



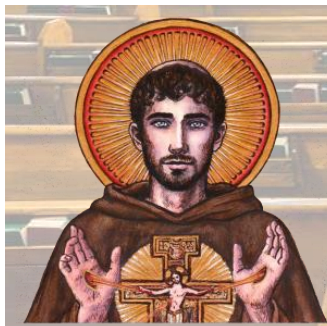
Saint Francis of Assisi & Saint Clare of Assisi



April 6, 2025

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more." - Jn 8:11b



Saint Francis of Assisi



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Saturdays:

11:00am-12:00 pm - St. Mary
12:00pm-12:30pm - St. John
12:00 pm-1:00 pm - St. Joseph
(Cabot)





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11:00-11:30 am - St. Wendelin

11:45 am-12:15 pm- St. Joseph
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ST. FRANCIS WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Location	Intention	Requested By
Saturday, April 5 St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Mary	Heagy & Lipinski Family	Heagy Family
	5:30 PM Vigil	St. Joseph	Cecelia Watson	Dan & Deb Fritz
Sunday, April 6 5th Sunday of Lent	8:00 AM	St. Joseph	Rose Elma Foerster	Family
	8:30 AM	St. John	Owen Desch	Family
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	Ronald L. Steighner	Joe, Peggy, and Family
	11:00 AM	St. Joseph	Kim Giobbi	Michael & Shelley Giobbi
Monday, April 7 St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest	8:00 AM	St. Mary	Shirley A. Gallagher	George Gallagher Family
Tuesday, April 8	8:00 AM	St. John	"Pinky" Ambrose	The Marian Guild
Wednesday, April 9	9:00 AM	St. Joseph	Dean Schnur	Mark
Thursday, April 10	8:00 AM	St. Mary	Sick Parishioners	St. Francis Christian Mothers & Women
Friday, April 11 St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr	9:00 AM	St. Joseph	Michael Phillippi	Mother
Saturday, April 12	9:00 AM	St. Joseph	Betty Neff	Mary Paserba
	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Mary	Stephen & Agnes Jackman	Spahn Family
	5:30 PM Vigil	St. Joseph	Joyce Uhrinek	Bernie Uhrinek
Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	8:00 AM	St. Joseph	Denny Majka	Sandy
	8:30 AM	St. John	For the Parishioners of Saint Francis of Assisi & Saint Clare of Assisi Parishes	
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	Aggie Tomsey	Joe, Peggy, and Family
	11:00 AM	St. Joseph	James Procz	Diane, James Jr., and Catie

ST. CLARE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Location	Intention	Requested By
Saturday, April 5 St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Wendelin	Daisy Osche	Barry, Terry, and Judy Osche
	5:30 PM Vigil	Mater Dolorosa	Joe & Mary O'Donnell	Family
Sunday, April 6 5th Sunday of Lent	7:00 AM	St. Wendelin	For the Parishioners of Saint Francis of Assisi & Saint Clare of Assisi Parishes	
	8:15 AM	Mater Dolorosa	Denny Foust	Gary O'Donnell
	9:30 AM	St. Joseph	Anna Marie MaGill	Margie and Family
	10:30 AM	St. Wendelin	Ellie Williams	Linda & Deron
Monday, April 7 St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest	12:00 PM	Mater Dolorosa	Tom Dunn	Family
Tuesday, April 8	8:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Living Intention for Melissa Tang	O'Loughlin Family
Wednesday, April 9	10:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Vince Ritzert	Elaine Ritzert
	NO MASS-The Light is on for You- Reconciliation, 6-9 pm at Mater Dolorosa			
Thursday, April 10	8:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Rosemarie "Rosie" Gall Zarnick	
Friday, April 11 St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr	12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Pat & Mary Jean Rodgers	Anna Marie
Saturday, April 12	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Wendelin	Father John R. Haney	Larry & Cathie O'Donnell
	5:30 PM Vigil	Mater Dolorosa	Don Wise	Joyce Zanella
Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	7:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus	
	8:15 AM	Mater Dolorosa	John F. Hesidenz	Dennis & Susan Double
	9:30 AM	St. Joseph	Fred Minehart	Larry & Kathy Baptiste
	10:30 AM	St. Wendelin	Tracy Weiland	Nancy Kradel



MESSAGE FROM FR. MATT

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This is the third, and thankfully last, week for the one Mass having Year A readings and the 11 others having Year C readings. I am very grateful to the Lectors and musicians who have been so flexible during this time. For me, it has been harder than I expected! I must be getting old!

The Year A Gospel is the story of Jesus raising His friend Lazarus from the dead. The First Reading for Year A is the awesome prophecy from Ezekial that God will open the graves of His people and have us rise from them. In the Second Reading, St. Paul tells us that the Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead is alive in us!

The Year C Gospel is the story of Jesus encountering the woman caught in adultery. These are all amazing stories. They tell us of God's incredible love for us, despite, or maybe even because of our sins. I would like to focus a little on the First and Second Year C Readings. They give us an important challenge. In the Second Reading, St. Paul talks about the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus his Lord and the righteousness that comes from Him. St. Paul says that he has not yet attained it but seeks it above everything else. "Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus." In the First Reading, the Prophet Isaiah says: "Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see I am doing something new!"

So often, we trap ourselves in the past. We define ourselves by our mistakes, our sins, our failures. Look at the woman caught in adultery. Everyone knew her sins. She was defined by her mistake and by others' reaction to her. But Jesus will not define her this way. He calls her woman. The same name given to Eve in the Garden of Eden. Jesus is offering her re-creation. See. He is doing something new! The friends of Lazarus seem to be dissatisfied with Jesus. Why couldn't He have gotten there sooner? He could have saved Lazarus from death and saved his sisters their grief. They could not see that Jesus was doing something new. Jesus not only weeps at the death of His friend and the suffering of Lazarus' sisters, He restores Lazarus to life. Never had anyone seen something like this happen. God is always doing something new.

This week, let us be open to God doing something new in our lives. The past can inform us, but it should not define us. The past doesn't exist anymore and the future is not here yet. It is in the present, in this moment, that God is doing something new. Look for it. Keep your eyes open. Let yourself be surprised by God. God wants to re-create us, to bring us to life again. Don't let past regrets or future fears cloud your vision. See He is doing something new.

Peace and Love,
Fr. Matt





REMEMBER *in your prayers*

Fr. Lou Pascazi
Janice Schmidt
Georgie Bartoe
Geraldine Wiefeling
Pam
Ray & Marcella
Rick Neff
Kelli Neigh
DB
Glenn Hall
Don Bergbigler
Mary Lou Barnes
Warren & Janice George
Mark Clouse
Rose Hinch
Roy Bergbigler
Caitlin Trettel
Ron, Debbie, Judy,
Cathy and Nicole
William Weiland
Colette Bowser
Camden Miller
Mary Lee Rosenbauer
Baby Owen
Clyde Altman
David Russell
Les Bauer
Joe Beilstein
Eliza O'Donnell
Finley Skiff
Shelly Double-Barnhart
Gary Black
Abby Koenig
Dick Curry
Killian Eakman
George Kepple
Regis Fallecker Jr.
Shawn Nolan
Sheri Payne
Diane Krapf
Danny Krapf
Hayes Markle
Thomas Wetzell Sr.
Bus Neigh
Lisa Cammisa
Robert Riemer
Jane Schafer
Kathy Steighner
Bobbi Adley
Mindy Floro
Angie O'Mahoney

Jim Lorenz
Donna Green
Chrissie Wilcox
Linda Heagy
Joe Moser
Jeannie White
Helen Marie Hartle
Donna M.
Rose Stumpf
Lucy Duffy
Jessie Black
Laura & Family
Patricia Ryan
Leonard Dombroski
Bernadette Conerty
Mason Martin
Jim Bowser
Larry Karenbauer
Jennifer Perkins
Paul Erkens
Rodger Davis
Erik Fry
Lynn Toward
Michael Black
Peg Moser
Nicholas Kerr
Regis Convery
Emilia Schaffner
Marilyn DiGiacomo
Marek Wabazewski
Mary Lou Beilstein
Aria Joy Olson
Pearl Kocher
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Joseph McCloskey
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Steven Shultz
Lena Jane Steiner
Madalyn Rose Geibel
Jim Bergbigler
Virginia Briski
Carter T. Williams

To add or remove intentions from the combined prayer list, or the Military list, please contact either parish office.

Weekly Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF
APRIL 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

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McCandless
Russell Bauer
Jimmy Adley
Jon Clark
Evan French
Simon Geibel

Brian Kusner
Hayden Iman
Landon Hines
Jonah Bartholic
Daniel Sheehan
Amanda Skidmore
Jeremy (JJ) Dawson





Prayers for comfort & peace to the family & friends of the recently departed,
from St. Francis Parish:
Janice Schmidt
Dianna Trimbur
 May they rest in the peace and glory of the Risen Christ.



St. Francis

St. John 8: 30 am, St. Joseph 5:30 pm vigil & 8 am Masses: Parishioners will pick up palms on the way into the church. The priest will bless the palms at the beginning of Mass.

Weather pending, both Masses at St. Mary will have processions. As in the past, please meet in the parking lot by the walkway to the office.

St. Joseph 11am Mass will have a procession beginning at the hall, to the church.

St. Clare

All Masses at Mater Dolorosa and St. Wendelin: Parishioners will pick up palms on the way into the church. The priest will bless the palms at the beginning of Mass.

Weather pending, St. Joseph (N.O.) 9:30 am Mass will have a procession that will begin in the parking lot by the sidewalk facing the office. Palms will be blessed and the procession will begin, parishioners not participating in the procession may pick up palms when entering the church and they will be blessed when the procession enters. In case of inclement weather, parishioners may pick up palms as they enter the church and they will be blessed at the beginning of Mass.

Evening Prayer & Benediction
 Every Sunday of Lent at 5 pm at St. Mary in Herman- All are welcome!

Please Note: Due to *Jesus Day* at both parishes, regularly scheduled confessions **will not take place** at the location/times listed below.

April 12th - Mater Dolorosa at 11 am

April 12th - St. John at 12 pm



Stations of the Cross Every Friday of Lent

St. Francis

Friday, April 11

8:00 pm

Saint Joseph

Friday, April 18

8:00 pm

Saint Mary

St. Clare

Every Friday during Lent -1:50 pm at St. Wendelin Church (for Saint Wendelin School)

Friday, April 11

7:00 pm

Saint Wendelin

Shadow Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 11, 2025

8:30PM

St. Joseph Church, Cabot

Join us as the youth of our parish depict

all 14 Stations of the Cross in silhouette form.



Living Stations of the Cross Good Friday, April 18th at 8 pm, St. Mary Church

All are invited to attend this long standing event as the youth of our parishes perform the Stations of the Cross live.

*Remaining practices- **April 6th and April 13th** from 11:30am-1 pm, and on **April 18th** at 5:30 pm.

12 volunteers are needed to participate in the **foot washing** ceremony during the **Holy Thursday** liturgy at **St. Mary**. If you are willing to come forward, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

Easter Flower donations for St. Clare need to be submitted no later than **April 14th** to be included on the donation list insert for Easter. Thank you.

Easter decorating at St. Wendelin will be on Saturday, **April 19th**, volunteers welcome. Volunteers still needed to help water the Easter flowers at St. Wendelin for the weeks after Easter. If you could possibly help, please call the St. Clare office!

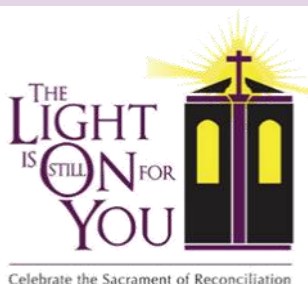
Wednesday, April 9th

St. Francis

6 to 9 pm at St. Mary & St. Joseph, Cabot

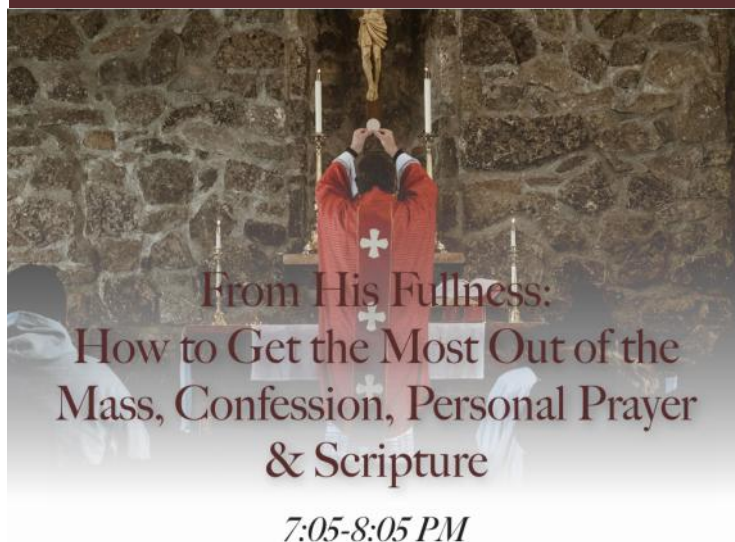
St. Clare

6 to 9 pm at Mater Dolorosa



Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Francis & St. Clare
invite everyone to attend the final discussion of our Lenten with Dave VanVickle!



TUESDAY, APRIL 8th
at **St. Joseph Church, Cabot**

The R. C. Men's Club (located at 128 Men's Club Lane, Butler PA 16002) is hosting **Last Call**. Last Call is an opportunity for practicing and nonpracticing men and women to meet in a comfortable environment to learn more about our faith through the insights and experiences of engaging speakers and in fellowship with others. Last Call is targeted at all adult Catholics. **All are welcome** and the club will be providing pizza for attendees.

The next Last Call will be at **7 pm on April 7th, with Guest Speakers Fr. Matt and Seminarian, Peter Aul**. The last talk in the series will be on **April 14th at 7 pm with Guest Speaker Deacon Bob Wertz**, who will talk about: hearing God's call in his life; what is means being a Deacon; and how we are all called to be deacon like in our lives, along with other topics.



St. Francis Marian Guild Easter Giving Baskets

The Marian Guild is collecting nonperishable provide 26 local families in need with food, not just for Easter, but for meals after the holiday. Drop off bins are located in the back of each church for donations through **April 6th**.

Especially appreciated items include canned yams, applesauce, boxes of cereal, peanut butter and paper towels. Monetary donations are also welcome. Checks may be made payable to St. Francis Marian Guild. Thanks in advance for your generosity!



The St. Joseph Council **Knights of Columbus** are once again sponsoring an **Easter Egg Hunt** for all Parish kids twelve years old and younger!!

Saturday April 19th at St. Joseph Hall in Cabot
Registration will be from 10:45 - 11:00 am in the hall.

Egg Hunt will begin at 11:00!

Refreshments of cookies & drinks (and Coffee for adults) will be provided afterward. All kids from our Parish are welcome to attend so come on down and have some fun! In case of poor weather the Egg Hunt will be held in the hall.



The **Knights of Columbus from St. Clare Parish** are hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, **April 6th at St. Wendelin Hall** from 8am -12:30pm. Adults \$7, Children \$3. Join us for a delicious breakfast and great company!



The next **St. Clare Senior Pot Luck Lunch is Wednesday, April 9th** at

DePaul Hall (St. Joseph N.O.) from 12-2 pm. Please join us for food, friends, and fellowship! All are welcome!

The next monthly St. Francis **Marian Guild meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, April 9th at 6:30 pm** in the St. John hall. All women of the parish are welcome to attend. On the agenda will be upcoming projects such as preparation of the Easter Giving Baskets, the Ladies Day Tea in May and the Annual Rummage Sale in July.



Don't Miss the Last One of the Season!

St. Francis 69th Annual Fish Fry Saint Mary of the Assumption School in Herman

April 11th- Last Fish Fry of the Season!

Carry-Out Only (can Eat Inside)

3 PM to 6 PM - All Dinners \$15.00

MENU Includes: (No Substitutions)

Pan Fried or Baked Cod Loin, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Bread, Dessert, Spanish Rice, French Fries, Macaroni & Cheese

All information to be included in the April 20th, Easter Sunday bulletin is due by end of day on Thursday, April 10th.

Parish Giving

ST. FRANCIS PARISH

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS –MARCH 30, 2025

Offertory - Mass	\$8,684.00
Offertory - Online	\$2,528.74
Total Offertory	\$11,212.74

PARISH APPEAL

Weekly Parish Appeal.....	\$1,640.00
2025 Parish Appeal to Date ...	\$46,837.97
2025 Parish Appeal Goal.....	\$123,427.50
2024 Parish Appeal	\$135,414.08
2024 Parish Appeal Goal	\$118,154.00

MINISTRY COLLECTIONS

Easter Flowers.....	\$206.00
Good Friday-Holy Land	\$10.00
Easter	\$10.00
Human Development Camp.	\$1,957.00
St. Vincent DePaul	\$10.00

The Second Collection Today at St. Francis Parish is for Parish Appeal

ST. CLARE PARISH

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS –MARCH 30, 2025

Offertory - Mass	\$6,800.00
Offertory - Online	\$1,530.00
Total Offertory	\$8,330.00

PARISH APPEAL

Weekly Parish Appeal.....	\$2,615.00
2025 Parish Appeal to Date....	\$19,770.00
2025 Parish Appeal Goal.....	\$70,830.00
2024 Total Parish Appeal.....	\$51,195.40
2024 Parish Appeal Goal.....	\$64,547.00

MINISTRY COLLECTIONS

Maintenance Fund.....	\$70.00
School Support	\$15.00
Human Development Camp.	\$1,090.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$40.00
Easter Offering.....	\$30.00
Holy Thursday.....	\$25.00
Good Friday-Holy Land.....	\$25.00

The Second Collection Today at St. Clare Parish is for School Support

Thank you for your continued support of Ministries at Saint Francis of Assisi & Saint Clare of Assisi Parishes!

Palm Sunday

Bake Sale

After each Mass at St. Joseph (Cabot) on Saturday, April 12 & Sunday, April 13 in St. Joseph Hall (Cabot)

Hosted by: St. Francis of Assisi Christian Mothers and Women

Proceeds benefit Children's Faith Formation, VBS, Festival Children's games, Respect Life events, and other parish-wide projects.

Donation drop-off: Saturday, April 12th from 10 am to 12 pm at St. Joseph Hall, Cabot

****All Parishioners are invited to share their culinary talents!** (Please No items requiring refrigeration)**

Bake, Buy, and Enjoy!

The Spring Bible Study renews our discovery of **Mary in Sacred Scripture and Tradition** with Dr. Brant Petri (from Formed). Join us at **Mater Dolorosa from 10:15 to 11:45 am on the following Saturdays:**

April 26th: The Perpetual Virgin

May 10th: Mother of Sorrow

May 17th: The New Rachel

May 31st: "Going Deeper"

These are self-contained presentations, if you missed the previous sessions it is still possible to gain further incite about Mary. If interested call Rosemary Meier (through the parish office) for more information.

BIBLE STUDY

Saint Francis Parish-FUNERAL DINNERS

Funeral dinners are offered to all families that have a Funeral Mass at any location at St. Francis Parish or a service at the funeral home. HOWEVER, not all churches are equipped to have a dinner at their location. Usually, if a funeral occurs at St. Joseph or St. John, dinners are held in their hall. Dinners for funerals at St. Mary are usually held at the Herman Fire Hall. If the fire hall is not available, funeral dinners may be held at either St. Joseph Hall or St. John Hall. Currently only St. Joseph and St. John have funeral dinner volunteers.

HELP IS NEEDED!

If you would like to help, please contact the office at 724-352-2149. You do not have to help at every dinner or even the entire time, if you are willing to assist with setup, serving, and/or clean-up, just let us know. Signing up does not mean you have to work every dinner, just help when you can. Any help is appreciated!

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!

April

Children's Faith Formation

St. Francis Parish

April 6: Elementary
Middle School

April 13: Elementary
Middle School

April 20: 

April 26: **First Communion Practice**
-9 AM St. John Church

April 27: **First Communion**
-2PM St. John Church



St. Clare Parish

April 6: Elementary
Children's Mass 10:30AM
at St. Wendelin Church
Middle School

April 12: **2nd Grade- Jesus Day 9AM**
- Mater Dolorosa Hall

April 13: Elementary
Middle School

April 20: 

May 3: **First Communion Practice**
-9 AM St. Wendelin Church

May 4: **First Communion 2PM**
at St. Wendelin Church



Did you know that St. Francis & St. Clare have a combined youth group?!

Any youth in grades 9-12 interested in joining, please contact Sue or Patrick (emails below) to be added to our group text communication for upcoming events, typically 2 Sundays a month. Come and check it out, bring a friend!

patrick@saintfrancisparish.net
sue@saintclareparish.com

Save the Date! St. Wendelin School's
Good Friday Fish Dinner
Friday, April 18, 2025
Details to follow!



Catholic Identity Program

Family Link

This Week's Virtue:

KINDNESS

Kindness means to be
gentle and generous
toward others.



St. Wendelin School March 50/50 Raffle Winners

Winner: Henry Crawford -\$563.00

\$50 Winner (sold winning ticket): DeAnn Craig

\$50 Winner (sold 10 + books): Pete Green

\$100 Winner (sold 25 + books): Pete Green

***Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all
who sold and purchased tickets to support
St. Wendelin School!***



2025

Deer Classic

Sportsman's Raffle

Sponsored by St. Wendelin School

Saturday, April 26th, 2025

12 pm - 6 pm

Happy Hunter's
Club

\$30 Donation

Call School for
Tickets
724-285-4986



Food and
Drinks
Included

Side Raffles
50/50
Raffle Baskets



**Cross Catholic
OUTREACH**

**St. Clare &
St. Francis
Service Project**

St. Clare and St. Francis of Assisi Christian Mothers & Women, St. Francis Marian Guild and the Knights of Columbus of St. Wendelin and St. Joseph of Cabot are excited to partner with Cross Catholic Outreach in sponsoring a Food Packing Event in September. Our goal is to pack 54,000 meals for those in impoverished nations and 6,000 people in need in our own community.

To accomplish our goal, we need to raise \$19,800 between our two parishes and community. For just 33 cents, Cross Catholic Outreach can provide a nutritious meal to a person in need. We are accepting all donations, including family and business donations. This opportunity will allow us to come together as a parish family to feed those in need - the poorest of the poor.

Cross Catholic Outreach is a catholic ministry endorsed by the Pittsburgh Diocese and the Vatican. The relationship with the Vatican culminated in a Pontifical Decree granting Cross Catholic Outreach official status as part of the universal Catholic Church. 94% of donations to Cross Catholic go directly to programs to help the poor, while 6% are used for fundraising and administrative expenses.

How To Donate: CASH or CHECKS

(Checks payable to: Knights of Columbus 14103

Memo: Cross Catholic)- Put in an envelope marked "Knights of Columbus 14103-Cross Catholic"

Envelopes may be placed in the collection, dropped off at the office, or mailed to the office at 864 Chicora Rd. Chicora, PA 16025

ONLINE - Visit: either parish website for link, find *September 28* event with our parish names, Click 'Donate' and follow the prompts. Or Scan the QR Code on your device to go directly to the donation page.

Table and Station Sponsors: Our event will include approximately 12 'stations' with two tables each. Families, ministries, and businesses donating \$1000+ will be acknowledged as 'Station Sponsors' at the main event. Families, ministries, and businesses donating \$500-\$999 will be acknowledged as 'Table Sponsors' at the main event.

For more information on Cross Catholic Outreach, visit crosscatholic.org.

**JOIN THE MOVEMENT
TO FEED THE HUNGRY** through
the love
of Christ!



**As of March 26th, we
have raised \$3,417, for
10,251 meals of the
60,000 meal goal!**

SCAN ME



Fr. Lou will be having a planned surgery on April 22nd. Keep him in your daily prayers and if you wish to send him a card or note of support or well wishes, his current address is:

**Fr. Lou Pascazi
St. John Vianney Manor
2600 Morange Rd.
Pittsburgh PA 15205**



The Marian Guild will not be hosting an Easter flower sale this year. Instead, they invite you to visit Schnur's Greenhouse directly for all your Easter flower needs!



**Respect Life Ministry Planning Meeting
ALL are invited to join us for pizza on
Thursday, April 10th at 6 pm at
St. Joseph's Hall, Cabot** as we plan

Respect Life Events & Activities for the upcoming year. Share your ideas with us! Please let us know if you plan to attend (so we know how much pizza to order). If you are unable to attend but have ideas to share or would like to assist with upcoming activities throughout the year, please let us know! Contact Cil at 724-352-2149 x214 or email outreach@saintfrancisparish.net.



St. Francis Parish Lenten Baby Bottle Drive



This year's Baby Bottle Drive will benefit our **Elizabeth Ministry**. **Please grab a bottle from St. Joseph in Cabot, St. Mary, or St. John** and fill it with coins, cash or a check payable to *Saint Francis of Assisi Parish*. Another available option is to make a purchase from our Amazon Wish List using this QR Code: For more information about the Elizabeth Ministry, or if you would like to help us in our ministry, contact Cil at ext. 214 at the St. Francis office, or email outreach@saintfrancisparish.net
Thank you for supporting this Drive!



SAVE the DATE



The **St. Clare Christian Mothers & Women** are hosting a Mother Daughter banquet on **Tuesday, May 6th** at 6PM at **DePaul Hall**, at St. Joseph in North Oakland. Menu, cost and more details to follow! Reservations will be taken at the office (724-445-3713).

Please include name and phone number of person making the reservation and names of adults & children (children's menu included at no cost) that will be attending.



SPAGHETTI BENEFIT DINNER

For Caitlin Trettel
who is battling a
life-threatening
illness



SATURDAY APRIL 26, 2025

Dine-In & Take Out
\$15 for age 11-Adult
\$7 for Kids Age 5-10

11AM - 7PM

Event also includes:
50/50 Raffle
Bake Sale
Basket Raffle

St. Joseph Church
315 Stoney Hollow Rd
Cabot, PA 16023

If you would like to help or donate, please contact Julie Patrick or Veronica Trettel (contact the St. Francis Parish office for contact info).

Benefit for Caitlin - Basket Raffle

A Basket Raffle will take place at the Benefit Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, April 26th, at St. Joseph. We invite you to be part of this fundraising event. Create your basket/container with whatever theme or items spark you. If you need, we can wrap and bow it for you. Contact Julie Patrick or Karyn Roenigk (call St. Francis office for contact info) for drop-off details. Baskets are requested by April 13. Thanking all of our basket donors in advance for your support.

CAITLIN STRONG!!!!



St. Clare of Assisi Children's Faith
Formation Student of
the Week is:

**Judson
Watterson**



Judson is in the 1st grade class this year. He has one older brother. Judson likes to read, play soccer and play outside. When he gets older, Judson would like to be a construction worker.

Congratulations to the St. Clare Children's
Faith Formation Student of the Week,

Judson Watterson!



SAVE THE DATE!

MAY 7, 2025

FOLLOWING 10:00AM SCHOOL MASS

JOIN US AS WE UNEARTH A PIECE OF HISTORY! 25 YEARS AGO, A TIME CAPSULE WAS BURIED, FILLED WITH MEMORIES, MESSAGES, AND ARTIFACTS FROM THE PAST. NOW, IT'S TIME TO OPEN IT AND TAKE A JOURNEY BACK IN TIME!

THE TIME CAPSULE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE FOLLOWING THE 10:00AM SCHOOL MASS. WE ARE THRILLED TO WELCOME BISHOP ZUBIK TO CELEBRATE MASS WITH US, AND AS WE UNEARTH PIECES OF HISTORY.

IF YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WAS IN ATTENDANCE AT SAINT WENDELIN SCHOOL IN 2000, PLEASE INVITE THEM TO THIS EXCITING EVENT!



Thanks to Dave

VanVickle and all of those who attended the *Lenten Retreat* last Saturday. We are thankful for an amazing turnout and hope that all who attended were enlightened.



Early in March, the students at **St. Joseph Pre-school** celebrated *Dr Seuss's Birthday* for the entire week including hat day, crazy hair day, and silly sock day!



DID YOU KNOW?

The "Burial of the Alleluia"



"Alleluia" is the Church's great song of joy and praise, used throughout most of the liturgical year. However, the solemnity of the Lenten season brings a more somber, reflective atmosphere to her liturgies, which will culminate in the sorrowful mysteries of Our Lord's Passion and Death. The "burial of the Alleluia" refers to the ceremony surrounding the official liturgical end of the use of this word until the Easter Vigil, when it will be joyfully sung again in celebration of Our Lord's Resurrection. The ceremonial dismissal of the Alleluia from the liturgy began as a simple ritual in the time of Pope Alexander II in the 11th century. Customs often included the physical removal of the "Alleluia" from the church: the word being written on a plaque or board, deposited in a box, carried in procession, and removed from view. In France, where these customs seem to have been especially splendid, the ceremony sometimes included placing the Alleluia in a coffin, burying it, and even burning a straw "Alleluia" outside the church! Even if a physical removal of the Alleluia is not performed, we all participate in the silence that encourages us to gradually gather our thoughts and prepare ourselves to embark on the spiritual journey of Lent.

~The Catholic Company

HOPE AND HEALING ARE POSSIBLE! For those struggling with addiction or substance abuse, for their families and for those who have lost loved ones to the disease of addiction and overdose. We come together in prayer! **JOIN US FOR ROSARY & SPECIAL INTERCESSIONS-TUESDAYS: April 8th and 29th - 2 to 3 pm & April 22nd - 7 to 8pm *No gathering on April 15th*** at ABBA'S HOUSE, SAXONBURG.

Butler Meals on Wheels is in need of a **Finance Clerk**. Must have Quickbooks experience, hours are Monday - Friday 8AM-1PM, Competitive Salary, Vacation and Personal Days, Training start date May 19, 2025. If you or someone you know may be interested, please submit your resume to directorofmow@gmail.com.

Rachel's Vineyard, a **weekend retreat for women and men**, who struggle and suffer from the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion. It will be held **April 25-27, 2025 at The Ark and the Dove**. The retreat begins at 1PM on Friday. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere, the retreatant will find the love and acceptance of the retreat team and will experience the healing peace and love of Jesus. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester 412-352-5348, or email toniafjl@comcast.net. You can also visit our website www.rvofpgh.com

BINGO! Apr 7th, Holy Sepulcher, 1304 E. Cruickshank Rd. Doors open at 6, Bingo at 7 pm. 10 games, 3 specials, snacks, drinks, 18 or older to play. Hosted by Knights of Columbus.