

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of July 12, 2015

Sunday, July 12

9:00 am—William Schulte (Steven Hillyer)
11:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish

Monday, July 13

NO MASS

Tuesday, July 14

6:00 pm—For Peace In Our World

Wednesday, July 15

6:00 pm—For All of God's Creation

Thursday, July 16

6:00 pm—Joan Randolph (Jack Randolph)

Friday, July 17

6:00 pm—For Farmers

Saturday, July 18

NO MASS

Sunday, July 19

9:00 am—Christine Baldy (Steven Hillyer)
11:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

July 12—9 am—Joyce Schneider, Gretchen Rivera

11 am—Susie Sarwark, Marilyn Smith

July 19—9 am—Ted Klupinski, Skip Camerucci

11 am—Tera Kovar, Matt Pastore

Servers

July 12—9 am—Steven Hillyer; 11 am—NOT FILLED

July 19—9 am—Elizabeth Maite; 11 am—Fallon O'Brien

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

July 12—9 am—Skip Camerucci; 11 am—Julie Byrne

July 19—9 am—Frank Conway; 11 am—Dan O'Brien

Lectors

July 12—9 am—Lorri Kuczynski, Diane Meves

11 am—Maryellen O'Shaughnessy, Sophia Brown

July 19—9 am—Will Brenner, Louisa Celebrezze

11 am—Julie Byrne, Ben Gibbons

Eucharistic Ministers

July 12—9 am—Jaime Capestany, Rick Miller, Frank Schneider

11 am—Renee Morkassel, Lori Tocarzic Sandy Glasner

July 19—9 am—J Rosenfield, Linda Wolfe, Catherine Damm

11 am—J Capestany, Gretchen Rivera, M O'Shaughnessy

"We wish to thank you for all that you do to help the many economically deprived persons who are served by St. Francis Center."

Dear St Francis Crafters ...

Thank you all so much for the generous gift made from your Craft Fair Sales! We know you put a lot of hard work into those items, and time as well, in making and selling them. We truly appreciate your generosity and compassion to help us serve the families in our community who are in need.

Grace and Peace!

Lisa and the St Francis Center staff (McArthur, OH)

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

TODAY ... Sunday, July 12

- ▶ RCIA information sessions, after each Mass, hall
- ▶ St Francis Seniors, monthly meeting, 2 pm, hall

Monday, July 13

- ▶ Diocesan SVDP event, 6 – 8 pm

Tuesday, July 14

- ▶ Flytown Women, monthly meeting, 2 noon, hall
- ▶ Holy Hour, following 6 pm Mass, church

Thursday, July 16

- ▶ Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, **1:30 pm**

LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, July 19

- ▶ Book Discussion Group, following 11 am Mass
- ▶ Baptism Workshop, 12:30 pm, Desert Room

Monday, July 20

- ▶ Diocesan SVDP monthly meeting, 5 – 6:45 pm, hall
- ▶ Drum Circle, monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Diocesan Information

July Bulletin Notices from the Marriage and Family Life Office of the Diocese of Columbus

To be published the weekends of July 4-5 / July 11-12

"Where do we go from here? Taking back marriage for our children and families: Wed July 15, 7 - 8:30 pm at the Pontifical College Josephinum, Jessing Center. William B. May, author of Getting the Marriage Conversation Right, and frequent guest on EWTN and Catholic Radio, will discuss the Marriage Reality Movement. All are welcome to this free presentation sponsored by St Gabriel Catholic Radio and the Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Office."

The Diocese provides more information at
<http://www.colsdioc.org/Portals/0/Departments/MFO/Documents/Where%20Do%20We%20Go.pdf>

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To be published weekends in July

"Families of the Sacred Heart: On Friday, June 12, the Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell Re-Consecrated the Diocese of Columbus to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You can participate in this Re-Consecration of the Diocese by consecrating your own home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Every Catholic household in the Diocese of Columbus is encouraged to consecrate their home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, prominently displaying an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in a main area of the home. Any household in the Diocese that does not currently have an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus may request beautiful 5x7 blessed plaques of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary. Visit familylife.colsdioc.org to request your free blessed plaques."

Do not think that saintliness comes from occupation;
it depends rather on what one is.

The kind of work we do does not make us holy,
but we may make it holy.

~ *Meister Eckhart*

Pastoral Reflection for July 12, 2015

Amos, the champion of social justice, was a simple shepherd and a “dresser of sycamores.” He was neither a candidate for prophet nor among the “professional” prophets, but he was sent to go and prophesy to the Israelites. The twelve had no connections to any religious establishment either, but were summoned to go with the authorization to do the very things that Jesus himself is doing such as preaching repentance, casting out demons, and healing the sick.

Therefore, they must show absolute trust in God to care for their needs. Without food or money, or nothing (No Cell Phones. No Way!), they must rely on divine providence and the good will of the people or the hospitality of others. This missionary account of Mark allows them at least to have sandals, and a walking staff. Their provisions demonstrate the practicalities of missionary life and a symbol of authority. Jesus warns them that their message may not always be well received and they need to “up and leave” or move on whenever they face rejection.

As you hear the word of God or meet other followers of Christ in the pews, you don't need to be a professional or a self-appointed prophet, but you are to be missionaries in your own way of life -- to go out with the same confidence of the chosen ones. Filled with the Holy Spirit you are sent to announce Jesus to the world by being simply hospitable and welcoming. The love and peace of God are to be shared by all.

In Christ ~ Fr Fritz

Parish News and Information



From Bishop Watterson High School: We congratulate St. Francis of Assisi parishioners who attained honor roll with a 3.7 or higher grade point average for the 4th quarter – **Isabella Bocija** and **Fallon O'Brien**.

Around Town

1965 BISHOP HARTLEY HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 4, 2015 6 P.M.

WHERE: Jefferson Country Club, 7271 Jefferson Meadows Dr, in Blacklick, Ohio

COST: \$55/person Hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, dinner buffet, entertainment and other activities

Contact John Loeffler, 614-866-5730 / jlloeffler3@gmail.com or Mary Al Hollern Fricke twaman4947@aol.com

Family and Friends of '65 graduates please pass information on.



St Christopher Vacation Bible School:

SonSpark Labs ... Entering K-5th grade, Monday, July 27- Thurs, July 30 from 9:30am - 12:30pm. Lively songs, entertaining skits, science experiments, crafts, exciting games, story tellers and snacks.

Questions, email (St Christopher parishioner) Linda Wolfe llwolfe1966@gmail.com ... Visit the website for details, registration and medical forms.

<http://saintchristophercc.com/children>

Parish News and Information

RCIA INFORMATION MEETINGS ON SECOND SUNDAYS

This summer, our St. Francis of Assisi RCIA team will provide information on “How to become Catholic” after both Masses on second Sundays. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which those who are not baptized and those who have been baptized in other Christian denominations come together with Fr. Fritzner and the RCIA team to explore more deeply their relationship with God in the Catholic Christian community. If you would like to learn more, please come to the church hall following the 9:00 or 11:00 Mass on any one of these second Sundays: **July 12, August 9, September 13**. Feel free to contact Kathy Dancey, call [614-578-6195](tel:614-578-6195) or email her at kdancey@columbus.rr.com with questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

Pope Francis' Encyclical Laudato si' Discussion. There will be a “Sunday School” discussion of the Pope's encyclical on the ecology from 6-7:30 pm on



Sunday evenings, Aug. 2, 9, 16, and 23 in the church hall. The text is readily available online at <http://w2.vatican.va> or you can pick up a copy at the first meeting. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for all to read the text itself in order to better understand the theological

principles on which it rests and its likely impact on our lives. You need not have read the text prior to the first meeting. All are welcome. Please contact Barbara Finan (614-261-8875; finanb@sbcglobal.net) if you would like any additional info about the group or want us to provide a copy of the text for you.

From The Catholic Stewardship Consultants Reflection on Sunday Readings

July 12, 2015 — Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 7: 12-15; Ps 85: 9-14; Ephesians 1: 3-14; Mk 6: 7-13

Most scholars are of the opinion that St. Paul wrote his letter to the Ephesians while he was imprisoned in Rome. Those who study Sacred Scripture find this letter different from most of Paul's letters, as rather than addressing particular problems which may have arisen in a Christian community established by Paul, it develops a theology, an explanation of what it means to be a Christian.

At the end of this particular reading, Paul makes reference to two important aspects of our faith and of our beliefs. St. Paul tells us that we have “believed in him (Jesus)” and that we are “sealed” with the promised Holy Spirit. Believing in Jesus, in His promises, in His redemption of us, is at the core of everything we do. This trust, this belief, is what allows us to take the steps needed to follow Him, to be His disciple, and to practice a stewardship way of living.

Note that we believe first, however, and then we are sealed. Yes, we are sealed at Baptism and at Confirmation as those represent our promises to the Lord. We do not need some assurance from God as to His good graces. By believing, by having faith and trust, we are able to be Christ's representative. It is worth recalling and repeating that well-known quote from St. Thomas Aquinas: “To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary; to one without faith, no explanation is possible.”