



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 tells us "all Jerusalem" was upset because "King Herod was deeply troubled." A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person's negative attitude can affect the whole family. If you want a peaceful and joyful home, it must start with you. Be peaceful and joyful.

Epiphany of the Lord this day we celebrate the moment of Jesus revelation, a moment that occurs when something long expected finally happens, or when something completely unexpected breaks into our lives. Certainly Jesus' birth was unexpected but also his life's world was unknown to all. Mary and Joseph were told that he would be the "Savior of the World," but they couldn't possibly understand how that would happen. So we look upon Epiphany as a gift to the world from God.

Christian Mothers & Ladies Guild Meeting will be this Thursday, January 12th at 7:00 p.m. in Finley Hall. This will be a Fellowship Night, and all women of the Parish are welcome to attend. Service Project Finleyville Food Pantry (paper products). Refreshment Committee: Kathy Schirra - Chairperson, Dolores Lani, Mary Kriston, Mary Jubic, Janet Nyga.

How will your life change in the approaching New Year? Dedicate one special hour per month in 2017 to deepen your personal conversation with the Spirit. Please join us at the time of your choice: 9:15 a.m.; 1:00 p.m.; or 7:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month. Our next gatherings will be Thursday February 2, 2017. (Yes, there will be coffee, tea, sustenance to maintain the 'whole person') Questions, call Maryanne at 412-417-6434.

Protecting God's Children Class here at St. Francis Parish on January 18th. The class will be held in Finley Hall and starts promptly at 6:30 p.m. If you are involved in a ministry in this or any parish, you must be compliant with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy. This class is taken once and is good forever. To register for the class, contact Mary Jane at 724-344-2444.

The Power of Prayer - 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.

We need your help. We will be taking down the Christmas decorations after 11:00 mass today. Please give a hand to finish the job quickly. Thank you. If you made a donation for Christmas Flowers, please take a poinsettia home this weekend.

A few dates are still open on the 2017 Flower Calendar. Call the Parish Office 724-348-7145 to see if your date might still be available.

High School Silent Retreat - God is alive and we believe that He speaks to us. At this men's High School Silent Retreat, we are going to give God the time and space to speak to our hearts about our lives and our vocations. The retreat will be led by Fr. Mike Ackerman and Fr. Joe Freedy at the Arc and the Dove Retreat House, January 14-15, 2017. For more information or to register, visit PGHPriest.com.

Bingo - Congratulations to the winners of the 3rd Magic Number. Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$625.00 in 52 numbers. The 1st & 2nd Magic Numbers will be \$250.00 and a 3rd Magic Magic Number will be started. The 'All Nighter' game will be \$319.50 plus this week's take. Early Bird games begin at 7:15, regular games at 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy Books - We will still have the Enjoy Books for a couple of weeks. Many freebee meals, golf, carwashes, dry-cleaning coupons. \$30.

Prayer Blanket Ministry - If you took prayer blankets to sew for our ministry, we need them back. Please run them in to the parish office by January 27th. We are always looking for sewers. If you would like to join this ministry, please contact Mary Jane at 724-344-2444.

Marriage Moments - Trip Down Memory Lane - It is the middle of winter cold in the northern hemisphere. What was your first winter living together like? Do you have newer better ways of keeping warm enough today?

Parenting Pointers - According to tradition, 3 kings came to honor the baby Jesus and we call this feast the Epiphany (the recognition of Jesus as God by the larger world). Consider giving something, gold, sweet smelling, or soothing (myrrh) to your child today a sign of God's presence within him or her.

Ministry Schedule – January 14/15

6:00 p.m. Saturday

Ministers: Kovscek, Brucker, Wietrzykowski,
Thropp, Hoover, Checque, Deluliis

Lector: E. Garry

Servers: T., T. & T. Smida

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: F. Funtal, Barner, Hirsch, Yesionek,
Dishong, Banahasky, Combes

Lector: L. Obringer

Servers: R. Funtal, J. Pisarcik, M. Miller

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Bublak, C. & J. Patterson, Bataglia,
B. Lewis, Trovato, Kims

Lector: C. McAninch

Servers: A. Llopart, Z. & Z. Bublak

Next Weekend January 14/15 we will have a second collection for St. Anthony School and DePaul School for the Hearing and Speech. Our Diocese of Pittsburgh is known nationally for these two educational programs.

St. Anthony School Programs provides Catholic special education to children with developmental delays and autism in five elementary/intermediate classrooms, two secondary classrooms and one college-age program located on the campuses of Duquesne University with training sites at the University of Pittsburgh and Carlow University. St. Anthony's also offers an academic component to the curriculum through Carlow University for qualified post-secondary students.

DePaul School for Hearing and Speech provides Listening and Spoken Language (LSL) education to children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Without the use of sign language, DePaul students learn to listen and speak and successfully transition to their neighborhood schools alongside their peers with typical hearing.

This second collection is credited to our Parish Share Program assessment, please be generous.

Offertory Procession - If a Mass is for your intention or at your request, please inform the ushers **before** Mass begins that you will take up the Offertory Gifts (Bread & Wine) during Mass. Many times the ushers do not know who you are, especially if the intention is for a person by a different name.

True Happiness - Abandon yourself utterly for the love of God, and in this way you will become truly happy.
—Blessed Henry Suso



Today, January 8, The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Leonard Checque - Don & Mary Ann Kims

8:00 a.m. Ed Banahasky - Wife, Anna

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

Monday, January 9, The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Sioa & Wuenstel Families - Family

Tuesday, January 10, Weekday Mass

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

8:30 a.m. Jack Peart - Jerome & Sharon Cibrik

Wednesday, January 11, Weekday Mass

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

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

Thursday, January 12, Weekday Mass

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

8:30 a.m. Agnes Cicci - Janet Donovan

Friday, January 13, Weekday Mass

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

8:30 a.m. Mary Schmidt - Family

Saturday, January 14, Weekday Mass

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

8:30 a.m. Mary Koskoski - Fran Parish Family

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily

Sunday, January 15, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Jean Stefanov - Deacon Vic Satter

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

11:00 a.m. Bill Andrewson - Ellen Andrewson

Home With Christ - Please pray for the souls of **Susan Marchewka**, mother of Karen Racunas, and **Brenda Dunbar**, sister of Joetta Yesionek, and **Clara Metzinger**, sister of Bob Keener. *May they rest in peace.*

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week **"In Memory of Pat & Ron Cholewinski"** requested by Dorothy & John Smida.

Christmas Collection.....	\$15,104.06
Children & Youth Collection	\$ 5,048.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 4,807.75

Selflessness Rewarded

Help another's boat across, and lo! thine own has reached the shore.
—Old Hindu proverb