

## Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of May 6, 2018

### Sunday, May 6

9:00 am – Bill Conway (Granddaughter, Kaitlynn)

11:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi)

### Monday, May 7

No Mass

### Tuesday, May 8

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

### Wednesday, May 9

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

### Thursday, May 10

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

### Friday, May 11

6:00 pm – Sophie Schneider (Frank and Joyce Schneider)

## Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

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

### Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

**May 6** – 9 am – Stephanie Good, Frank Schneider

11 am – Andy Randel, John Nunn

**May 13** – 9 am – Mary Jo and Sam Hulett

11 am – Andy Randel, Mason Rothrock

### Servers

**May 6** – 9 am – Chris Paisley, 11 am – Gaetan O'Brien

**May 13** – 9 am – Steve Hillyer, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

### Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

**May 6** – 9 am – Bob Geoghegan, 11 am – Dan O'Brien

**May 13** – 9 am – Kathy Porter, 11 am – Julie Byrne

### Lectors

**May 6** – 9 am – Jarret Chirafisi, Louisa Celebrezze

11 am – Julie Byrne, Sue Cruickshank

**May 13** – 9 am – Cecilia McAdams, OPEN

11 am – Diane Meves, Will Brenner

### Eucharistic Ministers

**May 6** – 9 am – Steve Hillyer, Joyce Schneider, Kathy Porter

11 am – Joanna Nunn, ME O'Shaughnessy, Renee Morkassel

**May 13** – 9 am – Louisa Celebrezze, Chris Paisley, Frank Conway

11 am – Marilyn Smith, Pat Visel, Sandy Glasner

**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, May 6

▶ Hospitality/Craft Fair Sunday

▶ 2:00 pm – Bereavement Group Meeting

▶ 6:00 pm – Adult Sunday School

### Monday, May 7

▶ 7:00 pm - Nehemiah Action, Dinner beginning at 5:30

### Tuesday, May 8

▶ 6:30 pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### Wednesday, May 9

▶ 7:00 pm – NO RCIA

### Thursday, May 10

▶ 7:00 pm – Finance Council Meeting

## Parish News and Information

**St. Francis of Assisi's St. Vincent DePaul** is interested in supporting Women Affirming Women again this year. You generously donated gently used items for the Boutique in previous year, so if you begin your spring cleaning early set things aside. We are collecting now through the end of May.



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

### Adult Sunday School - TONIGHT 6:00 - 7:30 in the Parish Hall

- Tonight is the night! Part 1/3 to help us find and live the holiness Pope Francis and Jesus ask of us. To quote Francis, "Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy. On the contrary, you will become what the Father had in mind when he created you, and you will be faithful to your deepest self." NO PROBLEM if you haven't had time to read Gaudette et Exsultate. NO PROBLEM if you just want to listen. We hope the Holy Spirit moves you to come tonight!

**Parish Garage Sale** – Once again, in conjunction with Victorian Village, our parish garage sale will be on Saturday, June 2. Lots of volunteers will be needed to make this another successful sale. Please donate your gently used items anytime between now and Wednesday, May 30. Volunteers will be needed on Thursday for sorting and organizing, and then on Saturday to assist with our many shoppers. Please see the insert in today's bulletin and if you have any questions, please contact Marti Damm at [marti.joy.damm@gmail.com](mailto:marti.joy.damm@gmail.com)



**Baptism** - Today, we welcome the family and friends of Lucy Barkhurst, who is baptized today. Let us pray for and support Joshua and Lauren as they raise Lucy in the Catholic Faith



## Capital Campaign

**Honoring the Past, Serving the Present, Preserving God's Gift for the Future** - Our goal for this campaign is \$292,000 and to date we have \$195,522 paid. Thank you to those who have responded so generously. Projects have begun and it won't be long and we will be in full renovation mode. Please continue to pray for this campaign, the leaders involved, and the vendors we are using, that they may stay within budget and within the allotted time frame.

## Gospel Reflection ~ May 6, 2018

Today's Gospel is a continuation of Jesus' teaching on the vine and branches heard last Sunday. Both segments are from Jesus' last discourse to his disciples in which he prepares them for his coming suffering and Death. Before he leaves them, he wants them to understand how he has loved them, and how they are to love one another. At the meal, he had already given them an example of love when he washed their feet. What he taught through this loving action, he also teaches with words. Throughout his ministry, Jesus' disciples must have observed the loving relationship between Jesus and his Father. Now Jesus tells them, "As the Father loves me, so I also love you." As the Father's love is unwavering and generous, so too is Jesus' love for his disciples. The love of the Father for Jesus, and the love of Jesus for his friends, illustrates for them how they are to love one another. Jesus explains further that his disciples are to keep his commandment: "Love one another as I love you." Jesus himself sets the pattern as he was obedient to his Father's commandments, his friends are to keep his commandment. Their obedience is neither fearful nor servile, but expresses their love for Jesus, and will result in joy: Jesus' own joy dwelling in them. When Jesus tells them that laying down one's life for his friends is the greatest example of love, he is preparing his friends for his ultimate act of love, soon to be accomplished on the Cross. Since his love is a model for their own, they must also be willing to lay down their lives for one another. Love for one another, obedience, and sacrifice are signs of the fruit that will remain.

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

## BREAD Nehemiah Action

Follow the path of Jesus with Father Fritz & our St. Francis family at the BREAD Nehemiah Action May 7!

*"The path of Jesus began on the peripheries. It goes from the poor and with the poor, towards others. To all of you working for social justice: never tire of working for a more just world, marked by greater solidarity!" --Pope Francis, 2015*

Join Father Fritz and your fellow parishioners and other people of faith throughout Columbus at the Nehemiah Action, hosted by B.R.E.A.D. (Building Responsibility, Equality And Dignity). Established in 1996, BREAD is an organization of 41 religious congregations which are working together to solve critical community problems. It is not a service provider, but a grassroots, direct action, multi-issue organization, which has come together to be a powerful force for improving the quality of life in Columbus, OH. Check out some of the successes at [breadcolumbus.com](http://breadcolumbus.com).

On Monday, May 7, at 7 pm at the Celeste Center on the Ohio State Fairgrounds (717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, OH 43211), thousands will gather to call for commitments to justice from our community leaders. **You should have also received an eVite this week to gather for a tasty pizza dinner at St. Francis at 5:30 pm on May 7**, and then carpool together to this important event.

Will you join us and answer Christ's call for justice? Our goal is to turn out 50 or more people from SFA. Simply your presence together with so many other people of faith can truly make a difference. Bring your family and friends! If you'd like more information about this special night, please reach out to one of the St. Francis Social Justice Network Members below:

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## Living Our Faith - An 8 Part Series

As our society grows more and more complex, our ability to juggle it all deteriorates. We make choices as to which activity, passion, or pursuit we'll entertain with our attention. And in the midst of this, we often push our faith to the margins of our life—to become something we do on the side, when we're not focusing on our career or taking care of our family.

**The danger of today is that in this excess of choice, we'll choose everything and let the things that matter drown in our flooded schedules.**

This is what has happened to many of us. We've let our faith become a Sunday thing, not a 24/7 thing. Of course, I speak this from experience. There were times when I was overwhelmed with zeal and passion for ministry, and then other times when I struggled to do my devotions. I still struggle with living faith out every day, especially amidst my heavy entrepreneurial schedule. But in bearing the dissatisfaction of a complacent faith, I forced myself to adopt new habits—habits that would allow me to bring my faith to the center of things again.

They are habits I learned from watching others and following their example. Now I've put a vocabulary to what they did differently. Consider these few habits, and learn from their example as well:

### 6. They see the significance in small moments.

Another friend named Bill will not miss the opportunity to chat with the person bagging his groceries about Jesus. He's aware that small, mundane things can have extraordinary significance. This shift in perspective is honestly difficult for me to maintain. I can't see every day things as being bigger than what they are. Instead, I think that in order to serve God, I have to fly to a foreign country and play with kids less fortunate. Bill doesn't see it that way. Bill sees opportunities to serve God in the small things. And maybe, that's what Jesus meant when He said to be faithful in the little things (Luke 16:10).

Stay tuned for habits 7-8...

Source: <http://jesushacks.com/live-out-faith/>

## Next Week's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11  
Ephesians 1:17-23  
Mark 16:15-20



## Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Sharing His Love, Encouraging Hope", the theme of the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal inspires us, as people of Faith, to share the love that God has for us, which can often bring hope to those who might not have felt His love. Works of kindness and help, in sometimes the smallest way, can bring about a profound change in a person's life. Through the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we have an opportunity to bring about a positive change in the lives of many of God's people. Through your generosity, you are supporting the various ministries and programs that are so vital in spreading His love. Today is Commitment Sunday for the Appeal, at which time you can make your gift or pledge. Our parish has been asked to raise \$23,501.36. We can accomplish this if, after prayerful consideration, everyone gives what they can. Any amount raised over our goal will be returned to our parish to be used for our particular needs.

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