

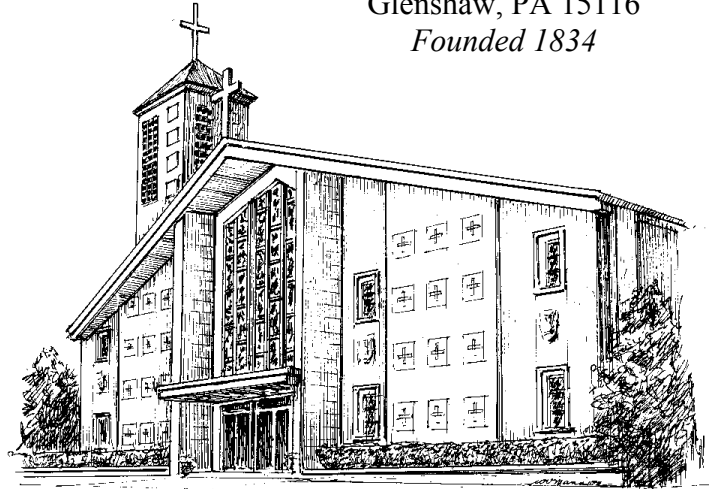
PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 13, 2008

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SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

DAILY LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

RECONCILIATION

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

BAPTISM

On Sunday twice a month after parental interview

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Twice a year in a communal celebration
Individually upon request

MATRIMONY

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

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00 noon

2008-09 BUDGET ACCEPTED

We received word from the Diocese this past week that the BUDGETS for this new fiscal year that were submitted by our Finance Council have been accepted and approved. The members of the Finance Council remind all parishioners that the costs of all aspects of parish life continue to increase (like the cost of all other items we need in our daily living) and the hope is that generous parishioners will think of INCREASING their contributions to the Parish Family. The financial report for this past year will be shared with all parishioners in September, when we celebrate Stewardship Sunday.

MARIAN HALL CLOSED FOR NOW

All parishioners are to note that Marian Hall will be closed for the next few weeks to all activities and events until Sunday, July 27th as the members of our Maintenance Department make the necessary repairs and other improvements. Also, the next improvements in the kitchen will be made during this time so that we cannot use any of the facilities in Marian Hall until all of this is completed.

FUNDS FOR KITCHEN IMPROVEMENTS

There are funds in our Parish Family account to make the improvements in our kitchen. Those funds have been collected from these items: the Fish Dinners, Marker Day proceeds, the Cahal Dunne events, the Confraternity donation, Instant Bingo profits and the Youth Ministry contribution. These funds will be used for the improvements being made in the kitchen, as we continue to modernize our facilities. We thank all those who have helped in raising these funds which were targeted for the improvements in Marian Hall and the kitchen there.

CALL TO THE "COOKIE MAKERS"

The Parish Family picnic has been set for Sunday, August 17th with an invitation for all parishioners to join us for this day of deepening the Community life that we all share. Meanwhile, one of the special treats of the Parish Family picnic is the wonderful assortment of "homemade" cookies that we have there. We hope that all those who have supplied cookies in the past will continue to do so for this year's picnic.

MEMORAL PLAQUE PLACEMENT

Have you noticed the little piece of ground outside the side entrance from the parking lot to the church that has been "paved" by the members of our Temporalities Commission? This is the space now being prepared for the placement of our "Memorial Plaque" that will be very visible to those who come to our church. We are now in the final stages of enclosing this plaque in its protective covering. Those who would like to place their name on it before this process is completed should make their request known now. This does not mean that the contribution must be completed at this time, but only the commitment that it will be fulfilled in the future.

TEMPORALITIES COMMITTEE THANKS

Once more we thank the members of the Temporalities Commission, especially Joe Hrason and Andy Rodgers, for their laborious efforts in preparing the place for the Memorial Plaque. The work of the members of this Commission is so valuable to all of us in their ability to save the Parish Family funding of so many projects that we do to improve the quality of our parish life.

SACRAMENTAL CLUSTERS

The "Cluster Process" that has become identified with our sacramental program is especially designed for those families with a child celebrating First Eucharist or Confirmation. We encourage the CLUSTERS to continue to gather even during the summer months so as to impress upon the children that religious formation is a twelve-month a year process. Sad to say there are those who stop going to liturgy on Sunday because the catholic school or CCD sessions have concluded for the year. We no longer can identify our faith formation process with the school year, but a process that must continue 12 months a year throughout our entire life!

TODAY IS BAPTISM SUNDAY

Parents who bring their children for baptism today do so at the liturgy. The other day for baptism each month takes place after the 11:00 a.m. liturgy. Parents have a choice in this matter, as the schedule is given to them when they come for the pre-baptism interview. The significance of baptism being celebrated at the Sunday liturgy allows members of the Parish Family to share in the sacrament.



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 13, 2008 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 6:00 p.m. Clarence Bittner - Carol & Tom Roberts
- 7:30 a.m. Francesco Paolo Fusca - M/M Tony Fusca
- 9:00 a.m. Charles Stepnick - Family
- 11:00 a.m. Edward Bittner - Family

Monday, July 14, 2008 - Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

- 7:00 a.m. Patricia Daschbach - Al & Pat Beranek
- 10:00 a.m. Virginia Meyers Selleck - Frank Matella Family

Tuesday, July 15, 2008 - St. Bonaventure

- 7:00 a.m. Joseph & Catherine Leo - Angie & Ron Beyerl
- 10:00 a.m. Rev. John P. Maloney - Miss Regina Quinlan

Wednesday, July 16, 2008 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 a.m. Elizabeth Berrang - Family
- 10:00 a.m. Mike Blum - Wife & Family

Thursday, July 17, 2008 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 a.m. Nicola Barbieri - Sarosi Family
- 10:00 a.m. Joseph Benvenuto - The Cody Family

Friday, July 18, 2008 - St. Camillus de Lellis

- 7:00 a.m. Theresa Gullo - Lisa Ruffa & Family
- 10:00 a.m. Sara Marion Rusnak - M/M Edward Gregg

Saturday, July 19, 2008 - Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:00 a.m. Rege Murphy - Paul & Kelly Zoeller
- 4:00 p.m. Patsy & Minnie Mignella - Daughters
- 6:00 p.m. Vincent Golobic - Family

Sunday, July 20, 2008 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 9:00 a.m. George Duffy - Duffy Family
- 11:00 a.m. Robert Sperling - Wife, Patricia

Weekly Activities at a Glance

Sunday (Marian Hall) 11:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
July 13

Monday (Church) 10:45AM - Children's Cantor Practice
July 14

Tuesday (Marian Hall) 5:00PM - Power Zone Sports Camp
July 15 (Plaza) 7:00PM - Burning Hearts Middle School Grp.

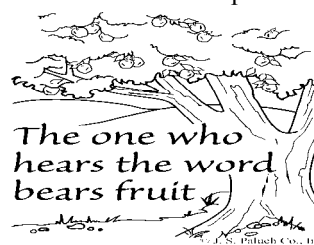
Wednesday (Church) 9:30AM - Pray and Play Day
July 16 (Courts) 3:00PM - CYM Drop-in - Outdoor B'Ball

Thursday
July 17

Friday
July 18

Saturday
July 19

Sunday (Marian Hall) 9:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
July 20



R.I.P.: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Regis Hungerman, father of Dennis Hungerman and John W. Grzandziel, father of Carolyn Winschel.

A VOCATION VIEW

God is sowing seeds of a vocation to ordained and consecrated life. Are you cultivating good soil in you and your family? May the seed take root in your hearts.

Wedding Banns

II. Clark Yannotti (St. Mary) & Stephanie Silay (St. Mary)

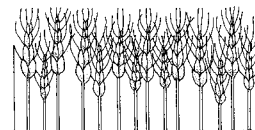
Knowing God

Knowing God is not so much a question of opening a book and reading about God, but of opening the heart and loving God.

Offertory Collection

July 6, 2008	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	785	\$17,526.80
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$862.00
Children's Offertory	30	\$45.25
Peter's Pence	23	\$230.00
Parish Share 2008	23	\$1,330.00
Parish Needy	141	\$1,715.00
Total	1,002	\$21,709.05

Daily Readings



**YOU HAVE CROWNED THE YEAR WITH YOUR BOUNTY,
AND YOUR PATHS OVERFLOW WITH A RICH HARVEST.
PSALM 65:12**

July 14 Is 1:10 - 17; Mt 10:34 - 11:1
July 15 Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24
July 16 Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27
July 17 Is 26:7-9, 12,16-19; Mt 11:28-30
July 18 Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8
July 19 Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21
July 20 Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27;
Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

SACRAMENTAL LIFE



BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Lucy Beatrix Finn

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

FOCUS ON MATRIMONY

Why is the Church so concerned about sacramental marriage?

During July, we will focus on the sacrament of Matrimony.

Are you planning a marriage in the near future? Now is the time to begin planning. You must contact one of the priests at **least six months** before your wedding. Call the rectory (412)486-4100 to make an appointment.

PRE-MARRIAGE PREPARATION

We offer several options to the engaged couple:

St. Mary sponsor couples, Engaged Encounter, diocesan marriage prep and one day seminars.

Fr. Scott Seethaler, OFM Cap. offers the following:

Saturday, August 23, 2008 9am until 5pm

Saturday, October 18, 2008 9am until 5pm

Call (412)682-6147 to register. These one day seminars fill quickly, so hurry!

CATHOLIC---BUT NOT MARRIED IN THE CHURCH?

To obtain the Church's blessing of a marriage that was not Catholic can be relatively easy. Regardless of why couples marry outside the Church and later seek the church's blessing, the benefits of convalidation are enormous: peace of heart, oneness with the church, reception of the Sacrament of Matrimony and God's special blessing upon the marriage. Contact one of our priests or Deacon Fran to discuss the situation and determine what must be done. Call (412)486-4100 to make an appointment.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is once again planning its annual Golden Wedding Celebration for the couples who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. This year's celebration will begin with Mass at St. Paul Cathedral on **Sunday, October 12, 2008 at 3:00 p. m.** Bishop Zubik will be the celebrant. A reception will follow in the lower hall at the Cathedral. Please call Jim Finn at the rectory with your reservation at 412-486-4100 no later than July 25th. Invitations will be sent after responses have been received.

A MARRIAGE MOMENT

What's a nightly walk have to do with your marriage vows? You vowed, "as long as we both shall live." A walk can not only keep you healthy but help you stay connected intellectually and emotionally so that thoughts of divorce do not come creeping to your door.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The stress and anxieties of family life are like "thorns which choke off" any opportunity to reflect on God's presence in our lives. Notice in today's gospel Jesus "left the house" so He could connect with His Father. Grasp five minutes each day to appreciate God walking with you.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for 15th Week Ordinary Time

From earliest times, Christians applied Jesus' teaching to daily living. They reflected on Jesus' message, letting it guide their understanding of faith, community and life. For the early Christians, as for many TODAY, the Word posed challenges to their current beliefs. Some found Jesus' message too hard to accept. It is up to each of us to determine how we will hear the message and how we live it. What is needed to bring the "seed" of God's Word to full growth in YOUR life?

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE open THIS Tuesday and Wednesday, July 15 and 16.

The YEAR OF SAINT PAUL began June 29. Mark September 29 on your calendar as a time to come to a SAINT PAUL BOWL. Clip the passage which will appear in THIS column each week from one of his letters and memorize the passage. Be part of a game on Sept. 29, 7:15 PM; watch for future details.

Romans 8:21 "...creation will be set FREE from its bondage to decay and will obtain the FREEDOM of the glory of the children of God."

CATECHISTS support families by sharing their love and experience of Jesus with children, youth and other adults. Our catechists' descriptions of their "teaching experiences" are: "exciting, discovery, challenging, wonderful, a joy and privilege, very rewarding, spiritual & loving, fulfilling, Too cool! , holy, sobering, disappointing, enlightening, gratifying, enriching." YOU need not go far to have that *EXPERIENCE* and *ECHO* the good news...Here in our own parish YOUR zeal is welcomed to be part of the Ministry of the Word in specific aspects of faith sharing with tots, children, youth, or adults. For details on bringing YOUR talents and zest to share the Word, call Rose Stegman at 412-486-5521.

Faith Formation / C.C.D. Registrations are still being taken for the coming season for children and youth who attend public schools. Sessions will begin again in September with any of three programs to be part of: Weekly on Saturday morning, Monday evening, or once-a-month Family program for the entire family to participate. Adults and older teens welcome to assist in classes. Call 412-486-5521 for details.

YOUTH MINISTRY

**Drop In on Wednesday, July 16.
Call the CYM phone line for time.**

YOUTH GROUP 2008-2009

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD ADULTS!

If you are interested in helping us with our high school (Grade 9-12) program during the 2008-2009 school year, please call the CYM office. You will need to meet all of the diocesan requirements for adult volunteers and that can be arranged with our office staff. Special training in the LifeTeen program has been arranged for early September.

We especially need adults who:

- ~Are committed to their Catholic faith.
- ~Love teens.
- ~Read Scripture and pray regularly.
- ~Are willing to be trained in youth ministry practice.

OPEN GYM FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

Mr. Phil Fitzgibbons invites all parish high school youth, boys and girls [who will be in Grade 9-12 for the 2008 - 2009 academic year] to our weekly Open Gym in the Parish Activity Center (PAC) every Wednesday from 5 - 6 PM, including this Wednesday, July 16.

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

ST. MARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL OFFICE

The St. Mary School Office will be closed for the month of July. Telephone messages and emails will be returned on a weekly basis. Thank you.

REGISTRATION

Anyone who is interested in registering their children in our school may do so by calling the school office at (412) 486-7611. Our school offers a preschool through 8th grade program, focusing on strong faith formation and academic excellence. Come and grow with us!

SUMMER SCRIP HOURS

Beginning June 9th, 2008, the Scrip office hours will be from 9:00 – 11:00 AM on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only.

THOSE IN CONTACT WITH OUR STUDENTS:

We remind all those ADULTS involved in the Catholic School programs with our children that they must be “registered” in the National Database for clearances. This pertains also to all those COACHES in our summer programs. We remind those coaches that the students on their sports roster MUST be from a family who is registered in our catholic school for NEXT YEAR. All those athletes on the rosters must be already registered for the 2008-2009 school year to be qualified fully to participate in these programs.

SMAA Golf Outing

When: Monday, Sept. 15, 2008
Where: Birds Foot Golf Club
Time: 12:00 Shot Gun Start
18 Hole Scramble
Cost: \$135.00
Hole Sponsor: \$135.00



Steak Dinner, Prizes, Beer and Soft Drinks every 3 Holes supports all athletics at St. Mary's. Please contact Kelly Cannon Ph: 412-551-3150. Email: kellycannon@verizon.net.

MATH-ON-THE-ROAD

The next Math – On – The – Road will be Tuesday, July 15, 2008 from 11:00 to 12:30. If you are interested in participating or hosting on Tuesday, please call Ms. Ondriezek 412-487-8594 or e-mail ondriezek@comcast.net. Ciara and Ms. Ondriezek are anxious to work with you!

OUR PARISH NEWS



Blood Drive

Blood Drive
July 27, 2008
8:00AM to 1:00PM

The Blood Bank is in dire need of donors as the supply is critically low. A volunteer will be calling you. Please be generous as the life you save may be your own some day. Thank you in advance for your consideration.



GOOD NEWS TO SHARE

Christian Mother's Women Organization

To follow is the fifth installment about the Confraternity of Christian Mothers. The history of the Christian Mothers and practical information were detailed in previous bulletins. To follow are some advantages to joining the Confraternity as outlined in Mother Love.

"Many and powerful graces will descend chiefly upon the prayers and good works performed by the members in obedience to the rules of the Confraternity and the guidance of its Director. For this, too, we have our Savior's own words. He says: "If two of you shall agree upon earth concerning anything, whatsoever, they shall ask, it shall be done for them by My Father Who is in heaven."

Mary cannot be far distant from her Divine Son. The confidence of the mothers in choosing Mary, Most Sorrowful, as their chief Patroness, and the blessed parents and children of heaven as their special helpers, will obtain, as it deserves, their very particular protection and powerful intercession.

FUN-in-the-Summer for Families, kids, and kids-at-heart of any age: Call Lee Ann for details, 412-492-8043.

1. Power Zone Sports Camp, Tuesdays, July 8-Aug.5, 5:00—9:00 PM
2. Son World Amusement Park, Daily 9:30 AM –Noon, August 11-15.

MEAL-in-a-BAG, quick to fix and TASTY. Be one of our Market Day patrons. See the Summer flier available at the church exits, the Scrip and Faith Formation offices. NO pick up in July! The next Market Day will be **August 21**, so you have lots of time to order . If YOU would like to assist on the **21st**, call Lee at 724-443-1147 or This is a **vigorous** SERVICE opportunity for youth.

Upcoming Market Days 2008:

Mondays 5:00 PM unpack; 6:30 – 7:30 PM pick-up orders
August 21, September 22,
October 20, November 17,
December 15

Market Days 2009:

January 26, February 23,
March 23, April 27,
May 25, June 22

TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE

which is sponsored by the parish family vocation council gives all families the opportunity to host it and to focus on prayer for church vocations, both ordained and non-ordained. We thank Charles and Rita Simon for accepting the invitation to host for the next two weeks. If you would like to host, call Ron Ondrizek (412)486-6851 and he'll be sure you get it.

GRADES 6-7-8 YOUTH...Meet with MARK Tobin, Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 PM on the plaza. Plan to join other youth going to a Drive-In-Movie in AUGUSTSee the Permission Forms and details in print. Pick up a copy in our church foyer BY the Children Liturgy Room in the blue box. See you there!

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

a post-baptism ministry for parents with children age five and under offers many opportunities for parents and children to gather and grow in their faith. Each Wednesday during July all are invited to come to church at 9:30am for **PRAY AND PLAY DAY**. Following this event, all go to Middle Road Park for fun and fellowship. Grandparents and caregivers and older siblings are welcome. Call Monica (412)492-0242 to find out more!

DIOCESAN CELEBRATION FOR FAMILIES

our diocese, along with the Universal Church, is celebrating the **YEAR OF ST. PAUL**. In conjunction with this event, the Office for Family Life and Catechesis will sponsor a special day for families at St. Paul Seminary. On Saturday, August 23, 2008, Bishop Zubik invites all families (nuclear, step, blended, single parent, etc.) to a special Mass which he will celebrate at 12 noon. The day will include a catered picnic lunch, a tour of St. Paul Seminary, games and lots of fun for everyone! Be sure to mark this date on your calendar. Interested families can call (412)456-3160 for more information. Registration information will be forthcoming.

Holy Spirit Parish in Millvale will hold its annual parish festival on July 17th & 18th at 7:00PM and July 19th at 6:00PM. Attractions include games, rides, Bingo, and an a la carte menu.

St. Alexis Parish in Wexford will hold its annual parish festival from July 30th through August 2nd beginning at 6:00PM. Events will include nightly dinners, games, rides, Bingo, and entertainment.

Magnificat Pittsburgh

Ladies, join Magnificat Pittsburgh for the next prayer breakfast on Saturday, August 16 from 9:00AM to 12:00noon at the Four Points Sheraton, Cranberry Twp. The cost of the breakfast is \$18.00. Registration deadline is August 8th. For more information, call Kay at 724-772-6749 or Pam at 412-461-8906.

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

Today is the second Sunday in the month of JULY! The history of this month begins way back before the Lord himself when Julius Caesar adopted the solar calendar for the Roman Empire, and therefore for the entire known world. After his assassination the Empire wanted to honor his birthday, so they called the month of his birth Julius, from which the English got the name July. In our time the month of July has different meanings as it seen by different groups. For the young people who are of school age, it is the time of no school, when the summer fun really starts to get rolling. For many people in the working world, it is the time of vacation, when all the things in and about their home that they would have liked to have had done in the winter can now be completed. Even the Diocese of Pittsburgh has a special designation for July since it is considered to be the first month in the new fiscal year of the church's budget.

I too would like to add another appropriate designation to this month of July. In the spiritually enriching life of *St. Mary of the Assumption* Parish Family, it might be seen as "CATCH YOUR BREATH" month. All of the many time-consuming parish events of the month of June have come to a successful conclusion. Anticipated parish events such as the coming of our Feast Day, the Parish Family Picnic, Vacation Bible School and the beginning of school and religious formation programs, are all on tap for the month of August.

July sits between these two appropriately busy months of parish life like an oasis in the desert. It is time for all of us simply to rest our spiritual energy, as we bask in the wonders and beauties of the world of our Creator. These are the moments to enjoy each other's presence and to remind each other how important we are to each other in the life of our Parish Family. We now have an opportunity to step back and assess the forward movement of our parish spiritual life as we move toward the ultimate goal of the eternal kingdom.

It is time to "CATCH OUR spiritual BREATH" as the Parish Family simply enjoys the experiences of being in the presence of the Lord. Nothing earth shattering calls us to action. No deadline to meet. No meeting to attend. We might just "breathe in" the Spirit of the divine. Very apropos, is it not? The word "Spirit" originally meant "breath." So to "catch our breath" just means to "CATCH THE SPIRIT" of the God whom we serve and love and who has destined us to be filled with the spirit of eternal peace and joy!