

PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 16, 2008

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SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

DAILY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00 a.m. until final penitent is finished

BAPTISM

On Sunday twice a month after parental interview

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Twice a year in a communal celebration
Individually upon request

MATRIMONY

Saturday weddings at 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m.
Notification at least 6 months in advance

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00 noon

FIRE DANGER AVOIDED

To allay the fears of those at last Sunday's 9:00 a.m. liturgy and the questions of parishioners who have asked about the many fire equipment vehicles that were sent to our church that day, there was no damage to the church. One of the filters for the heating system began to burn, but as soon as the electric was shut off to the burnt-out motor, the danger was eliminated. This condition simply left an "unpleasant smell" in the church until it was aired out. We thank Joe Hrason, usher at that liturgy and Temporalities Commission chairperson familiar with the system, and the other ushers at that liturgy for their response of turning off the electricity and using the church fire extinguisher. We wish to recognize the many fire equipment personnel who came so quickly to our church to make sure that no serious damage might have been caused to the church.

ENDING OF THE GREEN VESTMENTS

The Sundays of Ordinary Time come to end TODAY for another Liturgical Year as we look forward to the celebration of Christ the King NEXT Sunday. Then we have the First Sunday of Advent, the Christmas, Epiphany and the events after that. Green vestments indicating Ordinary Time will not return until January 18, 2009!

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

Each year at this time we are encouraged to support the collection for the religious that is taken up in all the churches of the United States. We will have an opportunity to be generous to this collection NEXT WEEK since there is an envelope in our packet for this SECOND collection. We ask that all members of our Parish Family be as generous as possible in giving to this collection since the National Religious Retirement Office is then able to distribute these funds to the needy religious in our Diocese and throughout the entire country.

ANOTHER NOTE OF GRATITUDE

We received a note of thanks from Father Sutman, our Renewal priest, for the hospitality and generosity of the members of our Parish Family. The monetary collection for this Community amounted to \$4651 --- which was given directly to Father. His gratitude to all who made this possible!

CHRIST THE KING

A LITURGICAL SOLEMNITY

Next Sunday, November 23rd, we bring the entire Liturgical Year to a climatic finale as we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. In order to enter fully into the spirit of this day, we invite all parishioners to spend a few minutes of reflection in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, the living presence of the Christ in our midst. Next Sunday the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the 11:00 a.m. liturgy and will remain for adoration until the closing service at 4:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to take this opportunity as one of the days assigned to our Parish Family for public adoration to come for private reflection during these hours.

"VOX POPULI" (part 10)

The members of the Pastoral Council are still in the process of reviewing the nearly 1500 surveys that were returned by our parishioners at the liturgy. Of this great number of surveys, there were 12 persons who wanted to have a day of Adoration in our parish church. We remind those persons that one of the opportunities that we have for Adoration will take place next Sunday during the celebration of Christ the King. The Council members are directing the ideas of many of the surveys to the proper ministry in the Parish Family to review them.

"PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC" MAILED

All those who take a "Pittsburgh Catholic" each week from the church will notice that next week's edition is being SENT HOME to every registered family in our parish. We hope that our parishioners will make use of this edition since it contains the popular Advent-Christmas calendar with many ideas for the family at this time of year. There are many articles in the paper that explore parish life, and a multiple list of other important religious news for those growing in the Catholic Faith.

THANKSGIVING DAY PARTICIPANTS

As we come to celebrate ONE liturgy on Thanksgiving Day at 10:00 a.m., we invite all parishioners to begin this magnificent holiday with us. We make a special request that ALL SCOUTS gather in their uniforms and all those coming to the liturgy bring FOOD products for the collection, showing the real meaning of the "Eucharist."

Since you were faithful in small matters
I will give you great responsibilities



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 16, 2008 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Mae Gentile - Dolly Gentile
6:00 p.m. 40th Wedding Anniversary of Raymond & Marie Wiehagen
7:30 a.m. Betty Jane Hunkele - Family
9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
11:00 a.m. Stephanie McNalley - From Her Parents

Monday, November 17, 2008 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary

7:00 a.m. Nora Moroney - Yates Family
10:00 a.m. Gladys Hefferin - Peg Lisac

Tuesday, November 18, 2008 - Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter & St. Paul in Rome

7:00 a.m. Anna Krupski - Ann Golden
10:00 a.m. James Cenci - Wife

Wednesday, November 19, 2008 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Mary Lou Blum - Kathleen Martin
10:00 a.m. Edward Gorgas - Family

Thursday, November 20, 2008 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Giuseppe Imbarlina - Marco & Rose Imbarlina
10:00 a.m. Eleanor Triglia - Family
7:00 p.m. Christian Mothers/Women's Organization

Friday, November 21, 2008 - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. Teresa Gullo - Lisa Ruffa & Family
10:00 a.m. Erin Arnone - Dad

Saturday, November 22, 2008 - St. Cecilia

8:00 a.m. Helen Davis - The Lovas Family
4:00 p.m. Patsy & Minnie Mignella - Daughters
6:00 p.m. Charles Stepnick - Shirley & Dan Stepnick

Sunday, November 23, 2008 - Our Lord, Jesus Christ the King

7:30 a.m. Frank Kirzyc - Wife, Sally
9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
11:00 a.m. Teresa & Nicholas Moyeroff - Granddaughter & Family

Weekly Activities at a Glance

Sunday (Church) 9:00AM - Family Program
Nov. 16 (Church) 9:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
(Rectory) 10:00AM - R.C.I.A.
(PAC) 7:00PM - CYM LIFE Night

Monday (School) 6:30PM - CCD Program - All Grades
Nov. 17 (Marian Hall) 6:30PM - Market Day
(Church) 7:00PM - CCD Reconciliation
(Marian Hall) 7:00PM - Communion Ministers Training
(Church) 8:00PM - Brass Practice

Tuesday (Marian Hall) 2:45PM - School Band
Nov. 18 (Church) 2:45PM - Children's Cantor Practice
(Marian Hall) 6:30PM - CYM Drama Practice
(Marian Hall) 7:00PM - Communion Ministers Training

Wednesday (Marian Hall) 9:30AM - Let the Little Children Come to Me
Nov. 19 (Marian Hall) 1:30PM - 55 Specials - Bingo/Cards
(Church) 2:45PM - Children's Choir Practice
(Rectory) 7:00PM - Temporalities Meeting
(Church) 7:30PM - Adult Choir Practice

Thursday (Providence Hall) 6:30PM - CYM Drama Practice
Nov. 20 (Rectory) 7:00PM - Christian Mothers/ Women's Organization
(Church) 8:00PM - Adult Hand Bell Practice

Friday (Church) 10:00AM - School Mass
Nov. 21

Saturday (School) 9:30AM - CCD Program
Nov. 22 (Marian Hall) 9:00AM - Forensics Tournament

Sunday (Rectory) 10:00AM - R.C.I.A.
Nov. 23 (Church) 4:00PM - Evening Prayer
(PAC) 7:00PM - CYM LIFE Night

Flower Memorial

The flowers beautifying our altar are in loving memory of Stephanie McNalley requested by her Mom and Dad.

R.I.P.: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael R. Urso, father of Thomas F. Urso & Zachary Mancini, brother of Mario Mancini.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

I. Michael Rzasa (St. Magdalene) & Christine Rozyczka (St. Mary)

November 9, 2008	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	754	\$16,669.14
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$1,573.00
Children's Offertory	34	\$63.00
All Saints Day	514	\$742.00
World Mission	1	\$100.00
Religious Retirement	4	\$63.57
Parish Share 2008	10	\$455.00
Parish Needy	62	\$776.57
Total	1,379	\$20,442.28

Daily Readings



BLESSED ARE YOU WHO FEAR THE LORD.

Nov. 17 Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43
Nov. 18 Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10. or for the memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-23
Nov. 19 Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28
Nov. 20 Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44
Nov. 21 Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48
Nov. 22 Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40
Nov. 23 Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST



Michael Francis Didomenico
Elijah James Hopke
Owyn Alexander Hughes
Harrison Russell Parker
Evan Joseph Skvarla

Congratulations to their parents, godparents, and grandparents. Please join us in welcoming them into our parish family!

A VOCATION VIEW

What are your God-given talents? Help them to grow by sharing them with others. Discover the joy of service in ministry.
(Matthew 25:14-30)

TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE if you would like to host this prayer tool for vocations, call Ron Ondrizek at 412.486.6851. Families, singles and shut-ins are welcome to host.

R. I. C. A. is the process through which non-Catholic adults enter the Catholic Church. We meet in the rectory dining room following the 9:00am Mass. All are welcome. Today's topic is The Ten Commandments. Next week's topic is Moral Issues. All are welcome! To find out more, call Father Ed or Jim Finn at the rectory 412.486.4100.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

All families with children under age five are welcome to participate in this special ministry. For more information call Monica at (412)492-0242.

The next PRAY and PLAY Day will be held this Wed. November 19th at 9:30am in the Children's Liturgy Room of the church.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Like the servants in today's gospel, God has given us special assets and expects us to totally invest ourselves in them. Laziness or being too busy is not tolerated. Family was freely given to us and is our most precious asset. Invest yourself!

PARENTING POINTERS

Although the best strategy for dealing with the TV is often to turn it off, parents can also use TV to teach. Watch a program with your child and talk back to the TV. "Hmmm, that commercial sure is trying to trick us?" or, "I can't believe that kid just back-talked to his mom. What do you think the parent should do?"

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"This is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one body." (Genesis 2:24)
What a profound transition marriage is. Of course you never stop loving your parents, but now you have a new first love.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for Week of November 16

Our *Catechism of the Catholic Church* remind us of important doctrinal truths related to the scriptures of this Sunday. The numbers are paragraphs from the *Catechism* which may be read and discussed for further understanding.

- ◆ "People need each other because differences in talents and abilities exist and are a part of God's plan." #1936-7.
- ◆ "Respect for the equality and differences among persons must exist. Equality is based on the dignity of the person." #1928-1938
- ◆ "Sinful economic and social inequalities contradict the Gospel." #1938
- ◆ "The Holy Spirit graces Christians with diverse and complementary charisms which work together for the common good and for the entire Body of Christ." #799-801

WOMEN OF FAITH who gave themselves for the "common good" of their contemporaries and whose feasts we observe this week on:

Nov. 17 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary, a Hungarian princess who led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor. With her own three children she would daily take bread to the homeless and most needy. She became a secular Franciscan and understood Jesus' saying, "What ever you do to the least of my people, you do to me." (Matt.25:40)

Nov. 18 - St. Rose Philippine Duchene came from France as a missionary to the growing United States in 1818. She founded the first free school for girls west of the Mississippi. She suffered poor lodging, shortages of food, water, fuel and money, forest and chimney fires. Her inability to learn the language of the Potawatomi led her to be called by the Native Americans as "Woman-Who-Prays-Always."

Nov. 21 - Presentation of Mary by her parents, Anne and Joachim celebrates the Hebrew tradition of presenting a young child in the temple. Offering the life of the child as belonging to God was, and is, an affirmation of trust in our Creator and heavenly Father.

Nov. 22 - Saint Cecelia, Patroness of Church Music

C.C.D. Faith Formation

Monday, Nov. 17 Grade 5 meet in church

Saturday, Nov. 22 9:30 AM All children & parents meet in Marian Hall at Tables along the wall with NO windows. Bring item for food pantry & snack to share.

Sunday, Nov. 16 – Family Program 10 AM till Noon.
Grade 6 serve at 9 AM Mass; and Closing Prayer.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Tonight in the PAC
LIFE NIGHT is
Coffee House and Jam session
7 – 8:30 PM

OPEN GYM

6 - 7:00 PM

Both boys and girls in Grades 9 – 12

OUR NEXT OUTING WILL BE TO
THE CRÉCHE

and

PPG Ice Skating

Sunday, December 14

Late afternoon to early evening

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE FIRST PARISH BREAKFAST. The fire upstairs sure added to the excitement! Our next breakfast will be on December 21, please call or email [see info below] if you can help prepare or serve.



NEEDED!!

Can you donate any electronic games? We are specifically looking for a Wii, Play Station 2 and also Guitar Hero.

CYM WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun., Nov. 16 OPEN GYM 6 – 7 PM IN PAC
LIFE NIGHT 7 – 8:30 PM

Tues., Nov. 18 Play practice Marian Hall
6:30 – 8 PM

Thur., Nov. 20 Play practice Marian Hall
6:30 – 8 PM

Fri., Nov. 21 Leave for Fall Retreat at 3:45 PM

Sun. Nov. 23 OPEN GYM 6 – 7 PM IN PAC
LIFE NIGHT 7 – 8:30 PM

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Call the CYM line for current information on our social, spiritual and service activities for teens and young adults at 412-492-9344 or 412-486-4100, extension 409 or email at belskib@verizon.net

ST. MARY



MAX & ERMA NIGHT

St. Mary School PTG is sponsoring a fundraiser at Max & Erma's (Gibsonia location) on Wednesday, November 19th. Included in this week's bulletin is a "ticket" which must be presented to the server in order for the school to receive 20% of your total bill. Please share the other ticket with another family member or friend. As always, we appreciate your support!

The Blessing of the Creche



Our Children's Choir

and Instrumental Band students have been invited once again to the Blessing of the Crèche that will take place at the USX Tower in Pittsburgh on Friday, November 21st. This is the tenth year that our students have been asked to provide the music for this event. Bishop David Zubik will preside over the ceremony. This event always coincides with Light Up Night in downtown Pittsburgh.

FORENSICS TOURNAMENT

St. Mary School will host the Southwestern Pennsylvania Forensics League Tournament on Saturday, November 22, 2008. We welcome the fifteen schools that will be participating in this meet and are happy to be the host school. Good luck to all of our students who will be participating, and thank you to the parent moderators and volunteers who are so needed on that day..

ONE-SIDED PAPER

We are still accepting donations of one-sided paper for school use. Please check that no personal information is included on the printed side. Donations can be dropped off in the school office Monday through Friday. Thank you!

LABELS FOR EDUCATION

If you look closely on the labels of Campbell's soups, SpaghettiOs, Prego spaghetti sauce, V-8 juice, or Swanson products, you will see a UPC label "Labels for Education." We ask that you simply clip the UPC code, put them in an envelope, and drop them off in the school office. Our school receives points for each item that allows us to purchase educational materials for the school. Once again: thank you, thank you, thank you!



OUR PARISH NEWS

SERVICE OUTREACH

Returns due before Thanksgiving:

Baby Bottle Campaign, bottles available in the Children Liturgy Room include information.

Shoebbox Gifts for Persons in Military Service

Call 412-486-5521 for a list of items to include.

MARKET DAY delivery 5:00 PM, THIS Monday, Nov. 17; pick up 6:30-7:30 PM. Willing helpers needed – a great service project for youth. Monday Grade 7-3 helpers.



Thank You Lord

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Do you know someone that doesn't have anywhere to go for Thanksgiving Dinner? Our family cooks and serves a complete thanksgiving meal (no charge) to anyone with that need. Attend the sit-down meal in Etna at 2pm. Transportation is available, if necessary or we will deliver to their home. Reservations by 11/16. (but we can always squeeze a few last minute requests) The last few years we have served about 70 people/yr. All are welcome! 412-417-3320 / tjbontempo@hotmail.com



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Middle Schoolers *Burning Hearts*

The Middle School Diocesan Faith Rally was super! Our 20 students and 7 parents were a wonderful representation of St. Mary's enthusiasm for our faith!

Once again, let's rally on the **Feast of Christ the King**, Sunday, Nov. 23 at 3:45 PM for Benediction, followed by dinner and your choice of a g-rated movie on the large screened television. You bring the movies and we will take a vote. Chaperones needed. *Mark Tobin*

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL LIBRARY

We have a small library sponsored by the St. Vincent dePaul Society located at the back of the church. All are welcome to make use of this facility. There is no need to sign out for any item. However, within several weeks of checking out a book/CD/DVD, you are asked to return it as others may have an interest in the item. Thank you!

ALL WIDOWS & WIDOWERS OF ST. MARY'S

You are invited to meet and sit together in the reserved seats in the front of Church at the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, November 22. After Mass we will go to Casey's Restaurant on Route 8 for Dinner.

GOOD NEWS TO SHARE



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EVENING OF REFLECTION WITH BISHOP ZUBIK

Will be held at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center on Thursday, November 20, 2008 from 7:00pm until 9:00pm. This Evening of Reflection begins with a talk by the bishop entitled, **THE CHURCH ALIVE** and also includes the celebration of Mass and a social. Registration is requested by contacting Sister Mary Lou at 412.931.9766. A free will offering will be accepted. All men and women are welcome!

Tuesday, November 18, Year of Saint Paul talk and discussion "**Glorify God in YOUR Bodies**", by Sister Timothy Prokes, 7:30 PM at St. Paul Seminary, Crafton. Call 412-486-5521 if you are interested in a car pool to the event.

CAHAL DUNNE

Come and join us for an evening of fun with Cahal Dunne, singer, songwriter, pianist, and comedian at St. Mary's Parish in Marian Hall on Saturday, November 29, 2008, at 7:30PM. You are welcome to BYOB, and enjoy coffee and cake that will be served. Please call Sr. Lois for tickets at 412-486-4021 which will be on sale for \$12.00. Proceeds are for our Marian hall Kitchen renovations. This event is co-sponsored by the American Slovenian CU-KSKJ Life as a matching fund project.

NEED HELP?

Do you know someone who needs the help of the St. Vincent dePaul Society? Through no fault of his or her own, someone may have fallen on hard times. They may be having difficulty buying food or paying gas or electric bills or even the rent. No one should have to deal with such problems alone. Perhaps we can help. If so, Call Sr. Lois Spinnenweber, our Social Minister, at 412.486.4021.

St. Ursula Centennial Christmas Concert

The River City Brass Band and St. Ursula Parish Choir will be performing on Friday, December 12, 2008 at 7:30PM. The concert takes place at Shaler Middle School. Adults tickets - \$15.00 and Student tickets - \$5.00. Please call Joyce at 412.486.6700 ext. 8 or Joan at 724.449.2691 for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

Since the great number of MASS INTENTIONS that are given to our Parish Family cannot be satisfied in our parish church, we remind all parishioners that some intentions will be sent to the Missions. Not only does that mean that the intentions will be said long before they could be said in our parish church, but the stipend connected to the intentions goes to help the work of the missions in needy areas of the world. The following intentions have been sent to the Missions and those who requested them can be assured that these masses will be celebrated shortly.

Clarence Bittner

Jeff & Jane Bittner

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

Under the guidance and leadership of Bishop Zubik, there is a great movement in the Diocese to make sure that every Parish Family has a PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL which empowers the LAY Leadership to create a “vision” for the parish --- develop a “mission statement” for the parish --- and set the future goals for the parish. The Diocese is now hoping to develop permanent guide lines for how the Parish Pastoral Council should be established in each Parish Family.

In anticipation of this process, the Diocese has invited a certain number of “selected parishes” to share their ideas and suggestions with Diocesan Officials in anticipation of the creation of these guidelines. Like a feather in the cap of *St. Mary of the Assumption*, OUR Pastoral Council was one of those so selected because of the great advances we have made in the processes of the Pastoral Council. As a matter of fact, OUR Council will be celebrating its EIGHTH YEAR on the first Sunday of Advent of this year. Over the course of these eight years, the Council members of our Parish Family have left such a good impression of the Diocesan Officials that not only were we invited to the gathering, but it was held at our church. The Diocesan-sponsored meeting was completed this last past week here in our rectory.

Congratulations to the members of OUR Pastoral Council for their admirable participation in this gathering. All of our parishioners would have been very proud of the testimony given by OUR Council members as they shared with the group from other parishes and the Diocese their understanding of the real meaning of a Pastoral Council. Many of their ideas and suggestions were placed in writing for the Diocese to review in the development of the guidelines for all parishes to model. The gathering began with a delicious meal created by “Chef du Cuisine FRED” that simply set a very pleasant aura for enriching dialogue by all those who participated in the evening. The Diocesan facilitator was then able to build on the wonderful hospitality created by our Council members to have a very informative evening. This was one of those evenings when it was a proud moment to belong to our Parish Family. Our Council exhibited such a leadership role in the entire evening that we received telephone calls from the Diocese to thank us for such an inspirational event to help create the Pastoral Council guidelines for Bishop Zubik’s vision of the “Growing Church.”