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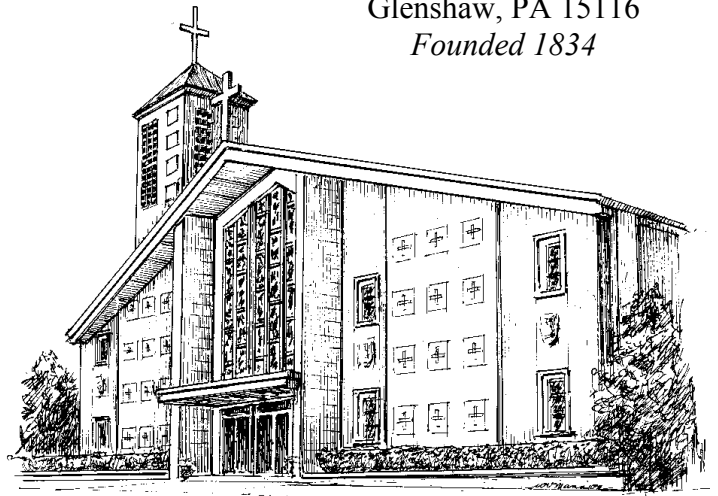
# PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 28, 2007

2510 Middle Road  
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Founded 1834

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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



## CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

What a magnificent week for *St. Mary Catholic School* as we celebrate an entire week in recognition of all those who are part of this great asset to our Parish Family! A whole series of events will occur this week in an attempt to remind all of us of the importance of catholic education. This importance is not simply in the tremendous educational opportunities of all those who attend the school, but the effects of such an educational program spill out to the world around us. Students of other parishes and other religions are also welcome to share in the opportunities of our parochial school. The value-centered educational determination of *St. Mary Catholic School* touches every aspect of our parish life, and the life of those who surround us. We ask all parishioners to keep the intentions of those involved in our Catholic School in their daily prayers; and we offer a heart-felt sense of gratitude to all those who support our catholic school.

### SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: TODAY!

Today we begin our celebration of Catholic Schools with an OPEN HOUSE for all parishioners to experience the value centered education process open to students of the entire area. The theme for this week is "Catholic Schools: The Good News in Education." We have much good news to share as our OPEN HOUSE today goes from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Interested families, especially those with children who will be in the 3-4 year old preschool through the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, are welcome to come and tour our school, have some light refreshments, and see what we are all about. We look forward to seeing you and sharing our good news!

### CATHOLIC SCHOOL ENVELOPE

Those who are faithful in using their envelopes each week will notice that there is a special envelope entitled "Catholic School Week" in this month's packet. This envelope is offered to all those who would like to help needy families to receive an education in our own parochial school. We invite all parishioners to make a financial contribution to the great asset our school is to the entire Parish Family. All the monies collected in this envelope go directly to *St. Mary Catholic Grade School*. This envelope may be dropped in the first collection on any given Sunday during this year.

## BLESSING OF THROATS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:00 a.m. --- after Gospel of the Liturgy

9:30 a.m. --- at the Prayer Service

In connection with Saturday's optional memorial of St. Blasé, we are invited to the tradition of "Blessing of Throats." This service symbolizes the fact that God offers protection against "...every disease of the throat and every other illness..." in honor of St. Blase, one of twelve saints of the early Church who were invoked for divine security over the sickness of the body. We invite all parishioners to join us at one of these two times to share in this very ancient blessing of our Catholic Faith.

### BAPTISM SUNDAY: TODAY

Today is Baptism Sunday in our Parish Family and we welcome those families bringing their infants to celebrate the sacrament. We remind parents planning a baptism in the future that the sacrament will not be celebrated during the season of Lent. Those who come to understand the various nuances of the liturgical seasons certainly appreciate our Parish Family's attempt to maintain the motif of each season with the variety of our parish celebrations.

### "CATCH THE VIBE"

Like the PHOENIX, the mythical bird of great beauty rising from ashes to the freshness of youth, the STEEL of our Parish Activity Center rises from the ground attesting to the fact that we are on our way to a new structure that will bring a new face to our sacred grounds. Have you made your pledge or contribution to this grounds improvement project of our Parish Family? Have you made a contribution in the past and would like to increase your amount so as to be included on the "Memorial Plaque" for a witness to future generations? The members of the Capital Campaign Committee invite you to do so now as the DEADLINE is fast approaching.

### RESPECT FOR LIFE GRATITUDE

Members of our Respect For Life Committee thank all those who contributed to last Sunday's collection at the doors of the church that totaled \$1403.00. Our Parish Family recognizes those who marched to Washington on Monday for their witness represents all of us in this important cause!

**Masses for the Week**

**Sunday, January 28, 2007 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 4:00 p.m. Gentile Family - (Dolly Gentile)
- 6:00 pm John Murray, Jr. - Henry & Stella Newland
- 7:30 a.m. Ann Sufak - Husband George Sufak
- 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 11:00 a.m. Lisa Audet - (Al & Pat Beranek)

**Monday, January 29, 2007 - Weekday**

- 7:00 a.m. John Coxon - Virginia Dougherty & Children
- 10:00 a.m. Bill Vistein - Faith Formation Office Team

**Tuesday, January 30, 2007 - Weekday**

- 7:00 a.m. Amelia & Thomas Chille - (Richard & Marlane DiPasquale)
- 10:00 a.m. Apollonia Castellano - (Daughter Concetta Liberto)

**Wednesday, January 31, 2007 - St. John Bosco**

- 7:00 a.m. Anna Mae Walsh - (Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Andrea Hacker - (Cindy & Jack Benoit)

**Thursday, February 1, 2007 - Weekday**

- 7:00 a.m. Veronica C. Caricato - (Melanie Slobodryzk)
- 10:00 a.m. Mary Schultz - (Schultz Family)

**Friday, February 2, 2007 - Presentation of the Lord**

- 7:00 a.m. Special Intention, Abigail Lutz - (Pat & Joe Hoffmann)
- 10:00 a.m. Paul Cynkar - (Children)

**Saturday, February 2, 2007 - St. Blaise and St. Ansgar**

- 8:00 a.m. William Bliss - (Marge Baker Family)
- 4:00 p.m. William Meglio, Sr. - (The Monahan Family)
- 6:00 p.m. Matthew Guardalebene (Wife Dorothy)

**Sunday, February 3, 2007 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:30 a.m. Guiseppa Zottala - (Cuglieri Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 11:00 a.m. Tom & Martha Garasic - (40th Wedding Anniversary)

**A VOCATION VEIW**

**“Love never fails.” Trust the love of God and follow your heart. ( 1 Cor. 12:31-13:4-13)**

**Adult Enrichment** with Father Ed continues on Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM in our school library. Come to catch the spirit of Saint Paul .

**Weekend Trip:** Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows on June 23-25, 2007. Travel to Belleville, Illinois and St. Louis. Two nights at the Shrine with Sunday Mass, 4 meals, Basilica of St. Louis and more. Deposit of \$150.00 due by March 30, 2007. \$359 each for Single, \$289.00 each for Double, and \$259.00 each for Triple. For more information please contact Patricia Graw at 412-521-3183. Sponsor: Catholic Business and Professional Women’s Association.

**World Day for Consecrated Life:** The feast of the Presentation of the Lord is February 2. In 1997, John Paul II declared that this feast be observed as a celebration of consecrated life. When February 2nd does not fall on a weekend, the Sunday following this feast is the observance, therefore, next Sunday we will observe this day with special emphasis on the call to consecrated life in today’s world and in particular to the Sisters of Divine Providence who live and serve in our parish family and the Sisters of St. Francis of Millvale who have a House of Hospitality in our parish.

**Offertory Collection**

January 21, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	813	\$15,942.51
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$1,124.00
Children’s Offertory	62	\$100.04
Catholic Schools	17	\$274.00
St. Anthony	298	\$4,602.05
Parish Share 2006	4	\$90.01
Parish Needy	19	\$158.00
<b>Total</b>	1,213	\$22,290.61

**DAILY**



**READINGS**

- Jan. 29:** Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20
- Jan. 30:** Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43
- Jan. 31:** Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6
- Feb. 1:** Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13
- Feb. 2:** Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
- Feb. 3:** Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34
- Feb. 4:** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138; 1Cor 15:1-11 [3-8], 11; Lk 5:1-11

## **SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

**R.C.I.A.-** Join us on Sunday mornings following the 9:00am liturgy in the rectory dining room if you would like to brush up on your faith or if you are someone interested in knowing more about what it means to be a Catholic Christian. This week's topic: Marriage/Holy Orders. Next week: Reconciliation and Anointing. Call Fr. Ed or Jim Finn for more information at (412)486-4100.

### **ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:**

Are you a baptized Catholic who has never been confirmed? Why not prepare to be confirmed when Bishop Winter comes to St. Mary's on May 1, 2007? A series of preparation sessions will begin shortly. Contact Jim Finn, our pastoral associate to register at (412)486-4100.

### **LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME-**

all families with small children are invited to participate in this post-baptismal ministry. All registered families should have received our newsletter with the various events listed. Plan to attend the next PRAY and PLAY Day on Wed. Feb. 7 at 9:30am in church and that evening at 7:30pm in the rectory dining room when Deacon Francis will discuss Catholic Parenting ideas! Call Cindy (412)487-5272 to find out more!

### **A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

The people of Nazareth saw "Joseph's son" as part of their own home-town hero and celebrity. When Jesus told them His mission was not only in Nazareth, their pride turned to "indignation"; they felt cheated. Today's gospel teaches us that our concern must extend beyond our immediate family to all God's children.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY-** is Sunday, Feb. 11, 2007. There will be a diocesan celebration of World Marriage Day on **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Catherine of Sweden Parish, Wildwood.** It will begin with Mass at 4:00 p.m. in the church with Bishop Winter, as the presider and homilist. Following Mass there will be a wine and cheese reception in the parish hall. Jim and Margi Gregory will give a talk titled: "Beauty and the Beast: A Story of Transformation." Couples, married and engaged, are welcome. Donation is ten dollars/couple. To register call the Office for Family Life and Catechesis 412-456-3160 or Jim Finn at the rectory

## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

### **Faith Sharing for 4th Week Ordinary Time**

Read 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 again. Which is YOUR favorite "Love is" statement in this reading? Why? How do you demonstrate each of the theological virtues: faith, hope, and love? How does it feel to know that God knew you before you were born?

**Catholic Vision of Love Catechesis,** a perspective of the spirituality of sexuality, will be discussed in the Monday Faith Formation sessions February 5, 6:30-8:00 PM in Grades 5-6-7-8. Family Program youth welcome to participate.

**First Eucharist AND Confirmation Clusters** remember to call 412-486-5521 to give the information about the date, time, and place for your cluster meeting(s). Contact a member of our parish staff to participate in one of your cluster meetings; we are EAGER to be with you.

**Confirmation Candidates,** return form for the February 19 Retreat are due at the Faith Formation office by February 5. The form was to be given at the January cluster group meeting.

**MARKET DAY** fliers for FEBRUARY are available today. Get some tasty foods for your favorite Valentines. Orders may be placed at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) or call Lee Holleran, 724-443-1147. Willing helpers needed and welcome for the time of pick-up, February 26, 5:15-8 PM

**Sunday Pre-school sessions** meet during the 11:00 AM Liturgy each week in Room 7 of our education building. Stories and activities related to the Gospel of the Sunday are celebrated with the tots ages 3 +. Call 412-486-5521 for further details.

**Liturgy of the Word with Children** will be celebrated TODAY at the 9:00 and 11:00 AM liturgy. Call Donna, 412-492-9312 or Mary Sue, 412-767-5234 if YOU will like to assist as Reader, cross bearer, song leader.

**At-Home Retreat**...All you need is a computer and a heart that is open to God. Log on to [www.Finding God.org/retreat](http://www.Finding God.org/retreat) to experience soothing music, a daily Scripture verse, and reflective thoughts and questions.

**Saint Blaise and other Catholic Heroes** will be celebrated on Saturday, February 3, 9:30 AM in Church. Other youth will present the Heroes on Monday, February 12, 7:15 PM in church. Youth of our Confirmation class will give an *eye-opening* presentation of some of the Catholic heroes highlighted in the new UNITED STATE CATHOLIC CATECHISM. Copies of the Catechism are available for purchase @\$16.00 each at our Faith Formation office. Call now; a limited supply at that reduced price are available.

**YOUTH MINISTRY****ST. MARY SCHOOL****T-ROC**TONIGHT - Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>!

We'll gather for a Potluck Dinner at 4:45 p.m. in Marian Hall and Liturgy at 6 p.m. to follow. Break out sessions for all ages will begin after liturgy.

Topics: "Serving God by Serving Others"  
"Church Teaching on Issues of Life"

After Liturgy:

- **Grades 9-12** will be meeting with our **T-Team**
- **Parents** meet in Marian Hall for Adult discussion
- Program for students in **Grades 6-8**, and activities for **Grades 5 and below**
- Bring an item to share (see chart below)

**T-ROC Potluck Dinner**

Please contribute the following items.  
If your last name begins with:

- A - E** Desserts  
**F - K** Non-caffeine soda or beverage  
**I - L** Fruit or Vegetables and Dip  
**M - Q** Appetizer or Snacks  
**R - Z** Warm Casserole

\*Remember to bring **canned goods** with you to **T-ROC** to help support our parish **St. Vincent DePaul** food pantry.

**CYM Drama**

We could use a few more high school students to help with stage crew. The play FAME is scheduled for Saturday, February 24 and Sunday, February 25. Call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

**CYM CALENDAR**

<b>Sun., Jan. 28</b>	T-ROC - Dinner at 4:45 PM and 6 PM Liturgy
<b>Tues., Jan. 30</b>	Play Practice Marian Hall 6:30 – 8:30 PM
<b>Wed., Jan. 31</b>	Mandatory Appalachia meeting 7 PM
<b>Thur., Feb. 1</b>	Play Practice Marian Hall 6:30 – 8:30 PM
<b>Sun., Feb. 11</b>	LOVEWALK

**Contact Barb Belski or Lisa Rulis Ross**

412-486-4100, ext. 409 OR 412-492-9344

email us at [cymoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org](mailto:cymoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org)

Check out our website! [www.stmaryglenshaw.org/cym](http://www.stmaryglenshaw.org/cym)

**Teens have a Teen Discussion Board for their questions on our web page.** Go to the above web site for our **discussion board**. You may anonymously post your question and someone on our parish staff will post a reply.

**Young adults and adults click on Adult discussion board.**

**SMAA AND PLEDGE CAMPAIGN:** All those families who have children involved in the various "sports activities" of our parochial school have been personally invited by the SMAA to become more involved in the Pledge Campaign. The SMAA Board has recognized the fact that the students of the school will benefit tremendously from the Parish Activity Center, not only for the great impetus it will give to our Physical Education Program, but to all the extra curricular SPORTS-related events of our students. We hope that these school families will respond to this special invitation by sending back the special "condor envelope" they received in the mail!

**MAGAZINE SALE** - The school began its annual magazine sale last week and will run it through January 29, 2007. If you are interested in purchasing or renewing a magazine, please contact any St. Mary School student. The proceeds from this magazine drive goes to the St. John Neumann Tuition Assistance Fund. Thank you for your continued support of our school!

**SUPER BINGO** - Another Super Bingo will be held on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, in Marian Hall. Advance tickets are \$35 each; \$40 at the door. Admission includes 12 cards for regular games and 5 specials. Doors open at 5:30 PM; early birds begin at 7:00 PM. The evening includes 40 regular games at 50 points, 5 specials at 100 points, one jackpot at 500 points and another jackpot at 1000 points. All proceeds benefit our school. Call Coleen at (412) 486-6622 for more information or to order tickets.

**GIANT EAGLE GIFT CARDS** - Please consider purchasing Giant Eagle gift cards from our school first before purchasing the gift cards that Giant Eagle sells. You can then go to Giant Eagle and purchase the various gift cards there. Our school Scrip program has gift cards from more than 40 vendors available Monday-Friday and a larger selection can be pre-ordered weekly.

**Catholic Schools Week**

## **GENERAL PARISH NEWS**

**Attention All Scouts:** Sunday, February 4, 2007 is Scout Sunday. Any parishioner who is a Cub Scout, Boy Scout, or Girl Scout may participate in the procession at the 9:00AM Liturgy. A reception will follow in Marian Hall courtesy of the Hospitality Ministry. Team. Please contact Sandy or Bart Daldosso at 412-492-1370 with the number that plan to attend from your group. Thank you!



**TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE-** If your family would like to host this chalice for a week of prayer for vocations call Jim Finn at the rectory, (412) 486-4100. Shut-ins are welcome to host the chalice and members of the Vocation Council will deliver the chalice to their homes. Let us know!

**Our Prayer Vessel:** is placed near the tabernacle and contains many special prayer intentions. These intentions are remembered every day at Mass. Small slips for writing your intentions are available in the back of church on the pamphlet rack.

### **Lancaster Trip**

After our successful trip to Washington, D.C., we are ready to hit the road once again! Mark your calendars for May 8th and 9th and join us for our trip to Lancaster, PA. Our destination in the beautiful Millennium Theatre for the live, stage production of "In The Beginning", The Story of Creation. They claim this is more lavish and spectacular than "Noah", and already it is a sell-out. The cost of this trip is \$267.00 and includes a riding tour of Hope Acres, a robotic dairy farm, soup and 56 item salad bar lunch, dinner and stage production of "Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at the Apple Dinner Theatre, shopping at Bird in Hand Farmers Market, Millennium Theatre production, a departing dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord, transportation, accommodations, all taxes and gratuities. A deposit of \$100.00 will hold your reservations. Make your check payable to Mary Ann Coholich and mail to St. Mary's Church.

## **AROUND the TOWN**

**RETREAT INFORMATION-** Upcoming retreat opportunities for men and women:

**Men and Women-** Feb. 9-11 at Martina Spiritual Renewal Center. Call Charlie Fischer at (412)487-4667.

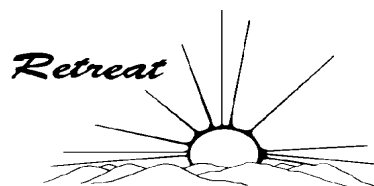
**Men-** Feb. 23-25 at St. Paul's Retreat Center. Call Jim Karcher (724)444-5798 or Charlie Fischer at (412)487-4667. **All are invited to experience the weekend of a lifetime!**

### **ATTENTION MEN AND YOUNG MEN!**

The Second Annual Gathering of Catholic Men will take place on Sat. March 24<sup>th</sup> at the A/ J. Palumbo Center on the campus of Duquesne University. Plan now to attend and mark your calendar to join us for a very powerful and spiritual uplifting day! Call Jim Finn to reserve a spot **TODAY!** (412)486-4100.

**HOLY HOUR FOR MEN-** Men of Fidelity, courage and action are gathering on **Sat. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am until 10:00am** at St. Paul Seminary for a Holy Hour in preparation for the Second Annual Gathering of Catholic Men. Car pools will be arranged for those who are able to attend this short morning experience. Call Jim Finn (412)486-4100.

**DISCOVER THE MILLVALE FRANCISCANS-** It's not too late to call Sister Kathy Adamski and make a reservation to attend a retreat this coming weekend, Feb. 2-4. Call and find out more! (412)215-7708.



**Widow & Widowers Group** will meet on January 28, at the China Bistro, 4779 Route 8 in Hampton at 4:00pm. All are welcome. For more information, please call 412-486-5621 or 412-486-4209.

**Military Parver List:** have you noticed the names of our military men and women listed on this list located by the Sacred Heart statue? A candle is kept burning to remind all to pray for the safety of all those serving in the military. To add someone's name, please call the rectory 412-486-4100.

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**PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Father John

According to the reliable records of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, St. Mary of the Assumption in "Pine Creek" (now known as Glenshaw) is the fourth oldest parish in the Diocese. Built in 1835, St. Mary is preceded only by Old St. Patrick in Pittsburgh in 1811, St. Peter's in Butler in 1829 and St. Paul's in Oakland in 1834. Catholic Education has always been integral to all four of these parishes. However, St. Patrick no longer has a catholic school connected to its parish; St. Peter in Butler has now amalgamated into Butler Catholic; and St. Paul in Oakland is part of St. Agnes and Oakland Catholic, another merger with schools in the area. That leaves ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL in Glenshaw as the "...oldest, **continuous running**, parish school..." in the entire Diocese of Pittsburgh and beyond. What an honor to be bestowed upon our parochial school, especially as we come to the celebrations of another Catholic School Week throughout the Diocese!

St. Mary Catholic School, however, makes more important claims that simply being the parish school with the longest history. It is what has filled that history that makes our school so significant an asset to the Parish Family itself. Educational excellence has always been integral to our parochial school, demonstrated by the overwhelming approval we received from the Middle States Accreditation process. Those involved in the school --- administration and faculty --- continue to develop and expand this excellence so that the students of our school remain on the cutting edge of today's educational advances.

This educational excellence has taken many forms over the past 150 years plus. Those associated with our Parish Family have experienced that eminence in the professionally trained and deeply committed administration and faculty that has always been part of our school. The curriculum of the school has been kept up to date with the changing times over these many years, and has offered students greater possibilities of learning at every level of individual talents. Families who have placed their children in our school have worked tirelessly to maintain the standards of prominence in extra curricular activities and the demands of fund raising.

All during this coming week every parochial school in the Diocese will celebrate Catholic School Week. No one of them, however, might have a magnificent tradition that reaches further back into history of this Diocese than ***St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Grade School*** in Glenshaw, Pennsylvania!