

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of September 27, 2015

Sunday, September 27

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

11:00 am—Bill Scharlott (Fran Scharlott)

Monday, September 28

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 29

6:00 pm—Peace In Our World

Wednesday, September 30

6:00 pm—Bob McGowan (Jodelle Lorenz)

Thursday, October 1

6:00 pm—Pat Mooney (Jack Randolph)

Friday, October 2

6:00 pm—Homeless Persons and Those in Poverty

Saturday, October 3

NO MASS

Sunday, October 4 – Feast of St Francis

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Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

Sept 27—9 am—Frank Conway, Terry Gatton

11 am—Maryellen O'Shaughnessy, Tera Kovar

Oct 4—9 am—Frank Schneider, Terry Gatton

11 am—Sandy Glasner, Tera Kovar

Servers

Sept 27—9 am—John Ryan; 11 am—Margaret O'Brien

Oct 4—9 am—Susan Kyanko; 11 am—NOT FILLED

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

Sept 27—9 am—Susan Kyanko; 11 am—Dan O'Brien

Oct 4—9 am—Skip Camerucci; 11 am—Julie Byrne

Lectors

Sept 27—9 am—Lynn Willford, Joe Dallacqua

11 am—Louisa Celebrezze, Sue Cruickshank

Oct 4—9 am—Elise Ryan, Joyce Schneider

11 am—Larry Charles, Jon Murphy

Eucharistic Ministers

Sept 27—9 am—K Kriedermann, J Rosenfield, Linda Wolfe

11 am—Mark Coleman, Gretchen Rivera, Lori Toczic

Oct 4—9 am—Steven Hillyer, Chris Paisley, K Kriedermann

11 am—Mark Coleman, Joanna Nunn, Marilyn Smith

Please remember in your prayers — parishioner Catherine Damm, who was seriously injured in an auto accident recently and is hospitalized in Cleveland following surgeries.

Gluten "Free" / Low Gluten Hosts ... we now have Low Gluten hosts available for those who wish to receive them. If you would like to receive a low-gluten host at Communion, please notify one of the greeters before Mass. This will allow us to observe and maintain safety protocols for those who are sensitive or allergic to gluten. Any questions? Call the parish office (614.299.5781 / office@sfacolumbus.org) or see one of the Mass Coordinators. Thank you!

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

TODAY ... Sunday, September 27

- ▶ Secular Franciscan Order, 2 pm, church and hall

Monday, September 28

- ▶ SVDP conference monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Tuesday, September 29

- ▶ Stewardship Council monthly meeting, 7 pm, hall

Wednesday, September 30

- ▶ RCIA Inquiry Sessions begin, 7 pm, hall

Thursday, October 1

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

Saturday, October 3

- ▶ Friends of the Poor Walk (see below)
- ▶ Animal Blessing, 10 am
- ▶ Transitus Celebration, 7 pm

LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, October 4

- ▶ Feast Day! Hospitality Sunday after each Mass

Around Town ... Local and Diocesan News



Friends of the Poor Walk

The St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk will take place **Saturday, October 3, 2015** at St. Francis de Sales High School, located at 4212 Karl Road. Registration starts at 9 a.m. with the walk around the track beginning at 10 a.m. Participants can walk as little or as long as they wish. Proceeds raised by St. Francis of Assisi walkers **come directly to our church's St. Vincent de Paul Conference**. This past year St. Francis' St. Vincent de Paul Conference has made donations to agencies and groups such as NNEMAP Food Pantry, JOIN, St. Francis Center in MacArthur, Women Affirming Women, Catholic Social Services, and Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution (SOAP) among others; conducted the Thanksgiving baskets and Christmas giving tree campaigns; made sandwiches for distribution by St. Lawrence Haven; and assisted individuals in need. Directions for signing up to participate as a walker or as a donor are as follows:

To walk: Go to <https://www.svdpusa.net/fop/> And Select **Ohio** in the drop down menu in the **Find a Local Walk** area ... then Select the **Register to Walk** Button

To donate: Go to <https://www.svdpusa.net/fop/> And in the **Donate to a Walker** area **type the name of a St. Francis of Assisi walker**. THIS IS IMPORTANT to insure that your donation comes back to our parish Conference. St. Francis walkers registered to walk to date are: John Nunn, Jaime Capestany, Lorri Kuczynski, Michael Loutzenhiser, Butch Goffos, Lynn Epperson, and Karen Scheid, and Irene Zahm. Select the walker from the list of participants and donate. **THANK YOU!**

For publication in Parish Bulletins each weekend from Sept. 27th – Nov. 8th ... Love Is Our Mission: A Call to Live the Joy and Mission of Marriage & Family Life: All are invited to one of these four gatherings as The Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell discusses the recent World Meeting of Families.

Monday, October 12, 7:00 PM, Ohio Dominican University

Wednesday, Oct 21, 7:00 PM, St. Francis DeSales, Newark

Saturday, October 31, 10:30 AM, St. Peter, Chillicothe

Tuesday, November 10, 7:00 PM, Bishop Ready H. S.

For more information visit www.colsdioc.org or call 614-241-2560

Pastoral Reflection for September 27, 2015

When we think we understand God, something totally unexpected occurs and we have to start all over again. Today, we come upon various surprises and unrelated statements Jesus made at different moments on his way to Jerusalem.

First there is this theme of intolerance and sectarianism. One of the disciples is trying to stop some "strangers" or "unauthorized" exorcists that are involved in the successful struggle against the demons for they "do not belong" to the inner circle of Jesus. Jesus gets right to the point and demonstrates a spirit of tolerance and inclusiveness, saying: "Do not prevent them. Whoever is not against us is for us!" No group has the monopoly of God's Spirit. Jesus is free to pour out his grace and power on anyone who will use it for the good of the others. What a good lesson to those who are jealous of success achieved by those called foreigners or "outsiders"?

Jesus then stresses the importance of ordinary acts of awareness and compassion out love such as giving even a glass of water to a thirsty person will be rewarded. It might seem simple but it is a good place to start for if we can perceive something small as someone's thirst, we can see other big significant needs in the life of people as well.

A stern warning follows regarding scandals caused by pervert deeds. It would be better for the perpetrator to be thrown into the sea than to cause a vulnerable person to lose his soul. How appropriate this is in these days when cases of victims of abuse, human trafficking and exploitation are reported by the media at an alarming rate?

It is better to cut off some parts of your bodies than to use them to abuse another human being or the "common good" that is part of Papa Francisco's major uplifting and holistic addresses to the insiders and to the outsiders, to the believers and nonbelievers this week. Neglecting these issues among others in our own neighborhood is ignoring Jesus' warning about what our hand, our feet, our eyes, and heart are for. Are these current issues not part of what our Social Justice Ministry Team (BREAD) is called to identify during these open House Meetings period?

In Christ ~ Fr Fritz

Parish News and Information

Help Wanted!!! Can you help us? Take a look at these opportunities ...

1. **Collection Counters** ... need volunteers to help count the Sunday collection. Time requirement is once a month, following the 11 am Mass. We especially need help on the 3rd Sunday of each month.
2. **Church Cleaning** ... need help with bi-weekly (every other week) church cleaning. We already have a team in place twice a month, and are looking for an additional team on the opposite weeks. Flexible time frame!

Please contact the parish office / 614.299.5781 / office@sfacolumbus.org

Mark Your Calendars! OCTOBER EVENTS

Saturday, October 3, at 10 am – Animal Blessing

Sat, October 3 at 7 pm – Transitus: A celebration of Francis' passing from earthly existence to eternal life, sponsored by the Secular Franciscan Order. Prayers, reflections, music

Sunday, October 4 – Feast Day!

Sunday, October 11 – from 12 noon – 4 pm – Parish Picnic
At Goodale Park (see info below)

Sunday, October 18 – BREAD House Meeting
Details will follow soon!

Sunday, October 25
Tapestry Commitment Festival
After each Mass

P.S. in the planning ahead category – please note the Columbus Marathon is Sunday, Oct 18.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC NEWS

Have you marked your calendars?
Sunday, October 11, at Goodale Park
Following the 11 am Mass (until 4 pm)

This year – it's time for somethin' different –

It's a Chili Cook-off!

Bring your homemade, secret, prize-winning, family favorite Chili or Cornbread to share.



There will be a prize for the winner!

[and this editor has already heard a certain Mr B K talkin' up his fancy chili-makin' skills! ... So bring it on!]

The parish will provide additional chili, and beverages.

50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS
ON SALE NOW! After each Mass

OCTOBER PARISH ART PROJECT ... This year during our parish October celebration we will be offering the opportunity to **decorate garden bricks for our beautiful parish gardens**. We will provide most of the materials but would ask that you think about what items you would like use to decorate your brick and begin collecting them. We would suggest any of the following --- broken pottery or china, buttons, keys, glass beads, jewelry, mementos, stones, tiles. Also it would help us for you to save your cardboard quart milk/juice containers to use as forms. More information will follow.

