

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of September 16, 2018

Sunday, September 16

9:00 am – Mike Buscemi (Frank Conway)
11:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

Monday, September 17

No Mass

Tuesday, September 18

11:00 am – Thomas Garrity, Sr (Tom & Veronica Garrity)

Wednesday, September 19

6:00 pm – Keenan/Dodd Families (Diane Keenan)

Thursday, September 21

6:00 pm – Success of Capital Campaign

Friday, September 21

6:00 pm – Bill Hottinger (Johnstown Rd. Hat Hotties)

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

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

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

September 16 – 9 am – Lorri Kuczynski, Frank Schneider

11 am – Bob Ariss, Gretchen Rivera

September 23 – 9 am – Jeanna Diederich, OPEN

11 am – Megan Murphy, Andy Randel

Servers

September 16 – 9 am – Elizabeth Maite 11 am – Pat Cassidy

September 23 – 9 am – Susan Kyanko, 11 am – Nolan Rothrock

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

September 16 – 9 am – Susan Kyanko, 11 am – OPEN

September 23 – 9 am – Frank Conway, 11 am – Julie Byrne

Lectors

September 16 – 9 am – Chris Solon, Joyce Schneider

11 am – Sue Cruickshank, Will Brenner

September 23 – 9 am – Sue Cruickshank, Louisa Celebrezze

11 am – Tim Feran, Jon Murphy

Eucharistic Ministers

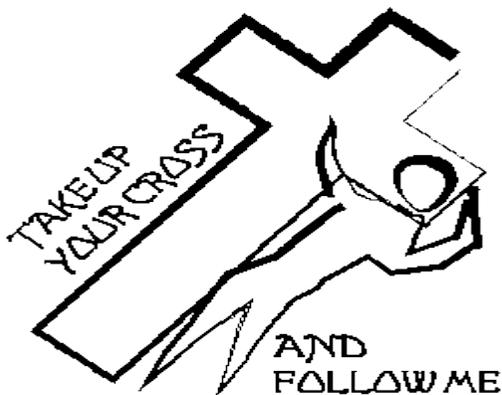
September 16 – 9 am – K Kriedermann, Rick Miller, S Hillyer,

11 am – Louisa Celebrezze, Renee Morkassel, Mark Coleman

September 23 – 9 am – S Hillyer, MA Kerscher, K Kriedermann

11 am – Sandy Glasner, Pat Visel, 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.



Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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

Sunday, September 16

▶ 10:00 am – Sandwiches for St. Lawrence Haven

▶ 12:00 pm – St. Francis Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, September 18

▶ 11:00 am – Mass at Westminster Thurber

▶ 7:00 pm – Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday, September 19

▶ 7:00 pm – RCIA

Parish News and Information

Adult Faith Formation - Sunday Sept.23,2018 - 6:30 pm

Please join us in the Parish Hall for a presentation by our parishioner, Louisa Celebrezze, instructing us on praying the **Daily Examen**. As Fr. James Martin says, this Jesuit form of prayer can be used to further our personal relationship/friendship with God. God wants to be with us.

The **Creation Care Team** invites you to help with planting 3 ornamental trees as a response to Bishop Campbell's call to celebrate the 150-year anniversary of the Columbus Diocese. You can visit <https://www.columbuscatholic.org/150th-commemoration> for more details.

Where: St. Francis of Assisi parking lot

When: Sunday 9/23 at 2pm (rain day to be announced)

What to bring: garden gloves and a shovel (if you can)

Please contact Karen Scheid at klscheid@gmail.com or Debora Lipetz at debora.lipetz@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.



Hygiene Bags for NNEMAP – Members of St. Vincent de Paul group distributed plastic bags to collect hygiene products for the clients at NNEMAP Food Pantry. The proposed items for

donation are noted on the bag. After filling the bag, it can be placed in the wooden box, on the right, when you enter the church. The bags need to be returned by October 1st.



Thank you for any contribution you can make to these very deserving people. If you would like a bag, please see a member of SVDP.

Our Lady of Fatima – Our Lady is arriving Saturday, September 22 at 12:00 pm. Please join us in welcoming Our Lady. While Our Lady is here, the rosary will be said Tuesday – Friday at 5:30. If you would like to have Our Lady come to your home for a 2-3 week visit, or have any questions, please contact Mary Thompson at 614-221-1890.

Animal Blessing – Saturday, October 6 St. Francis will host the annual Blessing of the Animals. The event will take place in the courtyard in front of the church. Please invite your friends and families to be apart of this event. Any questions, please contact Amy Knight. All donations received that day will be sent to the Capital Area Humane Society.



Reflection ~ September 16, 2018

Today we celebrate Catechetical Sunday, a day set aside by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry. "Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel." (USCCB)

The theme for this year's celebration is "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ," and we would like to invite all parishioners to become more aware of their role in the catechetical activity of the parish, especially as this applies to the RCIA process. "The formal lessons we prepare for RCIA is but one part of the entire curriculum for becoming disciples. The entire life of our parish *is* our RCIA curriculum." (Team RCIA) All of us catechize when we demonstrate our dependence on God, our hope in Christ, our abidance with the Holy Spirit, and our love of neighbor.

Catechesis involves both formal and informal levels of passing on the faith. In our parish the individuals who receive formal catechesis in an intentional setting are RCIA participants, young children in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, children preparing for First Communion and Confirmation, and couples preparing for marriage and for Baptism of their children.

An informal level of catechesis happens when parishioners offer encouragement to RCIA participants at parish activities and events and make them feel welcome as valued members of the community through personal contact (sharing their joys and apprehensions), prayer (either with them or for them), and by example.

Stressing the importance of seeing the whole parish as catechist brings to mind a simple activity Bishop Campbell conducts at the end of the Rite of Election on the First Sunday of Lent. He asks everyone to be seated and speaks with the Elect and Candidates. First, he asks those people to stand who became interested in the Catholic Church because of something they read. Usually about four or five stand.

Then he asks those people to stand who became interested in the Catholic Church because of something they saw in a movie or documentary. Again, four or five usually stand.

Finally, he asked those people to stand who became interested in the Catholic Church because of someone they know who is Catholic. Virtually all of them stand.

The point is clear. We evangelize by the way we live, and "catechesis, as a component of evangelization, needs to go beyond the simple realm of scholastics, in order to educate believers to encounter Christ." (Pope Francis)

"Seekers in the RCIA process come from the world community to journey with a catechetical community, within a larger church community, so that they may return to the world community to live the reign of God." (James B. Dunning, *Echoing God's Word*)

Next Week's Readings

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
James 3:16-4:3
Mark 9:30-37



Parish Picnic



Save the date for our annual parish picnic. On Sunday, October 7 we will gather in the Parish Hall to celebrate with each other after one 10:00 Mass. Again, this year, we will be doing the picnic potluck style, so please be sure to bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share. Chicken and beverages will be provided. If you would like to help

with the setup, clean up or decorating, please contact Megan Murphy at 614-832-6652 or mjmurphy1155@gmail.com.

Capital Campaign



Honoring the Past, Serving the Present, Preserving God's Gift for the Future - This past week Associated Crafts started working on the Stained-Glass Window Project. The work is expected to take 3-4 weeks to complete. This project will not impact our Mass and Weddings that are schedule.

The Steering Committee is preparing for our move into the Parish Hall the week of January 10, 2019. We will be out of the Sanctuary/Church until the end of May 2019 (No wedding have been booked during this time frame). The Desert Room will be totally unavailable as it becomes the temporary sacristy & Reconciliation Room. The Ocean Room will be vacant-and could be used for overflow and will have a speaker installed in the room. The main entrance into the Parish Hall worship area will be the south door by restroom hallway.

A meeting was held with the various groups that use the Parish Hall for meetings and events to discuss the upcoming temporality changes and to proactively plan ahead and coordinate the use of space. During this period Hospitality Sundays will not be held.

Around the Diocese

Fall Tour Day at the Josephinum - The Pontifical College Josephinum welcomes you to its Fall Tour Day on Saturday, October 6, 2018. Explore the buildings, chapels and grounds of the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy! Tours highlight extensive woodwork, stained glass, terrazzo floors, intricate brickwork and sacred art. The 45-minute tours guided by seminarians begin every half-hour and are followed by refreshments. Registrations requested online at pcj.edu/tours. Questions? Please contact Meghan Henschen, Director of Advancement, at 614-985-2234 / mhenschen@pcj.edu.

Care for God's Creation: Make the World Better than You Found it. Calling on families, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Brownies. Monday, October 1, 2018, 6:30 - 8:00 pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Life Center, 3752 Broadway, Grove City. Join us for an informative and interactive evening designed to provide practical ways you can respond to our Catholic faith by caring for our common home, members of the community and the planet. Speakers include Jerry Freewalt, director of the diocesan Office for Social Concerns and Jason Cervenec of the OSU Byrd Polar and Climate Research Center. Attendees will be entered in a free drawing for a new backpacking tent, compass, and more. No registration required. For questions, call 614-241-2540 or socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org.