

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of June 26, 2016

Sunday, June 26

9:00 am—For the Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

11:00 am— For the Leadership of St. Francis of Assisi

Monday June 27

No Mass

Tuesday, June 28

11:00 am – For our City's First Responders

Wednesday, June 29

6:00 pm – For All Those Who Are Ill

Thursday, June 30

6:00 pm – For the Homeless of Our Community

Friday, July 1

6:00 pm –Pat and Julie Volpe (Norma Oldham)

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

June 26 - 9 am Vince Maite, Teresa Gattton

11 am – Gretchen Rivera, Megan Murphy

July 3 —9 am—Vince Maite, Teresa Gattton

11 am – Andrea Randel, Tera Kovar

Servers

June 26 – 9 am Elizabeth Maite, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

July 3—9 am—Elizabeth Maite, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

June 26– 9 am – Susan Kyanko 11 am – Dan O'Brien

July 3—9 am— Frank Conway 11 am—Lori Toczczic

Lectors

June 26 – 9 am – Lori Maite, Cecilia McAdams

11 am –Diane Meves, Julie Byrne

July 3 —9 am—Joyce Schneider, Lori Maite

11 am—Mary Ellen O'Shaughnessy, Gary Snyder

Eucharistic Ministers

June 26 – 9 am – Frank Conway, Linda Wolfe, K.Kriedermann

11 am – Sandy Glasner, ME O'Shaughnessy, Mark Coleman

July 3 - 9 am—MA Kerscher, Jan Rosenfield, Frank Schneider

11 am—Susan Sarwark, Joanna Nunn

Gluten "Free"/Low Gluten Hosts...are 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.

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass...It's about learning to dance in the rain.

-Vivian Greene

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Sunday, June 26

▶ 12:00 pm – SFA Book Club

▶ 2:00 pm – Secular Franciscan Order

Monday, June 27

▶ 7:00 pm – Saint Vincent DePaul

Tuesday, June 28

▶ 12:00 pm – Flytown Women

▶ 7:00 pm – Stewardship Meeting

Wednesday, June 29

▶ 7:00 pm - RCIA

Thursday, June 30

▶ 10:00 am. Westminster Thurber Bible Study

Friday, July 1

▶ 5:00 pm - Sidewalk Evangelization

Saturday, July 2

▶ 8:30 am – Men's Coffee and Prayer Group

Parish News and Information

Catholic Foundation Grants – The Parish has received two grants from the Catholic Foundation. The first grant of \$3500 was used to purchase audio visual equipment (TV's, DVD players and mounts) to be used for education and faith formation. The second grant of \$4000 was used to replace the speakers in the church and to purchase assistive listening equipment.

The Catholic Foundation is a non-profit, charitable organization that receives and manages assets to provide perpetual funding for the parishes, schools and ministries within the 23-county Diocese of Columbus. The Foundation's Board of Trustees is comprised of Church, business and civic leaders who represent various regions of the diocese.

The Catholic Foundation offers Catholics a way to leave their legacy uniquely aligned with their Catholic values and beliefs. Donors enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that their gift directly supports the Catholic organizations that they choose. Additionally, the Foundation invests all funds in accordance with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops guidelines for Socially Responsible Investments.

New Chairs for the Parish Hall – The votes are in and counted! Sixty-nine people voted, and the unanimous winner is the light blue padded vinyl chair with 47 votes. The black plastic chair got 9 votes and the padded cloth chair got 13. Each chair will cost \$41.94. If you would like to purchase a chair for the hall, please make a check payable to SFA with chair in the memo line and drop it in the collection plate. Any questions about the chairs please contact Joyce Schneider.

St. Francis of Assisi St. Vincent DePaul Society appreciates all of the donations that have been placed in the box at the entrance of the church. We take food items to NNEMAP Food Pantry. Please check the expiration dates of the items that you place in the donation box. If the cans/boxes of food have an expired date, please don't put those in the box. The food pantry cannot distribute them and they will be thrown away. Thank you!

Calling all Eucharistic Ministers – We are need of someone to take Communion to Heartland on a weekly basis. If you would like to be that blessing, please contact Jeanna in the church office for the arrangements. Thank you in advance for your dedication to this ministry

Pastoral Reflection – June 26, 2016

Last Sunday we heard Jesus telling his disciples that “he would suffer greatly, be rejected and be killed and on the third day be raised.” For several weeks, the Gospel will fit within St Luke's framework of “Jesus' journey narrative.” Today's Scriptures took him to his journey to Samaria, which was not very welcoming with the Jews. Some angry disciples wanted to punish them, but that was not what Jesus wanted. “His time was fulfilled to be taken up.”

Next we have heard Jesus emphasize the attitudes that are required from his followers, that of basically sacrificing our comfort, pleasure and worldly security, sometimes even putting family obligations aside, knowing we have to make time to obey and honor God.

We have heard how Elisha was free enough to leave the family behind and follow Elijah; we have heard Paul preach that our freedom is a freedom to love others. If we wish to be Jesus' disciple, we cannot keep using family or some other commitments as excuses for our refusal to go forward. Time is short. We can't delay. Let us keep moving ahead together.

Parish News and Information

Outreach Opportunity - Summer festival season is upon us, and pastoral council hopes to help the parish by maintaining a presence outside the church for Pride Festival, ComFest and Red White and Boom, in an outreach and evangelization effort to our local community. Similar to last year's event, when the Pope came to the USA, we will provide water bottles for passersby, and water and treats for their canine pals. We will also provide information about the parish, including our mission, Mass times, events and other information. If you are interested in helping with this event a sign-up sheet is posted in the church vestibule. For further information, please also contact Mike Schmidt at michaeljameschmidt@yahoo.com or John Ryan jryan194@gmail.com. Thank you to those who helped make our first two events successful. There is still time to sign up to help with Red, White and Boom on Friday, July 1 from 5-8 pm.

Church Anniversary – The 120th Anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi Parish is quickly approaching. We will have a celebration on August 21 with a welcoming home festivities and a reception after Mass. We need your input on how best to celebrate this joyous occasion. If you would like to be included in the planning of this monumental celebration please contact Kathy Dancy.

Pictorial Directory – You have asked for it and now it will be a reality. We will be publishing a new pictorial directory in October. Stay tuned for more information as the time gets closer.

St. Francis Social Justice Group – Mark your calendar! The group will meet between Masses on July 10 to hear updates on our parish's various social justice initiatives and to discuss additional ways we as a parish can carry out our church's social justice mission.



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Women Affirming Women Volunteer Opportunity – St. Francis of Assisi St. Vincent DePaul group is interested in supporting WAW this year. July 20-23, 2016 is this year's Women's Respite Weekend. Thank you for your most generous support of the Boutique items. As the Respite weekend approaches the Team needs volunteers to help make the weekend successful and touch the lives of the participants. Please contact Karen Self at 614-837-8588 or email at karensself@aol.com, if you're able to commit some time in any of the following areas: Set up/tear down (men welcome due to heavy items to move – July 21 & 25), Clean-up Coordinator, Clean-up Helpers, Transportation Coordinator, Transporters (escort participants to/from weekend), Cookie Coordinator, Cookie Bakers, Photography, Meal Helpers.

Flood Damage – On Thursday, June 23 the parish hall, basement (furnace room), classrooms, and rectory basement suffered at the hands of the storm. At some point, there was standing water in the parish hall that was about 8 inches deep in some places. Some items have been completely ruined, and some we are still unsure the extent of the damage. We had a handful of volunteers working throughout the day on Thursday to restore the rooms back to their original condition. The Diocese has been contacted and will be over to assess the damages.

Banns of Marriage for July -

July 2, 2016 – Molly Bradway and Clifton McAuley IV

July 9, 2016 – Ashley Korfel and Robert Weaver

July 23, 2016 – Ashley Blind and Carson Wilshire

Let us pray for these couples as they enter into Holy Matrimony. May they always put Christ in the center of their lives and use His guidance to bless their marriage.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

We have concluded this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. Thank you so much to all of those who have contributed.

We concluded the appeal with \$14,680, which is 64% of our total goal and 30% of our parish population.

If you did not get a chance to turn in your envelope, you can still contribute by sending your pledge and/or donation directly to the Diocese. Follow-up letters will be sent out in mid-July for all those who have not yet contributed.

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