

Resurrection
Roman Catholic Parish

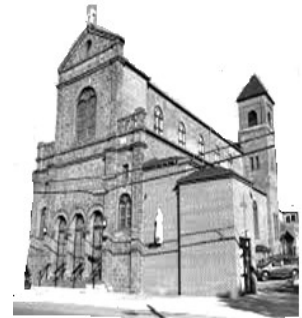


Saint Clare of Assisi
Catholic Church

December 15, 2024

3rd Sunday of Advent

Rev. George M. Gulash,
Pastor/Administrator
Dcn. Nelson E. Lowes Jr.



Resurrection Parish Office: 408 8th Avenue, Johnstown, Pa. 15906
Resurrection Church 324 Chestnut Street, Johnstown, Pa. 15906
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Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

MaryBeth Konieczny, Parish Secretary

Beth Thomas, Administrative Assistant

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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Phone: (814) 535-1133

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Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

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

Dan Amrhein, Director of Maintenance for both Parishes

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	SITE
Sunday, Dec. 15 <i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Gaudete Sunday</i>	8:00 AM	Julia Skala By the Kaplaniak and Horner Families	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Richard Dembrosky By Wife and Family	Resurrection Church
Monday, Dec. 16	12:00 PM	Rosary	Resurrection Oratory
	6:30 PM	Joseph Barbera By Rilla Manno	St. Clare of Assisi
Tuesday, Dec. 17	8:00 AM	Vince Certo By Brian Basile	Resurrection Church
Wednesday, Dec. 18	8:00 AM	Mike Samo By Wife, Carol	Resurrection Church
Thursday, Dec. 19	No Mass		
Friday, Dec. 20	8:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance of Thomas Delic By Tom and Vicki Kegg and Family	Resurrection Church
	12:00 PM	Rosary	Resurrection Oratory
Saturday, Dec. 21 <i>St. Peter Canisius</i>	4:00 PM	Mary Natalie Nardecchia By Family	St. Clare of Assisi
Sunday, Dec. 22 <i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>	8:00 AM	Helen Venglarchik By Tom and Joyce Elias	Resurrection Church
	10:30 AM	Rose Ann Zorn By Husband, Joe; Children; and Grandchildren	Resurrection Church

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

This week's Resurrection Church Sanctuary Light will burn for:
Joseph Milkovich, Sr. By Patty Respet

This week's Resurrection Oratory Sanctuary Light will burn:
In Celebration of the 100th Birthday of Sr. Mary Celeste (Walkowski)
By the Burkardt, Hofecker, and Walkowski Families, Paul M., and Families and Friends



Calendar of Events

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

Tuesday, Dec. 17 Church Cleaning 8:30 AM Resurrection Church

Advent Faith-Sharing Session 6:30 PM Resurrection Oratory

Thursday, Dec. 19 Platform set-up 8:30 AM Meet at Resurrection's 8th Ave. Garage

Women of the Bible Discussion 6:00 PM Resurrection Oratory

Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Resurrection Church

Friday, Dec. 20 Advent Faith-Sharing Session after 8:00 AM Mass Resurrection Church Hall

Sunday, Dec. 22 NO RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES

Church Decorating 1:00 PM Resurrection Church

Monday, Dec. 23 Church Decorating After 6:30 PM Mass St. Clare of Assisi Church

Tuesday, Dec. 24 thru Friday, Dec. 27 PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Sunday, Dec. 29 NO RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES

Tuesday, Dec. 31 and Wednesday, Jan. 1 PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Sunday, Jan. 5 Religious Ed. Classes 9:00 to 10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center/Oratory

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: December 8, 2024

Resurrection Parish - Weekly Offertory Envelopes: Total: \$5,059.00

All Saints \$10.00	Christmas \$205.00	Retirement for Religious \$165.00
All Souls \$10.00	Christmas Flowers \$470.00	Thanksgiving Day \$75.00
Build. and Maint. \$310.00	Immaculate Conception \$449.00	Utilities \$37.00
Candles \$85.00	Loose Offertory \$294.00	Word Among Us \$4.00
Catholic Charities \$25.00	Oplatki \$132.00	
Cemetery \$10.00	Poor Box \$24.00	

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$7,364.00

St. Clare of Assisi Parish Weekly Offertory Envelopes: \$1,813.00

All Saints \$4.00	Donation \$60.00	Retirement for Religious \$121.00
Candles \$106.00	Immaculate Conception \$246.00	Thanksgiving \$284.00
Christmas \$80.00	Loose Offertory \$185.00	Word Among Us \$10.00
Christmas Flowers \$201.00	Oplatki \$22.00	

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$3,132.00



Today the priest may wear a rose vestment at Mass. There is an obvious tone of joy in today's Advent Mass. Christmas quickly approaches and the scripture readings speak of rejoicing in the Lord always, of the presence of the Holy One of Israel, and the Baptist telling us the Holy One will baptize in the Holy Spirit. Christians are nearing the holy commemoration of the birth of the Savior. Our joy is obvious and, hopefully, contagious.



Parish News...

THANK YOU to all who donated clothing during the October Clothing Drive and to those who purchased Christmas gifts for the children of the Mission. God bless you for your continued kindness. Love and Prayers, The Cambria City Mission

2025 SIZZLER CALENDAR TICKETS ARE ALL GONE: If you have tickets out, please return them to Patty Gregorchik or the Resurrection Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you!

OPLATKI (CHRISTMAS WAFERS) are available at the Churches or at the Parish Offices. The cost is \$3.00 per envelope.

LECTORS: The 2025 *Workbooks for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word* are available. Lectors can pick up their copies in their respective sacristy.

RESURRECTION PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS: Group 2 volunteers are scheduled to count the collection on **Mon., Dec. 16** 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:

Monday

Dec. 16 - Phil Skala

Dec. 23 - NO ROSARY

Dec. 30 - NO ROSARY

Jan. 6 - Nancy Fesko

Friday

Dec. 20 - Jim and Nina Kopriva

Dec. 27 - NO ROSARY

Jan. 3 - NO ROSARY

Jan. 10 - Pat Barrett

RESURRECTION CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers are needed as we will be doing cleaning at Resurrection Church for the Christmas Season on Tuesday, December 17 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!

THE FINAL FAITH-SHARING SESSIONS OF THIS ADVENT SEASON will be held on Tues., Dec. 17 (double session) in the Resurrection Oratory at 6:30 PM and on Fri., Dec 20 after the 8:00 A.M. Mass in Resurrection Church Hall. Walk-ins are welcome.

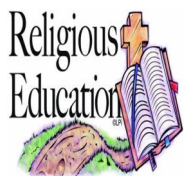
RESURRECTION CHURCH DECORATING: Initial setup of platform will take place on Thursday, December 19. Please meet Dan at the 8th Ave. garage at 8:30 AM. Final decorating will take place on Sunday, December 22, starting at 1:00 PM. Any and all help would be appreciated on both days.

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE meets on Thursdays at 6:00 PM at Resurrection Oratory. For Advent, our discussions will focus on the series **REJOICE, FINDING YOUR PLACE IN THE ADVENT STORY**. Join us in preparing to welcome the Christ Child at Christmas.

CHOIR REMINDER: The next Choir Rehearsal will be held on **Thurs. Dec. 19** 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.

ST. CLARE OF ASSISI CHURCH DECORATING will take place on Monday, Dec. 23 after 6:30 PM Mass. All help is welcomed and appreciated.

THE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP will meet on Sun., Jan. 12 at 4:00 PM in the Sewing Room (former Sweet Shoppe). We will be discussing "*Joy To The World*" by Scott Hahn. Looking ahead, our next read will be "*The Three Ordinary Voices of God*" by Matthew Kelly.

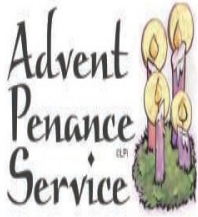


Sun., Dec. 15 - Religious Education 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall

Sun., Dec. 22 - NO CLASSES - MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Sun., Dec. 29 - NO CLASSES - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Sun., Jan. 5 - Religious Education 9:00-10:15 AM Resurrection Parish Center, Oratory Hall



St. John Gualbert Cathedral, Sunday, December 15, 2:00 PM

St. Benedict Church, Sunday, December 15, 5:00 PM

Our Mother of Sorrows Church, Monday, December 16, 6:00 PM and
Tuesday, December 17, 6:00 PM

Visitation of the B.V.M. Church, Wednesday, December 18, 6:00 PM

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Windber, Wednesday, December 18, 6:00 PM

St. Patrick Church, Thursday, December 19, 6:00 PM



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

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

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

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

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

The Parish Offices will be closed Tues., Dec. 24 thru Fri., Dec. 27.




Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

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

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


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2024 END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR 2024 CONTRIBUTIONS FOR TAX PURPOSES PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND DROP IN THE COLLECTION BASKET OR BRING TO THE PARISH OFFICE. THANK YOU.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ 2024 ENVELOPE NUMBER _____




WESTMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 601 Luzerne St., Johnstown, will present “A Thrill of Hope: A Christmas Musical by Joel Raney, on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 7:00 PM. Admission is free.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-39): Our next Theology on Tap is December 18 at 6:00 PM at the Boulevard Grill with Deacon Rick Messina speaking on The Holy Family and Catholic Family Life. Our group is also Christmas Caroling at Hilltop Heights Health & Rehab Center on December 21 at 1:00 PM. All young adults aged 18-39 are welcome to join us for faith, food, and fellowship! Thank you for your support and please continue spreading the word to young adults! For more information contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

AN ADVENT OF CHRISTMAS CONCERT will be held on Saturday, December 21 at 7:30 PM at St John Gualbert Cathedral, 117 Clinton Street, Johnstown. The program will feature the Greater Johnstown Diocesan Festival Choir and Bishop McCort Academy Chorale. The choral groups will be accompanied by our own St John Gualbert Cathedral Chamber Ensemble. Admission is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken.

QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH, Central City, will host a bus pilgrimage on Sat., Jan. 11 to visit the Nationality Rooms at the University of Pittsburgh as well as two historic ethnic parishes. The Nationality Rooms, uniquely adorned with accurate architecture and furnishings from thirty-one different nationalities, are a true treasure of Western Pennsylvania. Following the tour, Mass will be celebrated at the “Polish Cathedral of Pittsburgh,” Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, after which there will be a tour of historic St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church in Pittsburgh’s Greenfield neighborhood. The cost is \$70.00 per person and includes dinner. Bus pick-up locations are: Central City, Boswell, and Latrobe. To register please call Queen of Angels Parish at 814-754-5224.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: 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; 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 Oswald; 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

Bridget Sarosi, Chairperson	Joseph Rizzo, Vice-Chairperson
Laura Angello	Connie Huff
Ezio DiFrancesco	Lucille Piro
Pete Furfari	Michelle Stutzman
Mike Hudec	

Resurrection Parish Council

Carol Pisula, Chairperson	Pat Barrett, Vice-Chairperson
Kathy Hanners Secretary	Lynn Popovich
Gail Blough	Rich Price
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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

