

# Saint Clare of Assisi

Catholic Church



# The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2024

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Resurrection Parish Mass Schedule: Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM; Tuesday, Wednesday

& Friday 8:00 AM; Holy Days & Holidays as announced.

Confessions: Saturday 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

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Rose Eckenrod, Parish Secretary, Financial Secretary

St. Clare of Assisi Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:00 PM; Monday 6:30 PM; Holy Days & Holi-

days as announced.

Confessions: Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 PM

Christine Babik, Director of Religious Education for both Parishes

Emily Roy, Director of Music for both Parishes

## **WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE - SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024**

DATE	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	SITE
Sunday, January 7 The Epiphany of the Lord	8:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance of Francis Cassidy By Family	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Anna and Andrew Bellak By Daughter, Dorothy	Resurrection Church
EPIPHANY	4:00 PM	Solemn Vespers	Resurrection Church
Monday, January 8 The Baptism of the Lord	12:00 PM 6:30 PM	Rosary Josephine Stumpo By Caroline and Carol Ann Fetzko Exposition and Benediction after Mass.	Resurrection Oratory St. Clare of Assisi
Tuesday, January 9 1st Week of Ordinary Time	8:00 AM	Margaret Babik By Bob and Lori Wagner	Resurrection Church
Wednesday, January 10	8:00 AM	Deceased of the Wisz Family By Placida (Wisz) Bolinger	Resurrection Church
Thursday, January 11	No Mass		
Friday, January 12	8:00 AM	Nellie and Francis Barkey By Betty Rozich Kimmel	Resurrection Church
	12:00 PM	Rosary	Resurrection Oratory
Saturday, January 13 St. Hilary; BVM	4:00 PM	Agnes Burns By William C. Polacek	St. Clare of Assisi
Sunday, January 14 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance for beloved Son, Eric Moran Love, Mom	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Mike Samo By Anita Petrore	Resurrection Church

This week's St. Clare of Assisi Church Sanctuary Light will burn for: James Piro By Family

This week's Resurrection Church Sanctuary Light will burn for: Rich Kelsey By Ed and Deb Zapola

This week's Resurrection Oratory Sanctuary Light will burn for: Birthday Remembrance of Becky Bernardy Forever loved and missed. By Family



#### Calendar of Events

Sunday, Jan. 7 Religious Education Classes 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM Parish Center/Oratory

Monday, Jan 8 Take down Christmas Decorations 9:00 AM Resurrection Church

Take down Christmas Decorations after 6:30 PM Mass St. Clare of Assisi Church

Friday, Jan 12 "Walk Thru the Mass" Class 8:45 AM to 10:15 AM Resurrection Church Hall

Saturday, Jan. 13 "Walk Thru the Mass" Class 2:00 PM to 3:15 PM St. Clare of Assisi Hall

Sunday, Jan. 14 No Religious Education Classes

Monday, Jan. 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Parish Offices Closed

Tuesday, Jan. 16 "Walk Thru the Mass" Class 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM Resurrection Church Hall

Thursday, Jan. 18 Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Resurrection Church

**Sunday, Jan. 21** Religious Education Classes 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM Parish Center / Oratory

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: December 31, 2023

Resurrection Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: Total: \$4,563.00

All Saints \$15.00 Cemetery \$75.00 Online Offertory \$271.60
All Souls \$10.00 Christmas \$1,637.00 Retired Fund Religious \$15.00
Ash Wed./Mandeville \$5.00 Christmas Flowers \$15.00 Retired Priest's Medical \$5.00
Assumption \$5.00 Easter Flowers \$5.00 Solemnity of Mary \$998.00

Build. and Maint. \$93.00 Immaculate Conception \$30.00 Utilities \$140.00

Catholic Charities \$15.00 Initial Offering \$283.00 World Mission Sunday \$15.00

Catholic University \$5.00 Loose Offertory \$463.00

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$8,663.60

St. Clare of Assisi Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: \$1,166.00

Candles \$87.00 Initial Offering \$167.00 Solemnity of Mary \$255.00 Christmas \$305.00 Loose Offertory \$160.00 Thanksgiving \$10.00

Donation \$85.00 Oplatki (Wafers) \$11.00

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$2,246.00

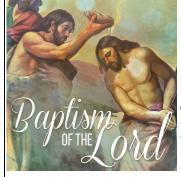


Today we join the three men from the east who have come to acknowledge the presence of divinity on this earth. The infant child is indeed the Eternal Word of God. And this divine gift is just not for God's holy people Israel. The Savior has arrived on this earth for the redemption of all peoples. These foreign trav-

elers stand for all of us who are not members of God's chosen people Israel. Nonetheless, God has sent his Savior Child for the redemption of all people

Jesus, receiver of the wise men and their gifts, help us to follow the light in the midst of our dark world. Tix our eyes and hearts on your light, that we may be bearers of that light to all those who walk in the dark. Amen.

THE BLESSING OF HOMES ON EPIPHANY: Because on this day the Three Kings visited the house of Jesus, the custom of blessing homes on Epiphany Day developed. A prayer service for the blessing is enclosed with this week's bulletin. Packets of holy water, chalk, and incense are available for the blessing as you leave Mass today.



Monday, January 8, 2024, concludes the Christmas celebration. With the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan, a mystery is again revealed. God is present in the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Another revelation is made. This Jesus is indeed God's beloved Son and the Father is well pleased. With the Baptism of the Lord, all baptisms are confirmed. We have entered into the waters of re-

birth. We stand with the Beloved Son of God.

Parish Olem. SOLEMN VESPERS: We will be having Solemn Vespers (sung Evening Prayer) with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord this Sunday, January 7 at 4:00 PM at Resurrection Church. Please join us in adoring and singing praise to Our Infant King!

**RESURRECTION PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS: Group 1** volunteers are scheduled to count the collection on **Mon., Jan. 8 at the Resurrection Parish Office.** 

**ROSARY TIMES:** We pray the Rosary on Mondays and Fridays at 12:00 PM at the Resurrection Oratory. A schedule of Rosary Leaders is as follows:

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Jan. 8 - George Pisula	Jan. 12 - Diane Ashbridge
Jan. 15 - Joan Cammarata	Jan. 19 - Janet Yuras
Jan. 22 - Nancy Fesko	Jan. 26 - Pat Barrett
Jan. 29 - Carol Pisula	Feb. 2 - Chris Rebar
Feb. 5 - Phil Skala	Feb. 9 - Jim and Nina Kopriva

**ST PATRICK'S DAY SPECIAL TICKETS** are in and will go on sale on Sunday, January 7th. As always, they are \$5.00 each and are for the complete month of March, 2024. Tickets will also be available at the Resurrection Parish Office, The Sweet Shoppe, Symon's Auto Wash and Remmco Plumbing. Please call Chris at 814/535-1054 if you have any questions. Thank You!

"UNDECORATING" Sadly, the Christmas season will come to an end on January 8 with the Baptism of the Lord. The decorations will have to be taken down and packed away. If you can help, please come and lend a hand on Monday, January 8, starting at 9 AM at Resurrection Church and continuing at St. Clare of Assisi Church after the 6:30 PM Mass (after Exposition and Benediction). Thank you for taking the time to help.

**EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION** is held the second Monday of each month after the 6:30 PM Mass at St. Clare of Assisi Church. All are welcome on **Mon, Jan. 8** to attend.

**CHOIR REHEARSAL** will resume on Thursday, January 18 at 6:30 PM at Resurrection Church. New members of both Churches are welcome.

**THE SOCIAL SENIORS GROUP** will NOT be meeting in January. We will see you again in February!

A STUDY OF THE MASS: The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In his video-based study A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

### Join us for A Biblical Walk Through the Mass at:

Resurrection Church Hall beginning Jan. 12, 2024, from 8:45 to 10:15 AM and continuing every Friday for five (5) weeks.

St. Clare's school building beginning Jan. 13, 2024, from 2:00 to 3:15 PM and continuing every Saturday for five (5) weeks.

Resurrection Church Hall beginning Jan. 16, 2024, from 6:00 to 7:15 PM and continuing every Tuesday for five (5) weeks.

For more information or to register for the study, call Dcn. Nelson at (410) 200-7303 or via email: nelson.lowes@icloud.com. **Please register by Jan. 9.** The book and study guide are available for purchase on-line but not absolutely necessary for the class.

**THE SEWING MINISTRY** will meet on Wed., Jan. 31 at 9:30 AM in the Sewing Room above The Sweet Shoppe. New members are always welcome.

**LADIES BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP:** Read any book on St. Padre Pio. We will meet on Sun., Feb. 4 to discuss and compare what we have learned.

Religious SUN., JAN. 7 - Religious Education 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Education Center.

SUN., JAN. 14 - No Religious Education Classes.

SUN., JAN. 21 - Religious Education 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center.

**SAT., JAN. 27 -** Grade 9 Baptism Retreat 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM St. Benedict School Gym. Parents are required to attend this retreat.

**SUN., JAN. 28 -** Religious Education 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center.



**ST. MICHAEL CHURCH,** Hollidaysburg, Pa., will host a Healing Mass on Tues., Jan. 9 at 7:00 PM. This powerful night of hope and healing is for all who are suffering physically, emotionally and spiritually. Fr. Brad Baldwin TOR will be the main celebrant. Praise and worship will precede the Mass at 6:30 PM and prayer ministry will follow Mass. All are welcome!

**PUBLIC ROSARY DATES:** We will be lifting our prayers for the unborn on Thurs., Jan. 11 at 6:30 PM at St. Clement Church, Johnstown and on Sat., Jan. 20 at noon at St. John Gualbert Cathedral in the St. Anne Shrine, downtown Johnstown. All are welcome.

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH** is hosting a Youth Event for High School students in grades 9 – 12. The Youth Event will be held on Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM in the Parish Activity Center at 134 Barron Ave, Johnstown, PA 15906. The event features a six-piece band, a variety of games, snack and beverages! Admission is \$2.00 per person!!

QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH in Central City (Somerset County) will host a lecture by Joseph Bielecki who will offer a presentation on Slovak culture on Monday January 22 in their activity center (738 Sunshine Avenue). The presentation will focus on three topics – regional differences in Slovakia, why Slovaks came to Western Pennsylvania, and cherished Slovak Easter customs. Joseph S. Bielecki received his BA, MA and JD from Duquesne University. He was the recipient of a Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Travel Grant to Hungary in 1982. Attorney Bielecki has been the Chairman of the Czechoslovak Classroom Committee at the University of Pittsburgh's Nationality Rooms Program since 1992. In 2000 he received a Millennium International Volunteer Award from the United States Department of State. The talk will be held from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM and will include refreshments. To register please call the Queen of Angels Parish office, 814-754-5224.

**THE WEST END FOOD PANTRY** is in need of boxed and canned non-perishable food items as well as paper products. <u>Please make sure that items are not outdated.</u> Please place donations in the back of Resurrection Church or take to the Resurrection Parish Office during regular business hours.

**PRO LIFE VIGIL** is held weekly on various days and times across from the Planned Parenthood on Franklin Street in Johnstown. Call Gale Bala for information (814)539-0155.

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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Rita Mizak; Maria Piro; Betsy Konar; Jim Kris; Sue Eppley; Ashlee Fecko; Nellie Adkins; Rose Hockenstien; Jane Goodwin; Mary Roberts; Michelle C.; Sandy Karas; Lois DiBuono; Chuck Schmidt; Nicole; Manny Layman; Helen Khula; April Skalek; Mar-

garet Murray; Joe Cenko; James Piro; Margaret Kovach, Marty Vrabel; George Salata; Caroline Fetzko; Ann Hoffman; Verbine Family and Friends; Joseph Barbera; Fran Findley; Mary Lynch; Joseph Gregorchik; George Trovato; Kay Komar; Rita Ozog; Ed Wysocki; Mary Ann Robatin; Charlotte Fesko; and all blessed blanket recipients including: Dezi; Baby Kissell; Shirley H.; Juliana; Baby Little; Kim Waddel; Helen Gagan; Flo Bischok; Paul Ferbiak; Mary Fabo; Julie Bogs; Carol Laugard; Jim Milla; Mary H. Miller; Rosemary Oswalt; Barb Cominsky; Ray Lingly; Allie; Neysa C.; and all Down Syndrome patients. If you would like someone added to the prayer list please call either Parish Office.

**Baptisms:** Call the Office three months prior to the preferred date. (New parishioners, call six months prior to preferred date.) One of the parents must be a practicing Catholic. Godparents need a certificate of eligibility from their home Pastor.

**Marriages:** Call the Office nine months prior to the preferred date. One of the partners must be a practicing Catholic.

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If you have a need for a prayer and would like to be put on the prayer chain, please contact Barb Gulick at 814-792-8647 or jbg213@atlanticbb.net

