

# Saint Clare of Assisi

March 16, 2025

Catholic Church



## The 2nd Sunday of Lent

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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

Dan Amrhein, Director of Maintenance for both Parishes

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE				
DATE	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	SITE	
Sunday, March 16 2nd Sunday of Lent	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Charlotte Ditko By Chris Rebar Priscilla "Percy" Stump By Diane Cordek	Resurrection Church Resurrection Church	
Monday, March 17 St. Patrick	12:00 PM 6:30 PM	Rosary Mass of Petition and Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart	Resurrection Oratory St. Clare of Assisi	
Tuesday, March 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem	8:00 AM	Elizabeth George By Barry and Cathie Yagoda	Resurrection Church	
Wednesday, March 19 St. Joseph	8:00 AM 12:00 PM	Dolores Jean Burkardt By Ray and Andrea Vargo Lenten Holy Hour	Resurrection Church Resurrection Church	
Thursday, March 20	No Mass			
Friday, March 21	8:00 AM 12:00 PM 6:30 PM	Harry Plows By Daughter Rosary Stations of the Cross	Resurrection Church Resurrection Oratory St. Clare of Assisi	
Saturday, March 22	4:00 PM	Jackie Huff-McCann and Barry Himes By Ray and Connie Huff and Family	St. Clare of Assisi	
Sunday, March 23 3rd Sunday of Lent	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	My Mother-in-law, Mary (Sokolowski) Slezak and My Husband, John Slezak By Gail Slezak Bill Vandrak By Daughter, Carol	Resurrection Church	

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

Jackie Huff- McCann and Barry Himes By Ray and Connie Huff and Family

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

Anniversary Remembrance of Frank Sojak By Wife, Mary Ann and Family

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

Anniversary Remembrance of Russell Bernardy Jr. Forever loved and missed. By Family

#### Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 16 11th Grade Retreat 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM St. Benedict School Gym Religious Ed. Classes 9:00 to 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center/Oratory Junior High Youth Day Bishop Carroll High School

Tuesday, March 18 Lenten Faith Sharing Group 6:00 PM Resurrection Oratory

Thursday, March 20 Women of the Bible Discussion Group 6:00 PM Resurrection Oratory

Friday, March 21 Lenten Faith Sharing Group after 8:00 AM Mass Resurrection Church Hall

Saturday, March 22 First Reconciliation 9:00 AM St. John Gualbert's St. Anne Shrine 10th Grade Retreat 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM St. Benedict School Gym

DING YLING YERS **PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF POPE FRANCIS** - Lord, we lift up Pope Francis to You, asking for Your healing touch upon his body and spirit. Grant him strength, comfort, and restoration, as he continues to serve Your Church with faith and love. May Your peace surround him and Your

grace guide his recovery. We trust in Your mercy and ask that You bless him with health and vitality, so he may continue to lead us in Your truth. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

#### WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: March 9, 2025

Resurrection Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: Total: \$4,767.00

Ash Weds./Mandeville \$279.00 Cemetery \$30.00 Poor Box \$61.55

Black and Indian Mission \$195.00 Easter Flowers \$440.00 Souper Bowl \$20.00

Build. and Maint. \$97.00 Initial Offering \$10.00 Solemnity of Mary \$15.00

Candles \$95.00 Loose Offertory \$369.00 Utilities \$78.00

Catholic Relief Services \$45.00 Online Offertory \$271.60 Word Among Us \$5.00

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$6,778.15

St. Clare of Assisi Parish Weekly Offertory Envelopes: \$1,565.00

Ash Weds./Mandeville \$147.00 Easter Flowers \$150.00 Word Among Us \$5.00

Candles \$39.00 Loose Offertory \$204.00 Donation \$20.00 Online Offertory \$116.40

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$2,246.40



May the Strength of God guide us, May the Power of God preserve us, May the Wisdom of God instruct us, May the Hand of God protect us, May the Way of God direct us, May the Shield of God defend us, May the Angels of God guard us -Against the snares of the evil one. May Christ be with us! May Christ be before us! May Christ be in us! Christ be over all! This day, O Lord, and forevermore. Amen



Religious

Education

First Day of Spring, March 20 - Loving God, we live in the mystery of the new life you promise in Jesus and the new life that surrounds us every Spring. Help us connect with those we have not been able to see. Make us one whole and holy people. Amen.

SUN., MARCH 16 - 11th Grade Discipleship Retreat 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Please meet in the St. Benedict school gym. Mass will be celebrated and food will be provided; Religious Ed. 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall; Junior High Youth Day - Hope for the Hopeless, Bishop

Carroll High School for youth in Grades 6-8 Registration forms are available at Religious Ed or from your Catholic School Principal. <u>Please register by Sun., March 9, 2025.</u>

**SAT., MARCH 22 - First Reconciliation** 9:00 AM at St. John Gualbert Cathedral in the St. Anne Shrine. **10**<sup>th</sup> **Grade Gifts of the Holy Spirit Retreat** 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM St. Benedict's School gym. Parents are required to attend the retreat.

SUN., MARCH 23 - Religious Ed. 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall

**SUN., MARCH 30 - Religious Ed.** 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall; **Confirmation Session 9B, 10 B and 11C** 8:45 to 10:15 AM in the St. John Paul II Building at St. Benedict Church Complex.

**SAT., APRIL 5 - First Communion Retreat** 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Resurrection Oratory Hall. Please note the change of location.

SUN., APRIL 6 - Religious Ed. 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall

**LOOKING AHEAD, CAMP ZACCHAEUS - JULY 13-18, 2025** at Camp Sequanota. Come enjoy the fun!! Registration forms are available from your Parish DRE.

PRAYER LIST/BULLETIN MAILING LIST UPDATES: We would like to update the Prayer List and the Bulletin Mailing List. If you know someone who can be removed from the Prayer List or if you no longer need the bulletin mailed to you, please contact either Parish Office.

THE 2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE BEGINS THROUGHOUT OUR DI-OCESE THIS WEEKEND. This year's theme, "Follow Me" (Mt 16:24), invites us into a deeper relationship with Christ, as we share in His mission of love and service, proclaiming the Good News to all. Our Catholic Ministries Drive supports 10 ministries throughout our diocese, which all fall into one of our three main focuses of evangelization, serving those in need, or formation of our priests and deacons. Please reflect on Bishop Mark's invitation when it arrives in your mail, and prayerfully consider supporting our diocesan ministries. You may return your pledge card and donation by mailing it directly to the Diocese of Altoona/Johnstown or make your payment online. All contributions received beyond the parish target amount will be used for your parish. Thank you for supporting the Catholic Ministries Drive and our diocese's vital ministries. The Target amounts for 2025 are: Resurrection Parish, \$32,000.00 and St. Clare of Assisi Parish, \$8,700.00.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the Resurrection Parish St. Patrick's Day Special Ticket winners from March 1st thru 9th. Keep watching your tickets thru March 31st!

3/1/25 #387 \$ 50.00 John and Chris Falduto
3/2/25 #663 \$ 50.00 Carmelite Monastery
3/3/25 #091 \$ 50.00 Kimberlee Konieczny
3/4/25 #437 \$ 100.00 Cheryle Saylor
3/5/25 #816 \$ 50.00 Martin Furman

3/6/25 #152 \$ 100.00 Patricia Balagusz
3/7/25 #136 \$ 50.00 Bonnie Hritz
3/8/25 #173 \$ 50.00 Sonja Serball
3/9/25 #537 \$ 50.00 Carol Axmacher

**RESURRECTION PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS: Group 3** volunteers are scheduled to count the collection on <u>Mon., March 17</u> at the Resurrection Parish Office.

**ROSARY TIMES:** Please join us for the Rosary at the Resurrection Oratory on Mondays and Fridays at 12:00 PM. We hope to see you. A schedule of Rosary Leaders is as follows:

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Mar. 17 - Nancy Fesko	Mar. 21 - Pat Barrett
Mar. 24 - Carol Pisula	Mar. 28 - Chris Rebar

Mar. 31 - Phil Skala Apr. 4 - Jim and Nina Kopriva Apr. 7 - George Pisula Apr. 11 - Diane Ashbridge **RESURRECTION EASTER BAKING:** Help is needed, as we will be baking Pineapple Cream Cheese Rolls on Thurs., April 3 at the Oratory Hall beginning at 8:00 AM. Any amount of time would be appreciated. <u>To place an order, please call 814-255-5792, no later than Friday, March 28</u>. Pick-up will be on Sat., April 5 from Noon to 2:00 PM at the Oratory Hall. We will also have a limited amount of Nut and Poppy Seed Rolls for sale.

ST. CLARE OF ASSISI PARISH is taking orders for Nut and Poppy Seed Rolls and Easter Bread. Please order EARLY, by calling (814) 535-1133, limited quantities available. The cost is \$15.00 per roll/\$5.00 per bread. Pick-up will be in the St. Clare of Assisi School Hall. Roll pick up: Thurs. thru Sat., April 10 thru 12 from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM and Bread pick up: Sat., April 12 from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. HELP IS NEEDED at St. Clare of Assisi School Hall beginning at 9:00 AM on Monday, April 7 thru Saturday April 12 with prep work/baking and pick-up of the rolls/bread. Any and all help would be most appreciated.

**LENTEN FAITH-SHARING GROUPS:** Two sessions are being offered. The first group will meet on Fridays in Lent (thru April 11) after the 8:00 AM Mass in Resurrection Church Hall. The same materials will be offered on Tuesday evenings (thru April 15) at 6:00 PM in the Resurrection Oratory. Parishioners from both parishes are invited and you are encouraged to bring a friend. Each session will last 1 to 1-1/2 hours. If anyone would like to do the sessions alone or with a group of friends, the same materials can be found on each parish's web site.

**LENTEN HOLY HOUR** is held every Wed. during Lent at 12 Noon at Resurrection Church. All are welcome to attend.

**WOMEN OF THE BIBLE:** Our discussions about the remarkable women in the Bible and how these women relate to us today will resume in March. We will meet on Thursdays at 6:00 PM in Resurrection's Oratory. Our next meeting will be held on March 20.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are held on the Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday) at 6:30 PM at St. Clare of Assisi Church. All are welcome to attend. STATIONS OF THE CROSS COLORING BOOKS are available in the back of both churches.

CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held on Thurs., March 27 at 6:30 PM at Resurrection Church. New members are always welcome!!

**THE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP:** During the month of March we are reading any book on life of Saint Joseph. We will meet on Sun., April 6 at 6:00 PM in the Sewing Room.

**HANDMADE PASCHA BASKET COVERS** made by the Sewing Ministry are for sale for \$12.00 each in the Resurrection Parish Office. This is a nice tradition to start or continue.

**THANK YOU** to the 32 hands that helped stuff Easter eggs. We are getting ready for the Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi Children's Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday, April 19. Please register your children or grandchildren by April 15. Place completed registration form in the church collection basket. Volunteers, please be at the Oratory Hall by 11:30 AM.

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CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT will be	e held Holy Saturday, April 19 at 1:00 PM
at the Resurrection Oratory/Parking Lot. Please	register children (ages 12 and under)
by Sunday, April 15.	
NAME(S)	AGE(S)

What's VISITATION PARISH will hold a Fish Fry (Take-Out and Delivery Only) every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM. The cost is \$13 dollars. The dinner includes an 8 oz. Fish Sandwich with coleslaw and with a choice of macaroni and cheese, French fries, or sweet Potato fries and a beverage. Gobs are also available at an extra cost of \$2.00 each.

- **ST. BENEDICT CHURCH,** will hold a Fish Fry every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) eat in or take-out 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM in their hall. Phone orders (814-266-9718) and online orders (www.stbenedictchurch.org/fishfry) will be from 3:00 PM to 6:45 PM.
- **ST. GREGORY AND BARNABAS CHURCH,** will hold a Fish Fry on Fridays of Lent. Two sites open: 120 Boltz St., and 408 Luzon Ave., from 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM at both sites. 120 Boltz St. site will also be open on Good Friday, 3:30 to 6:30 PM. No phone orders please.
- **ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH** will have a Fish Fry on Fri., March 21 and Fri, April 4 at the Activity Center, corner of D Street and Barron Avenue. A Lunch Special, (Fried Fish Sandwich and French Fries, no substitutions) will be offered from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM (Take Out Only). The full menu will be served from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM, eat in or take out. Orders for lunch and dinner will be taken from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM the day of the fish fry by calling 814-539-3518. We welcome walk-ins, but strongly suggest that orders be placed in advance. Meals will be served while supplies last.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Gwen Molnarko; Mike Macchiarolo; Gloria; Betty; Denny; Ken Heath; Jane Hershberger; Dee Young; Victor Flores; Cindy Kris; Premie twins, Michael Anthony Eppolito III and Sophia Marie Eppolito; Rosalia Pietrolungo; Margie Duranko; Ed Tursic; Nicholas Booth; Baby Max Turley; David Cross; Eric Rozich; Pat Meagher; Rita Piro; Mary Falvo; Chris Klopfer; Florence Urbassik; Mary Ann Bellak; Dembrosky Family; Michelle Burns; Kathy Raymer Hurley and Family; Debbie; Christine Freed; Maria Piro; Betsy Konar; Ashlee Fecko; Nellie Adkins; Jane Goodwin; Mary Roberts; Michelle C.; Sandy Karas; Chuck Schmidt; Nicole; Manny Layman; Helen Khula; April Skalek; James Piro; Margaret Kovach, Marty Vrabel; George Salata; Ann Hoffman; Verbine Family and Friends; Fran Findley; Mary Lynch; Joseph Gregorchik; Kay Komar; Rita Ozog; Charlotte Fesko. To add (or remove) someone 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

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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

