

## Saint Clare of Assisi

Catholic Church

November 17, 2024

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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, Nov. 17	8:00 AM	Jim and Lou Kopco By Debbie Chuba	Resurrection Church
33rd Sun. in Ordinary Time	10:30 AM	Stanley and Irene Grata	Resurrection Church
World Day of the Poor		By Gene and Barb Dryzal	
Monday, Nov. 18	12:00 PM	Rosary	Resurrection Church
	6:30 PM	Mary Agnes Appley	St. Clare of Assisi
		By Theresa and Jim Preuss	
Tuesday, Nov. 19	8:00 AM	Felix Draksler By Daughter, Caroline	Resurrection Church
Wednesday, Nov. 20	8:00 AM	Margie Ryba	Resurrection Church
		By Husband, John and Family	
Thursday, Nov. 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass		
Friday, Nov. 22	8:00 AM	Catherine Yuran By Family	Resurrection Church
	12:00 PM	Rosary	Resurrection Oratory
Saturday, Nov. 23	4:00 PM	Mario Stumpo	St. Clare of Assisi
St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro		By Nancy Curry	
Sunday, Nov. 24	8:00 AM	In Celebration of the 60th	Resurrection Church
Our Lord Jesus Christ,		Wedding Anniversary of	
King of the Universe		Chuck and Mary Ann Rager	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Bernadine Mitrus	
		By Dom and Gloria Furfari	
	4:00 PM	Solemn Vespers	Resurrection Church

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

This week's Resurrection Church Sanctuary Light will burn for: Stanley and Irene Grata By Daughter, Barb and Gene Dryzal and Family

This week's Resurrection Oratory Sanctuary Light will burn for: Charles Hoffman By Wife, Ann



### Calendar of Events

Sunday, Nov. 17 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
9th and 10th Grade Confirmation Rites 10:30 AM Mass Resurrection Church
Book Discussion Group 4:00 PM Sewing Room (former Sweet Shoppe)

**Thursday, Nov. 21** Women of the Bible Discussion Group 6:00 PM Resurrection Oratory Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Resurrection Church

Sunday, Nov. 24 Religious Ed. Classes 9:00 to 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center/Oratory

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28 and 29 - Parish Offices Closed

Friday, Nov. 29 Advent Faith-Sharing Session after 8:00 AM Mass Resurrection Church Hall

Saturday, Nov. 30 Make-up Lector Training Session 3:00 PM St. Clare of Assisi Church

Sunday, Dec. 1 Make-up Lector Training Session 9:15 AM Resurrection Church

Saturday, Dec. 7 Holiday Roll Baking 8:00 AM Resurrection Oratory Hall

Sunday, Dec. 8 Pancake Breakfast after morning Masses Resurrection Church Hall Religious Ed. Classes 9:00 to 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center/Oratory

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: November 10, 2024

Resurrection Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: Total: \$3,997.00

All Saints \$55.00 Catholic Charities \$1,125.00 Utilities \$102.00

All Souls \$70.00 Loose Offertory \$261.00 World Mission Sun. \$20.00

Build. and Maint. \$247.00 Poor Box \$15.00

Candles \$68.25 Thanksgiving Day \$75.00

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$6,035.25

St. Clare of Assisi Parish Weekly Offertory Envelopes: \$1,421.00

All Saints Day \$54.00 Catholic Charities \$45.00 Thanksgiving \$35.00

All Souls Day \$20.00 Donation \$60.00 Utility \$71.00

Assumption \$40.00 Loose Offertory \$128.00 Candles \$41.00 Masses/Candles \$100.00

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$2,015.00

Almighty God, our Rock and our Salvation, we beg you to pour out your Holy Spirit upon our nation. Heal the divisions that separate us and remove all obstacles to authentic unity.

May you guide this great country of ours and lead our citizens to embrace one another as neighbors and fellow countrymen, created in your own image and likeness. Give us a fresh opportunity for renewal and true solidarity for the common good of our homeland.

May we return to our true identity as people of faith and charity. Help us to always remain One Nation, Under God, Indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all. Amen.

# Parish News... LOOK FOR THE ANGEL TREES at Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi Churches on Saturday and Sunday,



**Nov. 16 and 17. Resurrection Parish** will be purchasing gifts for the children of the Cambria City Mission and the seniors of Villa Crest Personal Care Home. **St. Clare of Assisi Parish** will be purchasing gifts for the babies of The Gabriel Project. When taking a tag please remember to write the number that is on the tag in the book located by the tree, and sign your name and phone number. **Please return gifts by Fri., Dec. 6 to the re-**

spective Parish Office; Sat., Dec. 7 (St. Clare gifts only) to St. Clare of Assisi Church; or Sun., Dec 8 (Resurrection Gifts only) to Resurrection Church.

**THE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** will meet on Sun., Nov 17 at 4:00 PM in the Sewing Room (former Sweet Shoppe). We will be discussing "Dinner with a Perfect Stranger" by David Gregory. Looking ahead, our next read will be "Joy To The World" by Scott Hahn.

**ATTENTION:** As in past years, a keepsake ornament in memory of those who passed and were buried from Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi Churches this past year have been prepared. They are in the back of the church. If you can see that they get to the family or friends of the deceased that would be a tremendous help. Thank you so much.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** for the December 1 bulletin are due in to the Parish Offices by Tuesday, November 26 at 9:00 AM.

**RESURRECTION PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS: Group 1** volunteers are scheduled to count the collection on **Mon., Nov. 18** 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>

Nov. 18 - George Pisula

Nov. 22 - Diane Ashbridge

Nov. 25 - Joan Cammarata

Nov. 29 - NO ROSARY

Dec. 2 - Nancy Fesko

Dec. 6 - Pat Barrett

Dec. 9 - Carol Pisula

Dec. 13 - Chris Rebar

**CHOIR REMINDER:** The next Choir Rehearsal will be held on <u>Thurs, Nov. 21</u> at 6:30 PM at Resurrection Church. New members are always welcome!! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Emily: (814) 242-4995, emilyroy411@gmail.com.

**WOMEN OF THE BIBLE DISCUSSION**: Join us on Thursdays at 6:00 PM at the Resurrection Oratory as we learn about the remarkable women in the Bible and for discussion on how these women relate to us today.

**SOLEMN VESPERS** (sung Evening Prayer) and Benediction will be held on Christ the King Sunday, November 24 at 4:00 PM at Resurrection Church. Please join us in giving honor to Our King in His Eucharistic Presence.

**THANKSGIVING DAY MASS** will be celebrated on Thursday, November 28 at 9:00 AM at Resurrection Church. All are welcome!

**ADVENT FAITH-SHARING: Please note the day change for Barb Dryzal's sessions.** Faith-Sharing sessions for Advent will be conducted by Barb Dryzal on Friday mornings, beginning on November 29, after the 8:00 A.M. Mass in Resurrection Church hall. Deacon Nelson will also conduct the same classes on Tuesday evenings at the Oratory starting on December 3, at 6:30 PM. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of the Resurrection Church, however, walk-ins are always welcome.

**LECTORS:** There will be two make-up Lector training sessions for anyone who missed the previously scheduled classes. The first will be before the Saturday Mass on November 30, at St. Clare of Assisi Church, at 3:00 P.M. and on Sunday, December 1, at 9:15 A.M. at Resurrection Church. Those who attended the previous training do not need to attend.

**HOLIDAY BAKING:** We will be baking Pineapple Cream Cheese Rolls on Sat., Dec. 7 beginning at 8:00 AM at the Resurrection Oratory Hall. All help would be most appreciated.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** will be held at Resurrection Church on Fri., Dec. 6 from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Holy Hour consists of Exposition, proclamation of a Gospel reading, short homily, the Litany of the Holy Eucharist followed by silent prayer. The Holy Hour concludes with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Please join us!

**CELEBRATE THE SEASON BREAKFAST:** Please join us on Sunday, December 8 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. We will have some Christmas activities for the children.

**RESURRECTION HOLIDAY ROLL SALE** will be held on Sat., Dec. 14 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.

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS:** Guidelines for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors can now be found on the web sites of both parishes. These guidelines reinforce the training sessions presented by Deacon Nelson and can be referenced as needed.

**THE SEWING GROUP** will meet on Wed., Dec. 11 at 11:00 AM for a Christmas celebration in **THE SEWING ROOM (FORMER SWEET SHOPPE)**.

RESURRECTION PARISH JANUARY 2025 SIZZLER CALENDAR TICKETS are on sale and may be purchased before or after the Sunday Masses, at the Parish Offices, Remmco Plumbing or at Symon's Car Wash during regular business hours. You may also call Pat Gregorchik at 539-6320 for more information or to purchase Sizzlers. The cost is \$20.00 per ticket. They make wonderful Christmas and birthday gifts!

WE ARE IN THE FINAL MONTHS OF THE 2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE: Please mail your contributions directly to the Diocese of Altoona/Johnstown or you may make an online gift at <a href="www.dioceseaj.org/giving">www.dioceseaj.org/giving</a>. All gifts received beyond the parish target amount will be used for your parish. As of October 31, 2024 Resurrection Parish has received 15,345.00 towards the goal of \$31,643.00 and St. Clare of Assisi Parish has received 12,350.00, exceeding their goal of \$8,472.00.

Religious Education

**Sun., Nov. 17** - Religious Education 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall; 11<sup>th</sup> grade Discipleship Retreat 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at St. Benedicts School gym. Mass is included and food will be provided; AND 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Rites, 10:30 AM Mass at Resurrection Church for Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi students and

11:00 AM at St. John Gualbert Cathedral for St. John Gualbert and St. Patrick students.

Sun., Nov. 24 - Religious Education 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall

Sun., Dec. 1 - NO CLASSES - HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Sun., Dec. 8 - Religious Education 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall

What's YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-39): Our next Theology on Tap is Notrappening vember 20 at 6:00 PM at the Boulevard Grill with Fr. Andriy Kelt, Pastor of Saint Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Northern Cambria, speaking on the Eastern Liturgies. Theology on Tap will be a week early on November 20 and December 18 because of the holidays. All young adults aged 18-39 are welcome to join us for faith, food, and fellowship! For more information or to sponsor our group contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

**UPJ'S CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRIES STUDENTS** are looking to do God's will by giving back to those in our Johnstown community. If anyone is in need or has any potential work that needs completed (yard work, painting, gutters cleaned, winterization, lights hung, etc..), please contact LaDonna McCrary at (814) 977-4277 or Lam220@pitt.edu

THE WEST END FOOD PANTRY is in need of donations for the upcoming Holiday Season. Items needed include: 29 oz. cans Sweet Potatoes, instant mashed potatoes, Stove Top Turkey Stuffing, canned gravy and vegetables, Cranberry Sauce, canned Pumpkin, Noodles for Soup, cake/cookie mixes, Jello mix, paper products, etc.. Please place non-perishable food items in the marked containers at the back of the church. Thank you.

**ST. CLEMENT CHURCH** will present Peace on Earth: An Advent Celebration, an evening of music and worship with award winning artist, Taylor Tripodi on Wednesday, December 11 at 6:30 PM at St. Clement Church, corner of Goucher Street and Lindberg Avenue, Johnstown. Please join us.



**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Premie twins, Michael Anthony Eppolito III and Sophia Marie Eppolito; Rosalia Pietrolungo; Carol Kibler; Margie Duranko; Ed Tursic; Nicholas Booth; Baby Max Turley; David Cross; Eric Rozich; Joe Rozich; Pat Meagher; Rita Piro; Mary Falvo; Chris Klopfer; Florence Urbassik; Mary Ann Bellak;

Dembrosky Family; Michelle Burns; Richard Foor; Kathy Raymer Hurley and Family; Mary Chonko; Debbie; Christine Freed; Maria Piro; Betsy Konar; Jim Kris; Sue Eppley; Ashlee Fecko; Nellie Adkins; Jane Goodwin; Mary Roberts; Michelle C.; Sandy Karas; Lois DiBuono; Chuck Schmidt; Nicole; Manny Layman; Helen Khula; April Skalek; Margaret Murray; Joe Cenko; James Piro; Margaret Kovach, Marty Vrabel; George Salata; Caroline Fetzko; Ann Hoffman; Verbine Family and Friends; Fran Findley; Mary Lynch; Joseph Gregorchik; Kay Komar; Rita Ozog; 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; Ray Lingly; Allie; Neysa C.; and all Down Syndrome patients. If you would like someone

**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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#### 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 <a href="mailto:ibg213@atlanticbb.net">ibg213@atlanticbb.net</a>

