

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of August 30, 2015

Sunday, August 30

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

11:00 am—Bill Scharlott (Fran Scharlott)

Monday, August 31

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 1

6:00 pm—Peace In Our World

Wednesday, September 2

6:00 pm—Students and Teachers

Thursday, September 3

6:00 pm—Homebound and Their Caregivers

Friday, September 4

6:00 pm—Needs of All Parishioners

Saturday, September 5

NO MASS

Sunday, September 6

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

11:00 am—Lucy Morgan (Steven Hillyer)

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

Aug 30—9 am—Terry Gatton, Ted Klupinski

11 am—Sophia Brown, Sandy Glasner

Sept 6—9 am—Lorri Kuczynski, Joyce Schneider

11 am—Tera Kovar, John Nunn

Servers

Aug 30—9 am—Frank Conway; 11 am—Fallon O'Brien

Sept 6—9 am—Steven Hillyer; 11 am—Margaret O'Brien

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

Aug 30—9 am—Bob Geoghegan; 11 am—Julie Byrne

Sept 6—9 am—Frank Schneider; 11 am—Lori Tocorzic

Lectors

Aug 30—9 am—Joe Dallacqua, Linda Wolfe

11 am—Ben Gibbons, Will Brenner

Sept 6—9 am—Will Brenner, Gretchen Rivera

11 am—Renee Morkassel, Sophia Brown

Eucharistic Ministers

Aug 30—9 am—Catherine Damm, Chris Paisley, Sister Sharen

11 am—Sue Cruickshank, Joanna Nunn, Marilyn Smith

Sept 6—9 am—Sister Sharen, Frank Conway, C Damm

11 am—J Capestany, Joanna Nunn, Sandy Glasner



Can you help ?!?!?!?
We are looking for
volunteers to help with our
Annual Parish Picnic on
Sunday, October 11.

Please contact the parish office if you can help in ANY
WAY – large or small – with this fun, food-and-
fellowship event. Thank you!

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

TODAY ... Sunday, August 30

- ▶ Concert with Abbie Stands, 3 pm, church (FREE!)
(see description on next page)

Tuesday, September 1

- ▶ Parish Pastoral Council monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Thursday, September 3

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

Saturday, September 5

- ▶ Men's Coffee and Prayer Group, 8:30 am, hall

LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, September 6

- ▶ SPECIAL Hospitality Event for Fr Fritz's
Ordination Anniversary
10 am Hospitality (with cake, fruit, and beverages)

**NOTE: this is a one-time event at 10 am only, due
To Fr Fritz's schedule with the Haitian Community**

Parish News and Information

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

-- RCIA --

If you are a non-baptized person or a baptized person of another Christian denomination with a desire to learn about Catholic beliefs and practices, please consider participating in our parish RCIA process. Join our RCIA team in a welcoming environment where you may feel free to ask questions and share your faith journey. Weekly RCIA sessions will begin on Wednesday, September 16, in the church hall, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Please contact Kathy Dancey to learn more about the process ([614-421-7652](tel:614-421-7652) or kdancey@columbus.rr.com).

"Come and see!" (Jn 1:39)



We're getting ready for the start of another year in the **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium**. Plans are to welcome new children to this Montessori-based religious education program (for children ages 3-6 years) on Sunday, Sept 20. Registrations forms are now available on the registers in the back of church!

Fr. Fritz is celebrating his 16th anniversary as a priest on September 5, 2015. Please join us next Sunday, September 6, between the 9:00 and 11:00 Masses to recognize him, his commitment to God, and to our parish. Light refreshments will be served (that means cake!), so don't miss this opportunity to let Father know how much you appreciate him.

Haitian Labor Day Festival

Join the Haitian Community in this Annual Event
at St Mattheis Catholic Church
1582 Ferris Road in Columbus

Labor Day, Monday, September 7
(afternoon and evening)

Pastoral Reflection for August 30, 2015

An argument arose between the Jews and Jesus' disciples who were eating without washing their hands. Hygiene was not the issue here; rather, the non-observance of a prescription of the Law of Moses that strictly prohibited eating a meal without washing hands.

Jesus seized the occasion to give them a two-fold lesson that shocked his immediate listeners, yet opened minds and spirits for all times to come. Food does not render people impure; rather, their thoughts and actions profane, and he has the authority to subordinate rituals to ethics if not to challenge and change some of their so-called "sacred traditions."

In essence he says, what counts in God's eye is the heart not ritual behavior. External acts are good only when they spring forth from a pure heart. His objection focuses on man-made customs taking precedence over God's law, and proclaiming "the religion of the heart" as opposed to the religion of "external observances."

We are defiled or made pure only by what we think, do, seek and pursue. Evils come from within our wicked hearts and are the only cause of defilement." Who then is pure?

Love, which has its demands, is the supreme law. The final judgment will be based on the cleanliness of the heart not of the hands. Before judging and condemning others, let us probe our own heart and discern our own failings. Do justice and you will live in the presence of the Lord. Don't worship with your lips if your heart is far from God.

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Join us TODAY, Sunday August 30 at 3 pm, for a free concert given by former St Francis of Assisi choral assistant ABBIE STANDS – along with a small ensemble of piano and percussion – and the SFA Choir. There will be a free will offering (to raise funds for ministries at SFA). The afternoon promises an uplifting program featuring beloved spirituals, American and Latin jazz standards, and original compositions. Bring your family and friends to this special event!

Parish Financial Update – July 2015

July Income = 23,290
July Expenses = 24,836
Difference = \$1,546 loss for the month

Please join the Amazing Parish team (and council members of Finance, Pastoral, and Stewardship Councils) for an update of our planning sessions on **Monday September 14, at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall. We are excited to share our draft with you and look forward to your thoughts and ideas. Any interested parishioners are welcome to join in the conversation. Please pray for the success of this joint meeting.



The SVDP Donation Box at the entrance to the church has been looking a bit empty these past few weeks. People still need food and personal hygiene items in the summer months. When you go to the store, please pick up a few extra items to put in the donation box when you come to church. Food with pop top cans are always needed for the homeless, and peanut butter is always good. Deodorant, shampoo, soap, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, women's hygiene items, and diapers – to name just a few – are always needed. Thank you!

Diocesan and Other Local Information

Mark your calendars! The annual Friends of the Poor Walk that raises funds for the work of St. Vincent de Paul will take place this year on **October 3, 2015**. Plan to join fellow St. Francis of Assisi parishioners in walking in the event, which will once again take place at St. Francis De Sales High School. Or, if walking is not your thing, plan to make a pledge to a parishioner who is taking part. Details on how to do so will be available in upcoming bulletins.



Bible Study based on "The Bible and The Sacraments" authored by Dr. Scott Hahn. Have you ever wondered – "Where Is That Found in the Bible?" Learn where the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church are rooted in the Old Jewish Testament and found in the New Catholic Christian Testament. Live the Sacraments Better and get empowering answers to your questions. Join this 7-9 week course (cost = \$10 for workbook) with facilitators Thom and Lorna Lisk. Monday evenings from 7 – 8:30 pm, beginning Sept 14. Questions? Contact Thom Lisk at 614.846.3803 for details and location.

Christ the King Church is in search of a full-time secretary who is able to support the administrative aspects of its mission of evangelization. Candidates must have an active faith life and be willing to express that faith in his/her work. English and Spanish language capabilities are essential, as well as advanced proficiency in Microsoft Office. Candidates should feel comfortable in a diverse community and a fast-paced office. The position offers full benefits, including medical, dental, vision, and retirement. Candidates should email resumes to Father David Schalk at schalk.ctk@gmail.com.