** requested by Steve & Mary Parish & Family.

"TO THE GLORY OF GOD"

The Flowers on our Altar today are presented

"In Memory of Linda Beardmore"

requested by Mom & Dad.



"In Memory of Mike & Elma Journic"
requested by Ivan & Joanne Christopher.

