

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of April 23, 2017

Sunday, April 23

9:00 am— JJ Deutschle (Kevin Dunleavy) & Parishioners of SFA
11:00 am – Ronald J. Atwood (John and Joanna Nunn)

Monday April 24

No Mass

Tuesday, April 25

6:00 pm – For the Community of Victorian Village

Wednesday, April 26

6:00 pm – Joan Randolph (Jack Randolph)

Thursday, April 27

6:00 pm – For the First Responders of our Community

Friday, April 28

6:00 pm – For the Leadership of St. Francis of Assisi

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

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

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

April 23 —9 am— Rick Miller, Jeanna Diederich,

11 am – Megan Murphy, Theri Brady

April 30 – 9 am – Skip Camerucci, Tera Kovar

11 am – Andy Randel, Gretchen Rivera

Servers

April 23—9 am—Chris Paisley, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

April 30 – 9 am – Frank Schneider, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

April 23—9 am—Susan Kyanko 11 am – Julie Byrne

April 30 – 9 am – Kathleen Porter, 11 am – OPEN

Lectors

April 23 —9 am—Cecilia McAdams, Louisa Celebrezze

11 am –John Murphy, Emily Metheny

April 30 – 9 am – Sr. Sharen Baldy, Will Brenner

11 am – Julie Byrne, Michel Hindeme

Eucharistic Ministers

April 23 - 9 am—F. Conway, K. Kriedermann, Jan Rosenfield

11 am –Sandy Glasner, Marilyn Smith, Lori Toczorczic

April 30 – 9 am – Mario Casselli, Linda Wolfe, Frank Conway

11 am – Mark Coleman, Renee Morkassel, Marilyn Smith



Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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

Sunday, April 23

- ▶ Creation Care Mass and Hospitality Event
- ▶ 2:00 pm – Secular Franciscan Order

Monday, April 24

- ▶ 7:00 pm – Leadership Team Meeting
- ▶ 7:00 pm – Saint Vincent DePaul

Tuesday, April 25

- ▶ 12:00 pm – Flytown Women
- ▶ 7:00 pm – Stewardship Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 26

- ▶ 7:00 – RCIA

Thursday, April 27

- ▶ 10:00 am – Westminster Thurber Bible Study

Parish News and Information

St. Francis of Assisi St. Vincent DePaul is interested in supporting Women Affirming Women again this year. You generously donated gently used items for the Boutique last year, so if you begin your spring cleaning early set things aside. Please begin bringing your items and placing them in the box in the entry of the church.

Some needed items are – Jewelry, Purses, Belts and Scarves, Hats and Sunglasses, Perfume, Makeup (New only), Flip-flops, Umbrellas

St. Vincent de Paul Update: The 5th Sunday second collection is dedicated to SVDP. Our SVDP conference appreciates your generous support. Since the beginning of 2017 our conference has had an increase in emergency requests, especially for rent. Keeping a roof over a family's head is a top priority. One home visit made us aware of a family who literally had close to nothing. Many of our parishioners responded to their needs and helped provide support as they are moving forward. Your generous contributions help us to assist others in times of need. Please be aware that next Sunday is the 5th Sunday of the month, and there will be a second collection. Thank you!

Sunday School will meet in the church hall from 6:00 to 7:30 pm on the four Sundays of May. We will be discussing the Mystery of the Trinity as presented in Richard Rohr's book, THE DIVINE DANCE. Please attempt to read about half of Part I for our first session. Please contact Barbara Finan at [\(614\) 261-8875](tel:6142618875) or finanb@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions. All are welcome.

The Nehemiah Action is fast approaching! On Monday, May 1st, members of our parish are encouraged to stand together with members of over 40 other congregations, to do the work of justice in our community. This year's event will be held at the Celeste Center on the Ohio State Fairgrounds. Doors open at 6:15. Our parish BREAD Justice Ministry Network will host dinner beforehand, in our Parish Hall, from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Carpooling from St. Francis will be available.

Craft Fair – There is still time to sign up to participate in the Spring Craft Fair. For more information, please contact Amy Knight at 614-251-1477. The fair will be Sunday, May 7.

Next Week's Scripture Readings

Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33

1Peter 1:17-21

Luke 24:13-35

Pastoral Reflection ~ April 23, 2017

God saw everything that he had made and behold it was good. (Genesis 1:31)

On this second Sunday of Easter we continue to celebrate God's gift of "new birth of living hope" that we receive through the resurrection of His Son Jesus. Today, the day after Earth Day, we are also called to reflect on God's gift of creation and the role each of us plays in caring for our common home—Earth.

In his encyclical, *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis speaks passionately about the obligation of all of us to be more mindful of our responsibility to be better stewards of the environment. In particular he reminds us that people in poverty have contributed least to climate change, yet they are disproportionately impacted by it. He calls upon wealthy nations to reduce consumption of non-renewal resources and help poorer nations develop sustainable ways, and he reminds us that we are one human family with a shared responsibility for one another and for our earth.

Let us praise God and pray for guidance in becoming better stewards of His creation.

God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love
for all the creatures of the earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.
Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good, advance the weak,
and care for this world in which we live.
The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,
to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!*

(*From a Christian Prayer in Union with Creation from *Laudato Si*)

Pastoral Council Minutes from April 4

- The council discerned Lisa Lopez Snyder as the new co-chair to replace outgoing chair Mike Schmidt.
- The council discussed:
 - Ideas that draw parishioners back to St. Francis each Sunday.
 - A new survey to be distributed that will measure parishioners' interest in a Saturday Mass, among several options.
 - Liturgical ideas for Pentecost Sunday, June 4.

Pew Reflections

When I woke up the other day...I felt thankful! Thankful I was alive to support and love my family. Thankful for my work. Thankful my parents are still with us.

Spring's approach makes me...so thankful for the birth of new life and fresh beginnings for all

Around the Diocese

Diocesan Senior Citizens Celebration – The 40th diocesan Senior Citizens Celebration is Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Bishop Frederick F. Campbell will celebrate Mass at 10:30 am. Mass will be followed by a luncheon. Registration for the celebration is \$10. This annual event is a great opportunity of faith, food and fellowship with senior citizens from the 23 county Catholic Diocese of Columbus. To register, please send a check payable to the Office of Social Concerns, Catholic Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus, OH 43215. For questions, call 614-241-2540 or email at socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org Registrations are requested by June 1.

Celebrate TWO great Moms this Mother's Day Weekend!

Honor the Blessed Mother and your own favorite earthy mother or mother figure in your life by attending a special Marian event at St. Peter & Paul Retreat Center in Newark Ohio on Saturday, May 13th – the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Fatima! Catholic author/speaker/radio host Elizabeth Ficocelli will present "Spiritual Warfare in the Age of Mary", a dynamic presentation that recounts key visits of Our Lady over the past two centuries and how she is preparing us to fight the evil we see so rampant in the world today. The event runs from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and includes continental breakfast and a book signing. Registration is \$20 and can be made by contacting info@stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.org or www.stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.com or calling 1.740.928.4246.

Recycling Drive - Have an old computer/monitor/hard drive/key board/printer/flat screen TV/projector/DVD/VCR/cellular phone or other electronic item that you need to dispose of? Bishop Ready High School will be collecting these items on Thursday, April 27, and Friday, April 28, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and again on Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is a \$10 fee per delivery and an additional \$10 charge for each tube monitor (computer or TV). All computer hard drive data will be wiped and a certificate of destruction will be provided upon request. All proceeds benefit the Bishop Ready Boys' Basketball team. For more information, contact Dan DeCrane at 614-276-5263, ext. 231.

A MASS CELEBRATING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE APPARITIONS OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will take place on Saturday, May 13, 10:00 a.m., Saint Joseph Cathedral, 212 East Broad Street, Columbus. Cathedral Rector Fr. Michael Lumpe will celebrate the Mass, Msgr. Frank Lane will deliver the homily. Prior to the Mass a Rosary will be prayed beginning at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to this special celebration in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence for specific Fatima centennial celebrations; this Cathedral occasion would be one of three ways to receive the plenary indulgence. For more information about this Mass please call the Cathedral at (614) 224-1295, or visit www.saintjosephcathedral.org.

Bans of Marriage

Please keep these couples in your prayers as they enter into Marriage.

April 20 – Ariel Holovatyk and Nicholas Klacik
April 22 – Olivia Fallon and Ethan Snyder
April 29 – Katie Redmond and Zac Lackey