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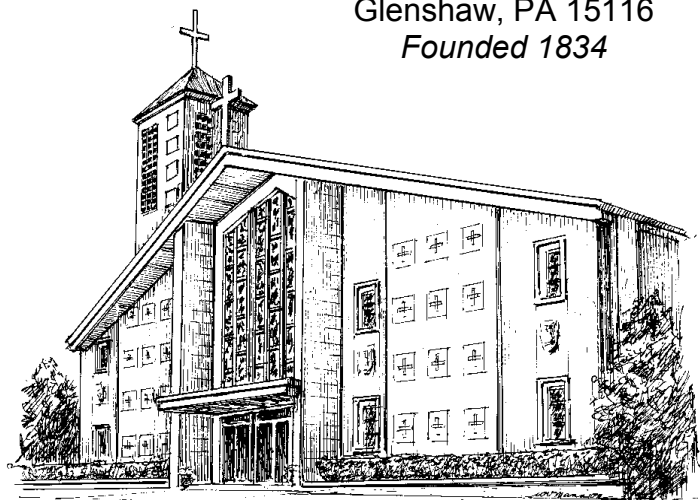
PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4, 2007

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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



SCOUT SUNDAY: TODAY

We offer a warm welcome to all those who gather at the 9:00 a.m. liturgy this morning to celebrate *Scout Sunday*. We recognize all of the young people of our Parish Family who participate in the scouting program at every level, and most especially thank all of the adults and parents who give of themselves so generously to form these young people into dedicated Americans who realize the importance of God in their lives.

Any parishioner who is a Cub Scout, Boy Scout, or Girl Scout may participate in the procession today. Simply gather at the back of the church at 8:45 a.m. to do so.

The many scout programs that use our facilities during the course of the year offer great service to our Parish Family in many ways, and today's 9:00 a.m. liturgy recognizes them for it. A reception will follow in Marian Hall courtesy of the Hospitality Ministry to which all are welcome!

PRAYER LIST OF THE SICK

We remind all those persons who are listed on our Prayer List that appears in the bulletin TODAY, that the names on 2006 list are not automatically placed on the list for 2007. Those who are still homebound, ill or in need of our prayers are asked to simply call the rectory during the regular office hours and place the your name or the name of your loved one on our 2007 listing. We invite all parishioners to remember in prayer all those who will be added to the Prayer List during the course of this year.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS EVENING

All adult extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, greeters, readers, ushers and music ministers, including the choirs, contemporary groups, bell choir, cantors and instrumentalists, are invited to gather with us for our Mardi Gras celebration on Tuesday, February 20th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Marian Hall. We hope to create a socially friendly atmosphere during which we might meet and greet other ministers who are part of the many liturgical celebrations of our Parish Family, as we express the gratitude of all of us for the dedication that these parishioners bring to this very important ministry.

CAR PARKERS BEWARE! PARKING CITATIONS ARE REAL!

At a recent liturgy, an ambulance that was called for someone in church was NOT able to get to the church because of cars parked ILLEGALLY. The police who accompanied the ambulance then issued CITATIONS to those parked illegally --- citations that the Parish Family cannot affect in any way. The police want to remind us that it is there responsibility to keep all avenues open in places where great crowds gather to avoid this type of situation --- where an emergency vehicle cannot get to its destination. Therefore, the police will be on patrol at various times ON OUR GROUNDS to issue these citations. Those who receive them must then "pay the fine" levied by the Police Department.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

A special thank-you to all those who contributed to our Catholic School Week celebration as we once more recognize what an asset the parochial school is to our entire Parish Family. We open our school to all those families. In particular, we look to those who have a child beginning pre school, kindergarten or first grade in September. We remind all parishioners that our parochial school begins with a three-year old program and extends all the way to the eighth grade. If you know of a family with a child in this age group, please remind them that our school is open to all children, irrespective of their religion, race or social class.

"CATCH THE VIBE"

We remind all parishioners that the DEADLINE for placing a name on the Memorial Plaque is coming shortly. Also, we remind those families in the school inspired by the SMAA efforts to return the card that was sent to them concerning the Pledge Campaign. We are getting so close to our goal that excitement for the completion of the PAC is building in all areas of our Parish Family.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The 12 members of the Pastoral Council are reminded of their meeting set for Monday of this week beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. Members of the Parish Family are invited to contact any Council Member about their suggestions and ideas.

Masses for the Week

Sunday, February 4, 2007 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:00 p.m. William Meglio, Sr. (The Monahan Family)
- 6:00 pm Matthew Guardalebene (Wife Dorothy)
- 7:30 a.m. Guiseppe Zottala (Cuglieri Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 11:00 a.m. Tom & Martha Garasic
(40th Wedding Anniversary)

Monday, February 5, 200 - St. Agatha

- 7:00 a.m. John Kirby (Virginia Dougherty & Children)
- 10:00 a.m. John Molenda (Anna Biedrzycki & Family)

Tuesday, February 6, 2007 - St. Paul Miki and Companions

- 7:00 a.m. John Galicia (Tom & Martha)
- 10:00 a.m. Agatha & Filip Bittner (Rege Leo & Children)

Wednesday, February 7, 2007 - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Raymond L. Gallick (Son, Raymond)
- 10:00 a.m. Maureen Lund (Mary Pickle & Family)

**Thursday, February 8, 2007 - Sts. Jerome Emiliani
& Josephine Bakhita**

- 7:00 a.m. Steve Garasic (Helen Beckner)
- 10:00 a.m. Sanford Lucas (Brian & Lisa O'Malley)

Friday, February 9, 2007 - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Kevin McNeill (Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Zerah Perry (Family)

Saturday, February 10, 2007 - St. Scholastica

- 8:00 a.m. John Creaturo (Wife & Daughters)
- 4:00 p.m. Anna Ferber (Family)
- 6:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Sunday, February 11, 2007 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. Francis Werling (Family)
- 9:00 a.m. William Meglio (Faith Formation)
- 11:00 a.m. Emilio & Theresa Ziccarelle
(M/M Marco Imbarlina)

Parish Family Prayer List

Anna Marie Belch, Agnes Bernas, Herman J. Clarke, Liz Fornaser, Kathie Francis, Gemma, Finisia Golden, Gladys Hefferin, Kate Heinricker, Mrs. Martha Hornak, Ava Hutchenson, Andrew Kadash, Katie Lang, Abby Lutz, Larry McIntyre, Darryl Miersch, Hannah Shuker Pallas, Annabelle Segriff, Eileen Stegman, Mark Thimons, Renae Vivaldi-Breskovich, Vickery Family, Walter.

RIP: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Joseph Bresnei, Sr., father of Joseph Bresnei, Jr. and Marilynn Castile, sister of Joyce Scieri.

Flowers at the Tabernacle - In Loving Memory of John Galicia and Steve Garasic by Tom and Martha Jene Garasic.

Flowers at the Altar - in celebration of the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Tom and Martha Jene Garasic.

Second Saturday Men's Group will meet on Saturday, February 10th, after the 8:00AM mass. All men are welcome.

A VOCATION VIEW

Holiness is a gift of God. Open yourself to the gift. When God calls, be ready to respond: "Here I am, send me!" (Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8)

Palms: from last year, please bring to church on February 10-11, to be used to prepare for ashes during our Lenten Season.

Offertory Collection

January 28, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	763	\$14,790.97
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$671.00
Children's Offertory	49	\$75.00
Catholic Schools	26	\$347.00
St. Anthony	30	\$357.00
Parish Share 2006	3	\$340.00
Parish Needy	37	\$507.00
Total	908	\$17,087.97

DAILY READINGS



- Feb. 5: Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56
- Feb. 6: GN 1:20 - 2:4a; Mk 7:1-13
- Feb. 7: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23
- Feb. 8: Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30
- Feb. 9: Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37
- Feb. 10: Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10
- Feb. 11: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING-

Will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 at 7:00pm in the rectory. Agenda items should be submitted to Tom Goral (412)487-6244

RCIA- Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Church? Would you like to develop your faith? Do you have questions that need answered? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which non-Catholic adults enter the Catholic Church. This week's topic is: Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick. Next week we will discuss the Miracles of Jesus. Call Father Ed or Jim Finn (412)486-4100 to find out more.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE- today we celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life. We recognize and give thanks for those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church through the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Some join a religious congregation or a secular institute. Others remain single and make profession to God through the local bishop and are known as consecrated virgins. The consecrated life is one way that men and women live out their baptismal commitment continually becoming followers of Jesus. To find out more about the consecrated life call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 at the rectory for contact information for the various religious communities of men and women.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME: all families with children under age five are welcome to plug into the various activities of this post-baptismal ministry. For more information, please call Cindy at (412)487-5272.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

We can learn how to handle stress from today's gospel. When pressured by the crowd, Jesus got into a boat and "went out a short distance and taught." Juggling parenting, scheduling, and work can be stressful. Parents need space also. A "short distance" is a good parenting tool.

IT'S HAPPENING THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH.

bring your small children to the Children's Liturgy room this Wed. at 9:30am for **PRAY and PLAY DAY**. Moms and caregivers welcome! Call Jodee (412)267-3027. On Wednesday evening at 7:30pm all are invited to the rectory dining room to hear Deacon Francis lead a discussion on Christian parenting ideas. All welcome! Call Arlene to find out more (412)492-7275.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY- FEBRUARY 10

All married and engaged couples are invited to make a reservation for the diocesan celebration of World Marriage Day on Sat. Feb. 10th at St. Catherine of Sweden Church in Wildwood beginning with 4:00pm Mass. Bishop Winter is the presider and homilist. Following Mass there is a wine and cheese reception and a talk by Jim and Margi Gregory. Cost: \$10.00 per couple. Call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 at the rectory to make a reservation or call directly to the Office for Family Life and Catechesis (412)456-3160. Deadline is Tues. Feb. 6.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for 5th Sunday Ordinary Time Jesus called Peter, James, and John to leave their livelihood of fishing and follow him. Where does Jesus find you and invite you to follow? Why should we take the risk and "put out into deeper water"? What might the term "deeper water" represent in our own faith lives?

Confirmation Candidates Retreat Response Form due at the Faith Formation office THIS week. Forms were to be given at the January Cluster meeting. February Clusters will exchange responses as to how each Experience God's Love in the Church.

First Eucharist Cluster Groups will be reviewing this month, the Introductory Rites and Liturgy of the Word as celebrated at Mass.

Monday Faith Formation, Feb. 5, Kindergarten and Grade 1 meet IN church by 6:30 PM.

Saturday Faith Formation, February 10

All Grades meet IN church; Grade 3 serve.

Catholic Vision of Love catechesis and reflection on the beauty and sanctity of human sexuality will be part of the catechetical sessions THIS Monday, February 5, 6:30 PM. Grades 5-6-7-8 of **Family Program** welcome to participate with the Saturday or Monday groups. Call 412-486-5521 to arrange in which room to go.

PRAY FOR US...Saints that are celebrated this week in Liturgy or in private devotions:

February 4 – Saint Joan of Valois, foundress of the Sisters of the Annunciation.

February 5 – Saint Agatha, martyred c.250 AD; mentioned in Eucharistic Prayer I

February 6 – Saint Paul Miki and 25 Companions, Martyred in Nagasaki, Japan in 1597.

February 10 – St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held on Monday, February 12, 6:30 PM with Grade 5-6-7-8. Parents/guardians and youth of FAMILY PROGRAM welcome to participate.



YOUTH MINISTRY

ESTC

At our January T-ROC we explored the challenge to live as Christ calls us. We focused on Catholic Social teaching and life issues. The teens voted on a new slogan, ESTC, [Eat, Sleep, Think, Christ], proposed by Jenna Penezic, Marisa Ross, Crista Zavolta and Courtney Zavolta. All persons Grade 4 and older (including parents) signed an environmental pledge, making a personal commitment to help preserve God's creation. Our youth in Grade 4-8 chose the recipient for this year's Souper Bowl collection. The potluck supper was enjoyed by all as we eliminated use of Styrofoam and plastic products by using and cleaning our own parish dishware. In speaking to other area youth ministers, we were all surprised at the large turnout of parents and teens at our Sunday, January 28 evening sessions when we considered the weather conditions. We thank the parents and teens for their commitment to forming community as they learn and live out Catholic Social Teaching. Parents and teens may post questions from our stimulating discussion from our life issues discussion on our Discussion Board on the parish web page at www.stmaryglenshaw.org/cym

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

Tues., Feb. 6	Play Practice Marian Hall 6:30 – 8:30PM
Thur., Feb. 8	Play Practice Marian Hall 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Sun., Feb. 11	LOVEWALK
Sun., Feb. 18	T-ROC with 6 PM liturgy
Sat., Feb. 24	"Fame" Marian Hall after 6 PM liturgy
Sun., Feb. 25	"Fame" Marian Hall after 11 AM liturgy

LOVEWALK

ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11. ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ANNUAL DI-OCESAN EVENT. This is a great service project for teens and the walk ends at East Liberty Presbyterian Church where our high school and young adults work in the soup kitchen. See details in the General section of the bulletin.

ST. MARY SCHOOL

SUPER BINGO - Another Super Bingo will be held on Friday, February 16th, 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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE - A Valentine's Dance will take place in Marian Hall for students in grades 6-8 on Saturday, February 17, 2007, from 7:00-10:15 PM. Tickets will be sold at the door only for \$5.00. The dress code will be strictly enforced.

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.

FOURTH ANNUAL CYM PLAY TO BENEFIT THE CHILDREN'S MISSION FUND

Our annual CYM theatre will be on Saturday, February 24 after the 6 PM liturgy and Sunday, February 25 after the 11 AM liturgy. This year, our drama troupe will present "Fame" under the direction of Mariane Ruffner and assistants, Josh DeFilippo and Dr. Kevin Kelly. New this year will be a concession stand selling light refreshments at both performances. Tickets are \$5 and silent auction items from Guatemala will be available. Tickets will be on sale at the rectory and Faith Formation office. NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE.

GENERAL PARISH NEWS

Reminder: All liturgical ministers (Readers, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Servers) have received a Ministry Questionnaire. In order for you to be scheduled, you must return your questionnaire. If you have not returned yours, please do so immediately. Forms may be returned to the Rectory or via the mail.

Family CCD Program: meets NEXT Sunday, February 11, at the 9:00 am Liturgy with sessions following for children & youth faith formation and adults until 12:00 noon. The February Project is the St. Vincent DePaul Pantry. The Pantry is in desperate need of food items to donate to local families in need. Currently there is a great need for canned fruit or vegetables, toilet tissues and any non-perishable food item. A table will be set up in the back of Marian Hall for this collection. Your generosity and support is greatly appreciated! Also – please donate any gently used computers, printers, accessories and software that you are no longer in need of to the All of Us Care program in Sharpsburg. Please contact Charles at 412-782-6855 and this non-profit group will update and donate these items to families in our community or to their after school programs.

LOVE WALK FOR THE POOR – Sunday, Feb.11 Deacon Fran will take our bus, leaving St. Mary's at 1:00 PM, to 2 PM Mass at Sacred Heart, Shadyside then WALK with non-perishable or baby items to give at East End Cooperative Ministries. Call 412-486-5521 to assure seat on bus or for more details. **All ages welcome to come.**

MARKET DAY – Cookies for your “Valentine” easy to make with MD cookie dough. Order forms in the Bulletin today, at the Scrip office, or at www.marketday.com. Pick up will be Monday, February 26, 7:00 till 7:45 PM in Marian Hall.

Lancaster Trip

Mark your calendars for May 8th and 9th and join us for our trip to Lancaster, PA. A deposit of \$100.00 will hold your reservation. The total price of the trip will be \$263.00. Please make your check payable to Mary Ann Coholich and mail to St. Mary's Church. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann at 412-486-0165.

Around the Town

Retreat Information: There's so much coming up for men that we hope you will be able to plug into one of these spiritual events: Men's Retreat: February 23-25, 2007 at St. Paul's Retreat Center on the south side. Did you read the flier in last week's bulletin? Want to go? For more information, call Jim Karcher at 724-444-5798 or Charlie Fischer at 412-487-4667.

Holy Hour for Men: It's not too late to join us on Saturday, February 10th at St. Paul Seminary for a short time of prayer and fellowship. Cars will leave St. Mary's at 8:00AM and return no later than 11:00AM. Call Jim Finn, pastoral associate at 412-486-4100 to get a ride.

Gathering of Catholic Men: The next best thing to making a weekend retreat is going on this one day Gathering of Catholic Men at the A. J. Palumbo Center on the campus of Duquesne University on Saturday, March 24, 2007. Mark your calendar, make your reservation today and invite a friend or relative to go with you. You won't regret it! Call Jim Finn at 412-486-4100 to get your name on the list for the bus to the A.J. Palumbo. Cost: \$35.00 in advance; \$55.00 at the door. Why not ride our FREE bus and save parking fees?

KEYS TO THE FUTURE - The 2007 St. Mary School Auction/Dinner Fundraiser will be held at Wildwood Golf Club in Hampton on Saturday, March 3, 2007. Silent & Live Auctions, Fabulous Sit-down Dinner & Entertainment. Proceeds from this year's event will go to the Capital Campaign for the PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER. Tickets are \$45/person. Please call Melissa @412 492-9349 or email at melissabattaglia@comcast.net

You're Invited: There will be a benefit for Spc. Robert Kaminski, Jr. at Casey's Pizza, Route 8 on Saturday, February 24, 2007 beginning at 9:00PM. Entertainment, Chinese Raffle, Prizes. Any questions, please contact Al at 412-377-5006.

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

May I speak on behalf of the entire Parish Family in welcoming all the SCOUTS, both boys and girls and all their adult leaders to today's 9:00 a.m. liturgy as we celebrate SCOUT SUNDAY!!! The Scout Program has a marvelous history of development in this country. Even though the early tradition of the Scout movement began in England in 1907 under the leadership of Robert Baden Powell, an officer in the British army; it spread quickly to the United States because of its accent upon developing character, citizenship, and physical and mental fitness. With the aid of William Boyce, a Chicago publisher who had been greatly impressed by the Scout Program in England, the "Boys Scouts of America" was formed in 1910.

Meanwhile, a certain Juliette Gordon Low, who was a companion to Baden Powell, brought the Scout movement for girls to the United States. In 1912 she set up a home program for girls to meet so that they too might experience the American values of citizenship and personal accomplishments; and therefore she is known as the founder of the "Girl Scouts of America." In 1916 the Congress of the United States gave the Scouting Program a federal charter and from that time on it has had a major impact upon the life of many young people.

The activities of the Scout Program are geared to a series of achievements that the boys and girls must accomplish to advance through the various Scout ranks. Those interested parishioners who gather at today's 9:00 a.m. liturgy to celebrate with the many dedicated scouts of our Parish Family will witness to the accomplishments of our young people by the multitudinous variety of badges and medals that don their uniforms. Today we make a special recognition of the boys and girls who participate in the various programs of the Scouts of America as they serve their Church and their Country in such wonderful ways!

We congratulate all our girls and boys who participate in the Scout Program, whether they meet on our grounds or elsewhere, and encourage them to continue in this process. For all the adults who offer themselves so generously to the development of these young people, thank you very much for your dedicated efforts that allow the youth of our Faith Community to mature into such wonderful human values!