

## Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of October 8, 2017

### Sunday, October 8

10:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

### Monday, October 9

No Mass

### Tuesday, October 10

6:00 pm – For the Victims of the Las Vegas Shooting

### Wednesday, October 11

6:00 pm – The Community of Victorian Village

### Thursday, October 12

6:00 pm – For the First Responders of our Community

### Friday, October 13

6:00 pm – For the Leadership of St. Francis of Assisi

## Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Thank you for your willingness to serve to make our Mass Successful

### Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

October 8 – 10 am – Andy Randel, Gretchen Rivera

October 15 – 9 am – Rick Miller, Jeanna Diederich

11 am – John Nunn, OPEN

### Servers

October 8 – 10 am – Gaetan O'Brien

October 15 – 9 am – Susan Kyanko, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

### Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

October 8 – 10 am – Julie Byrne

October 15 – 9 am – Kathy Porter, 11 am – Lori Toczorczic

### Lectors

October 8 – 10 am – Gary Snyder, Maryellen O'Shaughnessy

October 15 – 9 am – Katherine Kriedermann, Linda Wolfe

11 am – Michel Hindeme, Diane Meves

### Eucharistic Ministers

October 8 – 10 am – J Capestany, R Morkassel, Mark Coleman

October 15 – 9 am – Emily Matheny, F Schneider, R Morkassel

11 am – ME O'Shaughnessy, Marilyn Smith, Joanna Nunn

**Gluten "Free"/Low Gluten Hosts**...are available for those who wish to receive them. If you would like to receive a low-gluten host at Communion, please notify one of the greeters before Mass. This will allow us to observe and

**Take a moment to really think about the quotes, provided by Christian Today, and compare them to the way you're living your own life:**

1. "Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible."
2. "It is no use walking anywhere to preach unless our walking is our preaching."
3. "While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart."
4. "All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle."
5. "If God can work through me, he can work through anyone."



Source: [www.catholic.org/news/hf/faith/story.php?id=71063](http://www.catholic.org/news/hf/faith/story.php?id=71063)

## Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Please check the St. Francis website for the full calendar of events

### Sunday, October 8

- ▶ Parish Picnic
- ▶ 2:00 pm – St. Francis Seniors

### Monday, October 9

- ▶ 6:00 pm – BREAD Meeting

### Tuesday, October 10

- ▶ 6:30 pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### Wednesday, October 11

- ▶ 7:00 pm - RCIA

### Thursday, October 12

- ▶ 10:00 am - Bible Study at Westminster Thurber

### Saturday, October 14

- ▶ 9:00 am – Garden and Grounds clean up

## Parish News and Information

**Adult Sunday School** - Do you have a full grasp of what the Second Vatican Council contributed to the life of the church? With the help of Barb Finan, PhD, we will study some of the central texts that can help us appreciate the vision of the council fathers. We'll be reading A Concise Guide to the Documents of Vatican II by Edward P. Hannenberg. Our **first session starts Sunday, Oct. 22, 2017 12:30 – 1:30pm in the Parish Hall**. Please read pages 1-25. The documents that Hannenberg discusses can be found online. See you there!



**Our Daily Bread** – Last week each family should have received "Our Daily Bread". We would like to thank Liturgical Press for donating 200 copies to our parish. Our recent survey said we are interested in more Faith Formation so the Press' timing couldn't have been any better. Please let the church office know if you like this book and would like to keep getting it!

### OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> IS COMMITMENT SUNDAY!

Pope Francis recently said, "You only see correctly with closeness and mercy. Without it, the other remains a stranger ... and can't become your neighbor." By making a commitment of your time and talent on Commitment Sunday you offer yourself to the St. Francis of Assisi Parish in a way that says "I value this COMMUNITY". Next Sunday you'll receive a packet that explains all the Ministries and the ways you can become a Disciple. We're hoping you find something that "pinches your heart".

**Fall Craft Fair** – There are many gifted and talented individuals in our parish community and this is a chance to show off your talents. This year's Craft Fair will be held in the Parish Hall on Sunday, November 5 after both Masses. This event is open to parishioners, as well as family and friends, to set up their own space and share their crafts. There are no table fees, but we do

ask that 10% of all sales be returned to the church to be sent to the St. Francis Center in McArthur. If you are interested in a space, please contact Amy Knight at 614-251-1477.



**St. Francis' Social Justice Group** will meet on Sunday evening October 15 from 6-8 pm in the church hall. Activities and plans for our parish's various social justice ministries will be discussed during the first part of the meeting and the BREAD (Building Responsibility, Equality and Dignity) House meeting will be held during the second part. The latter is an opportunity for parishioners to share their ideas about what should be the focus of BREAD's attention in the upcoming year, so please plan to attend. Food will be served!

## Gospel Reflection ~ October 8, 2017

Jesus continues his teaching in parables directed to the chief priests and elders. These leaders, as well as Matthew's first-century audience, would be well steeped in Judaism, know its traditions, imagery, and prophecies. They would know Isaiah's Song of the Vineyard that we heard in the First Reading. They would readily see the vineyard as an image for the Jewish people, and the landowner as representing God. With that initial allegorical interpretation, they could see the rest of the parable telling the story of Israel's relationship with God. The owner gives responsibility for care of the vineyard to tenants, understood as the leaders of Israel; the servants sent by the owner are the prophets, harshly treated and even killed. The prophecy of Jeremiah can be heard in the background: "I kept on sending all my servants the prophets to you. Yet they have not listened to me...they have stiffened their necks and done worse than their ancestors." (Jeremiah 7:25-26)

The landowner still does not give up, but send his son. Now the interpretation moves from the past to the present. The Son, of course, is Jesus himself. The treatment of the son seems desperate and illogical. What could the tenants hope to gain? With such a shocking conclusion to the parable, Jesus puts the question that demands an answer: "What will the owner do?" The answer from the priests and elders points to their own guilt and the consequences in rejection the son.

In a way that would jolt his audience, Jesus abruptly asks them another questions, intimating that they have not read the Scriptures. In citing Psalm 118, Jesus connects the rejected stone and the murdered son. However, rejecting the stone and killing the son, is not the end of the story, for the son will become a cornerstone. Because of their actions, leadership will be taken away from those who rejected Jesus and given to others. Immediately following Jesus' words, Matthew states that the chief priests and Pharisees knew he was speaking about them. They tried to arrest him but feared the crowds, who regarded Jesus as a prophet.

Source: Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.

## Parishioner Highlight

We would like to start highlighting parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi who give us their time, talent and treasures.

This week, we highlight Bob Geoghegan. Bob has been a member of St. Francis for more than 30 years, and gives so generously to the Parish. Not only can you see Bob as a crucifer on Sunday mornings, but you can also find him at the Flytown meeting. As a member of the "Unofficial" Maintenance Staff Bob remodeled the bathroom in the Rectory, built a new donation box for the church entryway, and just made a new bulletin holder for the front yard, that matches the church sign he made 20 years ago. When Bob is not busy around SFA he helps out with Habitat for Humanity on a regular basis and rides in Pelotonia raising money for cancer research. Thank you Bob for your dedication to St. Francis as well as to the community.

## Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 25:6-10a  
Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20  
Matthew 22:1-14



## Road Closures

**Columbus Marathon** – Next Sunday, October 15 is the running of the Columbus Marathon. As in past years, the marathon will impact your ability to get to and from church with your normal route. Please be sure to check out the course route, so that you can best plan your way to Mass. The course map can be found at <http://www.columbusmarathon.com/course-map>. You will likely have to leave early and be creative.



## Around the Town

**Need a hand with your housework?** Rent-A-Rower! Help the OSU Rowing Club and get your housework done: Raking, Mulching, Gardening, Painting, Moving furniture, etc. Rowers are available for four-hour blocks of time on Saturdays and Sundays and a minimum of two rowers must be hired at a time. \$70/rower for a four-hour block of time.



To request a Rent-A-Rower, please email the Director of Rent-A-Rower at [osucrewrr@gmail.com](mailto:osucrewrr@gmail.com)

**St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church's 13th Annual Christmas Cookie Sale will be held Saturday, December 9th from 10am until 2pm.**

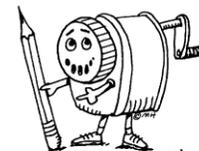
In honor of our 13th year, our trays will hold 6 "Baker's Dozen" of assorted cookies for \$35. You may order Trays; 11" long nut, apricot and poppyseed rolls for \$12 each and packages of pirohi for \$6 each. The pirohi are packaged by the dozen per filling: Potato/Cheese; Sauerkraut; Sweet Cheese; and (whole) Prune. The rolls and the pirohi are each sold frozen. If you order one dozen rolls OR one dozen packages of pirohi, you will get one of the same FREE. To order you may call [614-882-6103](tel:614-882-6103) and follow the prompts; or you can order through our website at [www.byzantinecolumbus.com](http://www.byzantinecolumbus.com). Pirohi and rolls are in limited supply, so order early to ensure their availability. The last day for ordering is November 26th, no orders will be taken after that date. We ask that you please pick up your order between 10am and 1pm on December 9th. Any orders not picked up by 1pm will be offered for general sale. There will be lots of cookies and other goodies for sale, so come on in!

**ODU to Host Preview Day on Saturday, Nov. 4**

All high school students are invited to attend Ohio Dominican University's Preview Day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4. The free event will take place on ODU's campus at [1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus](http://1216SunburyRoadColumbus). Students will have a chance to tour campus, explore majors, learn about ODU's Honors and Early Admissions programs, and attend a Panthers football game. Register today at [ohiodominican.edu/Preview](http://ohiodominican.edu/Preview).



**Education improves lives!** The Dominican Learning Center will hold its next Tutor Training Workshop on Saturday, October 21 from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at [1111 E. Stewart Avenue, Columbus,](http://1111EStewartAvenueColumbus)



Sharpen Your Skills

[43206](http://43206). Volunteers are needed for adults seeking basic education skills, GED preparation, or English as a Second Language. Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age and hold a high school diploma. Materials are free to tutors. To register please call [614-444-7330](tel:614-444-7330) or email [dlccolumbus@oppeace.org](mailto:dlccolumbus@oppeace.org). To find out more, visit [www.domlearningcenter.org](http://www.domlearningcenter.org).

**Day of Reflection for Women of the Diocese of Columbus** – December 9, 2017 at Holy Family Church. More information to come as the day gets closer.

