

## Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of May 17, 2015

### Sunday, May 17

9:00 am—Wadene T. Pruitt (Terry Gatton)  
11:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish

### Monday, May 18

NO MASS

### Tuesday, May 19

6:00 pm—For The Needs of Those In Nepal

### Wednesday, May 20

6:00 pm—For Sick and Homebound Persons

### Thursday, May 21

6:00 pm—Joan Randolph (Jack Randolph)

### Friday, May 22

6:00 pm—For Peace In Our World

### Saturday, May 23

NO MASS

### Sunday, May 24

9:00 am—St Francis Seniors Memorial Mass  
11:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish

## Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

### Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

May 17—9 am—Ted Klupinski, Frank Conway

11 am—Jackie Emch, Matt Pastore

May 24—9 am—Terry Gatton, Gretchen Rivera

11 am—Tera Kovar, Maryellen O'Shaughnessy

### Servers

May 17—9 am—John Ryan; 11 am—Margaret O'Brien

May 24—9 am—John Ryan; 11 am—Fallon O'Brien

### Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

May 17—9 am—Susan Kyanko; 11 am—Dan O'Brien

May 24—9 am—Frank Conway; 11 am—Julie Byrne

### Lectors

May 17—9 am—Larry Erickson, Darlene Erickson

11 am—Maggie McCoy, Jon Murphy

May 24—9 am—Louisa Celebrezze, Joyce Schneider

11 am—Larry Charles, Sophia Brown

### Eucharistic Ministers

May 17—9 am—C Damm, K Kriedermann, Sister Sharen

11 am—Sandy Glasner, Lori Toczcz, M O'Shaughnessy

May 24—9 am—Steven Hillyer, Linda Wolfe, Frank Schneider

11 am—Mark Coleman, Joanna Nunn, Diane LeMay



**Mark Your Calendars!** We will be holding a Women's Retreat focusing on "Friendships in the Bible" for the women of our parish on **Saturday, May 30, at Shepherd's Corner in Blacklick, Oh.** The retreat

features Sr. Arleen Kisiel and Mary Reichly, and will include a potluck lunch, and time to walk the Labyrinth and the Meditation Trail. Questions? 299.5781 / [office@sfacolulmbus.org](mailto:office@sfacolulmbus.org)

### Congratulations to parishioners Bob and Terra Schulz,

whose daughter Olive Sophia was born on May 11. Terra is the daughter of parishioners Frank and Joyce Schneider, and they report that their new granddaughter is doing great!

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

### TODAY ... Sunday, May 17

- ▶ PANCAKE BREAKFAST, following each Mass, hall
- ▶ Baptism Workshop, 12:30 pm, Desert Room
- ▶ Book Discussion Group, following 11 am Mass, hall
- ▶ *Divine Comedy* discussion group, 6 pm, hall

### Monday, May 17

- ▶ Diocesan SVDP group, 5 pm, church hall
- ▶ Drum Circle, 7 pm, church hall

### Tuesday, May 19

- ▶ Monthly Mass at Westminster Thurber, 11 am
- ▶ ALL Councils Meeting, 7 pm, hall  
To discuss Amazing Parish Conference
- ▶ Dulcimer Music Group, 7pm, church

### Wednesday, May 20

- ▶ RCIA, 7 pm, hall (annual dinner)

### Thursday, May 21

- ▶ Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, 10:30 am
- ▶ Choir Practice, 7 pm, choir loft

### LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, May 24

- ▶ Diocesan Second Collection – Nepal Earthquake
- ▶ *Divine Comedy* discussion group, 6 pm, hall

The **St. Francis Drumming Circle** will meet tomorrow evening, Monday, May 18, at 7 o'clock in the church hall. Stop by and discover the joy of drumming. Extra drums are available.

### DANTE'S DIVINE COMEDY DISCUSSION GROUP



Our parish discussion group of Dante's *Divine Comedy* will meet again this Sunday evening (May 17) from 6-7:30pm, and we will continue to meet on Sunday evenings through May 24. Even if you missed the first meeting, please feel very welcome to join us! Our conversations are lively and welcoming! Feel free to contact Elise Ryan (724.255.6834; [elonich@gmail.com](mailto:elonich@gmail.com)) if you'd like more info about the group.

### To My St Francis Family ...

I wanted to thank all of you for the sweet words and kind send-off you gave me yesterday (Sunday, May 10) ... it was so unexpected and warmed my heart. I will greatly miss worshipping with all of you on Sunday mornings. Being a part of this parish was such a blessing to both myself and my husband, and we are saddened to be leaving so soon after finding St Francis of Assisi ... we hope to visit when we return on visits to Columbus. Thank you for making me feel so at home over this past year, and for all of your love and encouragement. I look forward to seeing you soon. And remember – there are always open seats in the choir loft!

*Many Blessings ~ Abbie Stands-Franz (www.abbiestands.com)*



**Did you get your parish newsletter? It was emailed out this past week.** The "Summer" edition includes – a description of the St Francis of Assisi Church Tapestry; a profile of parishioner Steven Hillyer; a focus on the Garden Tenders ministry; pictures of First

Communion; news about those in the RCIA process; human trafficking update; a description of St Vincent dePaul's Voice of the Poor; and a remembrance of parishioner Michelle Sutter. *If you did not receive it, contact the parish office 614.299.5781 / [office@sfacolulmbus.org](mailto:office@sfacolulmbus.org)*

## Pastoral Reflection for May 17, 2015

The feast of the Ascension marks the happy conclusion of the earthly mission of Jesus. After offering the perfect sacrifice that reconciled mankind to God as the supreme high-priest, Jesus was worthy to receive honor, glory and to sit on the throne of majesty.

It was a day of ecstatic joy for the Apostles. Never before they have been so overwhelmingly convinced that Jesus was the one expected by the all nations, and the one who fulfilled all the promises of the Old Covenant.

At this time the Apostles realized very deeply that the continuation of Jesus' mission had become their inescapable responsibility. Through them, Jesus has commissioned us as well to "proclaim the good news of salvation to every creature and to bring the riches of God's grace to the ends of the earth."

The Ascension carried also another promise: that of the power of above. Upon leaving this world, Jesus' last instruction to the Apostles was to wait for the Holy Spirit. No mission is to be undertaken without an experience of Pentecost!

This is a feast of hope for us, for where Christ has gone, he has promised to take us with him one day. It is one of the few guarantees that we can have in this life. In the meantime, it belongs to us, people of good will, to assume the challenges of the future. Let us experience not the absence of Jesus but the power of the Holy Spirit, the teacher of the truth. Listen to him and take notes from him!

*In Christ ~ Fr. Fritz*

## Parish News and Information



**Pancakes are back! Come join us TODAY following each Mass for another of our FAMOUS and FABULOUS Pancake Breakfasts!** Just \$5 for all you can eat (pancakes, sausages, drinks), and proceeds will help purchase items for the beautification of our gardens.

St. Francis of Assisi St Vincent DePaul group is interested in supporting Women Affirming Women (**WAW**) again this year. **July 22-25, 2015** is this year's Women's Respite weekend. As you're doing your Spring cleaning, consider donating gently used items for the Boutique (see below), where guests can shop during the week. **With respect to the Boutique needs, we'll place a box in the social hall for your contributions.** Thanks for your Support! ~ Kay Lonas (614-677-4714)



**Boutique Needs**  
Jewelry (earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets, pins, watches) ... Purses / Handbags ... Belts ... Scarves ... Hats ... Perfume ... Sunglasses ... Flip-flops ... Umbrellas ... And NEW Makeup (lipstick, creams, lotions)  
**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED SO FAR!!!**

### Recent Baptisms at St Francis of Assisi Parish

Abby Joy Mostafavifar – on May 3, 2015  
Emma Hand – on May 10, 2015  
Finn Michael Wuebker – on May 17, 2015  
Welcome to our family of faith!

## Parish News and Information

### CRS – Nepal Earthquake Update (Catholic Relief Services)

CRS is committing at least \$10 million to help those affected by the devastating earthquake in Nepal. These funds will be used to support CRS' emergency response and recovery efforts of CRS, including immediate life-saving assistance as well as a long-term response needed to rebuild communities and livelihoods. CRS plans to spend \$2.5 million in the emergency phase, the next six months. That will reach 15,000 families – 75,000 people – with shelter and other critical supplies. The balance of the funding will be used to help families restore their livelihoods and rebuild their homes.

The supplies – temporary housing kits that include tarpaulins and tools, as well as sanitation and hygiene items – were pre-positioned in India because the area is known to be susceptible to earthquakes. CRS teams in Kathmandu said that the supplies are especially needed now as cold, rainy, windy weather has made life miserable for those without shelter. The official death toll is over 5,500 (May 1) and expected to rise as more villages are reached. For more information, contact Erin Cordle, diocesan CRS director at 614-241-2540, [ecordle@colsdio.org](mailto:ecordle@colsdio.org), or [socmailbox@colsdio.org](mailto:socmailbox@colsdio.org)

**NOTE: here at St Francis of Assisi Parish, we will hold a special collection for Nepal on Sunday, May 24.**

Our annual Short North Victorian Village and St. Francis of Assisi Church Festive Garage and Yard Sale will take place on the first Saturday in June, from 8 am – 2 pm, the same day as the Victorian Village Sale. **This year's date – June 6, with a bonus day on Sunday, June 7.**



Have fun and raise funds for our parish, all at the same time! Clear out those attics, basements, and garages of all that "stuff" you "thought" you "needed." Items may be dropped off at the parish hall during office hours or immediately following Sunday Masses

ALSO– **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to work at the Sale during the weekend of June 5-6-7. On Friday (June 5) afternoon & evening, items need to be unpacked and priced; on Saturday (June 6) morning and afternoon, helpers are needed during the sale. On Sunday, we'll stay open from 10 am – 4 pm. It's a full weekend of activity and a GREAT way to become more involved at St Francis of Assisi Parish and socialize with other members

**IF YOU NEED ITEMS PICKED UP, CALL THE PARISH OFFICE, AND WE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU!**

Other ways to help – save your plastic bags! We can use them to wrap fragile items. Just drop them off in the hall.

*Leading the sale this year – Bill Keller, Marti Damm, and Frank Conway. Proceeds will help defray the cost of re-sealing our parking lot.*