

Liturgies and Mass Intentions ~ Week of August 16, 2009

Sunday, August 16

9:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am – Tom & Joan Gorman & Kathleen Rurak
(Gorman Family)

Monday, August 17

NO MASS

Tuesday, August 18

6:00 pm – Edward Goffos, Sr (Edward Goffos, Jr Family)

Wednesday, August 19

6:00 pm – For Peace in Our World

Thursday, August 20

6:00 pm – For Sick and Homebound Persons

Friday, August 21

6:00 pm – For the Needs of Our Parish

Saturday, August 22

NO MASS

Sunday, August 23

9:00 am – Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am – Angelo Bianco (Ruth Bianco)

Ongoing Educational Opportunities

Baptism Workshop *Meeting time/place:* 3rd Sunday of each month at 12:30 pm, in the parish hall. **Contact:** Parish Office at 614.299.5781 to register.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) *Meeting time/place:* Wednesday evenings, 7 pm – 8:30 pm in the parish hall. If you are a non-baptized person or a person baptized in another Christian tradition and are interested in exploring the Catholic faith, please join us! **Contact:** Kathleen Dancey at 614.421.7652, or kdancey@columbus.rr.com

Catholic Bible Study and Faith Sharing *Meeting time/place:* Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm, in the 3rd 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.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd *Meeting time/place:* Sunday mornings (during the school year) during the 11:00 am Mass, in the rectory basement atrium. **Contact:** Therese Terndrup at 614.853.0322 or tterndrup00@hotmail.com.

Children's religious education program ... Our parish program for children ages 3-6 years (preschool - 1st grade) will begin on Sunday, September 13, 2009. Sessions will be held on Sunday mornings during the 11:00 am Mass. We follow the methods of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a Montessori-based program that encourages children to "come closer to God" through prayer and work with materials drawn from Scripture and worship. Registration forms and schedule cards are available in the back of the church. We hope your child will join us as we celebrate the loving care of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who calls all of us by name. Please contact Therese Terndrup at 614.853.0322 or via e-mail at tterndrup00@hotmail.com. **Please note:** The first two sessions (9/13 and 9/20) will be for children who are new to the

program. The first session for all children will be Sunday, September 27.

Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

TODAY, Sunday, August 16

- Sandwiches for St Lawrence Haven, 10 am, hall
- Baptism Workshop, 12:30 pm, hall

Tuesday, August 18

- Monthly Mass at Westminster Thurber, 11 am

Wednesday, August 19

- Finance Council, 7 pm, rectory

Thursday, August 20

- Bible Study at Westminster Thurber, 1:30 pm
- Bible Study 7 pm, hall

LOOKING AHEAD ...

Sunday, August 23

- B.R.E.A.D. Fundraiser – Pancake Breakfast, following each Mass, hall

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

Aug 16 – 9 am – Ava Willford, Eric Willford

11 am – VOLUNTEER, Marilyn Smith

Aug 23 – 9 am – Frank Conway, Bill Keller

11 am – Sandy Glasner, G Rivera

Servers

Aug 16 – 9 am – Steven Hillyer

11 am – Isabel Tonneman

Aug 23 – 9 am – Nancy Booth

11 am – Ariana Gremling, Jordan Griffith

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

Aug 16 – 9 am – Skip Camerucci; 11 am – Jim Gremling

Aug 23 – 9 am – Frank Schneider; 11 am – Lori Toczorcz

Lectors

Aug 16 – 9 am – Lorri Kuczynski, Sue Cruickshank

11 am – Judy Petrou, Rose Hamilton

Aug 23 – 9 am – Matt Pastore, Regina Marcum

11 am – Brian Tomlinson, Julie Byrne

Eucharistic Ministers

Aug 16 – 9 am – Frank Conway, Phyllis DeVictor, Frank

Schneider; 11 am – Barb Schmitzer, Sandy Glasner,

Julie Byrne

Aug 23 – 9 am – Steven Hillyer, Carolyn Jurkowitz,

Katherine Kriedermann; 11 am – Dan Tonneman, Isabel

Tonneman, Mark Coleman

Last chance to make a reservation to build bridges with our Muslim sisters and brothers at a dinner

8PM, on Wednesday, August 26

Contact our parish office by Thursday, August 20
office@sfacolumbus.org / 614.299.5781

We are invited to share dinner with them August 26, to break Ramadan fast, at 2885 W. Dublin-Granville Rd., Columbus. Adults and children welcome. We will ask them to cancel if we

do not receive 20 more reservations. Let us, as a peacemaking parish, graciously accept their invitation.

Pastoral Reflections ~ for week of August 16, 2009

"Whoever eats this bread will live forever." In *Theology for Skeptics*, Dorothee Soelle writes, "Death is what takes place within us when we look upon others not as gift, blessing or stimulus but as threat, danger, competition. It is death that the Bible fears and gives us good reason to fear. It is not the final departure we think of when we speak of death; it is that purposeless, empty existence devoid of genuine human relationships and filled with anxiety, silence and loneliness." May we become what we eat: Bread of Life, purposeful, woven into genuine human relationships, free from anxiety, with voices that speak truth, love, and forgiveness.

~ Fr. Ron

Parish News and Information

NEXT SUNDAY! BREAD PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY AUGUST 23, 2009 -- 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

The B.R.E.A.D. Member Support Drive is underway and our parish goal is to raise \$2,000.00 to support the work of BREAD in our community. We are having a pancake breakfast Sunday, August 23 after both masses. There will be information about B.R.E.A.D. available at the breakfast. Donations will be accepted and applied to our parish goal for 2009 BREAD Member Support Drive. Please contact Pat Cassidy (614-596-5545) or cassidy.jpatrik@yahoo.com for further information.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR FACILITIES AND GROUNDS


MAINTENANCE. Butch Goffos is doing better and appreciates your continued prayers. He welcomes your cards, personal calls and visits (it's best to coordinate visits through Lynn), but, until further notice, any questions usually directed to Butch concerning parish facilities, grounds and activities **should instead be directed to the parish office at 299-5781 or emailed to office@sfacolumbus.org**. Thank you to those who have already contacted the parish office to volunteer your time and skills to help with needed care, maintenance and repair work for the church, hall, rectory and grounds. We need the involvement of still more parishioners to equitably cover these tasks. Please consider sharing in this stewardship of our parish. Any one who can help should contact Maggie McCoy at 614.268.0728 (evening), 614.462.7627 (day) or mitzmccoy@wowway.com with name, special skill, if any (for some of our needs, just being young and healthy may be a special skill!), time(s) generally available, and telephone/e-mail contact information. Maggie will be keeping a spreadsheet of resource people for needed jobs.

Effective immediately any parish member or group using the parish hall will be responsible for setting up for that group's event, cleaning up afterwards, including the consolidation of any trash into one or more receptacles and placing them in the recycling and trash bins next to the rectory garage, **TURNING OFF LIGHTS**, and locking up the building. No food or drinks are to be left in the kitchen and/or refrigerators at the end of an event. This policy is followed by many churches and organizations. Some of us have come to rely on Butch to do these chores for us, but for now, that is not an option. Specific instructions to help each group

accomplish these tasks will be posted in the kitchen area and sent to those group contact persons whom we are able to identify.

Thank you for all you do and will do for the Parish.

More Parish News and Information



PICNIC TIME IS ALMOST HERE. It is that time of the year again, the fresh scent of the pre-Autumn air, thoughts of things to do before the end of summer, back to school ads, planning what to donate for the St. Francis of Assisi Picnic auction, and of course, marking your calendar to attend the St. Francis of Assisi Parish picnic! **This year the picnic will take place on the actual feast day of our patron, St. Francis of Assisi, Sunday, October 4, following the 11:00 Mass.** It is a low-key time (bring a dish to share if you can) and if you wish, participate in some games. There is always a great children's area with activities that they are sure to enjoy. Please plan to be there, and if you can, please donate a raffle item. We use the raffle to pay for the park permit and the meat that is provided. Also, if you would like to help, please contact Susan Kyanko and Katherine Kriedermann, 614.861.8824. Hope to see you there!

LOST AND FOUND ITEM ... black white of photo of 2 children in silver locket on a bracelet chain. Contact parish office.

WOMEN'S RETREAT – SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, **September 26** -- a day retreat for the Women of St. Francis of Assisi Parish will be offered. Look for more information in future bulletins. Questions? Call Mary Ann Kerscher 614.457.1314 or Dee Bruney 740.881.6324.

BLOOD DRIVE: at St Francis of Assisi Parish will be on **Sunday September 27 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.** If you have not given since August 2, you are eligible to donate. To make an appointment to donate blood, please contact Mary Ann Kerscher at 614.457.1314 or email her at napaker@wowway.com or contact Lorri Kuczynski at 614.291.4666 or email her at lorrik09@gmail.com

Registration forms are available in the back of church. New members are encourage to complete a form and drop in the collection basket, or mail to the parish office.

The parish office is very busy these days ... if you need to leave a message, please remember to include your name and phone number ... we don't have caller ID, so please give us as much info as you can in your voice mail. Thank you!

Around the Diocese ... Around Town

August 18 – Senior Citizens Day Celebration ... The annual diocesan Senior Citizens Day will take place on Tuesday, August 18, at St. Brigid of Kildare Church, 7179 Avery Road, Dublin. Mass will begin at 10:30 am. Bishop Campbell will be

the celebrant. Mass will be followed by a luncheon with Bishop Campbell. Registration for lunch is \$15. To register, please contact the diocesan Office for Social Concerns at 614.241.2540 or email at socmailbox@colsdio.org.