



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 - Today's gospel guarantees if we "ask" we will "receive," perhaps not what we wanted but what our Heavenly Father knows is best for us, His children. All the love we have for our children, God has for us and more. As our children trust us, we must trust "Our Father."

Missionary Coop Appeal today - Our annual collection to support a mission is this weekend, July 23/24 for the Third Order Regular (TOR) Franciscan world missions. Please be generous.

Bingo - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. Jack-pot, Magic Number, "All Nighter Game", Door Prizes. Games begin at 7:15, Regular Games at 7:30. This may be your lucky night! No smoking for the comfort of our players.

Marriage Moments - Do you ever bargain with your beloved? "If you watch the kids, I'll be able to do this repair project." OR "If only you could give me 5 more minutes, 1 hour, 1 day to finish this, we could spend some quality time together." It's not bad to negotiate, but keep your end of the bargain. (Gn. 18:20-32)

Parenting Pointers - The 4th Sunday in July is Parents Day. Go beyond the "Hallmark Holiday" notion. Perhaps use it as a time to tell your child what it was like for you to await their birth. How did you prepare?

Rosary for the Unborn will take place at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Monongahela, Tuesday July 26th, 7:00 p.m. at the Memorial for the Unborn. All are welcome. Refreshments to follow. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Planning Meeting for all organizations at St. Francis Parish is this Monday, July 25th at 6:30 p.m. in Finley Hall. All events will be recorded in our Parish Planning Book in order to assure your dates.

WE NEED EFFECTIVE WAYS TO BRING PEOPLE BACK TO THE CHURCH. It's especially important to connect with our young people and care for the aging. *On Mission for The Church Alive!*, our diocesan-wide planning initiative, will propose new models for ministry in parishes and other faith communities. A total of 21 criteria will help guide this work. Learn more at www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org/About. Follow On Mission for The Church Alive on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter at PghChurchAlive.

Late For Mass? Please don't enter the pews, this is a distraction for all in church. Wait in the back till the reading is finished, then enter during the Responsorial Psalm, or if later during the Alleluia.

Parish Picnic

Sunday, August 21st - 1:00 p.m. - Dark

The poster to volunteer to work for the Parish Picnic is up. There are many game stands, (some new and some old favorites) refreshment stands and many time slots to be filled. Please stop and sign up for a time you will be available to help. A few minutes of your time will save us many phone calls. If you are new in the parish this is an ideal time to meet some of your fellow parishioners and become involved. *We need you! Any questions, please call Jenifer Bublak at 724-941-8414.*

Country Store – Featured items at the Country Store will be new or nearly new items, small handmade items, plants, produce, books, parcel post packages (marked man, woman, child). Start saving your items now and bring them to Finley Hall beginning August 15th, 6:30 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Basket of Cheer – We are in the process of putting together a **Basket of Cheer** for a raffle at the Picnic. If you have anything you would like to donate, it would be greatly appreciated. Bring the items to the Parish Office.

Picnic Tickets are available now. The Tickets are \$5.00 a book. They are good for purchasing the delicious foods we will have, or for any of the stands or attractions at the picnic. The stub from the book of tickets will be good for the drawings held every hour during the day of the picnic, plus a few surprises. Only tickets purchased prior to the picnic will have the BONUS stub for the hourly drawings.

Tickets for the \$6,000 In Prizes are available before and after all masses. Stop at the Ticket Table to get yours. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. Be sure to get your tickets early. Donation: \$10.00.

\$500 Sunday, August 21, 2016 (Midday & 7 p.m.)

\$500 Monday, August 22, 2016 (Midday & 7 p.m.)

\$500 Tuesday, August 23, 2016 (Midday & 7 p.m.)

\$500 Wednesday, August 24, 2016 (Midday & 7 p.m.)

\$500 Thursday, August 25, 2016 (Midday & 7 p.m.)

\$500 Friday, August 26, 2016 (Midday & 7 p.m.)

Winning tickets based on the 1st official Midday and 7 p.m. PA Lottery Pick 3 number drawn on the above dates. Two chances to win each day. No bonus draw.

Booth Sponsors for the Parish Picnic – Each year businesses in the local area donate \$25.00 to sponsor a booth at the Picnic. The name of the Company is clearly posted in one of the booths during the Picnic. To sponsor a booth this year call 724-348-7145.

Theme Baskets will be made up for the picnic to raffle. Please drop off items that can be used to fill the baskets by August 7th so that the baskets can be put together. If you would like to put together a complete basket and put a theme name on it, that would be great. Bring complete baskets by August 14th to the room next to the kitchen. Use your imagination! Please be sure to have the craft items to the Parish Office by August 14th.

Ministry Schedule – July 30/31**6:00 p.m. Saturday**

Ministers: Wardle, Hoover, Brucker, Thropp,
Checque, Kovscek, Weisdack
Lector: E. Garry
Servers: N. Wardle, K. Brant, E. MacKenzie

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Yesionek, Dishong, Banahasky, Sherred,
Jurofcik, Schirra, Jaki
Lector: L. Obringer
Servers: J. & J. Pisarcik, M. Miller

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: D. & B. Lewis, Bublak, Trovato, Folz,
Hamilton, Pitzer
Lector: K. Lewis
Servers: K. Lewis, Z. & Z. Bublak

Finleyville Volunteer Firemen's Carnival on our ball fields Monday - Saturday, July 25-30, 6:00 p.m. Parade Wednesday at 7 p.m., Fireworks Friday at 9:30. Come and support our community first responders. **All are welcome!**

Keep Praying

St. Monica, whose feast we celebrate in August, is often known as "the persistent mother." She watched her oldest son, Augustine, turn his back on his Christian faith.

Monica was exasperated. For years she gave up talking directly to her son on the advice of a local bishop, who told her that it was better to talk to God about Augustine than to Augustine about God.

The mother never gave up praying for her son. Eventually Augustine gave up his wild ways, was baptized, and later ordained and named bishop of Hippo. St. Augustine went on to become one of the Church's greatest scholars.

Today's readings address the importance of persistent prayer. Abraham, in spite of trepidation that he is bothering the Lord, continues to ask about the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Jesus, in Luke's Gospel, tells his disciples to "ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). This is our charge: keep praying. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Look Around You

To see the world in a grain of sand
and a heaven in a wildflower,
hold infinity in the palm of your hand
and eternity in an hour. —William Blake

The Mark of the Maker - If things created are so full of loveliness, how resplendent must be the One who made them! The wisdom of the Worker is apparent in such handiwork. —St. Anthony of Padua

**Today, July 24, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gen 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) For the People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. Ruth Brennfleck - Bular & Pedreskey Families

11:00 a.m. Florence Koppitz - Cheryl & Al Simone & Family

Monday, July 25, St. James

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

8:30 a.m. James Lydon - Vic Satter

Tuesday, July 26, SS Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43

8:30 a.m. Joseph & Eileen Balzer - Jim & Nancie McNally

Wednesday, July 27, Weekday Mass

Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46

8:30 a.m. James J. Dixon, Sr. - Cora Dixon Family

Thursday, July 28, Weekday Mass

Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53

8:30 a.m. Diane DiPiazza - Ed Garry

Friday, July 29, St. Martha

Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

8:30 a.m. James Foley - Janet Donovan

Saturday, July 30, Weekday Mass

Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12

8:30 a.m. Mary Parish - Steve & Mary Parish & Family

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily**Sunday, July 31, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary**

Time Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) For the People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. Dolores Mazzeo - Jurofcik Family

11:00 a.m. James & Susan Owens - Joe & Alice Hakos

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 Jaime Kuzych"

requested by Grandmother
& Family.

**"Birthday Remembrance for Joseph Schwerha"**

requested by Dot Schwerha
& Family



Coffee and donuts in Finley Hall next weekend July 30/31. Stop after Mass.