

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of July 26, 2015

Sunday, July 26

9:00 am—Wilma “Rosie” Rose (Steven Hillyer)
11:00 am—Parishioners of St Francis of Assisi Parish

Monday, July 27

NO MASS

Tuesday, July 28

6:00 pm—Bill Scharlott (Fran Scharlott)

Wednesday, July 29

6:00 pm—For All of God’s Creation

Thursday, July 30

6:00 pm—For Hospitalized Persons

Friday, July 31

6:00 pm—For Peace In Our World

Saturday, August 1

NO MASS

Sunday, August 2

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

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

July 26—9 am—Frank Conway, Terry Gaton

11 am—Jackie Emch, Maggie McCoy

Aug 2—9 am—Katherine Kriedermann, Susan Kyanko

11 am—Matt Pastore, Marilyn Smith

Servers

July 26—9 am—John Ryan; 11 am—Margaret O’Brien

Aug 2—9 am—Linda Wolfe; 11 am—Fallon O’Brien

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

July 26—9 am—Susan Kyanko; 11 am—Lori Toczorcz

Aug 2—9 am—Frank Schneider; 11 am—Julie Byrne

Lectors

July 26—9 am—Diane Meves, Jon Murphy

11 am—Sophia Brown, Louisa Celebrezze

Aug 2—9 am—Gretchen Rivera, Sue Cruickshank

11 am—Diane Meves, Maggie McCoy

Eucharistic Ministers

July 26—9 am—Steven Hillyer, Christine Paisley, VOLUNTEER

11 am—Sandy Glasner, Susan Sarwark, Renee Morkassel

Aug 2—9 am—Sister Sharen, Steven Hillyer, Joyce Schneider

11 am—Mark Coleman, Susan Sarwark, Louisa Celebrezze

Prayer Requests ... Please keep parishioner Dorothy Spiva in your prayers, who was hospitalized earlier this month; and Gene Phillips (father of office manager Therese Phillips), who underwent surgery (for melanoma) earlier this month and is awaiting pathology reports. THANK YOU!

Congratulations! We welcome the following to our family of faith, through the Sacrament of Baptism –

Mia Rose Lancia (Baptized at 9 am)

Dorothy Frances Himmel (Baptized at 11 am)

Caroline Dixie Snavley (Baptized at 11 am)

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

TODAY ... Sunday, July 26

▶ Bethlehem Christian Families, Olive Wood Carvings sale after each Mass, church hall

▶ Secular Franciscan Order, monthly meeting, 2 pm

Monday, July 27

▶ Diocesan SVDP monthly meeting, 5 – 6:45 pm, hall

▶ SFA SVDP monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Tuesday, July 28

▶ Stewardship Council monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Thursday, July 30

▶ Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, 1:30 pm

LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, August 2

▶ Hospitality Sunday, following each Mass, hall

▶ Laudato Si’ encyclical discussion group, 6 pm, hall (all Sunday evenings in Aug; come to one, come to all!)

Monday, August 3

▶ Flytown Men, monthly meeting, 6 pm, hall

Tuesday, August 4

▶ Pastoral Council monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Diocesan Information

Join Theology on Tap for Our Summer Cookout!



Dinner, drinks and Catholic Trivia with Fr. Steven Bell

Thursday, August 13, 7pm-9pm

The cafeteria at St. Christopher's Church in Grandview | 1420 Grandview Ave, Columbus

Young Adults +21 (Please bring I.D.) | \$5 |

BBQ pulled pork, beer, wine and water will be provided. A vegetarian black bean burger option will be available. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share with the group. A vegan request may be made.

Contact: cbustheologyontap@gmail.com/614.390.8653

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ColumbusTheologyOnTap/>

The Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation,

Carey, Ohio invites you to come and pray during the Novena of Our Lady, August 6-14 at 8 pm (Sunday 2:30 pm). Fr. David Schalk will be the Novena preacher. Join us on this journey of faith, hope and healing. For more information call [419-396-7107](tel:419-396-7107) or look us at olcshrine.com.



Catholic Family Night at Crew Stadium

Join the Diocesan Recreation Association for Catholic Family Night with the Columbus Crew on Saturday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 p.m., when the Crew takes on Sporting KC! A portion of ticket proceeds support the Recreation Association's Sportsmanship Scholarship. Upper sideline seats are available for \$22; tickets are limited and subject to availability. Deadline to order tickets is Wednesday, Aug. 12. For ticket information, contact Katherine Wren at [614-447-4232](tel:614-447-4232) or kwren@columbuscrew.com.



Pastoral Reflection for July 26, 2015

In the course of this liturgical “Year B” we have been reading the Gospel of Mark. Yet today and for the next four weeks, we will be praying and meditating on chapter 6 of St John’s (much longer) version of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes and what it means.

There were some 5,000 people – the number one picnic in religious history – listening all day long to Jesus. As the night approached, Jesus, as the new Moses, decided to feed the crowd, but all that was available in this isolated country side was five loaves of bread and two fish. Jesus took them, blessed them, distributed them, and, by his order, all the fragments were gathered up to discover gradually that everyone ate their fill and that there were twelve baskets of leftovers.

This miracle or sign provides the background for the stunning discourse of Jesus on the famous “Bread of Life.” Jesus works wonders with the little we have if we are willing to give it all. Where there is deep faith the will to help, there is always enough. The needs of the Church are met, and everyone is fed, including the poor, some with food, and others with joy at having the chance to share.

Having received the Eucharist, let us now commit to feed one another, especially those who are hungry for love.

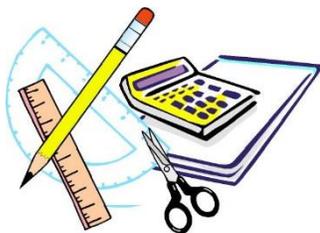
In Christ ~ Fr Fritz

Parish News and Information

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR McARTHUR

It’s time for the annual **St. Francis Center (in McArthur) School Supply Drive**. Please bring school supplies of all kinds

to St. Francis of Assisi Church, place in the box in the back of the church, and they will be delivered to the St. Francis Center on **August 16**. The Center has already been blessed with a large number of the spiral notebooks and filler paper so those are not needed, but everything else is (pens, pencils, tape, scissors, glue, markers, rulers). Because of your generosity, many children will have the supplies they need to start the year **successfully**.



Bethlehem Christian Families

OLIVE WOOD CARVERS ... TODAY, July 26,

we welcome the Bethlehem Christian Families from the Holy Land, representing the olive wood carvers of Bethlehem. Due to the political situation in Israel and the interruption of tourist trade, many families are in danger of losing their homes and their work.

You can help by purchasing these beautiful wood carvings (all proceeds go to the Bethlehem Christian Families). **For Sale –**

Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Christmas Ornaments, and much more!

Parish News and Information

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.

Speaking of ecology ...

Did you know? We (you, me, the person next to you) drink, on average, 167 bottles of water a year.

Why is this **NOT GOOD**?

Because those bottles take 1,000 years to degrade. Because 80% of the bottles we discard — **even the 20% of bottles dropped in recycling bins — end up as litter.**

Because bottled water burns oil ...

it takes 1.5 million barrels to manufacture a year’s supply of bottles for American consumers. And, irony of ironies — **BOTTLED WATER WASTES WATER ...**

It takes 3 liters of water to package 1 liter of bottled water!

... Think about it ...

From The Catholic Stewardship Consultants Reflection on Sunday Readings

July 26, 2015 — Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs: 4: 42-44; Ps 145: 10-11, 15-18; Eph 4: 1-6; Jn 6: 1-5

Our Gospel reading from St. John relates the account of Jesus feeding the more than 5,000 gathered to be fed by the Word, little knowing that they would be fed in reality owing to one of the Lord’s best known miracles. This phenomenal narrative is reported in all four Gospels.



In many ways what Jesus did in this particular miracle is different from others He performed. He makes an effort to involve His Apostles by turning to them and appealing for assistance. Of course, there is some hesitance on the parts of Philip and Andrew who are cited as responding in somewhat negative ways. Jesus does not admonish them for their misgivings but goes ahead to accomplish what He set out to do.

Certainly the Apostles had witnessed previous incredible acts by the Lord, but yet they still hesitated to trust Him implicitly. How often do we do the same? Do we remember the many blessings we have received, and do we think of all the ways God has been with us in the past, or do we, like Philip and Andrew, doubt? Stewardship involves complete trust in God. This trust should be based as much on what has happened in our lives, as on our deep faith. Good stewards concentrate on the positive, not on the negative. When one focuses on blessings rather than challenges, miracles like this seem commonplace.