



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 - In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Love one another." Love holds a family together. It is not what a family *does* which makes it outstanding, rather it is what it *has*, love for one another.

Spaghetti Dinner Today, April 24th, 12 - 6 p.m. in Finley Hall. Tickets will be sold at the door, if you don't have one. Adults \$9.00/Child under 10, \$5. Raffles for Italian Basket and Lottery Frame. Sponsored by our Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild.

NO DONUTS THIS WEEKEND!

Sharing Christ: Join us Wednesday, April 27, 2016 in Finley Hall at 7:00 p.m. for refreshments, praise and worship, and inspiration for the soul. Our guest speaker, Maureen Crossen, has an extensive background in Scripture, and teaches Theology at Carlow University. She enjoys sharing the "A-ha!" moments of many in Scripture, and elsewhere, who have come to know Christ.

Columbiettes are collecting personal items, unused makeup for the Pregnancy Resource Center. Bring your items to Finley Hall in a bag marked 'Donna'.

Parish Share Program - The first billing for Parish Share pledges were mailed April 18th. If you sent your pledge in later than our first deadline, your first billing will be May 23rd.

If you haven't made your donation to the Parish Share program yet, please do so as soon as possible. Any amount collected over our assessment stays in our parish and is not taxed by the Diocese.

Bingo - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$575.00 in 51 numbers. The 1st Magic Number will be \$250.00 and a 2nd Magic Number will be \$37.00 plus this week's take. The 'All Nighter' game will be \$1,190.00 until it is won. Early Bird Games begin at 7:15 p.m. Regular Games at 7:30. Great night out!

Bunco Party, sponsored by the Columbiettes will be Sunday, May 22nd, 1 - 4 p.m. in Finley Hall. Hold the date!

Next Sunday, May 1st at 1:00 p.m. our second grade Religious Education children will be receiving their First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers this week.

\$500 Scholarship - The Columbiettes and Knights of Columbus are once again offering a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior who will be pursuing post high school education or training. The scholarship is open to both St. Francis and St. Isaac seniors. Applications are available in the St. Francis vestibule and the parish office. Completed applications are to be returned to the parish office by May 16th.

Marriage Moments: "Love one another." (John 13:35) You're married. Of course you love your spouse. But Jesus keeps repeating this command to love. Perhaps it is because love is never finished. Look for a new opportunity to show your love today. Surprise your beloved.

Parenting Pointers: Gratitude can be an overused word these days, but that doesn't mean we should neglect it. Play a "Gratitude Game" with your child. See if each of you can list 10 things you're grateful for today. If something bad happens, see if you can find a silver lining.

True Christian Community

Can you imagine a world such as the one put before us in today's scripture readings? Communities of believers everywhere would support and encourage one another and be identified as Christians by the way they love each other. It would be a world with no tears, no death and mourning, no crying out in pain. "Behold, I make all things new," we hear the Son of God say in the second reading from the book of Revelation (21:5).

Is this world of John's vision only imaginary? Are these faithful followers for whom Jesus prayed only a savior's dream? Today they are put before us as a worthy goal. How much closer can we come to this vision of a true Christian community in our lives today?

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The Power of Prayer - St. Francis Prayer Chain consists of parishioners who pray for the needs of others. If you have any prayer requests or would like to be a *link* in the prayer chain, please call Kathy at (724) 941-0347.

Never underestimate the power of prayer.

Ministry Schedule – April 30/May 1

6:00 p.m. Saturday

Ministers: Thropp, Wardle, Foster, Deluliis,
Weisdack, Kovscek, Brucker
Lector: E. Garry
Servers: E. MacKenzie, N. Wardle, need server

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Drahnak, F. & R. Funtal, Barner,
H. & M. A. Lassige, Yesioneck
Lector: K. Jasko
Servers: D. Drahnak, R. Funtal, J. Pisarcik

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Kims, C. & J. Patterson, J. Mansmann,
Trovato, Battaglia, Folz
Lector: L. Kenavey
Servers: J. Scherer, G. Mucci, K. Brant

Fraternity of Priest Healing Mass Wednesday, April 27th, 7:00 p.m. St. Richard Church in Gibsonia. (724-444-1971)

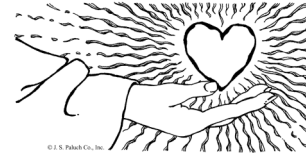
Treasures From Our Tradition - The French Revolution swept the church in France away in an astonishing way, stripping the nation of every possible vestige of the faith, not merely shuttering churches, but using them as staging areas for pagan raves and romps. While millions of faithful simply went underground and hung on for the ride, even the seven-day week was demolished along with the names of the months. What emerged from the chaos was the Napoleonic Code of 1792 governing church life, and therefore marriage law in France, French Canada, and elsewhere. The code makes civil marriage mandatory for all citizens.

In practice, when the faithful marry, they go first to the City Hall. There, the mayor performs the civil marriage, usually accompanied by a patriotic speech about the duties of the citizen, particularly in the rearing of children. Then, typically after a lunch, everyone goes off to change into more festive attire for the wedding liturgy, featuring consent, the exchange of rings, and the nuptial blessing. Sadly, only a minority of citizens today celebrate even the civil form of the rite, and a fraction of those continue on to the church. For those who do celebrate the liturgy of marriage, however, there is near certainty that the spouses are active worshipers, and that they will later present their children for baptism.

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Financial Overview

Needed/week.....	\$8,266.74
Last week	\$5,872.60
Deficit/Surplus.....	(\$2,394.14)



Today, April 24, Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Bill ‘Catfish’ Perry - Tom & Peg Kronenberger
8:00 a.m. Ed Banahasky - Wife, Anna
11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Monday, April 25, St. Mark

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

8:30 a.m. Ruth Brennfleck - Carol Cicci

Tuesday, April 26, Easter Weekday

Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Satter - Janet Donovan

Wednesday, April 27, Easter Weekday

Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

8:30 a.m. Dr. Pete Barszczowski - Dick & Gerry Erny Family

Thursday, April 28, Easter Weekday

Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

8:30 a.m. 60th Wedding Anniversary of Paul & Dorothy Dolinar

Friday, April 29, St. Catherine of Siena

Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

8:30 a.m. Albert Lytle - Pat & Jean McHugh

Saturday, April 30, Easter Weekday

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

8:30 a.m. Martin, Mary, Thomas & Sr. Peggy Flaherty - Dorothy Flaherty Weldon

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily

Sunday, May 1, Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) For the People of the Parish
8:00 a.m. Billie Pisarcik - Steve & Mary Parish
11:00 a.m. Rose Lombardi - Joanne Mansmann
1:00 p.m. **First Holy Communion**

Home With Christ - Please pray for the soul of *Suzanne Owens*, sister-in-law of Paul & Joan Owens, and for *Christina Corrado*, whose funeral mass will be Monday at 11:00 a.m. *May they rest in peace.*

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week *“In Memory of Ed Banahasky”* requested by Wife, Anna.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
The Flowers on our Altar today are presented

“In Memory of Ed Banahasky”
requested by Wife, Anna.

“In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Daube & Zusinas Families” requested by Joanne Zusinas.

