



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 - The stress and anxieties of family life are like “thorns which choke off” any opportunity to reflect on God’s presence in our lives. Notice in today’s gospel Jesus “left the house” so He could connect with His Father. Grasp five minutes each day to appreciate God walking with you.

Help! Help! We need Altar Servers for Sunday masses. Call if your 4th grader through high school is willing to help. Training this summer. (724-348-7145)

On Mission: Fertile Soil – In today’s Gospel – the parable of the sower – Jesus teaches us that while the Word of God is preached throughout the world, it is most effective when it takes root in hearts that are fertile and ready to bear good fruit. If the goal of *On Mission for The Church Alive!* is to more effectively preach the Gospel and grow the Church, then we must work now to prepare our hearts and help prepare the hearts of others to allow God’s Word to touch our hearts in new ways and spread the seeds of faith in our families, in our parishes and in our communities. Consider joining or starting a bible study or faith-sharing small group or attend a faith formation session at a nearby parish and nourish the faith in your life. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more about it and to stay informed.

Marriage Moments - Not everything married couples say to each other is kind and gentle. Sometimes it’s thorny or boring. Carve out 5 minutes (or more) for deep sharing today. Perhaps something like, “A fear, need, or joy I have is...”

Parenting Pointers - When speaking to your kids (or anyone) consider these proverbs: “It is better to leave angry words unspoken than to mend the heart those words have broken.” and “The tongue is the only instrument that gets sharper with use.”

St. Francis of Assisi Planning Meeting for the 2017-18 fundraising has been set for **Monday, July 31st at 6:30 p.m.** in Finley Hall. All organizations should meet to schedule their dates prior to the July 31st meeting. All event dates & times must be recorded in the Office Planning Book to take place.

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, August 20th, 1:00 p.m. - Dark

The Sign - Up poster to volunteer to work for the Parish Picnic is available before and after masses for the next two weeks. There are many game stands, (some new and some old favorites) refreshment stands and many time slots to be filled. Please think about the time you will be available to help and make sure you get the time slot you want. 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!*

Picnic Tickets will be available next weekend, July 22/23. The Tickets are \$5.00 a book. These tickets 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 will be available before and after all masses beginning next weekend July 15/16. 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 20, 2017 (Midday & 7 p.m.)
 \$500 Monday, August 21, 2017 (Midday & 7 p.m.)
 \$500 Tuesday, August 22, 2017 (Midday & 7 p.m.)
 \$500 Wednesday, August 23, 2017 (Midday & 7 p.m.)
 \$500 Thursday, August 24, 2017 (Midday & 7 p.m.)
 \$500 Friday, August 25, 2017 (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.

Country Store – Featured items at the Country Store will be new or nearly new items, small handmade items, plants, produce, books, etc. Start saving your items now and bring them to Finley Hall beginning August 14th, 6:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. Please NO TV, Computers, Monitors or Microwaves.

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, Cheer, Snacks, Bar items, etc., it would be greatly appreciated. Please bring the items to the Parish Office.

Ministry Schedule - July 22/23

6:00 p.m. Saturday

Ministers: Thropp, K., D., & B. Lewis, Brucker,
DeLuliis, Wietrzykowski
Lector: S. McCormick
Servers: T., T., & T. Smida

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: Drahnak, Dishong, Yesionek, Parish,
Lang, F. & R. Funtal
Lector: M. Wyse
Servers: M. Miller, D. Drahnak, R. Funtal

11:00 a.m. Sunday

Ministers: S. & A. Parker, Bublak, Folz, Greco,
Pitzer, Hamilton
Lector: J. Mansmann
Servers: G. Mucci, Z. & Z. Bublak

Bingo - Join us Tuesday for Bingo in Finley Hall. The Jack-pot will be \$725.00 in 55 numbers. The Magic Number will be \$209.00 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 way to spend a hot, summer night!

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.

Fraternity of Priest Healing Mass Wednesday, July 19th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Bernadette Church, 245 Azalea Dr., Monroeville, PA.

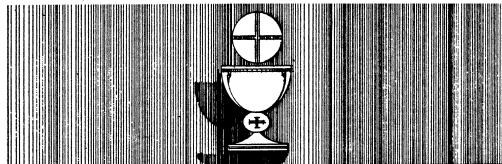
Fruit of the Word

The seed is the word of God. The agricultural metaphors in all of today's readings give richness to the message that the word of God, cultivated in our hearts, bears much fruit in our lives. Creation itself awaits the redemption of all, even as our bodies await the resurrection. Just as we will rejoice in the fulfillment of God's word, so will all of creation sing for joy in the Reign of God. The word of God is effective and holy; it brings about exactly what it says. It is not futile or empty, but rich in meaning for those who hear and are healed. Those who hear the word of God and keep it will, with all creation, bear much fruit and sing for joy. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Listen

Listen and attend with the ear of your heart.
—St. Benedict

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Today, July 16, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]

6:00 p.m. (Sat.) Karl & Mathilda Staud - Judy Antonovich

8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. Kenny Laughlin - Family

Monday, July 17, Weekday Mass

Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1

8:30 a.m. Ruth Sarsfield - Janice Schmitt

Tuesday, July 18, Weekday Mass

Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

8:30 a.m. Chuck Jaki - Wife, Karen & Family

Wednesday, July 19, Weekday Mass

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

8:30 a.m. Josephine Towers - Son, Ed Towers

Thursday, July 20, Weekday Mass

Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

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

Friday, July 21, Weekday Mass

Ex 11:10 - 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

8:30 a.m. Robert Chilson - Lori & Kevin Kenavey

Saturday, July 22, St. Mary Magdalene

Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

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

Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass daily

Sunday, July 23, Sixteen Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

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

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

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

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week **"In Memory of Stephen Parish, Sr."** requested by Steve & Mary Parish & Family.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD"

The Flowers on our Altar today are presented

"Birthday Remembrance for Joseph Schwerha"

requested by Dot Schwerha & Family.



"In Memory of Albert Primorich"

requested by Wife, June.

Financial Overview

Needed/week.....	\$8,687.65
Last week	\$8,748.50
Deficit/Surplus.....	\$60.85