



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

*All Powerful God, we thank you for the gift of your Son's Resurrection.
Everyone have a Happy and Blessed Easter. Alleluia!!*

A Family Perspective - Today's gospel instructs us Jesus "had to rise from the dead." The dying we experience with unmet expectations in marriage and parenting is normal to family life. Families must rise above disappointments and be Easter people all year long.

If you attended the Easter Vigil and received Holy Communion, you may receive Communion on Sunday also.

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.

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.

Late for Mass? Please wait in the back of the church until the end of the scripture reading. Proceed to a pew during the Responsorial Psalm or after the Second Reading, enter during the Alleluia before the Gospel. Entering during the readings or homily distracts the people. Thanks for your consideration.

Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday, April 23rd
Noon - 6:00 p.m. in Finley Hall
Adult \$9.00 - Child, under 10, \$5.00.
Tickets will be available at the door, no reservations necessary.
Sponsored by St. Francis Christian Mothers & Ladies Guild.

We would like to be able to communicate better with you, so if you would give us your name, e-mail address and phone number, we could do a better job. A paper and pencil is at the end of your pew, please pass them along to everyone in your pew. Thanks again for your assistance. In the near future, we will contact everyone and ask some things about our parish. Jesus told his Apostles that he would make them 'fishers of men.' Pray that we might 'catch some fish,' as we miss so many of our parishioners!

From the Vicar's Desk

The days of our Lenten Journey are behind us. I hope your journey was fulfilling. Our effort to enhance our relationship with God does not have to end with Lent.

Today, as the family we are, we celebrate the wondrous victory of Christ, life after death. Because of our baptism, the promises of which we renew this Easter, we are Easter people! Therefore, if we follow Christ closely, especially by receiving Communion frequently, we have no reason to fear death, bearing his name, living the life he teaches... "Christ-ian!"

I pray that you and your family will enjoy the blessings of this day and everyday of your life. After all, we are 'made to his image and likeness'...we reflect a bit God in our very essence, in our immortal soul.

We have seen the depths of his love, as we ponder all that happened on Golgotha, Calvary-hill. His empty tomb is our assurance that Jesus is God and, therefore, we have hope for ourselves.

***Happy Easter, my fellow "Christ-ian!"
In Him, your best & favorite Vicar, fr.t.***

2017 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.

Thank You! The Columbiettes would like to thank all the parents and grandparents who brought their children for the Easter Egg Hunt. They all had a good time. Hope to see you again next year.

Ministry Schedule - April 22/23**6:00 p.m. Saturday**

Ministers: Kovscek, Hoover, Weisdack, DeIuliis,
Wietrzykowski, Checque, Foster

Lector: E. Garry

Servers: T., T., T. Smida

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Combes, Jaki, Banahasky, Gallo, Parish,
H. & M. A. Lassige

Lector: L. Obringer

Servers: A. Kolano, J. & I. Gallo

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Hamilton, Battaglia, Kims, Trovato,
Greco, Folz, Pitzer

Lector: J. Valecko

Servers: K. & K. Gindele, G. Mucci

Bingo - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$550.00 in 50 numbers. The 1st Magic Number will be \$250.00 and the 2nd Magic Number will be \$65.00 plus this week's take. The 'All Nighter' game will be \$1,190.00, and will remain at that amount until it is won. Early Bird games begin at 7:15, regular games at 7:30 p.m.

Help Connellsville recover from the damage due to the flood they suffered. A trip will take place somewhere between April 21 - 30. Exact dates will be determined by number of volunteers. It could turn into a 5 day trip. Accommodations in a local church. Feel free to bring a cot, air mattress. Meals will be provided for \$20 a day. (St. Francis will pay for you.) Contact Gary Roney 412-456-3140 or groney@diopitt.org to serve.

Marriage Moments - The resurrection of Jesus which we celebrate on Easter was a pretty hard story for the women and apostles to believe. Today, we believe on the testimony of others and thousands of years of retelling the story. Unconditional love is so hard to believe. Believe your spouse's love anyway.

April 22 is Earth Day. This year's focus is Climate Literacy. Visit (<http://www.earthday.org/campaigns/education/climate-education-week/>) for ideas on how to teach your child some basics about the environment. Want something less academic? Take a hike or clean up a nearby park.

Dancing For Joy

The people say that the sun dances on this day in joy for a risen Savior. —Alexander Carmichael

**Today, April 16, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

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

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

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Monday, April 17, 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. Ruth Sarsfield - Frank Kovscek

Tuesday, April 18, 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. Paul Gergerich - Mike & Maryanne

Wednesday, April 19, Wednesday within the Octave of

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

8:30 a.m. Joe Sebes - Jim & Cheryl Mazzeo

Thursday, April 20, Thursday within the Octave of

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

8:30 a.m. Robert Chilson - Nancy & Walt

Wietrzykowski

Friday, April 21, 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. Charles Jaki - Funtal Family

Saturday, April 22, Saturday within the Octave of

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

8:30 a.m. Earl 'Kit' Wain - Krempasky & Wain

Families

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily

Sunday, April 23, Second Sunday of Easter of Divine Mercy

Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

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

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

11:00 a.m. Nancy DePreitis - Dan & Sheila Rodgers

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week **"In Memory of Martin, Mary, Thomas & Sr. Peggy Flaherty"** requested by Dorothy Flaherty Weldon.

Jefferson Hospital needs volunteers. Whether you would enjoy working directly with patients in the surgery center, in the Gift Shop, or behind the scenes in an office. To learn more, contact Janet O'Brien at 412-469-5885.

Men's Emmaus Retreat sponsored by St. Benedict Parish scheduled for May 5-7 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. Good food, private room. Contact Ed Corbett at ecorbett@verizon.net or 412-302-1659.