

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of January 10, 2010

Sunday, January 10

9:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

11:00 am – John Fowler (Parish Intention)

Monday, January 11

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 12

6:00 pm – Richard DiPietro (St. Anthony Circle # 1)

Wednesday, January 13

6:00 pm – For Sick and Homebound Persons

Thursday, January 14

6:00 pm – Margaret Balint (Walter & Terri Hoag)

Friday, January 15

6:00 pm – Julia Volpe (Roseann Volpe)

Saturday, January 16

NO MASS

Sunday, January 17

9:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

11:00 am – Tom & Joan Gorman and Kathleen Rurak
(Gorman Family)

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

Jan 10– 9 am – Sara Pastore, Matt Pastore

11 am – Maryellen O'Shaughnessy, Vern Troyer

Jan 17– 9 am – Eric Willford, Ava Willford

11 am – Marilyn Smith, Susie Sarwark

Servers

Jan 10– 9 am – Steven Hillyer

11 am – Fallon O'Brien, Margaret O'Brien

Jan 17– 9 am – Frank Conway

11 am – Pat Cassidy, Sam Khoury

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

Jan 10– 9 am – Frank Conway

11 am – Brian Elliott

Jan 17– 9 am – Sam Hulett

11 am – Jim Gremling

Lectors

Jan 10– 9 am – Mary Ann Theado, Lynn Willford

11 am – Joe Fullenkamp, Matt Jordan

Jan 17– 9 am – Dick Wolf, Linda Wolfe

11 am – Ben Gibbons, Dan Kerscher

Eucharistic Ministers

Jan 10– 9 am – Jan Rosenfield, Phyllis DeVictor, Frank Schneider; 11 am – Pat Cassidy, Mark Coleman, Louisa Celebrezze

Jan 17– 9 am – Mary Ann Theado, Sister Sharen, Nancy Booth; 11 am – Brian Elliott, Barb Finan, Sandy Glasner

Our congratulations to **Thomas Mitchell Jordan**, who joined our family of faith last week, when he was baptized. Thomas is the son of parishioners Matt and Kate Jordan.

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

TODAY, Sunday, January 10

- Book Discussion Group, after 11 am Mass, hall
- St Francis Seniors, 2 pm, hall

Monday, January 11

- Women's Group, 7 pm, hall (small meeting room)
- Flytown Men, 6 pm, main hall

Tuesday January 12

- Flytown Women, 12 noon, hall

Wednesday, January 13

- RCIA, 7 pm, hall

Thursday, January 14

- Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, 1:30 pm
- Bible Study, 7 pm, hall

Looking Ahead ...

Tuesday January 19

- Monthly Mass at Westminster Thurber, 11 am

Wednesday, January 20

- RCIA, 7 pm, hall

Thursday, January 21

- Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, 1:30 pm
- Bible Study, 7 pm, hall



Save this date! The annual Mardi Gras Pasta Dinner will be held in the parish hall on **Saturday, February 13, 2010** from noon to 7 pm. Please invite your friends to this day of great food and great fun. We'll be looking for volunteers to

help decorate the hall, cook and serve the food, donate raffle prizes, sell tickets, and more. If you've helped before, you already know that we'll have a great time. If you're a newcomer, you'll find out what makes this dinner one of the best days of the year for our parish. You'll be hearing more from us soon.

Your partners in pasta: David Burgess / gvguy65@hotmail.com and Therese Terndrup / tterndrup00@hotmail.com

Collection offering envelope boxes are now available in the back of church. They are labeled with names of those who are currently receiving envelopes, or those who have requested them on the recent Tapestry forms. If you are currently receiving envelopes and don't see your name, please call the parish office. If you would like to receive envelopes, please fill out one of the forms available on the envelope table, and we will prepare an offering box for you, and leave it in church. Note that the form gives you the choice of several different giving options – electronic funds transfer, credit card deductions, envelopes. (Please note: due to the bulk of the envelope boxes and the additional postage required, we do not mail envelope boxes.)

2010 Family Life Calendars including monthly blessings, weekly Sunday readings with related discussion questions, Feast Days, Holy Days, suggested activities that encourage awareness of God's constant presence, as well as large spaces for families to record daily celebrations and commitments are available from the Family Life Office of Altoona-Johnstown Diocese for \$4.00 each (including postage) by calling 814.886.5551 or emailing familylife@dioceseaj.org.

Pastoral Reflections ~ for January 10, 2010

Where have we gone since our Baptism? Jesus came out of the river having heard "You are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased," and went into the wilderness to discover his purpose before stepping into the work and mission of that purpose. We will walk into that wilderness in 38 days (Ash Wednesday). Today, we walk another step on our journey from the river of our baptism. Do we *live our purpose* by committing our time and talents to the community work of any or several parish teams; by committing our participation in the life of this parish by registering as a member; by committing our time and energy to a three-year term of service on the Parish Pastoral Council? We leave behind the *water* of our baptisms and are sent and empowered by the *fire* of the Spirit to do the work of Christ's mission. What step will we take, today, in living our Baptismal purpose?
~ Fr. Ron

Parish News and Information

WEDDING COORDINATOR NEEDED. Anyone interested in serving as coordinator for our 25 or so weddings each year is asked to contact Fr. Ron or Therese in our parish office as soon as possible. Details of job description and compensation will be provided. A coordinator will be initial contact person and will provide couples with information and materials for planning, will collect fees, will meet with couple for an hour planning session, will help with rehearsal, will be present to assist wedding party at beginning of wedding. Please call our parish office as soon as possible for further information or to apply for position. (299-5781 or email office@sfacolumbus.org).

Parish Council elections will be held Sunday, January 31 and February 7. If you are interested in running or have someone you would like to nominate, please fill out the nomination form located in the pew and drop it in the collection basket. If you have questions about the process you can talk to any council member or contact Rick Miller at 614.519.4571 or email him at ricmiller@wowway.com. Nominations will need to be submitted by Sunday January 17. Thank you.

We express our deepest sympathy ... to the family of parishioner Carol McCabe, whose funeral was held here on December 31, 2009. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Who like to knit? Who would like to learn how? If you find yourself in either of these categories, please contact Theri Brady at thereseb8@gmail.com, so she can determine interest to start a group here at St Francis of Assisi Parish.

Flower Donations



We are grateful to the following people, who made contributions to our flower fund, to help decorate our church ...

Edward Goffos, Sr, and Daniel Hager, from Butch Goffos, Jr, and Lynn Epperson ... donation from Kay and Dick Wolf ... Maurice Gill and Biagio Muccione, from Brian and Angela Janz ... Thurn, Wachinger, and Meierer Families, from Teresa Thurn ...

(Note -- these donations were received after December 23.)

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Mandatory Ministry Rededication Sessions ...

Mandatory Ministry rededication sessions will be held in January and February, for all liturgical ministers. These sessions will last around an hour and will be held in the church following the 9 am and 11 am Masses. The dates and ministry to be covered are:

January 17 – Eucharistic Ministers

January 24 – Alter Servers

January 31 – Greeters

February 7 – Lectors

February 14 – Crucifers

These sessions are for all existing and new ministry volunteers.

Pray the Prayer of the Church ... We recently published in this bulletin, information about a website "A People's Breviary" and we apologize, but we listed an incorrect website. The correct website is – www.apeoplesbreviary.com (note the "a" at the beginning of people's breviary). The

website is an opportunity for daily prayer, with reflections by parishioner Jim Kraus.



Bring in old palms for making ashes ...

it's hard to believe that Lent will be here soon, starting with Ash Wednesday on February 17. We make our own ashes here at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, and need your old palm branches to do so.

Around Town

Spanish Classes for Adults ... Beginning January 27, Spanish Classes will be offered every Wednesday evening at Christ the King Catholic Church, 2777 Livingston Road, Columbus. The Beginner class is 6-7pm and the Intermediate Class is 7:15-8:15pm. To register or for more information please call Tim Madrid at 614.309.7958.

All Saints Lutheran Church is pleased to present:

Spirit, Hope, Health, and Wholeness - a workshop and lunch on Saturday, January 16, from, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 pm, 6770 N. High Street, Worthington. Suggested donation: \$5. Menu: Winter Soup and sandwich assortment, cookies, beverages. To make your reservation or for more information: Call All Saints at 614.885.0112 or e-mail 'Cia' at parodemann@aol.com. Featuring --

- Body: Susan Rosenberger, RN, MSN, Director of Organizational Learning Mount Carmel Health. Chronic stress is a hazard to our health. Learn stress recovery methods to counterbalance the harmful effects of stress.
- Mind/Emotion: Leslie Meyer-Miller, LSW, MSSA, CPCC, Life and Wellness Coach, owner of Passage Insights 'Working with the ever-present voice; changing negative self-talk to self-affirmation.' Getting out of our own way!
- Spirit: Katherine Murphy-Mertzluft, RN. Spirituality 101; calming the anxious spirit. Techniques in prayer and meditation to calm, heal, and uplift. Connect with the Source of Joy and Peace.