



## St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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 Jenifer T. Bublak ..... 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** - The owner of the fig tree was impatient because the tree did not live up to his expectations. Imitate the gardener and give them more time and help. Don't cut them out of your life. Love asks us to be connected, not productive.

**Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament** each Friday 7:00 p.m. during Lent (except Good Friday). Make this part of your Lenten prayer. Join us, it's not too late to start.

**St. Francis Blood Drive** is Wednesday, March 2nd from 12:30 - 6:00 p.m. in Finley Hall. Walk-in welcome. Eat well, stay hydrated, bring ID. All participants will receive a St. Patrick's Day T-shirt inscribed with "Give A Pint." To schedule an appointment contact Kathy Pitzer at [tkpitzer@verizon.net](mailto:tkpitzer@verizon.net) or 724-348-5361.

**RCIA** - Adult Religious Education each Wednesday in Finley Hall, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. This week's topic is "*The Way of the Cross.*" All are welcome.

**Finleyville Interfaith** meets tonight at 7:00 p.m. in First Presbyterian Church (next door). Presenter is Pastor Glenn McClelland of Mingo Presbyterian Church. All are welcome to our Lenten Prayer Project.

**Easter Flowers** – There are Flower Offering envelopes in the church to order flowers for the Altar for Easter. Donation: \$7.00. The flowers may be placed on the Altar "*In Memory of a Loved one*", "*In Thanksgiving*" or "*For a Special Intention.*" Orders must be in by Monday, March 14th.

**Sharing Christ** - Join us to share faith, grace, and hope in a Creator who proves His love through Christ. Sessions build community through prayer, uplifting song, speakers, and discussion. (And delicious snacks!) No pressure is on you - only your presence is necessary. Register with form found in church lobby or by calling Joanna Morgan at 724-348-8056. Read more on parish website: [stfrancischurch.net](http://stfrancischurch.net).

**Marriage Moments** - February 29th is Leap Day. In matters of courtship, historically men took the lead and pursued women. Of course our society is now more egalitarian. Women are more assertive, ask men out for dates, and even propose. Is it a leap year for you to accept this change or does it seem natural?

**Parenting Pointers** - *Week 3*: Assuming that everyone in your family has enough clothes, have each person pick one piece of clothing that you wear indoors to give away.

**PSP Pledges and donations** to our Parish Share Program are coming in. Our total is growing! 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 2016**, or mail it to the rectory by Sunday, March 20th. 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.

**Guide Book & Directory** - We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book for the Church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our Church: the ministries, organizations, committees, activities, etc., plus a complete directory of all members. If you do not want your information included in the directory, please call the Parish Office by February 29th. (724-348-7145)

**Next Weekend** March 5/6 second collection for the annual Catholic Campaign for Human Development which needs your help. Founded in the USA to break the cycle of poverty by funding organizations that help individuals to help themselves. Please be generous.

**Bingo** - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$750.00 in 55 numbers. The Magic Number will be \$70.00 plus this week's take. The 'All Nighter' game will be \$821.50 plus this week's take. Early Bird games begin at 7:15, regular games at 7:30 p.m. This may be your lucky night!

**Ministry Schedule – March 5/6**

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

Ministers: DeLuliis, Weisdack, Thropp, Brucker,  
D. Lewis, Checque, Hoover  
Lector: S. McCormick  
Servers: T., T., & T. Smida

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

Ministers: Drahnak, Gallo, Sherred, Banahasky,  
Dishong, Hirsch, Fox  
Lector: L. Obringer  
Servers: D. Drahnak, I. & J. Gallo

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

Ministers: Kims, Trovato, Bublak, Battaglia, Folz,  
Pitzer, Hamilton  
Lector: J. Mansmann  
Servers: Z. & Z. Bublak, G. Mucci

**“Mission on the Church Alive”** - We need parishioners to be trained by the Diocese to facilitate feedback on films we show **“On Church Alive” in our parish. You will be trained** and well equipped to facilitate the sessions. Please call Fr. Boyle for more information or to volunteer. (724-348-7145)

**At Nativity Parish**, Curry Road on Saturday, March 12th, actress Anita Gutschick will present famous women in the New Testament. Anita will introduce to us ‘Lydia, The Woman Caught in Adultery and Jairus’ Wife. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria; Anita’s performance at 7:30 p.m. in church. A dessert buffet follows at 9:00 p.m. Tickets \$20. Call 412-215-7743. Program popular with both men and women, sells out quickly.

**World Day of Prayer** on Friday, March 4th at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church on Marion Ave., in Finleyville. Since 1920, Christian women in the USA and Canada pray for World Peace. A luncheon follows.

**Interesting Catholic Definitions:**

- Amen** - The only part of the prayer that everyone knows.
- Bulletin** - Catholic air conditioning, or your receipt for attending Mass.
- Choir** - A group of people whose singing allows the congregation to lip-sync.
- Recessional** - The final song at Mass, usually sung more quietly, since most of the people have already left.
- Jonah** - The original “Jaws” story.
- Justice** - When kids have kids of their own.
- Relics** - People who have been going to Mass for so long, they actually know when to sit, kneel, and stand.



**Today, February 28, Third Sunday of Lent**

*Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9*

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Judy Kovscek - Linda Marano  
8:00 a.m. Ida Hudak - Anthony & Joyce Sciore  
11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

**Monday, February 29, Lenten Weekday**

*2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30*

8:30 a.m. Rose Easton - Nephew, Paul & Joan Owens & Family

**Tuesday, March 1, Lenten Weekday**

*Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35*

8:30 a.m. Eileen Balzer - Christian Mothers & Ladies Guild

**Wednesday, March 2, Lenten Weekday**

*Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19*

8:30 a.m. Donnie Wood - Family

**Thursday, March 3, Lenten Weekday**

*Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23*

8:30 a.m. Rose Lombardi - Carol Cicci

**Friday, March 4, Lenten Weekday/First Friday**

*Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34*

8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Satter - St. Francis of Assisi Parish

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross & Benediction

**Saturday, March 5, Lenten Weekday**

*Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14*

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Mary Jane Jurofcik - John & Gail McDowell

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

**Sunday, March 6, Fourth Sunday of Lent**

*Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32*

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Phyliss Roberto - Anna & Domenic DiPilato

8:00 a.m. Dolores Lang - Ches & Rosemarie DiCenso

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

**The Sanctuary Candle** will burn this week **“For the Birthday Remembrance of Agnes Puskar”** requested by Carl & Martha Weisdack.

**Donuts & Coffee this weekend in Finley Hall after all Masses.**

Financial Overview	
Needed/week.....	\$8,266.74
Last week .....	\$5,937.71
Deficit/Surplus.....	(\$2,526.71)