

## Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of January 11, 2015

### Sunday, January 11 – Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish  
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### Monday, January 12

NO MASS

### Tuesday, January 13

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### Wednesday, January 14

6:00 pm—For Those In Our RCIA Program

### Thursday, January 15

6:00 pm—For Sick and Homebound Persons

### Friday, January 16

6:00 pm—Roseann Volpe (SFA Parish)

### Saturday, January 17

NO MASS

### Sunday, January 18

9:00 am—Wadene T. Pruitt (Teresa Gattton)

11:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish

## Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

### Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

Jan 11—9 am—Skip Camerucci, Ted Klupinski

11 am—Maggie McCoy, Sandy Glasner

Jan 18—9 am—Lorri Kuczynski, Terry Gattton

11 am—Jackie Emch, Gretchen Rivera

### Servers

Jan 11—9 am—Frank Schneider; 11 am—Fallon O'Brien

Jan 18—9 am—Linda Wolfe; 11 am—Pat Cassidy

### Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

Jan 11—9 am—Bob Geoghegan; 11 am—Julie Byrne

Jan 18—9 am—Skip Camerucci; 11 am—Julie Byrne

### Lectors

Jan 11—9 am—Lorri Kuczynski, Diane Keenan

11 am—Diane Meves, Larry Charles

Jan 18—9 am—Joe Dallacqua, Matt Pastore

11 am—Larry Charles, Jon Murphy

### Eucharistic Ministers

Jan 11—9 am—K Kriedermann, Susan Kyanko, Linda Wolfe

11 am—Jaime Capestany, Diane LeMay, Lori Toczczic

CHOIR—9 am—Dan Kerscher, Mary Ann Kerscher

11 am—Mark Coleman, Joanna Nunn

Jan 18—9 am—Diane Keenan, Christine Paisley, Sister Sharen

11 am—Louisa Celebrezze, Susan Sarwark, Jaime Capestany

CHOIR—9 am—Frank Schneider, Joyce Schneider

11 am—Diane LeMay, Marilyn Smith

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

At 7:00 pm on Thursday evening, Feb 12,

St. Francis of Assisi Parish will **host an information session about human trafficking**—a world -wide and local problem that Pope Francis calls “a crime against humanity, a scourge and an open wound in contemporary society.” Plan to attend to hear Sister Nadine Buchanan of the Dominican Sisters speak about this issue and what can be done to combat it.

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

### TODAY ... Sunday, January 11

- ▶ St Francis Seniors Monthly Meeting, 2 pm, hall

### Tuesday, January 13

- ▶ Flytown Women, 12 noon, hall

### Wednesday, January 14

- ▶ RCIA meeting, 7 pm, hall

### Thursday, January 15

- ▶ Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, 10:30 am

- ▶ Choir Practice, 7 pm, choir loft

### LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, January 18

- ▶ Diocesan Second Collection – Propagation of the Faith

- ▶ Book Discussion Group, following 11 am Mass, hall

- ▶ Baptism Workshop, 12:30 pm, Desert Room

### Monday, January 19

- ▶ Drum Circle, 7 pm, hall

### Tuesday, January 20

- ▶ Monthly Mass at Westminster Thurber, 11 am

- ▶ Dulcimer Music Group, 7 pm, hall

Please Note: No Mass or Holy Hour on Tuesday, Jan 13.

## Parish News and Information

The **St. Francis Book Discussion Group** will meet next



Sunday, January 18, after the 11 o'clock Mass. The book *Eager to Love*, by Richard Rohr will be discussed. More information about the group and the book may be found at the group's website --

<http://stfrancisbc.weebly.com/>.

**Morning of Reflection for Liturgical Ministers.** There will be a morning of reflection for all new and continuing liturgical ministers from **9:00 am – 11:00 am Saturday, January 31**. The morning will be a time to join together to pray and reflect on the important service provided by our greeters, crucifers, servers, lectors, choir members, Eucharistic Ministers and others who contribute to our parish liturgies. **Even if you have not previously signed up, please join us if you are interested in serving in one of the liturgical ministries.** After the meeting, there will be an opportunity to ask questions and to get information on training. For additional information, or if you are not able to attend the reflection, please contact one of our Mass Coordinators, **Pat Cassidy, (614.625.5271), [cassidy.jpatrick@yahoo.com](mailto:cassidy.jpatrick@yahoo.com)** or **Linda Wolfe (614.879.6734), [greywolfetracks@gmail.com](mailto:greywolfetracks@gmail.com)**.



Our parish celebration of **First Holy Communion will be on Sunday, April 26 at the 9:00 AM Mass**. Ten preparation sessions for this sacrament and for First Reconciliation (celebrated after Easter) will be held on Sundays starting January 18, 2015 and

continuing through March 22. Each session will begin at 12:30 pm and last until 2 pm. Sessions will be in the religious education room (Atrium) in the church basement. Please contact Therese Terndrup at [terndru@kent.edu](mailto:terndru@kent.edu) or leave a message for her with the parish office at [614-299-5781](tel:614-299-5781) if you have any questions. Registration forms are at the back of the church and should be turned in at the first preparation session.

## Reflection for January 11, 2015

With the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the season of Christmas comes to a closure. We see Jesus getting immersed in the waters of the Jordan by John as an anticipation of the baptism that he would bring in the Holy Spirit. And from that moment on, he would begin his public ministry as the beloved Son of God, in whom God is well pleased.

Of course the baptism we received as infants or as adults is not the same as the one Jesus received in the River. John himself stated: "I have baptized you with water, but one mightier will come after me and will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Thus, the baptism performed by John was a symbolic act to call people to repent but was not a sacrament. In contrast, the baptism we received is the sacrament that makes us members of the Church and produces an immediate effect on us.

In reflecting on that feast today, we are invited to cherish our sacramental baptism through which we are made "God's beloved sons and daughters" with Christ who died and rose to a new life, a life in the Spirit.

*In Christ ~ Fr Fritz*

## Around Town ... Around the Diocese

### Holy Rosary/St. John Church Celebrates the Life of Dr. Martin Luther King with Sr. Patricia Dual, O.P.

The Community of Holy Rosary & St. John the Evangelist is hosting their annual Martin Luther King Day celebration on **Monday, January 19, 2015 beginning at noon** at Holy Rosary/St. John Church, 660 South Ohio Avenue (between Main and Livingston). The guest speaker is Sr. Patricia Dual, O.P. Every one is welcome.

Sr. Patricia Dual, O.P., was born and raised in Norfolk, Virginia. The oldest of five children, Sr. Pat, a life-long Catholic, graduated with a B.A. in Religious Studies from St. Leo University, and has taken graduate theology courses at Aquinas Institute in Missouri, Ohio Dominican University and Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati. In 2005, she became a member of the Dominican Sisters, St. Mary of the Springs—now the Dominican Sisters of Peace—where Sr. Pat professed Perpetual Vows in December 2011. Prior to becoming a Dominican Sister, she was employed with the finance department of a large health care corporation for a number of years. Sr. Pat is a grandmother and the mother of two adult sons.

An art exhibit, featuring community artists, will accompany the celebration. The parish itself is blessed with a number of artists and other artists from the neighborhood will be displaying their artwork as well.



Holy Rosary/St. John has been celebrating Martin Luther King Day every year since 1986, the first year the holiday was observed. This service is therefore one of the oldest Martin Luther King Day events in

Columbus. For additional information, call [614\) 252-5926, ext. 7](tel:6142525926), email [hर्सjevents@gmail.com](mailto:hर्सjevents@gmail.com), or go to our website at [HRSJ.ORG](http://HRSJ.ORG). The Holy Rosary/St. John Martin Luther King Day Celebration will also be broadcast live at noon on Martin Luther King Day at [fatherwagner.com/live/](http://fatherwagner.com/live/).

## Pastoral Council Summary - January 2015

Pastoral Council discussed the monthly reports from Fr. Fritz, both the Stewardship and Finance councils, and the various committees of the parish. All agreed with Fr. Fritz that the Christmas celebrations were full of good spirit, music, and beauty. The movement of the Nativity scene to the front of the altar was particularly appreciated. The parish has been asked to help with providing comments and pictures for a Feb feature article on SFA in The Catholic Times. On Jan 31st there will be a morning of reflection for ministers; additional information will be provided by coordinators. The Liturgy Committee reported that it will be working on preparing a procedure manual for the various liturgical seasons and feast. That committee will be working closely with the Council and others to plan for Lent and Easter. By-Laws of the Council were reviewed and updated so that they could be finalized prior to the Spring elections for new Council members. It was a lively and life-giving meeting.

## Parish News and Information

**A BIG THANK YOU ...** to everyone who helped "Step Up To the Plate!" for our January Pancake Breakfast fundraiser. Thanks to the All-Star Cooks and Servers and all who contributed financially, we raised over **\$3,100** for our new choir loft stairs! Another Pancake Breakfast occurs in February – stay tuned!

**Seven Church Tour ...** once again, we are participating in this local program, highlighting various churches as part of a Lenten "pilgrimage." If you are interested in helping to greet our tour guests and "show off" our beautiful church on Saturday, Feb 21 or Saturday, March 14, please contact the parish office at 299.5781 or [office@sfacolumbus.org](mailto:office@sfacolumbus.org). Thank you!

## Pasta Dinner News!!!

Each year, our Pasta Dinner provides an opportunity for fundraising and fellowship. Parishioners work together to make and serve a delicious dinner, bake delicious treats, contribute gifts baskets for a raffle – all to benefit our parish.

### WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

There will be penne pasta with meatballs and homemade sauces (including vegetarian options), salad and roll with butter, beverage and dessert.



We are looking for **donations** from our parishioners for **HANDMADE ITEMS** for the silent auction, along with **restaurant or store gift certificates, new household items, and gift baskets** as raffle items. **We also need HOMEMADE BAKED GOODS!**

**VOLUNTEERS HAVE FUN!** You can help make the Pasta Dinner a success in many ways, big and small. In addition to contributing prizes or baked goods, you can be a waiter for 2 hours. Help set up the day before. So many possibilities!!! Contact Chairperson Patti Maietta at [pamaietta@gmail.com](mailto:pamaietta@gmail.com), to let her know how you might help.

And ... Patti is looking for a partner to help with some of the behind-the-scenes coordinating. Please contact her at [pamaietta@gmail.com](mailto:pamaietta@gmail.com) if you can help in any way! THANKS!