

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of April 27, 2008

Sunday, April 27

9:00 am – Living & Deceased Members of Mangini Family
11:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

Monday, April 28

NO MASS

Tuesday, April 29

6:00 pm – Marie Miesse (Steven Hillyer)

Wednesday, April 30

6:00 pm – James Oldham, Sr. (Roseann Volpe)

Thursday, May 1

6:00 pm – For Peace in Our World

Friday, May 2

6:00 pm – Wahala & Palencar Families (Marlene Palencar)

Saturday, May 3

NO MASS

Sunday, May 4

9:00 am – Ricky Stull (Steven Hillyer)

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

Ongoing Educational Opportunities

Baptism Workshop *Meeting time/place:* 3rd Sunday of each month at 12:30 pm, in the parish hall. **Contact:** Sue Cruickshank at 614.273.0069, or Julia Phillips at 614.882.4420.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) *Meeting time/place:* Wednesday evenings, 7 pm – 9pm, in the parish hall. **Contact:** Kathleen Dancey at 614.421.7652.

Catholic Bible Study and Faith Sharing *Meeting time/place:* Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm, in the 7th floor lounge at Westminster Thurber Community. **Contact:** Jay Jackson at 614.443-6739.

Bible Study *Meeting time/place:* Thursday evenings from 7 pm – 8 pm in the church hall. **Contact:** Dennis Ring at 614.523.2822

KRIC (Kids Rooted In Christ)

THIS PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd ... Level I for children ages 3 – 6 meets on Sundays at during the 11:00 am Mass, in the Atrium located in the rectory basement during the school year. **Contact:** Therese Terndrup at 614.853.0322

HELP! COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED!

We are looking for some additional collection counters.

Only experience needed is ability to use a calculator!

We (and the diocese) would prefer to have teams of 3 people (non-staff members) count each week.

If you can help, please call the parish office at 614.299.5781, or email office@sfacolumbus.org

Thank you!

This Week at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Monday, April 28

➤ Compassionate Communication, 7 pm, hall

Wednesday, April 30

➤ RCIA, 7 pm, hall

Thursday, May 1

➤ Bible Study / Faith Sharing at W. Thurber, 1:30 pm

➤ Bible Study, 7 pm, hall

Next Sunday, May 4

➤ Hospitality Sunday, following each Mass, hall

➤ Bethlehem Christian Families, woodcarving products

Looking Ahead, Monday, May 5

➤ Cinco de Mayo meal, 5:30 pm, hall prior to --

➤ B.R.E.A.D. Nehemiah Action Meeting at Vets' Memorial (carpooling available from SFA parking lot)

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

April 27 – 9 am – Frank Conway, Bill Keller

11 am – Dan Emch, Jackie Emch

May 4 – 9 am – Skip Camerucci, Kathleen Dancey

11 am – Jim Gremling, Ariana Gremling

Servers

April 27 – 9 am – Linda Wolfe; 11 am – Sophia Brown

May 4 – 9 am – Butch Goffos; 11 am – Jack Cotting

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

April 27 – 9 am – Butch Goffos; 11 am – Julie Byrne

May 4 – 9 am – Frank Schneider; 11 am – Pat Cassidy

Lectors

April 27 – 9 am – Lynn Willford, Jim Schmiedeler

11 am – Judy Petrou, D Belcastro

May 4 – 9 am – Dick Wolf, Kay Wolf

11 am – Sara Calvey, Matt Pastore

Eucharistic Ministers

April 27 – 9 am – Steven Hillyer, Carolyn Jurkowitz

Nancy Booth; 11 am – Noelle Gremling, Sue Cruickshank

Mark Coleman

May 4 – 9 am – Louisa Celebrezze, Frank Conway, Bill

Keller; 11am – Rose Hamilton, Maryellen O'Shaughnessy,

Judy Petrou



Parish Council Election Results Update –

the votes are in, the ballots have been counted, and the Parish Council Election Team is happy to announce new parish council team members

are **Pat Cassidy, Tom Main, Theri Brady, and Jan**

Rosenfield. Additionally, **Maria Elliott** will be serving the remaining year of Marilyn Smith's term. Congratulations to these, and thanks to all who participated in the election process.

Pastoral Reflections ~ for week of April 27, 2008

This Thursday is Ascension Thursday. Our community will celebrate this great mystery next Sunday. Today we hear the farewell words of Jesus. Through this good-bye, the disciples of Jesus in every generation are assured of the constant prayer by Jesus in our behalf. The power that comes through that prayer moves us to do the works of the Father. These are the works of healing, justice, reconciliation, liberation, and stewardship of the world. Let us work together and with other communities. Plan now to join the work of BREAD on Monday evening, May 5.

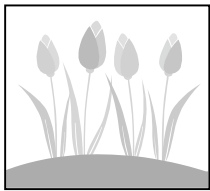
~ Fr. Ron

Parish News and Information

Urgent Action Needed concerning PayDay Lending. Chairman Widener of the Committee in the House of Representatives considering legislation to put a interest rate cap on PayDay loans (presently 391% annual), claims that he has not heard that anyone considers this rate unfair. Please consider calling Rep. Kevin Bacon (644-6030) and let him know whether or not you consider this rate unfair. A BREAD committee has found that this contributes to spiraling poverty in many Ohioans' lives.

All Are Welcome – Social Justice Team Meeting – tomorrow – **Monday, April 28 at 7 pm** in our church hall. The Social Justice Team will present a program on **Compassionate Communication** with guest speaker, Victoria Peyton, of Compassionate Communication of Central Ohio. Nonviolent Communication (NVC), or compassionate communication, is a life-changing way of interacting that facilitates the flow of communication needed to exchange information and resolve differences peacefully. With its focus on human feelings and need, the practice on NVC emphasizes emotional intelligence over intellectual analysis in expressing what's going on with people. With its reliance on objective observations rather than evaluations, NVC avoids making people defend themselves from value-laden judgments. We hope to see you there!

SMOKERS: It would be helpful if those who smoke on church grounds would pick up remnants of cigarettes from sand container and dispose in the trash container. Thank You!



FLOWERS NEEDED: For the following weekends, there will be no weddings in our church and therefore no flowers for Sunday liturgies. Anyone who can offer an arrangement of cut flowers from his or her garden, on any of these weekends, is asked to contact us (parish office 614.299.5781 or

email office@sfacolumbus.org). Contact person's name and phone number will be listed in next week's bulletin.

May 3-4 ... May 10-11 ... May 24-25 ... June 7-8

We are grateful for any help you can provide to add to the beauty of our worship space.

Note: Monthly financial information will appear in next week's bulletin, along with the quarterly report summary.

Parish News and Information

In today's gospel, Jesus challenges us to keep his commandments and promises us the assistance of the Holy Spirit as a Counselor to assist us. One way to follow the commandment to love our neighbor, especially the poor, the powerless and the outcast is to support the work of BREAD. Please plan to join with our brothers and sisters from over 50 local congregations representing many denominations and faiths in Central Ohio, as we gather for this year's **Nehemiah Action Meeting, Monday, May 5 at Veterans Memorial**. Our parish is having a Mexican dinner to celebrate Cinco de Mayo in the Parish Hall before carpooling to Vets. Please see today's insert for more info.

News about **Bethlehem Woodcarvers ... next Sunday, May 4, during our Hospitality Sunday celebration**, we welcome the Bethlehem Christian Families from the Holy Land, representing the olive wood carvers of Bethlehem. Due to the political situation in Israel and the interruption of tourist trade, 150 families are in danger of losing their homes and their work. You can help by purchasing these beautiful wood carvings (all proceeds go to the Bethlehem Christian Families). For Sale – Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Christmas Ornaments, and much more! They will accept cash, checks and major credit cards. You can view the items online at www.shepherdsgifts.com.

From the Office of J.O.I.N (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs) – Dear Father Atwood and Members of St. Francis of Assisi Parish ... We at JOIN would like to express our sincere thanks to you for your very generous response to the Ash Wednesday collection. Good people like you help JOIN meet the basic needs of the people who come to us. May God bless you and your families for your concern for His poor. Sincerely yours, *Ruth Beckman, Director*

Mark Your Calendars! It's just around the corner ... our annual **Victorian Village and St. Francis of Assisi Church Festive Garage and Yard Sale**. Once again, we will join with Victorian Village on the first Saturday in June, and host a garage and yard sale. **This year's date – June 7**. Start looking through your basements and attics now! Details to follow. (We will start accepting donations after Memorial Day.)

WALK OF FAME

Awareness Walk and Fundraiser for Fibromyalgia
Saturday, May 3, 11 am – 3 pm

Ohio Dominican University ... 1216 Sunbury Road

\$10 a participant includes –

Music, Refreshments, Friends, Family, and FUN!

All proceeds will be sent to National Fibromyalgia

Awareness Foundation for fibromyalgia research.

Sponsored by Omicron Tau chapter of Delta Sigma Pi at ODU