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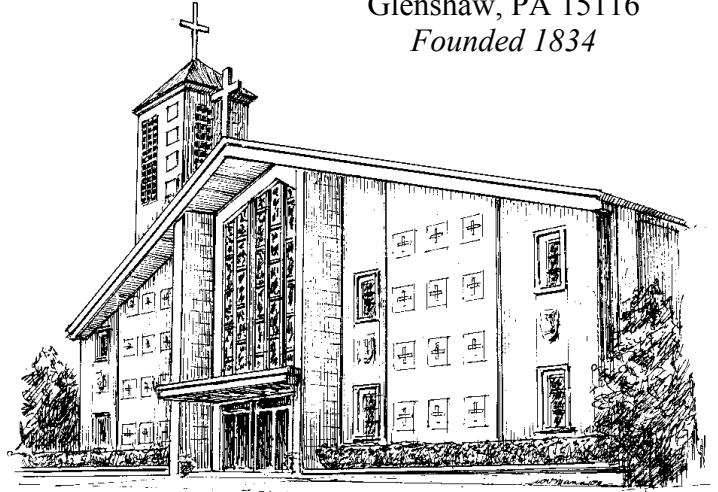
PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 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



GROUP FIRST EUCHARIST

The entire Parish Family opens its doors and heart TODAY as our second graders come to celebrate their First Eucharist in one of the groups who will assemble at each of today's liturgies. We ask that all parishioners make room for the many guests who will join us and be alert to the reserved places that have been set-aside for the children and their families. We thank all those catechists and aides who have helped in preparing these children for this day, and we congratulate their parents and guardians for taking such a significant role in the religious formation of their children. What a special day in our Parish Family when so many of our young people join us in receiving the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus. We hope that all of us will continue in our commitment to these young people by making sure that they come each Sunday to celebrate this central mystery of our Catholic Faith.

MINISTRY TO THE "INACTIVE"

Our Pastoral Council is now moving very actively to develop a "Ministry To The Inactive Catholic." Parishioners who might have ideas and suggestions on how this new MINISTRY might develop are asked to contact one of the Council members to share those thoughts. Those members of the Parish Family who have been personally invited by the Council are reminded of their gathering set for Monday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. in Marian Hall. We ask all parishioners to be alert to the beginnings of this new ministry in our Parish Family!

"CATCH THE VIBE" VITALITY IN BUILDING EXCELLENCE

The contributions coming into the Pledge Campaign continue to increase as the members of the Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) reach out personally to the members of our Parish Family. The fact that pledges have now exceeded \$2,600,000 speaks to the fact that many have come to realize how important the improvements to our "sacred grounds" have become – witnessed by the NON STACK PARKING of a Sunday such as this where no vehicle is blocked. The CCC is about to set the DEADLINE for those wishing to place a name on the "Memorial Plaque." CCC members are reminded of their meeting set for Monday, May 14th at 7:30 p.m.

A MAJOR PARISH EVENT

This Tuesday May 1st at 7:00 p.m., our parish church will be filled with the presence of the Holy Spirit as we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. We extend an invitation to all parishioners to join Bishop William Winter, priests of the area and the guests gathering with our Candidates to welcome the incoming of the Holy Spirit. Our Parish Family has been intricately involved in the preparation process of these young people as we have prayed with them when they made first commitment in our presence at a Sunday liturgy, and applauded them when they signed their Book of Commitment at another Sunday liturgy. We congratulate their parents and guardians, their sponsors and friends, and all those catechists who have brought the Catholic Faith to their hearts. The Holy Spirit will enlighten their lives, fill their hearts with new love and allow them to stand fully initiated into the Parish Family of the St. Mary of the Assumption. What a magnificent night for our entire Parish Family to witness in person!

PAPER RECYCLING PROGRAM

Do you save your newspapers, magazines, junk mail and other *paper* products each week? Here is a simple process: save a brown paper bag from the store and put all your paper products in the bag all week and then drop it in the recycling bin when you come to church or school. Not only does it save space in your regular garbage, but it also helps us in our environmental stewardship. The BIN is located in the back of the school with easy access to it.



FLASHES!

Festival

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JUNE 21 – 22 – 23 have been set aside, as we do each year, for our Parish Family Festival ... this is a

special moment in our Parish Family where all parishioners may take an active role in one way or another --- from helping at a booth, working in Marian Hall during our delicious meals, or simply offering assistance wherever needed ... we make a special effort to reach out to families with young children with our rides and games ... our gigantic Flea Market appeals to everyone ... we are looking for contributions to our Craft Booth and baskets for our Chinese Auction ... one book of tickets will shortly be coming to each family ... so many ways to become involved, especially for new families!!

Liturgies for the Week

Sunday, April 29, 2007 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 4:00 p.m. Eleanor Triglia - Family
- 6:00 p.m. John & Lorraine Cross - 50th Wedding Anniversary
- 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 9:00 a.m. Nancy Doyle - John & Jeanne Bittner
- 11:00 a.m. Chester Politylo - Tom & Babs

Monday, April 30, 2007 - Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Edward Lupone, Sr. - Family
- 10:00 a.m. Huminski Family - Sherred Family

Tuesday, May 1, 2007 - Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Dr. Vincent Londino - M/M Gregory Distillo
- 10:00 a.m. Betty Vrscak - Husband Nick

Wednesday, May 2, 2007 - St. Athanasius

- 7:00 a.m. Louis Francioni - Wife Cora
- 10:00 a.m. Gloria Hurley - Her Children

Thursday, May 3, 2007 - Ss. Philip and James

- 7:00 a.m. Millie Schriver - Leonard Giel
- 10:00 a.m. William Settino - Mel & Pat Butler

Friday, May 4, 2007 - Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Edward & Josephine Walter - Family
- 10:00 a.m. Ron & Joan Dawson - 50th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, May 5, 2007 - Easter Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. Mary Ramuchak - Dr. & Mrs. Richard DeFilippo
- 4:00 p.m. Michael Laird - Frank Laird
- 6:00 p.m. Anna Mae Walsh - Family

Sunday, May 6, 2007 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 7:30 a.m. Carmella & Nicola Tormese - Family
- 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 11:00 a.m. Clementine Heinel - Harry & Rachele
- 6:00 p.m. Displaced Children of Northern Uganda

A VOCATION VIEW

Who will shepherd God's people? Pray that good leaders, filled with joy and the Holy Spirit, will serve our church. (Acts 13:14, 43-52)

RIP: Please pray of the repose of the souls of Eleanor Niebel, Regis Heyl, brother of Norma Lillion, Clara Hertweck, sister-in-law, Roz Hertweck.

Flowers on the Altar: are in celebration of Kelly Renninger and Scott Barhorst's marriage.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST - Please continue to pray for the service men and women listed on our prayer list near the Sacred Heart statue. A candle is kept burning to remind us to keep all in prayer. To add a name to the prayer list, call the rectory.



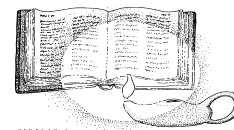
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Offertory Collection

April 22, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	831	\$15,509.91
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$829.85
Children's Offertory	59	\$83.00
Catholic Relief Services	1	\$20.00
Holy Land	1	\$10.00
Easter Offering	2	\$30.00
Parish Share 2007	49	\$4,129.88
Parish Needy	21	\$312.00
Total	964	\$20,924.64

Daily Readings



- April 30:** Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
- May 1:** Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 - 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58
- May 2:** Acts 12:24 - 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
- May 3:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14
- May 4:** Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
- May 5:** Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
- May 6:** Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

SACRAMENTAL LIFE



Baptized in Christ:

**James Edward Boyle
Kate Addison Boyle
Nicholas James Claus
Trevor Joseph Gray
Morgan Elizabeth Lowther**

Congratulations to their parents, godparents, and grandparents. Please join us in welcoming them into our *Parish Family!*

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME- This ministry to families with children under age 5 are wrapping up their collection for GENESIS of Pittsburgh and Child-watch of Pgh. You can still bring donations for children 0-5 who have to leave their home due to an emergency situation. (endangerment). With your donations, each child will receive a special bag and something to call their own. In the bag, is a coloring book, stuffed animal, T-Shirt and toothbrush/toothpaste/soap and shampoo. Put your donations in a bag marked "Special Bag Collection" and place in the Children's Liturgy Room in the box marked for GENESIS. **Next weekend is the deadline to bring donations.**

PRAY AND PLAY DAY- Parents and care-givers with children under age 5 are invited to come to the Children's Liturgy Room on Wed. May 2 at 9:30am till approximately 10:30am to learn, pray and play. Come and experience this fun faith-filled experience. Call Jodee to find out more at (412)267-3027.

Easter Duty Regulations: The Church teaches that "once admitted to the blessed Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. The precept must be fulfilled during Paschal time, unless for good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year" (Canon 920). The Paschal season is from the first Sunday of Lent until Trinity Sunday.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The expression of Jesus in today's gospel could be said by any parent; My children "hear my voice. I know them and they follow me." The big question is: If they follow, where are you leading them?????

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for 3rd Sunday of Easter:

Jesus says, "My sheep know my voice." What does His voice sound like? How well does Jesus know you? How willing are you to be led by Jesus? What are you willing to sacrifice for the "flock" (faith community) ?

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES meet in Marian Hall by 6:40 PM this Tuesday, May 1. Bishop Winter is eager to celebrate the Liturgy of Confirmation as you are *strengthened with God's SPIRIT!*

GRADE 7 YOUTH or parent/guardian of all parish programs willing to assist at a reception for our parish Confirmandi on Tuesday, May 1, call Audrey Nash TODAY for details or to volunteer: 412-487-4208.

REGISTRATION FORMS for 2007 – 2008 Catechetical Season have been given to all families currently registered in our Saturday, Monday evening, or Family Program Faith Formation sessions. Please complete the necessary information on BOTH sides and return them to our office promptly.

REGISTRATION FORMS for our TWO Summer Bible Programs are available at our Faith Formation office, or in the foyer of the church. **June 25 thru 28**, 6:30 – 9:00 PM **Adventure in Galilee by the Sea** will give families an *experience* of life in Galilee in Jesus' time, learn about the 12 tribes of Israel and Hebrew traditions which are roots of our own faith.

August 13 thru 17, 9:30 AM – Noon, **SON FORCE KIDS** will experience being *special agents* for the Lord. A **ROBOT building contest** June 21-22 will provide props for the August week! Get an informational flyer for details.

MAY: Month of Mary A kit with a statue of Mary and video and prayer pamphlets available for loan from our Faith Formation office. Call 412-486-5521 to arrange to use it with your family!

YOUTH MINISTRY

ST. MARY SCHOOL

**2007 GRADUATES
HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE**

Celebrate your graduation at our annual Baccalaureate liturgy at 4 PM on Saturday, May 19. Reception to follow in Marian Hall for your invited guests. **RSVP at 412-486-4100, ext. 409** and include the **number of guests** who plan to attend, plus your **current school** and **future plans** and any **ministry you served** in the parish. **Remember that two adults and the student are guests for the reception; we ask for \$3 per person for each additional guest.**

Parents of Students in the Eleventh Grade: Juniors and their parents host the Baccalaureate; you should all have received your information letter from our office. The **planning meeting will be on Thursday, May 3 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Faith Formation office. Call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

CYM CALENDAR

- Sun., Apr. 29** Calliope show 7 PM Marian Hall
- Thur., May 3** Planning meeting for junior parents [see above]
- Sun., May 6** T-ROC liturgy 6 PM with Fr. Michael Komakec
- Sat., May 19** Baccalaureate 4 PM liturgy

**6 PM Liturgy
Sunday, May 6th**

Fr. Michael Komakec will return as our celebrant for the 6 PM liturgy. Our topic for the high school students will be **“Ethics in the Workplace,”** presented by parishioner, Sylvia Lesic. We will also begin to plan our **affirmative action** activities for those **children in Northern Uganda**. This **liturgy** plus the activities afterward are **open to all** in the parish. **Activities are provided for all ages, including childcare for Grade 3 and younger so that parents may participate.**

Snack to bring if Last Name begins with:

- A - E** Veggies and dip
- F - K** Chips or Pretzels
- I - L** Non-caffeine soda or beverage
- M - Q** Desserts
- R - Z** Fruit

HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2007

There will be a meeting for all high school seniors at **Hampton High School** to begin to plan your annual Baccalaureate at the school. The first of several meetings will be on **Monday, April 30 at 2:15 PM** at the high school; check location at the office.

REGISTRATION- St. Mary School is still accepting registrations for students in preschool through grade 7. If you are interested in becoming a member of our school community or would like additional information, please call the school office at (412) 486-7611.

The school offers a preschool program for 3 and 4 year-olds, half-day and full-day kindergarten classes, as well as an after-school program.

Students entering kindergarten must be age 5 by September 1st. A copy of the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate (if Catholic), and social security identification must be provided at the time of registration. A \$100.00 deposit is also required but is applied towards tuition.

MAX STARKS DAY- Tuesday, April 24th, was “Max Starks Day” at St. Mary School. Max Starks, an offensive lineman for the Pittsburgh Steelers, came to visit as the honorary chairperson for Project Love, a youth service program in the diocese. Our middle school students held a dance-a-thon and sold cookie-grams, with donations totaling close to \$1500 which were donated for this project. We appreciate the recognition we received as benefactors to this worthwhile program.

HOLY CHILDHOOD - During the season of Lent, our students put their nickels, dimes, and quarters into Holy Childhood mission boxes and collected \$319.92. We are so proud of our students who give so generously in so many ways!

TUITION PAYMENTS - Reap the benefits of your credit card by making your tuition payments with it. The only credit card not acceptable for payment is American Express. These payments can be made at the SCRIP office between 8:00-10:00 AM. After 10:00 AM payments must be made in the school office.



CONFIRMATION: On May 1, 2007, 7:00PM, the eighth grade students of our parish and school, will be receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit through the sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers.

GENERAL PARISH NEWS

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS-

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is a special celebration of **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**. The worldwide church honors all Christian vocations. We pray that our church may be enriched by our commitment to remain faithful to God's call. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, guides and protects us on our life journey. You are invited to host the Traveling Chalice in your home. Call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 for more information. Stop in the narthex after Mass this weekend and see all of the former parishioners who have dedicated their lives to the Lord and remember to continue to pray for them.

OUR PRAYER VESSEL- visitors to our parish family often remark about the care and concern we show for others. Special prayer intentions are placed in this glass container placed near the tabernacle. The intentions are remembered daily at Mass. All are welcome to place an intention sheet in this vessel.

Worship Commission Meeting- will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at 7:00pm. Submit agenda items to Tom Goral at (412)487-6244. All members are asked to be present.

ATTENTION- ALL MINISTRIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS WORKSHOP especially Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and catechists on Pope Benedict's encyclical letter and apostolic exhortation offered at various sites throughout the diocese from 7:00-9:00pm for a donation of \$10.00. Sites closest to us are offering the workshop on Thurs. June 7th at St. Bartholomew, Mon. June 11th at St. Teresa of Avila and Mon. June 18th at St. Ferdinand's. Call Jim Finn for more information at (412)486-4100.

Festival Craft Booth: Thank you so much to you crafters who have donated wonderful homemade items to our booth year after year. We do appreciate your generosity and the craft booth has made a lot of money for the church as a result. We are again asking for all types of new craft items that we can sell at the festival. Thank you again and please call Debby Boyd at 724-449-5790 with questions for pick-up.

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

All men and young men are welcome to come share and grow in understanding the importance and the power of prayer. There are two opportunities to do this. Pick the day that is better for you: Thursday, May 3 at 7:30pm in the rectory or Saturday, May 12 after the 8:00am Mass in the school. For more information call Chuck Martier at (412)486-5187 or Ron Stone at (724)316-3291.

Around the Town

Hospitality Weekend: will take place on May 5th and 6th. To celebrate moving back outdoors onto the plaza, we will be grilling and serving hot dogs after the 4:00 and 6:00PM liturgies on Saturday. Sunday we will be serving coffee and donuts. We would like to see you all there for some food and fellowship.

Market Day: pickup will be on Monday, April 30, 2007 from 7:00 to 7:45PM in Marian Hall. If you did not order this month, won't you consider ordering for the month of May? It is so easy! If you have any questions, please call Lee Holleran, our Market Day leader at 724-443-0673.

REALLY NEEDED

Thank You

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Our Youth Ministry program has received a donation of a new lap top computer (still in the box!) through a friend of one of our school children. We still need a projector and some expertise on how to use this equipment. We are hoping that someone might be willing to donate this item to assist our efforts in using this medium to promote our ministry. In addition, this would be a great tool for education for parishioners of all ages. If you want to donate the cost for this item; your donation to CYM is not assessed for Parish Share. Call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409 if you are interested in helping us.

Calliope Songwriters Concert

TONIGHT, Sunday, April 29

Marian Hall

Doors open at 6:30 PM

The performances by **12 local songwriting artists** are of the Adult Contemporary genre, meant to entertain audiences of all ages. Event sponsored by CYM. **Tickets are \$5.** Advance tickets for preferred seating will be sold at the rectory during regular business hours; no reservations can be made over the phone.

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

A TABLE FEAST! These words evoke images of a loving family celebrating a delicious meal around the most important table in their lives. For some it is a reminder of Thanksgiving Day --- for others it is a birthday party or anniversary dinner at their favorite restaurant --- for still others it is a regular Sunday afternoon at grandma's with the whole family. In many houses the room with the "meal table" is the most important space in the entire home. It is the place where the whole family gathers to share the important moments of the day as they consume the specially prepared food of the home's cook. This table becomes highly decorated for every major feast throughout the year, as outside family members and other guests join the family of the home.

TODAY the Parish Family of St. Mary of the Assumption celebrates one of the most significant days in the entire year as we welcome our "First Communicants" to the FEAST TABLE OF THE LORD. The splendid décor of the Easter Season gives a festive atmosphere to this all-important day in our Parish Family. We welcome these young people to the living presence of the Lord Jesus as the Body and Blood of the Christ now becomes the sacred food of their spiritual journey in life. "Eucharist" itself derives its meaning from the word "thanksgiving" as this celebration becomes the central mystery of our lives as disciples of the Lord Jesus. The entire Parish Family expresses its gratitude each time we gather at the Table of the Lord in the living out of this mystery within the context of our Catholic liturgy. Nothing that we do is more important than that which we do when we celebrate the dying and rising of the Lord Jesus in liturgy. The hope and prayers of every member of the Parish Family is that these young people who come for the first time will gather with us every Sunday to share this most significant event in our Christian lives.

Eucharist is a TABLE FEAST beyond any that we celebrate in this world. It brings together our Community of Faith around the Altar Table of our sacred church building. It continually sets the tone for our lives and unflinchingly directs us to the eternal kingdom where one day we will sit at the heavenly banquet and sup with the Lord Jesus in a kingdom that will last forever. Today we cordially welcome those who join us for the first time with a joy and gladness in all our hearts that touches the very core of who we are as the People of God on the spiritual journey to the eternal kingdom.