



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

Happy and Blessed Easter as we celebrate Christ's Resurrection today. Alleluia!

Drawn Into the Story - "We are witnesses!" The scripture readings for Easter Sunday concentrate on details reported by eyewitnesses. Listen carefully and you will be drawn into the stories yourself. Peter reports the good works Jesus did, his death on the cross, and his resurrection. The passage from John's Gospel has us running to the empty tomb with Peter and John and peering inside to see the cloths used to cover Jesus' body. Psalm 118 sums up our response: "It is wonderful in our eyes!"

What resurrection details do we see in our lives today? How have we died to our old lives and been raised up again with Jesus? Let us pay attention to the new life around us. It is wonderful in our eyes. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

A Family Perspective - Millions of Christians around the world celebrate the Resurrection today. It all began simply on the first Easter with one person telling another: "Mary told Peter" and so on. Faith is passed one person to another; it is caught, not taught and parents are the most effective persons to pass faith to their children.

RCIA Wednesday, March 30th "Laity: Called to Build God's Kingdom." All are welcome.

Sharing Christ: A very blessed Easter from the Christlife team! Share the joy of this awakening season by joining us for 7 sessions, April 6th through May 18th, 7:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Registration forms in back of Church, on-line, or call Joanna 724-348-8056.

Bingo - Congratulations to the winner of the Magic Number. Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$525.00 in 49 numbers. New Magic Number will be \$38.00 plus this week's take. The 'All Nighter' game will be \$1,093.00 plus this week's take. Games begin at 7:15. This may be your lucky night!

Marriage Moments - As Christians we believe that Jesus rose from the dead. As humans we know that each of us will eventually die. When you are honest with yourself, do you really believe in an afterlife? What do you think it will be like? Talk it over with your beloved.

Parish Share Program is winding down. Thank you to all who have made their gift or pledge. If you haven't, please send in as soon as possible. Any amount collected over our assessment stays in the Parish.

Youth Ministry Shoe Drive - Our Youth Ministry are collecting used shoes, slightly worn for their fundraiser. Tie the laces together and deposit in the box in the vestibule. Our goal is 2,500 pairs of shoes for developing nations. There is also a box in Finley Hall. First week of the drive brought in 377 pairs of shoes. Keep bringing them in. Ask your family and friends.

Ladies of Charity Bingo will be held Sunday, April 10th at 1:00 p.m. in Finley Hall. Tickets: \$4.00 for one board, additional boards \$1.00 each. Bring your bingo chips, this is not a paper bingo. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets will be available at the door. Proceeds are to provide assistance to the needy of our community.

Comfort Keepers is a provider of outstanding and compassionate In Home Care. They work proactively with clients to keep them happy and healthy at home, while offering the assistance they may need in order to maintain their lifestyles. They are seeking people who are passionate about working with older adults, proving companionship, personal care, and most importantly, your human touch. Offices are located in South Hills and Monroeville, and cover areas very near to your homes. If you are interested, please give a call at 412-457-0880. They will be happy to answer any questions you may have. All interested individuals must have a car and current car insurance.

Free Income Tax Assistance is available again this year beginning Monday, February 1, through Friday, April 15, 2016, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. except Good Friday. Bible Chapel, 300 Gallery Dr., McMurray, PA 15317. Located 5 miles south of South Hills Village, west side of Route 19, adjacent to South Hills Chrysler-Jeep. Follow signs 0.4 miles to VITA entrance. Do not call the Bible Chapel. Questions, call IRS 1-800-829-1040.

Ministry Schedule – April 2/3

6:00 p.m. Saturday

Ministers: Thropp, Wardle, Foster, DeLuliis,
Weisdack, Kovsky, Wietrzykowski
Lector: S. McCormick
Servers: E. MacKenzie, N. Wardle, K. Brant

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Drahnak, Durost, Schirra, Jaki, Combes,
Fox, Parish
Lector: K. Jasko
Servers: D. Drahnak, A. Kolano, J. Pisarcik

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Kims, Trovato, Battaglia, Folz, Hamilton,
Pitzer, Bublak
Lector: L. Kenavey
Servers: J. Scherer, K. & K. Gindele

On Mission for The Church Alive! A vital part of our diocese is the Secretariat for Leadership Development. It exists to form clergy and laity to effectively serve the Church of Pittsburgh as leaders. The goal is to develop a model of servant leadership where clergy and laity use their individual gifts and talents to collaborate on ways to achieve Bishop Zubik’s vision of the Church Alive. Every parish needs resourceful, competent and confident leaders. Pray about what you can do to call forward such leaders. Or to be one.

To read more, check out “On Mission for The Church Alive!” in the Pittsburgh Catholic and visit www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org.

Easter Blessing

Lord, bless us this Easter time:

Bless us with faith, guard us in doubt;
Bless us with hope, uplift us in despair;
Bless us with love, keep us from harm;
Bless us with peace, calm us in trouble;
Bless us with mercy, help us forgive;
Bless us with joy, comfort us in sorrow
so our hearts may rejoice in You,
the Risen Lord. Amen.

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, March 27, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass) For the People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

11:00 a.m. Special Intention.

Monday, March 28, Monday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

8:30 a.m. Gary Spalla - Donna

Tuesday, March 29, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

8:30 a.m. Marie Ringbought & Ed Wilson -
Bill & Anita Wilson

Wednesday, March 30, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

8:30 a.m. Beatrice Donovan - Daughter, Janet

Thursday, March 31, Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Satter - St. Francis Bingo
Workers

Friday, April 1, Friday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14

8:30 a.m. James Trovato - Family

6-9 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, April 2, Saturday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Andrea Erfort -
John & Gail McDowell

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily

Sunday, April 3, Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) 60th Wedding Anniversary of Rich &
Mary Kriston

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

11:00 a.m. Larry Withum - Richard & Carol
Withum

Home With Christ - Please pray for the souls of **Albert (Sal) Lytle**, father of Joetta Yesionek, and for **Ruth Brennfleck**, mother of Denise Barner. *May they rest in peace.*

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week **“In Memory of Beatrice Donovan”** requested by Daughter, Janet.

Beginning and End

Faith is the beginning and the end is love.

—St. Ambrose