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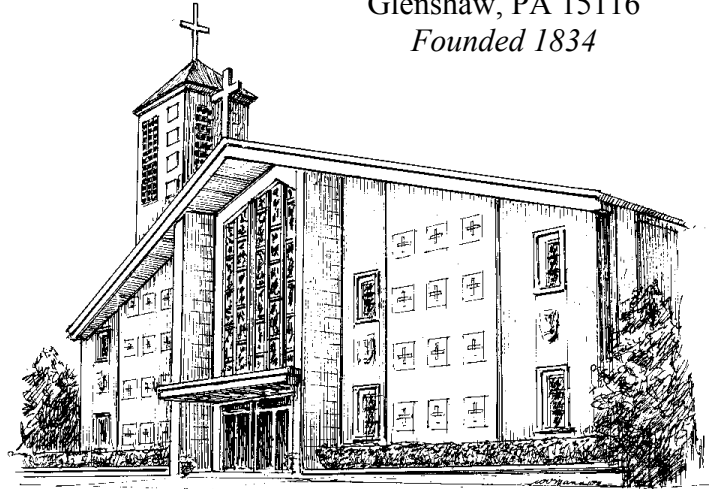
# PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 11, 2007

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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

Parishioners who have never given to the Pledge Campaign since its inception in 2003 are asked to think about making a donation at this time. Also, we remind those who are still paying on their pledge to make their payments as soon as possible as we begin to reduce the DEBT we have acquired for all the improvements we have made on our sacred grounds. There is still a place on the “Memorial Plaque” for all those who contribute at least \$2000 to the campaign, as we give credit to those who have given since the start of the campaign in 2003.

Members of the Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) are reminded of their monthly meeting set for Monday of this week, November 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. Any parishioner who would like to help in this campaigning process is cordially invited to join the CCC this Monday evening.

### “PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC” MAILED

All those who take a “Pittsburgh Catholic” each week from the church will notice that this week’s edition is being SENT HOME to every registered family in our parish. We hope that our parishioners will make use of this edition since it contains the popular Advent-Christmas calendar with many ideas for the family at this time of year. There are many articles in the paper that explore parish life, give the current state of the Envisioning Ministry process for the future, and a multiple list of other important religious news and instruction for those growing in the Catholic Faith.

### SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

The Parish Family of St. Mary constantly raises in prayer the names of our sick relatives and friends. Once a month we publish in the bulletin the names of those who have been given to us. We remind all parishioners that these names will be published for the last time in the month of December. After that, we will begin to collect names for our 2008 listing. We will not automatically include the names of the 2007 listing in the 2008 bulletins since many of those who were placed on the list in 2007 are no longer home-bound or in need of prayers for a debilitating condition.

## RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

Each year at this time we are encouraged to support the collection for the religious that is taken up in all the churches of the United States. The insert in this week’s bulletin will be a reminder of the great need that is quite apparent in helping the retired religious. We will have an opportunity to be generous to this collection NEXT WEEK as there is an envelope in our packet for this collection. We ask that all members of our Parish Family be as generous as possible in giving since the National Religious Retirement Office is then able to distribute these funds to the religious throughout the country.

### “CATHOLICS COMING HOME”

As this new MINISTRY begins to develop in our Parish Family, a dedicated group of parishioners is meeting each month to create the process by which those who have found themselves distant from the practice of the Faith may begin to “come home” to the Altar of the Lord. Those parishioners sharing this ministry are counting on our faithful parishioners to invite personally, members of their families, friends and other acquaintances to gather with us NEXT month for a special evening designed for those who are seeking a way back to the Catholic Faith. We remind those in the Ministry that their meeting set for this week beginning at 7:00p.m., will be in the rectory.

### THANKSGIVING DAY PARTICIPANTS

As we come to celebrate ONE liturgy on Thanksgiving Day at 10:00 a.m., we invite all parishioners to begin this magnificent holiday with us. We make a special request that ALL SCOUTS gather in their uniforms and all those coming to the liturgy bring FOOD products for the collection. What a wonderful liturgy to show the real meaning of Thanksgiving as we unify ourselves in the celebration of the EUCHARIST (which means “giving thanks”).

### OUR CHURCH WEBSITE

Have you noticed that our “Website Team” uses our church website for publication of the weekly bulletin for those who may be away on a certain weekend? The Parish Staff involved with the school, the faith formation and the youth ministries events continue to update the website to keep abreast of the changing events of our parish life. Enjoy browsing on the web? Take a gander at OUR website.

**Liturgies for the Week**

**Sunday, November 11, 2007-Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Deasy Family -  
Bob & Marie Deasy
- 6:00 p.m. Giovanna Barbieri - M/M Gregory Distilo
- 7:30 a.m. Stella Rattay - M/M Jim Falconio
- 9:00 a.m. Frances Barsh - Family
- 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

**Monday, November 12, 2007 - St. Josaphat**

- 7:00 a.m. Alfred Michael Bartoldi- Mom & Dad
- 10:00 a.m. Cynda Patton - Family

**Tuesday, November 13, 2007 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

- 7:00 a.m. Frank Rondinelli & Betty Farina - Family
- 10:00 a.m. Eleanor Triglia - Family

**Wednesday, November 14, 2007 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:00 a.m. Sister Roberta Bradley, C.D.P. -  
St. Mary Faith Formation Team
- 10:00 a.m. Mae Gentile - Dolly Gentile

**Thursday, November 15, 2007 - St. Albert the Great**

- 7:00 a.m. Wesley T. Plietz - Jay & Elma Plietz
- 10:00 a.m. Virgina Winschel - Rachele & Harry
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Mothers/Woman's Organization

**Friday, November 16, 2007 - St. Margaret of Scotland & St. Gertrude**

- 7:00 a.m. Betty Jane Hunkele - Marie Hunkele
- 10:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving for 43rd Wedding Anniversary of  
Chuck & Ann Goetz

**Saturday, November 17, 2007 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary**

- 8:00 a.m. John T. Wisneski, Sr. - Wisneski Family
- 4:00 p.m. Jim Rafferty - Family
- 6:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

**Sunday, November 18, 2007 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:30 a.m. Jeanne Voytko - Ginny & Roger Sokiera
- 9:00 a.m. George Adam - The Mannings
- 11:00 a.m. Angelo Michael Spampinato - Rose Spampinato

**A VOCATION VIEW**

You are alive for God. Trust that God will welcome you into the kingdom. ( Luke 20:27 - 38 )

**RIP: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Madlyne Campbell, mother of Virginia Sokiera and Eugene Slagel.**

**A NOVEMBER THOUGHT**

Our church sets aside the month of November for **VETERANS DAY** prayers for our departed. We pray for our deceased relatives and friends throughout the year but we focus in a special way in November to remind ourselves that it is our duty to pray for our beloved dead. We are also encouraged to continue the time-honored custom of visiting the cemetery where our loved ones are buried. During this VETERAN'S DAY weekend, it is appropriate to remember those who have served, those who have died, those who have been wounded, in ways both visible and invisible, and all those who simply shouldered their burden, performed their service, and then rejoined civilian life with quiet pride for having done their duty. Stop by the Sacred Heart statue and pray for those listed on the Military Prayer List. To add someone, simply call the rectory. **PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS** Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands, protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. **AMEN.**



*Banns of Marriage*

**II. Nicole Antonino & Dominic Cugliari (St. Mary)**

*My steps have been steadfast in your paths, my feet have not faltered. I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.*

Psalm 17:5-6

*Offertory Collections*

November 4, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	833	\$19,729.34
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	950.00
Children's Offertory	44	\$53.40
All Saints	27	\$329.50
Religious Retirement	4	\$55.00
World Mission	5	\$110.00
Parish Share 2007	6	\$95.00
Parish Needy	140	\$1,690.00
<b>Total</b>	1,059	\$23,012.24

*Daily Readings*



- Monday, November 12:** Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6
- Tuesday, November 13:** Wis 2:23 - 3:9;  
Lk 17:7-10
- Wednesday, November 14:** Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19
- Thursday, November 15:** Wis 7:22b - 8:1;  
Lk 17:20-25
- Friday, November 16:** Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
- Saturday, November 17:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9;  
Lk 18:1-8
- Sunday, November 18:** Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98;  
2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE****Baptized in Christ**

**Gabrielle Elizabeth Exler  
Lyla Marie Hengelsberg**

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

**LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME**

is a post baptism ministry to families with young children under the age of five which sponsors various activities throughout the year. All are welcome to plug into their ministry. For more information call Jodee Tlachac (412)267-3027

**Pray - n - Play** visits Rebecca Residence Personal Care Home. Tuesday, November 13th, at 10:00 am. Please join us to spread some cheer and make it a special day. Call Lisa at (724) 444-4301.

**VOCATION AWARENESS WEEKEND**

You are invited to TAKE THE PLUNGE and celebrate your baptismal call and to take an important step toward answering your questions about religious life or diocesan priesthood. Take a serious look at your questions in a prayerful environment. The Vocation Awareness Weekend starts on Friday evening January 11, 2008 at 6:30pm with dinner and ends on Sunday afternoon, January 13, at 2:00pm. If you are single and between 18 and 40 years of age and have questions, please accept the invitation to attend. Registrations are due by December 10th. All costs are covered by the SERRA CLUBS of Greater Pittsburgh. For more information about this exciting and information weekend, call Sister Pat Rogan at (412)456-3068.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR**

In today's gospel the Sadducees questioned the mystery of the resurrection. As we approach Christmas, children may question Santa, a mystery they want to believe. The step into adulthood is costly. Often it is easier to retain what we once believed rather than grow into adult faith.

**TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE**

All are invited to host this prayer tool for vocations in their homes. We thank the Trout Family for hosting the Chalice and look forward to other families doing the same. Please call the rectory at 412-486-4100 to let us know if you want to do this. Thank you from the Parish Vocation Council!

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION****FAITH SHARING – 32nd Week Ordinary Time**

The Sadducees of this week's gospel saw life and death, but they could not fathom the completion of the cycle in NEW LIFE. Our faith assures that, in Jesus, God has given us new life, and that resurrection life will be totally different from our life now. What does belief in resurrection mean to YOU ?

**VETERANS DAY – Nov. 12** honors those who were willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for others. Pray for those who made, and still are making the sacrifice to keep PEACE.

**Woman of Faith, Francis Xavier Cabrini** was the first United States citizen to be canonized a Saint. As a missionary to the immigrants in the U.S., South America, and England, she established sixty-seven schools, orphanages, and hospitals. We honor her on **her feast, November 13.**

**FEED THE POOR,**  
**after the example of Saint**  
**Elizabeth of Hungary,**  
**feastday, November 17.**  
Families of the **Saturday**  
**Faith Formation** will



**gather in Marian Hall at 9:30AM** bringing non-perishables for those served by our Food Pantry, and snacks to share with the "Indians and Pilgrims" who gather in memory of the first Thanksgiving observance. Families of the **MONDAY Faith Formation** will gather on Nov. 19, 6:30 PM. Kindergarten thru Grade 4 in Marian Hall; Grades 5 thru 8 in classrooms bringing foods for the needy and snacks for classmates and guests.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** will be celebrated soon by the children of our **Grade 2** classes. There will be three opportunities:

**Saturday, December 2, 10:30 AM;**  
**Tuesday, December 11, 6:30 PM, or**  
**Thursday, December 20, 6:30 PM.**

Family members are welcome to participate in any one of the liturgies with the children, a wonderful way to prepare for the feast of the coming of Christ-in-the-flesh on December 25.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### T-ROC TODAY, NOV. 11

Making holiday pies for the Thanksgiving dinner at the homeless shelter. Meet in Marian Hall after the 9:00AM liturgy to work with Mrs. Cheryl Sciuolo. No T-ROC on November 18 due to the Diocesan high school retreat we will be attending. Also, no T-ROC on Sunday, November 25 so that all families may take this extended weekend as an opportunity to relax and refresh themselves with friends and family over the Thanksgiving weekend.

### DROP IN

**Wednesday, November 14**

**JAM center 3 – 6 PM**

### God is IN to you!

Teens in Grade 9 - 12. Where are you at in your relationship with God? Awesome CORE team members Randy and Jennifer will meet for pizza and a short series of evening reflections on Scripture beginning on Thursday, November 29 at 7 PM. Let Randy and Jennifer share their love of the Lord for an hour of food and fellowship. Register at [belskib@stmaryglenshaw.org](mailto:belskib@stmaryglenshaw.org) or call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

### CYM ADULT VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION

Diocesan Certification for CYM adult volunteers St. Catherine of Sweden will offer a Protecting God's Children workshop on Tuesday, November 13 at 7 PM. Call 412-406-6001, ext. 18 to register; the contact person is Gary Roney. **The Workshop is free and Mandatory for all adults over age 18 that will have regular contact with children.**

### MEDICAL MISSION TRIP TO UGANDA

The dates for the medical mission trip to Uganda will be in the area of June 13 to June 30, 2008. If you plan to make the trip, you will need to start immunizations by early December. Please call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409 for further information.

### CYM BASKETBALL

Open gym today at noon in the PAC. **MD forms must be turned in by November 14, 3 PM** for the coaches to bring to the Diocese at their registration meeting that evening. **No exceptions can be made for this deadline.** Students without physician consent are not even permitted to practice during preseason.

### CYM CALENDAR

Sun., Nov. 11 Meal making for homeless after 9 AM liturgy  
Sun., Nov. 11 Noon - Open gym for registered players  
Wed., Nov. 14 Drop In from 3-6 PM  
Thur., Nov. 29 *God is IN to you* Scripture and pizza 7 - 8 PM

## ST. MARY SCHOOL

### BLESSING OF THE CRECHE

The Children's Choir and Instrumental Band groups are once again invited to participate in the **Blessing of the Creche** at the USX Plaza in downtown Pittsburgh on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. These groups are under the direction of Mrs. Freida Flaminio and Mrs. Susan Chambers. We are honored to be invited back year after year for the opening blessing service of the Creche which is so beautifully displayed during the Advent and Christmas season.



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### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The school is still selling Entertainment Books this year. They are now available at the Giant Eagle/Shop 'n Save table at church or in the Scrip office in school. The books sell for \$20, with a \$5 assessment credit for each book sold going to any school family you designate. Thank you for your continued support!

### SCRIP HOLIDAY HOURS

Please be aware of the following changes in regular Scrip ordering for the upcoming holiday season:

#### **Thanksgiving:**

There will be no weekly order placed November 19<sup>th</sup>. The weekly order will be placed on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Christmas:**

The last weekly order will be December 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be no weekly order December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**ORDER EARLY ON THE WEEKLY FORM TO INSURE AVAILABILITY FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT-GIVING.**

### SCRIP OFFICE CLOSED

The Scrip office will be closed December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 through January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008. Regular office hours resume on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008.

**FORENSICS** - St. Mary's will be the host school to 15 other schools participating in the Southwestern Pennsylvania Forensics League on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. We have 32 students this year who represent St. Mary School. We appreciate the great efforts of Sheila Omecene, moderator, and her team of parents who assist her. We are so proud of our students and pleased to be the host school for this upcoming tournament.

## **GENERAL PARISH NEWS**

### **Sunday Family CCD Session**

meets Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00 am Liturgy with sessions following for children & youth faith formation and adults until 12:00 noon.

Liturgy: Grade 5-8. Closing Prayer:  
Grade 3 – Mrs. Rice.

### **November is “National Adoption Month”**

Our project is to collect disposable cameras & photo albums to donate to help celebrate adoptions into loving homes. Please take all donations for Child Watch of Pittsburgh to Marian Hall and place on the back table before the session. As always, your generosity and support is greatly appreciated!

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**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 we will discuss Scripture from the New Testament with Fr. John. Next week, Mrs. Barb Belski will discuss “church history”. All are welcome!

### **Christian Mothers/Women's Organization**

meets **Nov. 15th** for the rosary at 6:30PM with Mass at 7:00PM followed by our program **SURPRISE AUCTION** with **Pizza, beer and wine**. Everyone is to **bring a wrapped gift worth \$10 or more** to be auctioned off by Ginny Penezic and Elaine Fischer. **Husbands or guests are invited**. Anyone who has attended our auctions in the past, knows this is the funniest night of all our programs! Hope to see all of you there! The ladies that signed up for set up, kitchen, and clean up could still use some help. Please help out if you can, as it makes it much easier on all of us. If you need more information or wish to volunteer, please call Jan at 412-486-0367 or Marilyn at 412-492-8367.

**MARKET DAY THIS Monday**, November 12th!  
Pick up items 6:30-7:15 PM in Marian Hall.

### **Widow & Widows Group**

We will meet in the back of our church at 3:30PM on Saturday, November 17th, to attend the 4:00PM Mass together. Dinner following Mass will be at Monte Cello's in Hampton. All are welcome. For more information please call 412-486-8323.

## **Around Our Town**

### **Lenten Fish Fry Meeting**

Paul and Ginny Penezic would like to meet with all those wonderful people who volunteered to work our Lenten Fish Dinners for 2008. Please plan on meeting in Marian Hall on Monday, November 12th at 7:00PM to share ideas to make them the best Fish Dinners ever!

### **PADRE PIO and "MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS"**

There are eight seats available for our Lancaster trip on November 29th and 30th. What a great way to begin Advent and get in the proper mine-set for the Christmas season. We offer these trips as part of our parish Mission Statement to Welcome and Unify. What a fun way to meet new parishioners, connect with those we already know and welcome those from other parishes who travel with us. For those who have made reservations, **final payment is due by November 15th**. For those making late reservations, full payment of \$253.00 for this two day trip is due when reservations are made. Send checks payable to Mary Ann Coholic and send to St. Mary's Church, 2510 Middle Road, Glenshaw, Pa. 15116. For further information please call Mary Ann (412) 487-0165 or Arlene (412) 487-1891.

### **Please Donate!**

Alyssa, a third grader at Hampton Poff Elementary School, is coordinating a gift collection for the ladies at the SOAR homeless shelter.



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Please drop off small toiletry items like shampoo, toothpaste, etc in the CYM lobby in the marked box.. In addition, please consider leaving such items as perfumed lotion or other nice toiletries for the gift pack in small sizes.

**Black Catholic Congress History Exhibit**, FREE and open to ALL on Sat., Nov. 17, 10 AM till 12 PM at Holy Rosary School, 7120 Kelly Street, Homewood. Call 412-456-3170 for details.

### **Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center**

will provide free medical and dental care for Pittsburgh's working uninsured. The Center is scheduled to open November 5 and will be open initially 3 days a week. It will be located in Catholic Charities' Administrative offices in downtown, Pittsburgh at 212 Ninth Street. For more information and to determine eligibility, please contact the Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center at 412-456-6911.

## **PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Father John

There is many a day in my life when I take a stroll through the cemetery where my mother and father have been buried side by side. It seems like the older I get with more of my life behind me than in front of me, this meditative walk takes on a greater significance. There is nothing morbid about my reflection concerning the death of those whom I love, for the basis of my "impression" lies in the magnificent experience of the Resurrection as the destiny designed by God for all of us. November brings these thoughts to the fore since this is the month when we remember our beloved dead. What a touchingly powerful celebration we had on All Souls Day when FIFTY candles were lit in our sanctuary --- each one representing one of the 50 persons who was buried from our Parish Family this past year! Yet we have come to believe that death is not a tragic end to life. It is simply the entranceway that allows us to bask in the light of eternal glory.

Those of us who saunter through the cemetery adjacent to our own parish church can literally "feel" the presence of the divine Lord in the beauty of these sacred grounds. The wonderful care of the cemetery by our devoted Maintenance Department bespeaks to all who pass this way of our commitment to those who have gone before us. What a superb memory for any family --- to bury their beloved on the same grounds where they come to celebrate the liturgy each weekend! Our Catholic Faith has always underscored the precious importance of a funeral liturgy. Having just completed the month of October when the emphasis was on Respect For Life, we now move through the month of November where "eternal life" becomes the focus of the liturgical action. We began the month remembering our beloved on All Souls Day, and we will end the month with the triumph celebration of the Solemnity of Christ the King.

Might this be the month when we visit the sacred burial grounds of the members of our own family? Might this be the month when we keep alive their memory in our daily prayers? Might this be the month when we take a serious look at our own personal preparations for burial? These are not thoughts of morbidity, which stems from an unwholesomely gloomy attitude of death; but these are glorious thoughts of Resurrection, which comes from a deep-seated faith experience in the Lord Jesus.... "Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting" (1 Corinthians 15:53)