

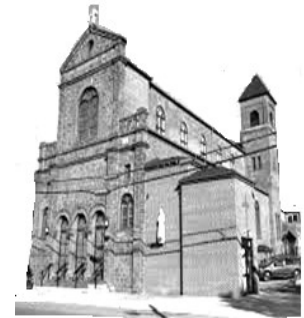
Resurrection

Roman Catholic Parish



Saint Clare of Assisi

Catholic Church



December 3, 2023

1st Sunday of Advent

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MaryBeth Konieczny, Parish Secretary

Rose Eckenrod, Financial Secretary

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

St. Clare of Assisi Parish Office: 110 Maple Avenue, Johnstown, Pa 15901

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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 & Holidays 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, DECEMBER 3, 2023

DATE	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	SITE
Sunday, December 3 <i>The 1st Sunday of Advent</i>	8:00 AM	Theresa Conway By Georgie Jakovcic	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Cal and Amelia Webb By Pat Meagher and Diane Ashbridge	Resurrection Church
Monday, December 4 <i>St. John Damascene</i>	6:30 PM	George Stringent By Mick and Joyce Muto	St. Clare of Assisi
Tuesday, December 5	8:00 AM	Susan Strihan By Alice and Phil Skala	Resurrection Church
Wednesday, December 6 <i>St. Nicholas</i>	8:00 AM	Mike Samo By Louise, Ron and Joann Yuhás	Resurrection Church
Thursday, December 7 <i>St. Ambrose</i>	No Mass		
Friday, December 8 <i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>	8:00 AM	Mary Marguccio By Family	St. Clare of Assisi
	6:30 PM	Joseph and Amelia Kolar By Family	Resurrection Church
Saturday, December 9 <i>St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin</i>	4:00 PM	Ann Salata By Husband George; Children; Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren	St. Clare of Assisi
Sunday, December 10 <i>The 2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	8:00 AM	Charles Wisz By Daughter, Marsha and Son-in-law David Strushensky	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Rose Zorn By Husband, Joe; Children; Grandchildren; and Great Grandchildren	Resurrection Church

This week's St. Clare of Assisi Church Sanctuary Light will burn:

Ann Salata By Husband, George; Children; Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

This week's Resurrection Church Sanctuary Light will burn for:

Cal and Amelia Webb By Pat Meagher and Diane Ashbridge

This week's Resurrection Oratory Sanctuary Light will burn for:

For the People of the Parish



Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Dec. 3** Confirmation Sessions 8:45 AM to 10:15 AM St. Benedict Church Complex
 Religious Education Classes 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM Parish Center /Oratory
 Women's Book Discussion Group 4:00 PM Resurrection Oratory (**UPPER**)
- Tuesday, Dec. 5** Joint Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM Resurrection Oratory Hall
- Wednesday, Dec. 6** Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting/Social 6:00 PM Resurrection Church Hall
- Saturday, Dec. 9** Holiday Roll Sale 9:00 AM to Noon Resurrection Oratory Hall
- Sunday, Dec. 10** Religious Education Classes 9:00 AM **Resurrection Church Hall**
 Pancake Breakfast with Children's Christmas Activities
 after Morning Masses Resurrection Church Hall
- Tuesday, Dec. 12** Social Seniors Group 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM Resurrection Oratory Hall
- Wednesday, Dec. 13** Sewing Ministry Luncheon **12:00 NOON** Resurrection Oratory Hall

Have a Beautiful and Blessed Advent Season!

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: November 26, 2023

Resurrection Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: Total: \$3,293.00

Build. and Maint. \$50.00	Christmas Flowers \$40.00	Poor Box \$29.00
Candles \$82.00	Immaculate Conception \$10.00	Retired Fund Religious \$50.00
Catholic Charities \$67.00	Loose Offertory \$306.35	Thanksgiving \$346.00
Christmas \$150.00	Online Offerotry \$339.50	Utilities \$91.00
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$4,852.85		

St. Clare of Assisi Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: \$1,462.00

All Saints \$10.00	Christmas Flowers \$40.00	Loose Offertory \$134.00
Candles \$101.00	Donations \$140.00	Solemnity of Mary \$28.00
Catholic Charities \$63.00	Fuel/Heat \$20.00	Retired Fund Religious \$5.00
Christmas \$55.00	Immaculate Conception \$20.00	Thanksgiving \$60.00
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$2,138.00		



Advent prepares us for the great celebration of Christmas. Advent has a two-fold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered and as a season when that remembrance directs our mind and heart to await Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. Advent Season is a period for devout and joyful expectation.

God of light and life, give us hope as we wait for your coming again. When we are tempted to be grateful to have found you while others are lost, send us out into the darkness in search of those who need you most. Amen.



Friday, December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. This feast celebrates that she, who was to bear the Incarnate Word of God, was immaculate herself from the first moment of her conception. Our country places itself under the protection of our patroness, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception.

Please honor our Blessed Mother by attending Mass and by praying the Rosary.

Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 8 at 8:00 AM at St. Clare of Assisi Church and at 6:30 PM at Resurrection Church.

Parish News...

THE WOMEN'S BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP will be meeting to discuss "*The Prayer of Jabez*" by Bruce Wilkinson on Sun., Dec. 3 in the **(UPPER)** Resurrection Oratory at 4:00 PM. Please note the change of meeting place.

ATTENTION! If you took one of the following **Angel Tree Tags, #7. Gracie; #8. Bradley; #10. Emilia; #11. Levi; #17. Hunter; #47. Robert; or # 62. Marjorie;** please call Diane Ashbridge at 814-421-2962 with your name and phone number. Thank you.

2024 SIZZLER TICKETS: The Sweet Shoppe has a few tickets left to sell. If you have tickets out, please return them to Patty Gregorchik or the Resurrection Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you!

THE SWEET SHOPPE (814-539-6502) hours: Mon. thru Thurs. from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Come and browse our nice selection of boxed chocolates and stocking stuffers.

RESURRECTION PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS: Group 2 volunteers are scheduled to count the collection on **Mon., Dec. 4 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:

Monday

Dec. 4 - George Pisula

Dec. 11 - Deacon Sam

Friday

Dec. 8 - Diane Ashbridge

Dec. 15 - Janet Yuras

JOINT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: The Parish Councils of Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi Churches will meet on Tues., Dec. 5 at 6:30 PM in Resurrection Oratory Hall. Please note the date change due to the holiday. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

THE LADIES' AUXILIARY will hold their Christmas Social meeting on Wed., Dec. 6, starting at 6:00 PM at Resurrection Church Hall. We will be starting with a short business meeting followed by our Social. Members are reminded to bring a side or dessert (and bottle of Christmas cheer, if you like!) to share as well as a Christmas exchange gift (\$10 in value – if you wish to participate in the exchange).

CHOIR REMINDER: The next Choir Rehearsal will be held on **Thursday, Dec. 7** at 6:30 PM at Resurrection Church. New members are always welcome! We are also looking for additional singers for our Christmas Choir. If you enjoy singing and would like to join us in praising the Infant King, we'd love to have you! If you have any questions, please reach out to Emily: emilyroy411@gmail.com or (814) 242-4995.

ADVENT FAITH SHARING GROUP will meet on Friday mornings following Mass in the Resurrection Church Hall. We have a centering prayer, a Scripture reading about the Eucharist, commentary and action, about 1-1 1/2 hours. The remaining dates are: Dec. 8-15. If you are planning to attend please call Barb Dryzal 814-536-3961.

RESURRECTION HOLIDAY ROLL SALE will be held on Sat., Dec. 9 from 9:00 AM to noon at Resurrection Oratory Hall. Pick up some Nut, Poppy Seed and Pineapple Cream Cheese Rolls for the Christmas season. The price is \$15.00 per roll.

CELEBRATE THE SEASON BREAKFAST: Please join us on Sunday, December 10 after 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses at Resurrection Church Hall as we celebrate the Season and enjoy a hearty breakfast. The cost is \$5.00 per person. All are welcome. There will be some Christmas activities for the children.

THE SOCIAL SENIORS GROUP will meet on Tues., Dec. 12 from 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM in Resurrection Oratory Hall. Please join us for some merry, little Christmas cheer!

SEWING MINISTRY: Anyone who worked on the Sewing Ministry projects is invited to a light luncheon on **Wednesday, December 13 at 12:00 NOON (PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE)** in Resurrection's Oratory Hall.

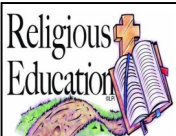


ANGEL TREES: We will be purchasing gifts for the Cambria City Mission, Villa Crest Personal Care Home and The Gabriel Project. When taking a tag please remember to write the number on the tag in the book located by the tree, and sign your name and phone number. **Please return gifts by Sun. Dec. 17.**

RESURRECTION PARISH FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE: We will continue the tradition of bringing an ornament from home and placing it on the family Christmas tree in the back of the church. Baskets will be provided to put your ornament in anytime between now and Christmas set up. Once the tree is up, you may add your ornament to it. If you can, please tag the ornament itself so that they may be returned after the holidays.

RESURRECTION CHURCH DECORATING: Initial setup of platform, trees and stable will take at 9:00 AM. Monday, December 18th. Meet Dan at the church. Final decorating and flower delivery will take place on Thursday, December 21st, starting at 8:30 AM. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated on both days.

CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers are needed as we will be doing cleaning at Resurrection Church for the Christmas Season on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 starting at 8:30 AM. Please consider sharing your time and talent! Many hands make light work! Cleaning usually takes only about 1 – 1 ½ hours. Any help is greatly appreciated!



SUN., DEC. 3 - Religious Education 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center. **Confirmation Sessions 9A, 10A & 11B (for those who registered for this date)** 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM at St. Benedict's St. John Paul II Building

SUN., DEC. 10 - **ALL** Religious Ed. Classes will meet at 9:00 AM at Resurrection Church Hall for Children's Christmas Activities(K-8). We will also be having a Pancake Breakfast that morning with opportunity for service hours for grades 9- 11.

SUN., DEC. 17 - Religious Education 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center

SUN., DEC. 24 - **No Religious Education Classes - Merry Christmas!**



St. John Gualbert Cathedral, Sunday, December 10, 2:00 PM
Our Mother of Sorrows Church, Monday, December 11, 6:00 PM and
Tuesday, December 12, 6:00 PM
St. Patrick Church, Thursday, December 21, 6:00 PM



Resurrection Parish and St. Clare of Assisi Parish Holiday Mass Schedule:

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, December 24, 4:00 PM at Resurrection Church

Sunday, December 24, 6:30 PM at St. Clare of Assisi Church

Monday, December 25, 12:00 Midnight at Resurrection Church

Monday, December 25, 9:00 AM at St. Clare of Assisi Church



Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Sunday, December 31, 5:00 PM at Resurrection Church

Monday, January 1, 9:00 AM at St. Clare of Assisi Church



THE WEST END IMPROVEMENT GROUP will hold the Hometown Neighborhood Christmas on Dec. 6 at Grace Lutheran Church, 246 Chandler Ave. Doors open at 5:15 PM. A free dinner will be served at 5:30 PM. Santa will arrive at 6:30 PM. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Everyone is welcome!

BISHOP MCCORT'S L'EDUCATION EN VOGUE will present Breakfast With Santa on Sat., Dec. 9 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM at Bishop McCort High School. Come and enjoy a delicious breakfast, decorate cookies, make crafts, play games, and meet Santa! Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$5 for children and children under the age of three are free. Please contact Bishop McCort at 814-536-8991 for reservation or more information.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: 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; Lisa Ager; Helen Khula; April Skalek; Margaret 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 Bischock; 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.

St. Clare of Assisi Parish Council

Connie Huff
Bridget Sarosi
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Paul Ledwich
Joseph Rizzo

Resurrection Parish Council

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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

