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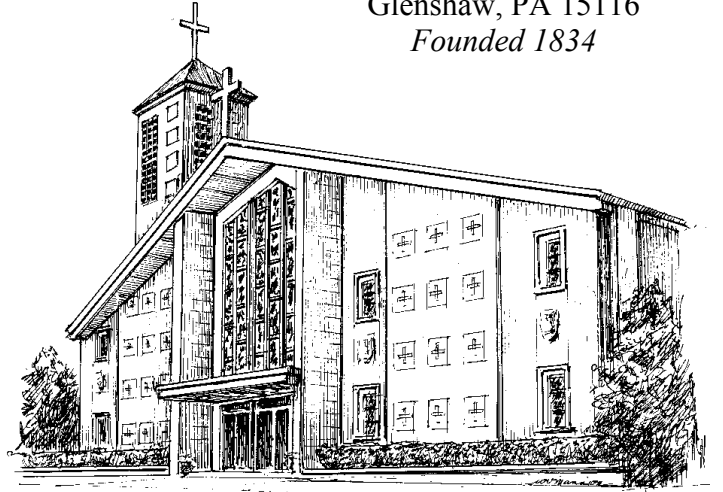
# PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Sunday of Ordinary Time  
January 21, 2007

2510 Middle Road  
Glenshaw, PA 15116  
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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



## "CATCH THE VIBE"

VITALITY IN BUILDING EXCELLENCE

### **PLEDGES NOW EXCEED \$2,400,000**

With the increased commitment to the Pledge Campaign by the members of the Capital Campaign Committee, personal contacts have now increased our pledges to over two million, four hundred thousand dollars! All members of the Parish Family are reminded of the DEADLINE coming soon to place their name on the Memorial Plaque for those who have pledged at least \$2000. Those who may have made a contribution to the Campaign previously might wish to increase their amount so as to become part of the "Memorial Plaque" now being created by the CCC. Families are now being contacted by the SMAA to help put us over the top in our Campaign!

### **SACRAMENTAL SPONSORSHIP**

We continue to be asked to extend a "sponsorship recommendation" to members of our Parish Family who have been invited to be a godparent or confirmation sponsor in another church. We are always willing to serve our parishioners in this capacity, except when the person seeking the sponsorship has not been faithful to the sacramental commitment of the Church in her or his own life. It is somewhat hypocritical of a parishioner who is not celebrating the sacraments to SPONSOR another person in the sacramental life. We ask those who are not celebrating the sacraments to refrain from putting our Staff in the embarrassing position of endorsing a person as a faithful member of our Parish Family who in fact does not qualify for such an endorsement.

### **SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

We remind all parishioners that there is a second collection TODAY entitled "St. Anthony School and Sensory Handicapped Children" as prescribed by the Diocese. The importance of this collection is that it not only goes to help the needy children of our own Diocese, but we also get an equal amount of credit toward our own parish resources. Those parishioners who choose to be generous to the Parish Family will not only help the children who are supported by the Diocese, but also support equally the financial needs of our Parish Family.

## **RESPECT FOR LIFE MARCH**

We remind ALL parishioners that they are invited to join us at 5:30 a.m. tomorrow, Monday morning, to celebrate a liturgy that will be the send off celebration for those attending the March For Life in Washington, D.C. The bus sponsored by our Parish Family is our commitment to the wonderful witness that parishioners and their friends will be when they join the thousands who will come from all over the country. We are reminded that our Parish Family always respects the dignity of human life, from the moment of conception to its natural death!

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SENT HOME**

As part of the service that we offer to all those who contribute financially to the Parish Family, the Office Staff has sent individual financial statements for 2006 home to all those who are registered with envelopes in our Parish Family. These statements are for your own personal benefit and can be used for taxation purposes. Since the statements are printed from the computer based file of our census program, and then placed immediately in the envelope addressed to the parishioner, no one on the Staff really examines the amounts listed on the statements. If your financial statement has an error in the amount you feel was given to the Parish Family due to a glitch in the computer system, simply call the rectory during regular office hours and an adjustment will be made for you by our efficient Office Staff.

### **ADULT LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

All those who serve in any capacity as an adult minister in our liturgical celebrations, are reminded to keep open Mardi Gras night, Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, for a special evening of hospitality. Shrove Tuesday will be a special time of celebration for all those who serve our liturgical celebrations during the entire year.

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL GOAL FOR 2007**

As the 12 members of our Pastoral Council continue to set the goals for 2007 in our parish life, they are beginning to develop a process for reaching out to those who have found themselves distant from the Community of Faith. Any parishioner with ideas or suggestions about the implementation of this goal is asked to contact one of the Council members.

**Masses for the Week**

**Sunday, January 21, 2007 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 4:00 p.m. Charles Rooney (Frank Laird)
- 6:00 p.m. Dziubek/Flanigan Families (Jack & Sandy Dziubek)
- 7:30 a.m. Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 9:00 a.m. Marylou Rae (Madeline Hamel)
- 11:00 a.m. Clarence Walz (Bob & Joanne Waight)

**Monday, January 22, 2007 - Weekday**

- 5:30 a.m. Pro Life Mass
- 7:00 a.m. James Devine (Dr. & Mrs. Richard DeFilippo)
- 10:00 a.m. Geraldine Schrand (Pat DiPasquale)

**Tuesday, January 23, 2007 - Weekday**

- 7:00 a.m. Steve Garasis (Steel Workers of America)
- 10:00 a.m. Nick Didamenico & Maria Lucrizia  
(Son Pat & Cindy)

**Wednesday, January 24, 2007 - St. Francis de Sales**

- 7:00 a.m. Frank Flit (Sharon & Kimberly)
- 10:00 a.m. Fr. Bernacki (Sherrred Family)

**Thursday, January 25, 2007 - Conversion of St. Paul**

- 7:00 a.m. Marnie Lynn Henneberg (Kowaleski Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Lloyd B. Conley, Sr. (Ronald Green)

**Friday, January 26, 2007 - Ss. Timothy and Titus**

- 7:00 a.m. Louise Sunseri (Joe Slagel Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Jean Lis (Daughter Sally)

**Saturday, January 27, 2007 - St. Angela Merici**

- 8:00 a.m. Betty Jane Hunkele (Family)
- 4:00 p.m. Gentile Family ( Dolly Gentile)
- 6:00 p.m. John Murray, Jr. (Henry & Stella Newland)

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

- 7:30 a.m. Ann Sufank (Husband George Sufak)
- 9:00 a.m. Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 11:00 a.m. Lisa Audet (Al & Pat Beranek)

**A VOCATION VIEW**

Through the power of the Spirit Jesus proclaimed his mission. How are you carrying on that mission today? Ponder the possibility of being a deacon, priest, brother or sister. (Luke 1:1; 4:14-21)

**BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS-** Thanks to the parishioners who donated blood. 35 units of blood were donated. If you missed the Blood Drive last week and would like to give blood, your donation will be credited to St. Mary's if you present this number **G0040131** to the receptionist at the time of registration. Special thanks to these volunteers for their time: Mary Ann Fisher, Betty Hengelsberg, Jeannie McCormick, Babs Politylo, Rose Stanek, Dorothy Walsh, Gloria Duffy, Anna Marie Frketic and Mary Ann McQuade. Rose Marie Klobuchar is the Blood Drive coordinator. **The next Blood Drive at St. Mary's will be July 22, 2007.**

**Parish Family Prayer List**

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

**R.I.P. :** Edward Day, father of Christopher Raimondi, Alfred Newill, and Rose Ann Karel, sister of Mary Clarke.

***Offertory Collection***

January 14, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	813	\$17,280.44
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$1,145.00
Children's Offertory	53	\$66.10
Catholic Schools	18	\$268.00
Solmnity of Mary	13	\$253.00
St. Anthony School Program	4+	\$178.00
Parish Share 2006	2	\$520.00
Children/Youth	1	\$10.00
Parish Needy	47	\$570.00
<b>Total</b>	951	\$20,290.54

**DAILY**



**READINGS**

- Jan. 22:** Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30, or any readings from the Mass "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891
- Jan. 23** Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35
- Jan. 24** Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20
- Jan. 25** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18
- Jan. 26** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1-5; Mk 4:26-34
- Jan. 27** Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41
- Jan. 28** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

## **SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

### **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: The Eucharist and next week we will discuss Marriage and Holy Orders. If interested please join us in the rectory following the 9am liturgy. Call Fr. Ed or Jim Finn for more information at (412) 486-4100.

### **CATHOLIC- BUT NOT CONFIRMED?**

Are you a baptized Catholic who has made First Communion but has not been confirmed? Would you like to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church by being confirmed on May 1, 2007?

Call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 to register for the preparation sessions

### **WORLD MARRIAGE DAY CELEBRATION**

The weekend of February 10-11 is our parish family celebration of Marriage. All are invited to the diocesan celebration on Saturday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Catherine of Sweden Church in Wildwood. Bishop Winter will celebrate the 4:00pm Mass. A wine and cheese reception will follow. Cost: \$10.00 per couple. Couples, married and engaged are welcome. Call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 to register.

### **TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE-**

All parish families are invited to host this prayer tool for the increase of vocations to church ministry in their homes. Call Jim Finn (412) 486-4100.

**LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME:** A calendar of upcoming events was mailed to all homes with children ages one to five years of age. This Newsletter is published by the Core Team of this post-baptismal ministry. To find out more call anyone on the Core Team or Cindy at (412)487-5272. Also available are beautifully photographed ST. MARY CHURCH TOUR BOOKS. This is an excellent tool for teaching families about the church and the Catholic faith. Cost is only \$5.00 and these books are available at the rectory office.

### **FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar**

The "power of the Spirit" which anointed Jesus "rests upon" you urging you to see yourself as "the captive, the blind and the prisoner" of today's gospel. Are you a "captive" needing release from exhausting schedules? Is life so hectic you are "blind" to the needs of others? Are we "the captives" who need to be set free?

## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

### **Faith Sharing for 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time**

Each person in a family, at work, and in the faith community has a part to play, and one part is not more important than another. What role do you feel God has assigned you in each of these communities? Paul's story in 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 shows the church has unity in diversity. How is the church diverse? What brings all Christians into unity?

**Congratulations Grade 8 Youth** for participating in the annual March for Life essay and poster contest. Our parish Pro-life team chose winners: Brandon Perrote for best essay, Patrick Ebbert for best poem, and Matthew Seng for best poster. The work of all the entrants are on display on the bulletin board in the lower floor of the school building. Stop in to see their exhibit and share their interpretations of the theme: "Thou Shalt Protect the Equal Right to Life of Each Innocent Human in Existence at Fertilization—*No Exception! No Compromise!*".

### **Monday Faith Formation, January 22**

Grade 3 meet IN church by 6:30 PM.

### **Saturday Faith Formation, January 27**

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 Sat, Jan. 27, 9:30 AM and Monday, February 5, 6:30 PM. Grades 5-6-7-8 of Family Program welcome to participate with the Saturday or Monday groups.

**CLUSTER GROUPS of candidates for First Eucharist and Confirmation** continue to meet and help to realize our parish vision "to welcome and unify" with other families in their geographical area. We ARE one body in Christ !

### **Prayer for Christian Unity until January 25**

Prayer for each day: "Loving God, you gather the scattered sheep and watch over those you have gathered. Look on all who follow Jesus, your Son; make them one in the fullness of faith and unite them in the bond of love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

### **MARCH FOR LIFE – Monday, January 22**

Be part of the support of LIFE by prayer at home or participate in 5:30, 7:00 or 10:00 AM Liturgy if you are not joining our youth and adults going on the March in Washington, D.C.

**YOUTH MINISTRY****T-ROC**

*Don't miss it ...*  
on 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.

**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 ongoing service project for St. Vincent DePaul.

**CYM Drama**

We could use a few more high school students to help with stage crew. Call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

**CYM CALENDAR**

<b><u>Tues., Jan. 23</u></b>	<b>Play Practice Marian Hall 6:30 – 8:30 PM</b>
<b><u>Thur., Jan. 25</u></b>	<b>Play Practice Marian Hall 6:30 – 8:30 PM</b>
<b><u>Sat., Jan. 27</u></b>	<b>24-hour Food Fast at St. Athanasius – 7 PM</b>
<b><u>Sun., Jan. 28</u></b>	<b>T-ROC - Dinner at 4:45 PM and 6 PM Liturgy</b>
<b><u>Wed., Jan. 31</u></b>	<b>Mandatory Appalachia meeting 7 PM</b>

**24 Hour Food Fast**

Join us at St. Athanasius in West View from 7 PM on January 27 until 4 PM on January 28 for the Food Fast! The objective of the event is to educate youth on the issues of world hunger and raise money for Catholic Relief Services. Teens are encouraged to raise money by asking family, friends, and neighbors to sponsor them by the hour. Call the CYM office by Tuesday, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 412-486-4100, ext. 409 to register.

**ST. MARY SCHOOL**

**OPEN HOUSE** - "Catholic Schools: The Good News in Education" - Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, and runs through Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be an Open House at the school from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. Interested families with children who will be in 3-4 year old preschool through 7<sup>th</sup> grades 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!

**CONGRATULATIONS** - The St. Mary Forensic Team brought home another third place win in the second Southwestern Pennsylvania Forensic League tournament last weekend. The team earned a total of 14 first place ribbons, 12 second place ribbons, and 2 third place ribbons. The team members who competed include: Patrick Ebbert, James Brunner, Brandon Perrotte, Vince Balestrino, Katy Hayes, Christine Sinkovich, Mary Anna Ebbert, Kimberly Flit, Missy Eswein, Molly Dilts, Meg Omecene, Jared Todorowski, Hannah Todorowski, and Nicholle Williams. We are very proud of you!

**MAGAZINE SALE** - The school will hold its annual magazine sale from January 22-29, 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!

**NIGHT AT THE RACES** - The SMAA will hold this annual event in Marian Hall on Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007. All proceeds will go toward the new Parish Activity Center. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Doors open at 7:00 PM; buffet at 7:15 PM; races begin at 8:00 PM. This year will also include table games and other interesting games of chance. The ticket price includes admission, food buffet and beverages. Reservations can be made by contacting Vince Sinkovich (412) 963-1157/vsinkovich@abarta.com or Joe Natoli (412) 288-6957/jnatoli@federatedinv.com.

## GENERAL PARISH NEWS

**March for Life:** will take place on Monday, January 22, 2007, beginning with Mass at 5:30AM. There will be a bus leaving St. Mary's parking lot at 6:00AM. Bus reservations will be taken by Mrs. Dolores Penezic. Please call her at 412-486-6888.

**Pro-Life Committee** will be located at the back of church today to collect donations for the March for Life after all masses.

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

### **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.

**Market Day:** Warm food for wintertime! Order on line until Tuesday, January 23, 2007 by 12:00 noon at **www.marketday.com**. Market Day pick up will be Monday, January 29, 2007 at 7:00 to 7:45PM in Marian Hall. Order forms are available at our church exits. Our proceeds from Market Day benefit the purchase of a dishwasher for Marian Hall.

## Around the Town

### **UPCOMING RETREAT INFORMATION**

Upcoming retreat opportunities for parish men and women are as follows:

**Men-** February 23-25 at St. Paul's Retreat Center Call Charlie Fischer (412)487-4667 or Jim Karcher (724)444-5798 for more information.

**Men and Women-** February 9-11 at Martina Spiritual Renewal Center. Call Charlie Fischer at (412)487-4667. **All are invited to experience the weekend of A lifetime!**

### **GATHERING OF CATHOLIC MEN**

Keep open Saturday, March 24, 2007 for the Second Annual Gathering of Catholic Men. This annual event will be held on the campus of Duquesne University at the A. J. Palumbo Center. Mark your calendars and call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 to make a reservation. We plan to have a bus and if you come and bring a friend we will be able to fill two buses!

### **WORLD MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

February 23 through 25 located at the IV Points Sheraton off Montour Run Road. Additional weekends are planned for April and September. For more information or to register, contact Mary & Lou Locante at (412)635-7775.

**Widows & 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 call 412-486-5621 or 412-486-4209.

**Discover the MillvaleFranciscans!** Why not attend our upcoming retreat at Mount Alvernia on February 2-4? To register or to find out more, contact Sister Kathy Adamski at 412-215-7708 or email her at [guidance@nauticom.net](mailto:guidance@nauticom.net).



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**PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Father John

What a way to begin to celebrate Respect For Life week --- gathering at our church at 5:30 A.M. on Monday morning of this week to celebrate a liturgy with all those who will be traveling to Washington, D.C., to represent our Parish Family as witnesses to our participation in this nation-wide awareness! Nothing is more sacred than LIFE itself! Those of us who come to these sacred grounds to celebrate with each other might know better than most how precious the life of the Father's creation really is --- as we feel and see life all around us. Even in the dark and cold experiences of "before the sun comes up" moments, like those of this Monday morning, we can sense the beauty of life as it surrounds us in so many ways.

I catch myself sometimes just standing and staring out my window and taking in the brilliant rays of the sun splashing its warmth on our hallowed grounds. I think of those many flower bulbs that have been planted along our entranceway, which, even as we speak, are beginning to germinate in the warmth of the earth. Soon spring will come ALIVE with the bursting of bloom in a myriad of colors that will dazzle all of us. In the dark of the evening as I walk through our wonderful spaces of our sacred grounds, I catch the moon casting a shadow on a LIVING animal bounding across the grass and through the field. Even the human made light standards that now offer a welcoming glow to those who join us in the evening create a sparkle on the evergreen trees that stay ALIVE even in the dead of winter. Darkness with all its deadening power cannot kill the splendor of LIFE that radiates from every corner of the Father's creation.

Yet life in all these forms cannot compete with the grandeur of HUMAN LIFE that gives meaning and purpose to all other expressions of life. "OUR" LIVING presence reaches the culmination of all creation since we have been made into the "image and likeness of our God" whose LIFE is divine. "You and I" share a Faith that cries out to all of us of the sanctity of HUMAN LIFE, from the moment of conception to that of our natural death. We all can be proud that *St. Mary of the Assumption* in Glenshaw, Pennsylvania takes such an active part in the festivities of this week. May our Parish Family always be identified as the People of God who assemble on these sacred grounds to celebrate the dignity of LIFE in all its forms!!!