

Saint Francis of Assisi Church

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Pastor's Study

The month of October is dedicated to Mary, the mother of the divine Jesus.

Catholics have loved Mary from the days of the apostles. As Peter was the head of that early Church, Mary was the heart. With a mother's love, Mary kept the memories of the birth and childhood in her heart. Mary was there to comfort and strengthen during the first persecutions of Christians.

So now Mary is our spiritual mother. During these difficult days, our prayer to Mary brings us wisdom and courage. Mary was always there for Jesus; she conceived Him, gave birth to him, walked with Him, encouraged Him to begin His ministry of miracles, suffered with Him, was present as He died on the cross, and buried Him. Mary is with us as we pray to her in critical times in our lives. "Mary, pray for us *now* and at the hour of our death."

Please note the following:

- **Thursdays – Mass at 8:15 am
- **Confession in the sacristy on Saturdays at 4:30 pm
- **Mass on Saturdays at 5:00 pm and Sundays at 11:00 am
- **Mass on Facebook, Sundays at 11:00 am

\Christmas Basket Information:

*Due to decreased Mass attendance and lower collections, we are concerned that we will not be able to sponsor as many families as we normally do. In order to give the Ministerial Assoc/ St Marks an accurate number of baskets we will be able to provide, we must have the majority of our donations by **October 25th**. Please place your donations in the basket in the front marked for Christmas baskets or mail your check to the rectory with the notation on the check or envelope "Christmas baskets".*

Thank you!

Announcements

Food Pantry Needs:

The food pantry is currently in desperate need of toiletries. Thank you for your bountiful support of this critical need in our community.

Collection, week of October 03-04

Diocese collections.....	\$10.00
School.....	\$155.00
Altar Society.....	\$60.00
<u>Church.....</u>	<u>\$3509.00</u>
Total Collection.....	\$3734.00

Mass Schedule

Thurs	October 15	8:15 am	Helen and Ray Rogers by family
Sat	October 17	5:00 pm	Mike and Lillian LeRose by family
Sun	October 18	11:00 am	Betty and Bob Popp by Dick Popp
Sun	October 18	11:00 am (online)	Intentions of the people of the parish

Remember in your prayers...

We lift up those who are sick & those who have asked for our prayers: Kelly Adkins, Peter Anania, Marilyn Arose, Scott Barr, Maureen & Chris Barrett, Mary Berry, Sandie Bowen, Bob Bright, Cyndy Brown, Dolores Buhl, Eddie Carper, Suzanne Carte, Charles Chandler, Gina Crist, Ryan D., Darlena & Ashley Day, Bertha DeLuca, Dominic (child), Polly Downey, Mary Downing, Jane Englebrecht, Suzanne Farley, Nona Fields, Jo Fletcher, Colin Floria, Dr. Jaclyn Gabriel, Deborah Garrett, Anthony Graham, Elijah H., Barbara Hager, Dewayne Harris, Tara Harrison, David Harwood, Laurie Hebb, Baby Henry, Jim Hudson, Larry Hudson, Mary Ellen Hughes, Bud Humphreys, Chris Fletcher, Linda Fletcher, Mike Gallagher, Carol Graley, Jamee Sanney Griffin, Rose Jacobs, Jennifer, Charlotte Jensen, Jim Johnson, Dawna Kessler, Charles Lacy, Larry Lerose, Madison Lopez, Susan Lopez, Paul Lowen, Mike & Sue Martin, Brent Marsteller, Claudia McDonald, Janet McDowell, Karah McKinney, Mason Jeffrey Metrie, Joe McQuaide, Lillian Matheny, Richard Martin, Sharon Meadows, Larry Meeks, Mia (child), Dayna Miller, Sue Miller, Lucas Mitchell (child), Vicky Moon, Mark Moreland, Cheryl Morgan, Barbara Murray, Marie Nelson, Sarah Newcomb, Harrison Patronik, Sandy & Paul Phinney, Walter Pinkerton, Tiffany Quinlan, Linda & John Radochio, Angie Ransom, Chuck Ratcliff, Shirley Rectenwald, Amber Rinehart, Angelo Ritson, Susan Robinson, Jim Rose, Eddie Rowan, Jim Ruch, John & Pat Ruddle, Bob Sanney, Lee Sargent, Mary Catherine Seli, Mark Shoemaker, Bob Smith, Chuck Smith, Jean Smith, Teresa Smith, Herman Strain, Kathleen Stout, Joseph Swanson, Charlie Truitt, Amanda Trail, Colleen Ullmer, Dorothy Valley, Monica Watkins, Judy Watson, Stan White, Nancy Vannatter, Pat Vannatter.

Please join us in prayer as we ask for God's guidance & protection of our military men & women serving in dangerous combat areas of the world: "Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands, especially those associated with Saint Francis of Assisi parish."

Matthew Todd Bacchus, Nick Bowen, Christopher Patrick Brown, Justin Cartmill, Robert & William Cremering, Nicholas Fletcher, Bill & Mike Hebb, Daniel Huffman, Will Knox, Brian Zachary Miller

Immediate prayer needs:

Scarlett (child, niece of Lynn & Patrick Fenimore)

Rudy C. (child)

Florio and Pennington families

Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

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