



ST. FRANCIS of ASSISI PARISH

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November 12, 2017
Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

**THE BRIDEGROOM IS HERE!
GO OUT AND MEET HIM.**



SAINT FRANCIS WELCOMES NEW RESIDENTS AND VISITORS
If you are new to the parish, please call the office to register.

NEED PRAYERS OR A VISIT?

If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the parish office. Let us know if someone would like to be listed in the bulletin prayer. Please call the parish office at 715-273-4774.)
Please keep Jack Hines in your prayers. He is recovering at the Atrium Care Center after he fell and hurt his knee (Jack had knee replacement surgery a few weeks ago)

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Adult weekly including ACH's - \$10,654.80 Offertory - \$385.00. Children's Envelopes - \$2.00. Fall Festival - \$25.00 Mission Sunday - \$25.00. Thanksgiving - \$35.00. All Saints Day - \$781.32.

FATHER ERIC IS GOING HOME TO GHANA TO RENEW HIS VISA
Father Eric is leaving for Ghana Sunday, November 12 and he will return Friday, December 15. Please keep him in your prayers.
Father Eric will say Mass for all the weekly intentions in Ghana.
We have the following priests scheduled for the weekends that Father Eric will be gone.
November 18 and 19 – Father Bernard McGarty
Thanksgiving Day and November 25 and 26 – Father Billy Dodge
December 2 and 3 and December 8, 9 and 10 – Father Roy Witucki

WELCOME TO
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
Mass Schedule
Weekend.....Saturday 5:00pm
 Sunday 8:30am
 10:30am
Weekday.....Tuesday – Friday 8:30am
Confession...Saturday 4:30 before Mass

SAINTS and INTENTIONS
For the week of November 13-19
Monday, November 13
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
No Mass

Tuesday, November 14
No Mass

Wednesday, November 15
No Mass

Thursday, November 16
Ss. Margaret of Scotland and Gertrude, Virgin
No Mass

Friday, November 17
St. Elizabeth of Hungary
8:30am Communion Service
10:00am Communion Service at Atrium Care Center

Saturday, November 18
Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles
5:00pm Youth Group

Sunday, November 19
8:30am +St. Francis Parish
10:30am +Harry and Darlyne Mark

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Contemporary Choir – Tuesday,
November 14 at 5:30pm.
Youth Choir – Saturday,
November 18 at 3:30pm

KC MEETING

Tuesday, November 14 at
6:30pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, November 19 for
children - ages 3 through 5 years,
including those in Kindergarten,
during the 10:30am Mass.

JOYFUL NOISE

Anyone interested in
attending “Joyful Noise”
Family Music Fest in June
2018, please contact
Cheryl Kaufer at
goshawk@bevcomm.net. Its
two days of Praise and
Worship!!!!

Dates are not advertised yet
but if we go by last year – it
will be June 8/9th, 2018.
Stay tuned.....We plan to buy
bulk tickets on “Black Friday”
when they go on sale for the
lowest price. If enough people
respond we will take a bus to
and from the event – so no
driving or parking!!!! Don’t
miss this fun!

PARISHIONERS

Fall has arrived and it is time to
fill our **parish mitten
box for the Pierce County Food
Shelf**, ‘Mittens gloves, hats
scarves, homemade or
purchased are of great need. Our
mitten project will run until
November 26. A box will be
available at the back of the
church for your grateful
donations.

"DAVID THE KING"

We have completed Bishop
Barron's "David the King"
Study. Both groups have agreed
to meet two more weeks to
watch the three hour movie,
"David" from The Bible
Collection. The movie will be
shown in 2 sessions on
Mondays, November 13 and
November 20 from 10:00 - 11:30
am at Preferred Senior Living,
or Tuesdays, November 14 and
November 21 from 6:30 - 8:00
pm in the St. Francis Youth
Room (basement of the
church). All are welcome to join
us for this movie, even if you
didn't attend the "David the
King" sessions.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all of our
St. Francis Parish family for the
generous donations and heartfelt
prayers during Marlee’s fight
with cancer. Words cannot
express our sincere appreciation
for everything. Marlee is
responding well to the radiation
and chemo. Thanks again,
James, Josie, and Marlee May
Erlandson.

**CEMETERY PERPETUAL
CARE FUND**

The November packet of
envelopes contains an envelope
to be used for donations for the
Perpetual Care of our four
parish cemeteries: St. Francis,
Clayfield (2) and Lost Creek.
The money collected will be
added to the Perpetual Care
Fund for the care, mowing, and
maintenance of each cemetery.
Please use the envelope
provided in your packet for this
collection or mark an envelope
“Cemetery” and write your
name and the amount of your
donation and place it in the
collection

RELIGIOUS EMBLEM

All scouts wishing to earn their
Religious Emblems for the 2016-
2017 year should be working on
them at this time all applications
are due by May 1st. If you are a
Catholic scout in a non-Catholic
chartered unit and need
information please contact the
Diocesan Catholic Committee on
Scouting at
catholicscoutslacrossediocese@gmail.com or call 608-782-4911

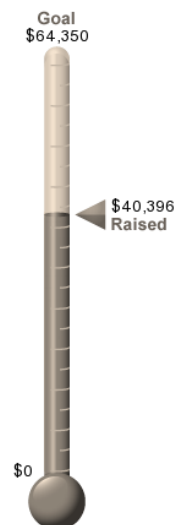
DIOCESAN APPEAL

We have received \$40,396.00 in
pledges towards our parish goal
of \$64,350.00. This is 63% of
our goal

APP

St. Francis Parish has its own
App for iPhone and Android
smart phones. This will allow us
to better communicate with you
throughout the week and keep
you updated with relevant parish
news or updates. This App will
be a great resource for
parishioners by providing daily
Mass reading, Catholic news and
prayers, convenient prayer and
Confession reminders, our
bulletins and more. Learn more
or download our App
at myparishapp.com.

**DIOCESAN APPEAL
THERMOMETER**



SAINT FRANCIS CARNIVAL

St. Francis School Carnival Committee is currently looking for Grand Raffle sponsors to support the 2018 Carnival. The 'Saint' level sponsorship is a \$400 donation, which gets your name/company listed on the full-color Grand Raffle ticket. For more information, please contact Tina Paider by November 15th at (715) 821-2356 or email: tina@carellsworth.com. Please watch for other upcoming opportunities to support the 2018 St. Francis Carnival, which will be held on Sunday, February 25th. Thank you!

HOLIDAY SCHWAN'S CAMPAIGN

Looking for a great Christmas gift or some holiday treats? St. Francis School is starting a Schwan's campaign in time for the holidays. Buy a \$25 gift certificate for someone special and the school gets \$10! Any food and treat orders between now and Christmas gives back 20% to the school (GC give back \$40). Thank you for your support!

TO ORDER:

1. Visit www.schwans-cares.com/c/34856
2. Click "Shop to Give"
3. Select team member, if applicable
4. Start shopping!

Call

[1-855-870-7208](tel:1-855-870-7208) and provide Campaign ID: 34856 and Team Member ID, if applicable.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1 – 5. Classes for students will meet on Wednesday, November 15, from 5:45 to 6:45 pm.

Religious Education - Grades 6 - 9: Classes will be held this Wednesday, November 15, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

10th Grade Confirmation Students: Class will be held this Wednesday, November 15, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

Parents are welcome to attend the "Love and Life Project", November 15, which will be presenting to the 8th, 9th and 10th grade classes from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SUPPER

Many thanks to Alicia DeGross, Mary Brand, and Melissa Achenbach for providing and serving supper last Wednesday. Thank you to Mary Augustine for the generous cash donation to the supper program. We will be serving again next Wednesday, November 15 from 5:15 - 7:00 for all grades. All are welcome.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE – November 18 & 19

5:00pm Mass.

Lector – Youth. Mass Servers – Youth

Eucharistic Ministers – Lynn Loesch, Joe Jorgenson, Barb Klecker, Cheryl Kaufer, Shelby Kaufer, Kayla Kaufer, and Don Anderson.

8:30am Mass.

Lector – Janet Huppert. **Mass Servers –** Loran, Austin, and Logan Brand

Eucharistic Minister – Carole Langer, Bob and Norma Radke, Alesha Radke, Kim and Terri Wagner, and Karen Webster.

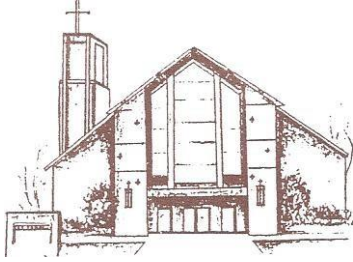
10:30am Mass.

Lector – Rose Mickelson. **Mass Servers –** Jianna Jean, Kayleigh Ayala

Eucharistic Ministers- Margie and Marty Kulak, Robert and Roxanne Pechacek, Brittany Pechacek, Dorothy Shoemaker, and Jean VanderMarliere

ST. FRANCIS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENU - November 13 - 17

Monday:	Breakfast: Muffin	Lunch: Meatloaf, peaches, tossed salad, parsley buttered potatoes, dinner roll
Tuesday:	Breakfast: Bagel w/cream cheese	Lunch: Beef Quesadillas w/ arroz verde, fresh fruit, refried beans
Wednesday:	Breakfast: Eggs ‘n Tots	Lunch: Cheesy Tuna Rotini, Pears, baked beans
Thursday:	Breakfast: Strawberry Shortcake	Lunch: Chicken patty on a Bun, apples, winter veggie mix
Friday:	Breakfast: Yogurt Smoothies	Lunch: Mini Corn dogs, mandarin oranges, pea & peanut salad, potato smiles



Dear Friends:

Peace, Joy and Love!

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?

Starting **January 2018**, St. Francis Parish will begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask questions you may have about the Church.

Who is RCIA for?

1. Persons in need of Baptism.
2. Person baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic.
3. Persons baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/or Confirmation.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), speaks of conversion as a “spiritual journey.” centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church he founded, this journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time suitable to bring about a thorough catechesis, significant experience of the parish community, and commitment to the liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful.

How long is the RCIA process?

The time varies, but the Diocesan Office of Catechesis and Evangelization highly recommends a 15-month process. The RCIA is a process of conversion that is meant to form and prepare adults to become committed disciples of Jesus Christ and courageous witnesses to the Catholic Faith. After experiencing both the 15-month and two year processes, there is no comparison to the 9-month model.

As a parish community, we are not asking too much in carrying out a 15-month RCIA process. As Pope John Paul II wrote: “it would be wrong to think that ordinary Christians can be content with (a limited presentation of the faith and) a shallow prayer that is unable to fill their whole life. Especially in the face of many trials to which today’s world subjects faith, they would be not only mediocre Christians but ‘Christians at risk’” (Novo Millennio Ineunte, n. 34). How can we offer any less to those coming to us to receive the fullness of the Truth and Grace? Rather, let us give to those searching for a deep relationship with Christ and His Church “The Pearl of Great Price.”

If you are interested, please feel free to call Joan Foley (RCIA Coordinator). Her phone number is 715-338-1199. Feel free to email her at cfoley@dishup.us

Pastor