

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of January 29, 2017

Sunday, January 29

9:00 am— For the Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am —Don Foley (John Randolph)

Monday January 30

No Mass

Tuesday, January 31

6:00 pm – For our Community Leaders

Wednesday, February 1

6:00 pm – For the Sick and Hurting

Thursday, February 2

6:00 pm – Peggy Schano (Jim & Cecilia McAdams)

Friday, February 3

6:00 pm – For All in Need of Prayer

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Thank you for your willingness to serve to make our Mass Successful

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

January 29 —9 am—Lori Maite, Vince Maite

11 am – Gretchen Rivera, Theri Brady

February 5 – 9 am – Lori Maite, Vince Maite

11 am – Maryellen O'Shaughnessy, Marilyn Smith

Servers

January 29—9 am—Elizabeth Maite, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

February 5 – 9 am – Elizabeth Maite, 11 am – Margaret O'Brien

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

January 29—9 am—Susan Kyanko 11 am – Julie Byrne

February 5 – 9 am – Kathleen Porter, 11 am – Dan O'Brien

Lectors

January 29 —9 am—Elise Ryan, Will Brenner

11 am –Diane Meves, Ben Gibbons

February 5 – 9 am – Joyce Schneider, Will Brenner

11 am – Ben Gibbons, Susan Sarwark

Eucharistic Ministers

January 29 - 9 am—K. Kriedermann, Rick Miller, Linda Wolfe

11 am – Renee Morkassel, Joanna Nunn, Sandy Glasner

February 5 – 9 am – Sr. Sharen, J. Capestany, F. Schneider

11 am – Louisa Celebrezze, Pat Visel, Lori Toczorczic



Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Please check the St. Francis website for the full calendar of events

Sunday, January 29



Monday, January 30

▶ 7:00 pm – Parish Town Hall Meeting

Tuesday, January 31

▶ 7:00 pm – Stewardship Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 1

▶ 7:00 - RCIA

Thursday, February 2

▶ 10:00 am – Westminster Thurber Bible Study

Saturday, February 4

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

Parish News and Information

Parish Town Hall Meeting – On Monday, January 30, 2017, at 7:00 pm, there will be an all parish meeting to discuss some potential renovations to the church. Please join us to hear the ideas and presentations from the Diocese. If you have any questions, please contact Frank Conway.

Pasta Dinner – It's time to start preparing for the Annual Pasta Dinner. This year's dinner will be on Saturday, February 25 from 12:00 -7:00. Table and place mat sponsors still needed. We will also need baked goods for the bake sale, and as always, we will have the Wine Window. If you are unable to make the event, please consider purchasing a ticket to donate. Any sponsorship information can be dropped in the collection plate. Be sure to place your check and sponsorship info in an envelope marked Pasta Dinner. Please contact Frank Schneider or Marti Damm with questions.

Sunday School - We will be meeting in the Parish Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 pm on the four Sundays of February to talk theology with each other. Please join us for as many of those discussions as possible. Topics will be chosen by the attendees. If you have any questions or suggestions for topics, please contact Barbara Finan at finanb@sbcglobal.net.

Morning of Reflection for Liturgical Ministers. There will be a morning of reflection for all new and continuing liturgical ministers from **9:00 am – 11:00 am Saturday, February 11th**. The morning will be a time to join together to pray and reflect on the important service provided by our greeters, crucifers, servers, lectors, choir members, Eucharistic Ministers and others who contribute to our parish liturgies. Even if you have not previously signed up please join us if you are interested in serving in one of the liturgical ministries. After the meeting, there will be an opportunity to ask questions and to get information on training. For additional information or if you are not able to attend the reflection, please contact one of our Mass Coordinators, **Pat Cassidy, (614.625.5271), cassidy.jpatrick@yahoo.com** or **Linda Wolfe (614.879.6734), greywolfetracks@gmail.com**.

Choir will resume weekly rehearsals on Thursdays at 7:00. We'd love to have new voices join us for Lent and Easter. Come on out! Any questions may be directed to Laurel Marazita at lmrazita@hotmail.com.

Collection Report – on January 15 we took up a collection for Propagation of the Faith. You generously gave \$444. Thank you for your generosity.

Pastoral Reflection - January 29, 2017

Together we express our longing to be called "blessed God's children" as we strive to live Jesus' lifestyle and values. The Gospel reading specifies those values in terms of the Beatitudes, which is the first major Jesus' discourse to the disciples. These litanies of blessings in Matthew essentially lay out Jesus' vision of what membership in the kingdom of God entails. Jesus invites all his followers to embrace values and lifestyles that are essential in making God's Kingdom real and practical in our everyday lives. They have a unique sacramental opportunity on earth to usher in the kingdom. It is found in life's ordinary mix of bitter and sweet. However, the "Beatitudes" or "the Sermon on the Mountain" is meant not just for the disciples but also for whoever desires to know and live according to God's values here and now. Yet, these are the very values that are essential for all who claim to be the Lord's disciples. The Beatitudes are the key to which we may aspire. We are to live in total reliance on God, no matter what life may bring.

As children of God, all our ministry on earth experience good and bad times and Jesus' disciples are called to consider the spiritual dimensions or the blessedness of all life's activity. In the Beatitudes, Jesus asks for attitudes and actions that reflect his life and teaching. This is what it takes to be his followers.

Pastoral Council

Pastoral Council is seeking new members for the upcoming 3-year term. If you are interested in serving the parish in a leadership role, or know of someone who would like to serve in this way, then please use the nomination form provided below. This form can be submitted via the offertory collection, or you can also email Jeanna in the parish office at office@sfacolumbus.org.

Pastoral Council provides a meaningful opportunity to share your particular skills and interests in the life of our parish. Furthermore, you will have an opportunity to learn more about our church, and to get to know new members of the community, whom you might not know otherwise. Pastoral Council typically meets on one Tuesday evening per month, but does not require a significant time commitment. You can simply provide the right level of service for you, and enjoy the fellowship of this group and this opportunity for new growth in the St. Francis of Assisi community.

I Nominate _____
for St Francis Parish Council

Nominated by _____

or self-nominated _____

For further information please contact the council co-chairs Mike Schmidt @ michaeljamesschmidt@yahoo.com and John Ryan @ jryan194@gmail.com.

Next Week's Scripture Readings

Isaiah 58:7 - 10
1 Corinthians 2:1 - 5
Matthew 5:13 - 16

Atrium Sessions

February - 12, 19
March - 5, 12, 19, 26

Saint Vincent dePaul

Our Parish Family is AWESOME when it comes to meeting the needs of those less fortunate. Thank you for your continued support and generosity toward our St. Vincent DePaul Outreach. In an effort to be transparent about the financial support you've provided, here is a year-end summary for 2016.

Thank you and God Bless,
Your SVDP Team

Incoming Contributions -
5th Sunday Collection - \$2731
Walk for the Poor Pledges - \$1812
Special Donations - \$1250

In addition, parishioners contributed Thanksgiving Baskets, gift cards for the JOIN Christmas Gift Tree and school supplies for the McArthur Center. Further, every month, parishioners make sandwiches for St. Lawrence Haven.

As a result SVDP has made the following donation:
JOIN \$1068
McArthur \$1000
NNEMAP \$1170
SOAP \$300
Women Affirming Women \$500

Other contributions made were \$200 to an individual to meet an emergency need; \$80 to purchase Pasta Dinner tickets to give to individuals in need; \$796 to purchase supplies for sandwiches, and \$438 to purchase items and gift cards to supplement Thanksgiving Baskets.

Members of St. Francis SVDP thank you for your generosity and invite you to join us on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 pm for our meetings.

Catholic Education Section

What is a Patron Saint?

A **patron saint, patroness saint, patron hallow** or **heavenly protector** is a saint who in Roman Catholicism and Eastern Orthodoxy is regarded as the heavenly advocate of a nation, place, craft, activity, class, clan, family or person. Catholics believe that patron saints, having already transcended to the metaphysical, are able to intercede effectively for the needs of their special charges. (Source - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patron_saint)

Patronage	Saint
Art	Catherine of Bologna
Athletes	Sebastian
Birds	Gall
Bicyclists	La Madonna di Ghisalo
Civil Servants	Thomas More
Church Cleaners	Theobald Roggeri
Difficult Situations	Eustace
Diocese of Columbus, OH	Francis de Sales
First Communicants	Tarcisius
Friendship	John the Apostle
Haiti	Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Job Seekers	Cajetan
Lost Keys	Zita
Ohio	Our Lady of Consolation
Pain; Pain Relief	Madron
Priests	John Vianney
School Teachers	John Baptist de la Salle

(Source - <http://www.catholic.org/saints/>)