

Saint Clare of Assisi Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

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All Masses - St Clare of Assisi Church - Reed Street
Saturday 4:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday 9:30 AM
Weekdays 7:00PM (Monday)
8:00 AM (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday)
St. Clare Cemetery - Worthington Avenue, Clairton, PA
For all cemetery information, call the Parish Office.
St. Clare Montessori Preschool - Frances Bindas - Instructor

Reconciliation - After Mass on Monday Evenings & 12:30PM Saturdays
Baptisms - Call the Parish Office to schedule a day and time.
Weddings - Contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance.
The Diocese requires each couple to attend a pre-marriage course.
Music Ministry - Sean Thornton - Organist
Abuse Hotline Number - 1-800-932-0313
Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline - 1-888-808-1235

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MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE A FAMILY, UNITED IN THE EUCHARIST, GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, CALLED BY JESUS CHRIST TO GROW IN FAITH, LOVE AND PRAYER IN HARMONY WITH THE UNIVERSAL CATHOLIC CHURCH.

*We will achieve our parish mission by worshipping together and working to evangelize, educate and **serve each other** and the entire community.*

Sunday of Divine Mercy - April 12, 2015

Reflection: Divine Mercy in Action

We celebrate Divine Mercy today. The following is a reminder to all of us that this relationship may begin as vertical; God to us, but it has to be lived horizontally; man to man – human to human and always in relationship to God who has come to save sinners...thus the following reflection by;

Fr. Dwight Longenecker.

Divine Mercy is the message of God's love reaching out to a desperately needy world. In the now-famous image, Jesus seems to step forward with one of his hands reaching out in love and the other pointing to his heart of love.

Christ wants his divine mercy to be put into action in the world and the way he does this is through his body, the Church. That means you and me! We are Christ's hands of mercy as we understand and enact the works of mercy. The Church teaches that there are two types of mercy works: spiritual works of mercy and corporal, or physical works of mercy.

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

1. Instruct the ignorant.
2. Counsel the doubtful.
3. Admonish (warn) sinners.
Sometimes this is done best by asking appropriate questions – thus, not seeming self-righteous.
4. Bear wrongs patiently.
5. Forgive offenses willingly.
6. Comfort the afflicted.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.

Spiritual Works of Mercy can deepen and expand one's prayer life. By praying for others, forgiving others and being concerned for their spiritual growth, our own spiritual life can grow.

The Corporal Works of Mercy

1. Feed the hungry.
2. Give drink to the thirsty.
3. Clothe the naked.
4. House the homeless.
5. Visit the sick.
6. Visit those in prison.
7. Bury the dead.

Corporal Works of Mercy also become corporal works of mysticism. We talk about "having a relationship with

Jesus Christ." In the poor, we see the poor Man of Galilee. In the naked, we see the naked Man upon the cross. In the homeless, we encounter the One who had nowhere to lay his head. In the prisoner, we visit Christ the condemned. In those who thirst, we meet the One who cried, "I thirst" and when we bury the dead, we face the One who died for us.

Peace, Fr. Chuck

~ ~ ~ This Week ~ ~ ~

Sunday, April 12

No CCD Classes - Grades K-4

10:45AM - Counting Team #5

1:30PM - Super Bingo - Holy Spirit Church

6-8PM - CCD - High School - Holy Spirit Church

Monday, April 13

7PM - Liturgy - Reconciliation to Follow

Tuesday, April 14

1PM - Women's Guild Meeting - Parish Office

4:30PM - Finance Council Meeting - Parish Office

7-8:15PM - CCD Classes - Holy Spirit Church

Wednesday - April 15

6:30PM - Choir Practice

Thursday, April 16

11AM-5PM - Spring Art Show & Sale

Clairton Public Library

1PM - Clairton Ministerium Meeting - Mt. Olive Church

7PM - SC Men's Club Meeting - Parish Office

Friday, April 17

11AM-3PM - Spring Art Show & Sale

Clairton Public Library

Saturday, April 18

9AM-Noon - Spring Art Show & Sale

Clairton Public Library

9:30-10AM - Market Day Pick-up - SC Office

12:30PM - Reconciliation



2015: THE YEAR OF NO FEAR

This is the year that's NOT about not being afraid, but trusting in a God who is bigger and greater than even our biggest and greatest fear.

PRAYER CORNER . . .**For our Recently Departed. . .**

Fr. Dennis Colamarino (Pastor of Christ the Light of the World Parish),

Thomas Burnsworth, Emily Reichle, Frank Ruzich, Joan Saputo, Edward Trocheck (Former Parishioners),

Alyce Cain-Wasserman (Sister of Helen Weeks, Former Cafeteria Manager at St. Clare of Assisi School),

For our Sick and Shut-ins. . .

Leo Aloysius, Lorrie Anderson, Barbara Antrom,

Reginald Ballariel, Fr. Chuck Baptiste, June Bendik,

Marissa Bercik, Eleanor Berggren, John Bertolucci,

Rosie Bonét, Joan Bradley, George Buches, Maria Campano,

Thomas A. Campano, Joseph Capaccia, Sara Capane,

Vince Capane, Domenica Capolupo, Fred Carozzo,

Mildred Carozzo, Kathleen Cassady, John Paul Charmo,

Charlene Dean, Connie Delconte, Mildred Demchak,

Patricia Doucette, Frances Dowd, Sheila Eddy, LaRue Eichler,

Debbie Eismont, Rebecca Farabaugh, Dolores Ferrero,

Patricia Gabriel, Vincent Gabriel, Karen Garuch, Larry Garuch,

John Gasda, Genevieve Hartman, Marie Hodge, Joan Jaskolski,

Richard Jenkins, Linda Jerome, Mary Julian, Paul Julian,

Sophie Jupin, John Karnack, Darren Kaskin, Robert King,

Erin Koontz, Off. James Kuzak Jr., Frances Lofstrom,

Mark Lujetic, Joseph Madden, Helen Maksin, Ann E. Martin,

Brady McCoy, Patricia McDonald, Helen Medved,

Marshall Meredith, Marty Milas, JoAnn Mourey, Marie Mourey,

Dolores Paluti, Kathryn Pavlack, John Parach, Sylvia Pittman,

John Poziviak, Daucen Radlein Sr., Raymond Reitmeyer,

Colton Riley, Elizabeth Rothbauer, Eleanor Ruhl,

Alan Sammartin, Harry Santoline, Angelo Sgroi, Jodene Shar,

Fr. Angelus Shaughnessy, Sophie Slavick, Eliza Sopko,

John Sorrentino, Fr. Bonaventure Stefun, Darla Stercula,

Joseph Stercula, Martha Stercula, James Story, Blake Stover,

Carol Sye, Kathy Tachoir, Michael Tevis, James M. Tullius,

Ralph Valvo, Domenic Virgona, Joan Virgona, John Vozar,

Sandy Welsh, Urbyn Welsh, Ray Werner, Mary Jane Wolf,

Natalie Wolfgang, Ed Yonich, Lenore Zovko, Mary Zwack

For family members of our parishioners serving in the military:

Dante Capane, Tara Felker, James R. Martin Jr.,

Jason Middleton, Daucen Radlien Jr., Michael Santoline,

Anthony Svetz, Andrew West, Jeffery West

THANK YOU FOR SUCH A BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION OF OUR FAITH. . .

An immense sense of gratitude overwhelmed me this Easter.

So much happened here, only because of a real faith, a lived-out faith by so many because of their Love for our Lord. From the Church being meticulously cleaned with loving hearts (and hands) to those who planned and prayerfully proclaimed the Word; those who decorated and made sure everything was ready and in place for the liturgies were all unselfishly done by staff and volunteers. The servers, some coming out of retirement, albeit a little young to retire, came back to give the liturgies dignity with all the other ministers. Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers accomplished their roles with the dignity due Our Lord. As usual, the music from the choir and congregation uplifted us, heart and soul. The parking for the large numbers of people was made possible and less problematic because of the efforts of our Mens Club. Thanks for reminding drivers of their role in making the Mass accessible for everyone, (catholic) so to speak. I am humbled and honored to serve in a parish that desires to be the Living Body of Christ in the world today.

We should never forget those quiet Prayer Warriors who continuously pray for us. We are blessed with many of them.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The Figures listed below are for the weekend totals of March 29 and April 5.

FISCAL YEAR JULY 2014 - JUNE 2015

Budgeted Weekly Offering (2 Weeks).....	\$ 10,564.00
Actual Weekly Offering March 28/29.....	\$ 5,897.21
Easter Collection.....	\$ 7,453.00
Holy Thursday.....	\$ 924.00
Holy Land (Good Friday).....	\$ 857.00
Parish Share YTD.....	\$ 7,408.00
Cemetery Envelopes 2015 YTD.....	\$ 2,567.00

CONCERNING OUR FUNDRAISERS . . .**FAB FIVE - \$500 TICKET - March 31**

Winner: #333 - Jennifer Massaro

Seller: "Cookie" Bindas

Next Lottery Ticket Drawing: Thursday, April, 30

New April Tickets may be picked up in the Sacristy.

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MARCH GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY - Drawn April 1

Winner: Frank Bindas Prize Amount: \$360.00

Envelopes Entered to Date for Next Drawing: 44

CONCERNING OUR PARISH . . .**CONGRATULATIONS . . .**

. . .to **Nathaniel Smith** who made his First Holy Communion at St. Clare of Assisi Parish on Thursday, April 2. Please keep "Nathan" in your prayers as he continues to welcome Our Lord in the Eucharist!

THANK YOU

The Clairton Emergency Food Center extended heartfelt thanks and appreciation for our recent donation of \$500 that was sent to their Food Pantry. This money was the result of a joint effort from the "Souper Bowl of Caring" and "Caring Ministry" Collections. "Your donations will help tremendously in our goal of providing for those in need".

Billie Price, Food Pantry President & Coordinator

INSIGHT - INSPIRATION & INFORMATION

Don't forget to pick up a **Pittsburgh Catholic Newspaper** when you leave church. This weekly gift is for you to enjoy, compliments of St. Clare of Assisi Parish. This is Bishop David Zubiks' chief means to communicate and reach out to people on a regular basis to let us know what is going on in the local Church.

SCHOLARSHIPS

St. Anthony School is offering **20 Full Scholarships** for new students entering their program for the 2015-16 academic year. They are for children between the ages of 5 and 21 with Down Syndrome, Autism or Intellectual Disabilities. Please visit online at www.stanthonykids.org and click on the Admissions Tab. You can also email at infor@stanthonykids.org or call 724-940-9020.

CONCERNING OUR DIOCESE . . .

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- The **HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL “GODSPELL”** will be performed at *Bishop Canevin High School*, located at 2700 Morange Road, Pittsburgh, from **Thursday, April 23 thru Saturday, April 25 at 7:30PM**. Call 412-922-7400 to reserve your tickets (\$10 Adults/\$7)

- A **THOMAS MERTON CENTENNIAL FESTIVAL** will be held from **APRIL 16-26**. Thomas Merton was a Trappist Monk who was revered for his writing, poetry, social activism and studies into comparative religion. Events are scheduled at a number of different places. To find out where and when, this Festival is, go to www.thomasmertoncenter.org/100th.

- A **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** will be held at the *Wyndham Garden Pittsburgh Airport* the weekend of **April 24-26**. Learn what it takes to make a marriage great. For more information, visit online at YourMarriagelsWorthIt.org or call 412-635-7775.

- A **CONSCIOUS CHOICE RETREAT** will be held **APRIL 25/26**. Learn to *Respond* instead of *Reacting* when *Feeling Overwhelmed*. Leave inspired through Stories of Women in the Bible. Space is limited at *The Franciscan Spirit and Life Center at the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God*, Whitehall. Pray and see if the Holy Spirit is prompting you to attend and then contact Sharon Lictus at 412-885-7126.



CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

- Locally, the **Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth** provides FAMILY MINISTRY at *Holy Family Institute*, www.hfipgh.org and at the *Community at Holy Family Manor* <http://chfmanor.org/about.php>. The Divine Providence Family Ministry, Providence Family Support Center, works to strengthen families through programming and services. Visit www.providenceconnections.org.

- At last I have found my vocation: My vocation is love.
~ St. Therese of Lisieux

- The **Sisters of St. Basil the Great**, an international Religious Order of the Eastern Catholic Church, was founded in the 4th Century through the inspiration of St. Basil and his sister, St. Macrina. In 1921 the Sisters of St. Basil the Great arrived in Uniontown, PA to minister to the immigrant population. Learn about this community and its ministries at www.sistersofstbasil.org.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The Apostles were afraid of Jesus until he ate with them and they touched him. In your family, the ordinary acts of eating together, touching & embracing not only confirm our love for each other, but also celebrate God's presence in your family. These 'ordinary' moments contain the 'Extraordinary.'

CONCERNING OUR WORSHIP . . .

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY - April 11/12

4:30PM Michael & Marie Beney - (Family)
9:30AM For The Parishioners

April 13 - Easter Weekday

7:00PM Deceased Members of the Mallozzi Family
(Family)

April 14 - Easter Weekday

8:00AM Fred Caligiure - (Judi & Ed, Regina & Russell)

April 15 - Easter Weekday

8:00AM Helen DiSciullo - (Lucille Herndon & Gloria
Costa)

April 16 - Easter Weekday

8:00AM Lillian "Kathy" Julian - (Mark Julian & Family)

April 17 - Easter Weekday

8:00AM Bill & Agnes Rothbauer - (Family)

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - April 18/19

4:30PM For The Parishioners
9:30AM Nick Zumbo - (Family)

WEEKEND MINISTERS - April 18/19

4:30PM - Eucharistic Ministers - *Regina Behary,
Russell Behary, Ray Werner*
Lector - *Michael Thornton*
Altar Server - *Keith Cotter*
Head Ushers - *Mike DiCarlo, Ed Obusek*

9:30AM - Eucharistic Ministers - *Susan Finnegan,
Joanne Kaskin, Lee Lasich*
Lector - *Joseph Costello*
Altar Server - *Colton Boring*
Head Ushers - *Ray York, Vince Gori*

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS - April 12

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - April 18/19

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1 John 2:1–5a - Page 156
Luke 24:35–48 - Page 156

PRAYERS FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

This week, please pray for **Justin Tomko** from
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Pleasant Hills.

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O Lord, grant to your Church  
Saintly priests and fervent religious. Amen

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