

## Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of February 25, 2018

### Sunday, February 25

9:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi  
11:00 am – Edward Monaghan (Kevin Dunleavy)

### Monday, February 26

No Mass

### Tuesday, February 27

6:00 pm – Matt Wojcik (Lorri Kuczynski)

### Wednesday, February 28

6:00 pm – For Those in RCIA

### Thursday, March 1

6:00 pm – For the Success of the Capital Campaign

### Friday, March 2

6:00 pm – For the Needs of the Parish

## Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

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

### Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

**February 25** – 9 am – Louis Schulte, Stephanie Good

11 am – Mason Rothrock, Andy Randel

**March 4** – 9 am – Mary Jo and Sam Hulett

11 am – Lorri Kuczynski, Megan Murphy

### Servers

**February 25** – 9 am – Steve Hillyer, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

**March 4** – 9 am – Steve Hillyer, 11 am – Pat Cassidy

### Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

**February 25** – 9 am – Skip Camerucci, 11 am – Julie Byrne

**March 4** – 9 am – Kathy Porter, 11 am – Lori Toczorczic

### Lectors

**February 25** – 9 am – Jarret Chirafisi, Sr. Sharen Baldy

11 am – Diane Meves, Tim Feran

**March 4** – 9 am – Renee Morkassel, Cecilia McAdams

11 am – Gary Snyder, Jon Murphy

### Eucharistic Ministers

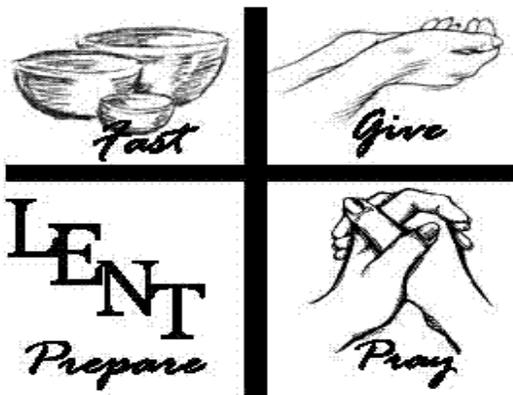
**February 25** – 9 am – Rick Miller, Chris Paisley, S. Cruickshank

11 am – Louisa Celebrezze, Mark Coleman, Marilyn Smith

**March 4** – 9 am – L. Celebrezze, Joyce Schneider, Chris Paisley

11 am – Sandy Glasner, ME O'Shaughnessy, MA Kerscher

**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.



## Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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

### Sunday, February 25

- ▶ 10:00 am – Creation Care Team Meeting
- ▶ 2:00 pm – Secular Franciscan Order
- ▶ 7:00 pm – Confirmation Preparation

### Monday, February 26

- ▶ 7:00 pm – Saint Vincent dePaul Meeting

### Tuesday, February 27

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

### Wednesday, February 28

- ▶ 6:30 pm – Lenten Soup Supper
- ▶ 7:45 pm - RCIA

### Thursday, March 1

- ▶ 10:00 am – Westminster Thurber Bible Study

### Saturday, March 3

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

## Parish News and Information

### Travel with Fr. Fritzner Valcin to the Holy Land

Where: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Galilee, Via Crucis, Last Supper, Gethsemane, Dormition, Nativity Church, Capernaum, Tel Aviv

Trip Dates: Oct 17-27, 2018 Cost:

\$4,000.00 Airfare and ALL-Included. To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. You can also register online at [www.proximotravel.com](http://www.proximotravel.com).



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### Call for Nominations for St. Francis Pastoral Council - The

St. Francis Pastoral Council will soon have 3 seats open. We hope you consider serving on the council or that you have someone in mind you'd like to nominate. The seats are 3-year terms and meetings are held 9 times a year, the first Tuesdays of each month. **Note:** If you are nominating someone else, you must check with them and be sure they agree to serve if elected. For details email [pastoral@sfacolumbus.org](mailto:pastoral@sfacolumbus.org).

### Upcoming Atrium Schedule -

March 4, 11, 18, 28

April – 8, 15, 29



### Lenten Soup Suppers - This week, Ben Sears, from the



Columbus Coalition for the Homeless will be speaking to us about this crisis in our area. Imagine if you can the daily stress of finding a place to call home, a place of safety and peace, a place to cook a meal, a life with dignity. These are the people that St. Francis and Pope Francis ask us to not only hold in our hearts but to **HELP**.

## Next Sunday's Readings

### Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

John 2:13-25

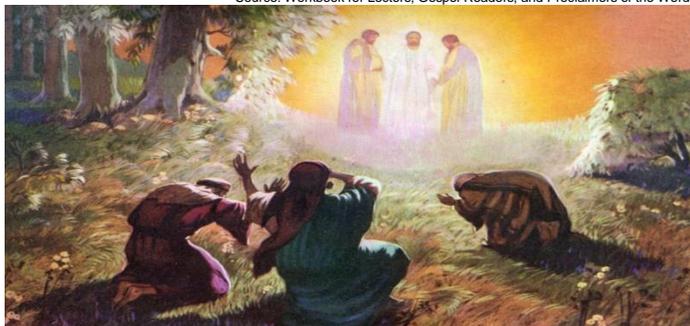


## Gospel Reflection ~ February 25, 2018

The account of the Transfiguration is a key passage in portraying the identity of Jesus. It begins with Jesus leading Peter, James and John to a high mountain, immediately evoking the multiple mountain images of Scripture as places of revelation. Before his friends, Jesus is transfigured (*metamorphoo*), indication a transformation of what is outwardly visible to show his inward, divine form. The appearance of Moses, the Lawgiver, and Elijah, the prophet, insert Jesus into the Jewish tradition. Then, Peter's suggestion of making three tents is reminiscent of the tabernacles during the Old Testament harvest festival. The mountain of revelation, the figures of Moses and Elijah, and the hoped-for tents all identify Jesus in continuity with the Jewish tradition. When the voice of heaven proclaims him as the beloved Son, we hear an echo of another Jewish story, that of Abraham and Isaac, the beloved son who was about to be sacrificed. Such a resonance points ahead to the coming sacrifice of Jesus, which he refers to when he tells his disciples not to tell anyone until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.

There is only one command from the heavenly voice: "Listen to him." Jesus' disciples must be attentive to all that he tells them, particularly as they make their way to Jerusalem. With the multiple allusions to Jewish traditions, the presence of the three bewildered disciples, and the foreshadowing of Jesus' sacrifice, the Transfiguration account weaves together past, present, and future. In every age, Jesus is God's beloved Son.

Source: Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.



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### The Penitential Rite and Scrutinies

This morning at the 9:00 am Mass, we will celebrate the "Penitential Rite" with our baptized candidates, Lindsay Bodenhoff, Samantha Kohlhorst and Mark Fullerton. On the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent, we will celebrate the "Rite of Scrutiny" with our Elect, Josh McNamee. The prayers offered in these rites ask for God's protection on those who will soon become full members of the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

"A close look at the language of the scrutinies and the 'Penitential Rite' reveals that their underlying theology is quite different. The characteristic themes of rescue and deliverance from the powers of darkness that one finds in the texts of the scrutinies are absent from the 'Penitential Rite.'" The language of the scrutinies is pastoral, yet there is always an edge and an urgency to the scrutinies, a sense that matters of life and death hang in the balance. This emphasis is consistent with the texts of the baptismal liturgy itself: the litany of saints, blessing of water, renunciations and promises. The milder language of the 'Penitential Rite,' on the other hand, evokes baptismal grace that the candidates already possess. Spiritual growth and healing – motifs familiar from the sacrament of Penance – give the 'Penitential Rite' its characteristic tone." (*Foundations in Faith, Celebrating the Rites*)

## Capital Campaign

WOW! We asked and you responded! Several weeks ago we had commitment Sunday, when we asked parishioners to make their pledges for our Capital Campaign – Honoring the Past, Serving the Present, Preserving God's Gift for the Future. The response was phenomenal and this truly is a community planning for our future! Our goal is \$292,000, and to date we have \$163,909 paid. Thank you to those who have responded so generously. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so, so that you, too, can take ownership of this project.

## Around the Community

### Mount Carmel Hospice Invites You to Hospice Volunteering

**101** - If you are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer whether at the bedside or behind the scenes, join us for a special panel discussion. A group of Mount Carmel Hospice volunteers will discuss their roles and contributions then answer your questions. The session can help you find the best way to serve your community at end-of-life. Please join us on March 7 from 2 pm to 3 pm or on March 14 from 6 pm to 7pm at the Mount Carmel Hospice and Palliative Care Center. Register by calling 234-LIFE (5433). The Spring Training Class is forming now.

**Good Friday Walking Stations of the Cross** - Many facets of faith and justice will be the focus of the annual Good Friday Walking Stations of the Cross. The walk begins with opening prayer at St. Joseph Cathedral, at 8 am, Friday, March 30. Hundreds of participants from across the diocese will process to locations throughout downtown Columbus to recognize Jesus Christ's suffering and crucifixion as well as to reflect on current areas of social concern. Open to all ages.

**Spring Clean Up** - St. Joseph, Resurrection, Holy Cross and Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemeteries will begin removing wintertime decorations beginning March 5 weather permitting. Families are advised to remove any personal keepsakes they wish to retain as soon as possible.

**She's Got Faith** - The Martin de Porres Center ([2330 Airport Dr., Columbus](http://2330 Airport Dr., Columbus)) is proud to present "She's Got Faith: Female Religious in Central Ohio" on Sunday, March 11 at 2:00 pm. This program introduces several female religious leaders from Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, and Jewish faith traditions who will discuss the roles women have historically played in their religions, as well as what challenges lay ahead as more women step into leadership roles. Admission is free. Contact ([614](tel:6144161910)) 416-1910 or [martindeporres@opeace.org](mailto:martindeporres@opeace.org) for more information.

**Br. Guy Consolmagno Presents at Ohio Dominican** - Ohio Dominican University will welcome Brother Guy Consolmagno, S.J. on March 20 as he presents "Religion, Science and the Common Good." Br. Consolmagno is the director of the Vatican Observatory and president of the Vatican Observatory Foundation. The free presentation will take place at 7 pm in the Colonial Room, which is located in Sansbury Hall on ODU's campus, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus, 43219.

**Catholic Men's Luncheon Club Event** - The next Catholic Men's Luncheon Club will feature a talk on Eucharistic Adoration by Bill Hinger of St. Michael Parish. Mr. Hinger was instrumental in starting 24/7 adoration chapels at Columbus Immaculate Conception Parish and at St. Michael. The luncheon is sponsored by St. Gabriel Radio. Please join us Friday, March 2 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for Mr. Hinger's talk about adoration. Holy Mass begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch and the presentation by Mr. Hinger. No reservations are necessary. \$10 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!