



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 19, 2023

St. Francis de Sales Parish

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Making Disciples and Disciple Makers

*Blessed are you who fear the Lord,
who walk in his ways!*

Psalm 128:1

MASS INTENTIONS



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
Making Disciples and Disciple Makers

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, November 19 – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:45pm † Gaylene Bishop (Ed and Laura Lewis)

8:30am People of the Parish

11am † Rita Annarino (Heather Stasel)

Monday, November 20 – Weekday

6pm † Jim Jacquet (Don and Darlene Russell)

Tuesday, November 21 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12pm Special Intention: Susan Kairis (Fr. Dave)

Wednesday, November 22 – Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

6:30pm Special Intention: Peigi Fisher-Hansen (Fr. Dave)

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

9am † Patrick Swickard (James and Karla Fagan)

Friday, November 24 – Weekday

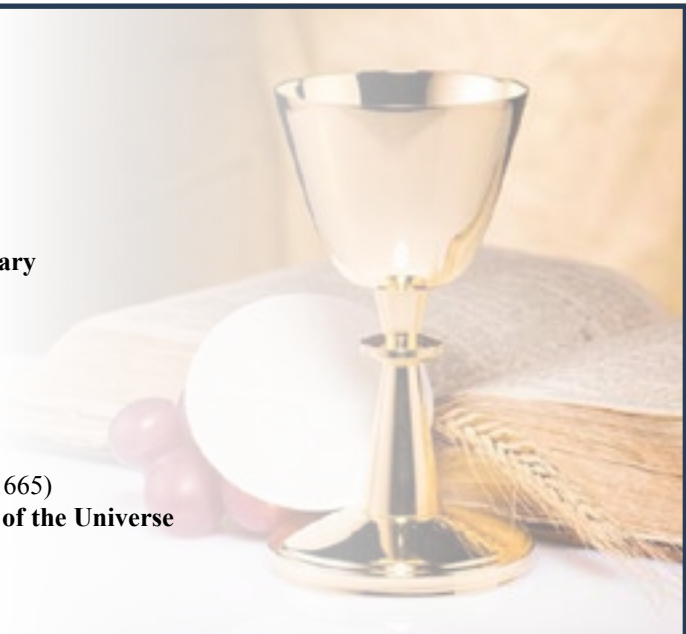
9am † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus (Council 11665)

Sunday, November 26 – Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:45pm † Rick Sarkloff (Carmen Solano)

8:30am † Gaylene Bishop (Ed and Laura Lewis)

11am † Phyllis Sizemore (Felinda Powers) and People of the Parish



Robert “Bob” Heigle and John “Jack” Ewald recently passed away. Please pray for them and for all the faithful departed. May God grant them peace and eternal rest.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL “SUB SALE” THIS WEEKEND!

The Knights will be selling their Submarine Sandwiches at the church doors after all Masses this weekend, 11/18 and 11/19 (until sold out). The price remains the same as the last two years at \$6 per sub. Italian and Turkey Subs will be available until sold out. Proceeds go towards the Knights of Columbus Catholic School Scholarship (St. Francis Student or Newark Catholic) and to COM.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offertory Pledge Drive

HOW ARE WE DOING?



Our Annual Stewardship of Treasure drive is underway! We have reached 44% of our goal in pledges with 22% of our families making a pledge. **There is still time to make your pledge; in fact, please complete and return a commitment form even if you are making no changes this year.** You can make your pledge online at our website, through our Flocknotes, or just stop by the parish office and we will be happy to assist! Thank you for all your continued support towards the future of St. Francis!

**Holiday
CLOSURES**

IN CELEBRATION OF THANKSGIVING

Parish, School, and Adoration Chapel are
Closed Wednesday, 11/22 - Sunday, 11/26

Regular Masses & Reconciliation Opportunities Continue as Schedule



CHILD OF THE LIGHT

Reflection on Matthew 25:14-30

Today's parable follows immediately upon last week's story of the wise and foolish virgins in Matthew's Gospel; they both direct our attention to the last days and the Lord's coming. This story highlights for us the truth that there will be some kind of final accounting for our lives. As the servants report to their master on their use of "talents" entrusted to them, so each of us will be required to give an account of our lives to the Master, our Almighty God.

The affirmation of the second reading that we are "children of light," and the first reading's praise of "a worthy wife," and by implication, lifting up the gifts of all women, grab our attention. Perhaps these descriptions of our identity and purpose which flow from our divine inheritance (created in the image and likeness of God) can function as beacons for self-assessment, or an examination of conscience.

What does it mean to be a child of the light? In Baptism, we each "received the light of Christ... to be kept burning brightly." More than ever, the world needs the gifts of women and men to be in service of the Kingdom of God. With Baptism as the source of our mission and common priesthood, we spend our talents, our gifts, our very lives in service of God's reign, the Light that is conquering the darkness of this world.

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, November 19, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
1 Thes 5:1-6
Mt 25:14-30

Monday, November 20, 2023

Weekday
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

The Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Mc 6:18-31
Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 23, 2023

Thanksgiving Day
1 Mc 2:15-29
Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15
Lk 19:41-44

Friday, November 24, 2023

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest,
and Companions, Martyrs
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, November 25, 2023

Weekday
1 Mc 6:1-13
Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19
Lk 20:27-40

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible,
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at
<https://bible.usccb.org>

SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC AND COMPANIONS

Feast Day: November 24

Andrew Dung-Lac, a Catholic convert ordained to the priesthood, was one of 117 people martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. Members of the companions group gave their lives for Christ in the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries, and received beatification during four different occasions between 1900 and 1951. All were canonized during the papacy of Saint John Paul II.

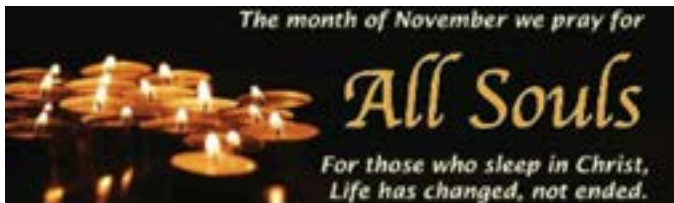
Christianity came to Vietnam through the Portuguese. Severe persecutions were launched at least three times in the 19th century. During the six decades after 1820, between 100,000 and 300,000 Catholics were killed or subjected to great hardship. Foreign missionaries martyred in the first wave included priests of the Paris Mission Society, and Spanish Dominican priests and tertiaries.

In 1832, Emperor Minh-Mang banned all foreign missionaries, and tried to make all Vietnamese deny their faith by trampling on a crucifix. Like the priest-holes in Ireland during English persecution, many hiding places were offered in homes of the faithful.

Persecution broke out again in 1847, when the emperor suspected foreign missionaries and Vietnamese Christians of sympathizing with a rebellion led by one of his sons. The last of the martyrs were 17 laypersons, one of them a 9-year-old, executed in 1862. That year a treaty with France guaranteed religious freedom to Catholics, but it did not stop all persecution.

During the Vietnamese war, Catholics again suffered in the north, and again moved to the south in great numbers. It may help people who associate Vietnam only with a 20th-century war to realize that the cross has long been a part of the lives of the people of that country. Even as some people ask again the unanswered questions about the United States' involvement and disengagement, the faith rooted in Vietnam's soil proves hardier than the forces that willed to destroy it.

Read the full article: "Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-albert-the-great/>. (Accessed November 7, 2023).



On All Souls Day, we not only remember the dead, but we apply our efforts, through prayer, almsgiving, and the Mass, to their release from Purgatory. We Pray: *Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest In Peace! Amen.*

THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY WHO HAVE DIED THIS PAST YEAR:

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| Emma Rae Bartlett | Steven “Steve” Long |
| R. Maxine Behr | David McPhaden |
| Gaylene M. Bishop | Steven Walter Meier |
| Thomas Joseph Cahill | Kelly J. Meyer |
| Brock Alan Cecutti | David H. Ohler |
| Sandy E. Crowley | James C. Otto |
| Sharon Mary Dozer | Mary A. Piemonte |
| Cathy Edly | John Benedict Pressey |
| John C. Edly | John George Radu |
| Terry Keith Frame | Linda R. Rauch |
| Margaret “Peggy” Franks | Mary Lou Riley |
| Susan D. Gaultieri | Joan Marie Ronan |
| Brenda Goodrich | Rudolph “Rudy” Sasko |
| Daniel E. Gorius | Pamela Lynn Sawyer |
| Kathleen Margaret Grannan | Clemence “Greg” Schilling |
| Joshua Alexander Griggs | William “Bill” Short |
| Linda Kay Hammond | Barbara “Barb” Sinsabaugh |
| Leland “Lee” Hickman | William “Bill” Snider |
| Robert Michael Hire | Paul “Mike” Wilson |
| LaDonna R. *Hunt | Joyce Ann Zimmerman |
| James Joseph Jacquet | |



ADVENT & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Join us for a special edition of our monthly Eucharistic Adoration & Reconciliation Service on Thursday, 11/30 at 6:30pm. School children who have been preparing to receive their 1st Reconciliation will receive this beautiful sacrament for the first time. **To help the little ones with their first-time jitters, we ask that you respectfully allow those children, and their parents, to line up with our priests first** (you’ll know the kids because they’ll be wearing their teal *Be Bold* themed T-shirts). Don’t fret, we will have quite a few priests stationed in the church and Johnson Hall, so lines should move quickly. As always, we’ll also have prayer teams available for extended prayer and prayerful praise and worship music. Remember, these points of etiquette for these special services:

- Remember to kneel during the processional and the recessional. Also, as the Eucharist passes, please further bow your head in reverence to our Lord.
- During Benediction, remember to make the Sign of the Cross as the priest blesses the people with the Monstrance.
- While in line for Confession, please maintain a solemn silence!
- Please move to any open line for Confession rather than waiting for a specific priest.
- Prayer teams are available to pray with you for any intention; Simply walk up to one of the teams.
- Please join in singing.
- Feel free to approach the Sanctuary/kneelers to be closer in adoring the Lord.



FREE ACCESS TO HALLOW ADVENT THROUGH EASTER

Our Parish is partnering with Hallow during Advent! Claim your free trial to Hallow for new users, with over 5,000 prayers and meditations for you to build a personal relationship with Christ at hallow.com/HolyDay or scan the QR code above. Follow the prompts on the screen to gain access.



GIVE GOD THE KEY TO YOUR HEART

“...Prayer and contemplation are fundamentally God’s work, in which we are invited to participate. We need only to give Him the opening, and He will do the rest. By coming to Adoration, we are handing Him the

keys to our hearts, allowing the rays of His love and grace to bathe our souls in the light of His Presence, as the rays of the sun bathe our bodies in light. If we can take the time to pull away from the busyness and distractions of life and just sit at His feet, He will lead us.”

—Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration

We have availability in all worship slots with special needs for adorers at these times: Monday at 1pm and 7pm; Tuesday at 8pm; Wednesday at 8pm; Thursday at 5am and 9pm; Friday at 8am and 9am; and Saturday at 5am. To spend your special hour with the Lord during one of these times, or another, you can easily sign up at stfrancisparish.net/register. You can also contact Paula McWilliams at 740.405.7423 (mcwilliams54@gmail.com) for additional information.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

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| 19 Sunday | <p>1st Communion/Reconciliation Prep Sessions – Classrooms – 9:30-10:45am OCIA Catechumenate Session – Jr. High Classrooms #230/#231– 9:30-10:45am Seek Family Pathways – Johnson Hall – 9:30-10:45am Knights of Columbus Sub Sale! – At Church Doors – 9:30am-12:15pm Confirmation/Chosen – Murphy Hall – 9:45-10:45am Seeds of Faith – Jr. High Classroom #233 – 9:45am-1pm Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am Baptism Prep Class “B” – St. Francis Room – 12:30-2pm Grieving With Great Hope Video Review – FFC Conf. Room – 11:30am-12pm Grieving With Great Hope Workshop – Murphy Hall – 12-3pm Elevate Middle School Youth Ministry – Gym – 6-8pm Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm</p> |
| 20 Monday | <p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Reconciliation – Church – 5-5:45pm Cub Scouts Meeting – Scouts’ Room – 5:30-6:30pm Blaze for Middle School Girls – Frassati Room – 6:30-8pm Ignite for Middle School Boys – Fr. Dave’s Office – 6:30-8pm</p> |
| 21 Tuesday | <p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Liturgy Committee – FFC Conf. Room – 5:30-7pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 6:30-8pm Abide Young Adult Men’s Group – St. Francis Room – 6:30-8:45pm Fruit of the Vine Prayer Meeting – Johnson Hall – 7-8:30pm Parish Council – FFC Conf. Room – 7-9pm</p> |
| 22 Wednesday | <p><u>School, Parish Office, Adoration Closed</u> Reconciliation – Church – 5:30-6:15pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 7-8pm</p> |
| 23 Thursday | <p><u>Thanksgiving Day</u> <u>School, Parish Office, Adoration Closed</u> Holy Mass – Church – 9-10am</p> |
| 24 Friday | <p><u>School, Parish Office, Adoration Closed</u> Holy Mass – Church – 9-10am Catholic in Recovery – FFC Conf. Room – 7-8pm</p> |
| 25 Saturday | <p><u>Feast of Christ the King</u> <u>Parish Office and Adoration Closed</u> Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 3:15-4:30pm Reconciliation – Church – 3:45-4:15pm Rosary for Peace – Church – 4:20-4:35pm</p> |
| 26 Sunday | <p><u>Feast of Christ the King</u> OCIA Catechumenate Session – Jr. High Classrooms #230/#231– 9:30-10:45am Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am</p> |



Turn Your Taxes into Scholarships for Catholic Education

with the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

It's true! As a result of a law passed in 2021, Ohioans, like you, who make a gift to the **Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund** are eligible to receive a dollar-for-dollar credit - not a typical deduction - against your Ohio income tax liability, up to \$750 or \$1,500 if married, filing jointly. The law effectively gives you the power to direct your tax dollars to support Catholic education.

Why give? It is a philanthropic priority of the Diocese of Columbus to ensure an authentic Catholic education is affordable and accessible for all families. When you make a gift, you help



create scholarships for students to attend *Our Catholic Schools* and support our efforts to lead children to an encounter with Jesus Christ.

The Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund is a certified scholarship granting organization (SGO) in the state of Ohio.

Can this Tax Credit Benefit You?

Every person's situation is unique but you may be eligible to receive a tax credit by making a contribution to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund. The easiest place to start is by reviewing your most recent Ohio Income Tax Return. Then, follow these three, easy steps.

1 Pull your prior year return

The form you'll need to review is **Ohio IT 1040**.

2 Review line 8c on page 2

This is your total income tax liability *before credits*, or what the state says you owe as a taxpayer.

3 Is line 10 greater than \$0.00?

If so, you can reduce this liability on a dollar-for-dollar basis with a gift to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund, up to \$750 or \$1,500 if married and filing jointly.



*This graphic is for informational purposes only and is not intended to provide tax or accounting advice. Based on tax rates posted by the Ohio Department of Taxation, an individual with an annual income of \$40,000 has an average state tax liability of \$750. Please consult your tax advisor to confirm your eligibility before engaging in any transaction.

Office of Catholic Schools | 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215 | www.emmausroadscholarship.org

THE HOLY LAND SHEPHERDS

The carving of the Olive Wood Tree has been inherited since the time of our Lord, Jesus Christ. It was passed down from father to son for many generations including our family. More than 80% of the Christian community income comes from tourism and the olive wood trade. However, due to the ongoing difficult circumstances and the tremendous decrease in tourism, the Christian community has suffered many

hardships that led many Christian Families to leave their homes in search of work and safety. Our mission is to support and strengthen the presence of Christianity in the Holy Land by selling their beautiful olive wood artifacts here in the United States. We have been blessed and grateful to have had the opportunity to travel to different parishes all around the United States for the past 15 years to represent these less fortunate Christians. **We are happy to announce that we will be visiting your parish on 12/2 and 12/3 with our displays in Johnson Hall after each Mass!** We encourage you to look over their beautiful hand-carved items. We value your support. We will be accepting cash, credit cards & checks. May God bless you & keep you safe.

The Holy Land Shepherds.

www.theholylanshop.com | (810) 394-5291



NOW FORMING A MAINTENANCE TEAM

Calling all handymen and women to help

drive basic maintenance needs around the parish and school campuses! You don't need to be a pro, but perhaps just someone with a little home improvement experience in painting, light carpentry and electrical projects or HVAC upkeep. If you have a passion for our beautiful buildings and would like to help maintain the campus so we can continue to fulfill our mission, please contact Rocky Carr (614.205.1188 or rcarr@stfrancisparish.net).



BEAUTIFY OUR CHURCH TO HONOR THE LORD

Perhaps you're a behind-the-scenes kind of person? Then this is perfect for you! We're building up teams for cleaning and organizing our sacred spaces on the first and third Saturdays of the month. Join us for just one or both days each month for 1-2 hours. School parents, this is great for fulfilling your parish volunteer hours. For details or to volunteer, contact Jennifer at 740.877.2352 (call or text) or jnguyen@stfrancisparish.net.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR THIS ESSENTIAL SERVICE!

CALLING ALL BAKERS

The annual Women of St. Francis "Before Christmas Bake Sale" will be held on Saturday, 12/9, 9am-12pm (open to the public) and following that weekend's Masses. We will again feature a COOKIE WALK. To be successful, we need LOTS of baked goods and we are calling upon all the bakers in the parish. You need not be a member of WOSF. Set up and pricing for the sale will begin Friday, 12/08 at 6pm. Please bring your best cookies, candies, pies, holiday breads, and more cookies to Johnson Hall at that time. If you are interested in baking or helping with setup or selling, please contact Carol at 740.366.3060. Proceeds from the sale will go toward the needs of the parish.



SAVE THE DATE – MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW!



UNDONE: FREEDOM FOR THE FEMININE HEART

Ladies, do you desire to live in greater freedom? Are you longing for an authentic encounter with your true feminine identity? Join us for the Undone Women’s Conference where you will experience a weekend of truth, beauty, and transformation, as the knots of Eve’s disobedience are “undone” through Mary’s model of radical receptivity.

Bring yourself, your mother, your sister, your adult daughters, and friends. This is a weekend you won’t want to miss!

Undone: Freedom for the Feminine Heart will be held right here at St. Francis, Thursday, 1/25 – Saturday, 1/27/2024. This event is being offered in person OR virtually via livestream! Register online for either experience at www.jpilhealingcenter.org. Scholarships, student, and missionary discounts available. Contact Heather Stasel at hstasel@stfrancisparrish.net for more information.

A WWP LIVE EVENT WITH LISA BRENNINKMEYER
Hope for Right Now
 Wednesday, December 6, 2023 | 7 PM
 St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church
"And the Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your desire with good things, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters fail not."
 —Isaiah 58:11
 Strong. Revived. Satisfied. This is how we want to live. But many of us are giving from an empty cup, wondering if it's even possible to live any differently. Join Lisa as she delves into Isaiah 58, contrasting spiritual dehydration with the way Jesus—the Living Water—can refresh us.
 REGISTER NOW
 Wednesday, December 6, 2023 | 7 PM
 St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church
 313 N State St. | Westerville, OH 43082
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ARE YOU REGISTERED AT ST. FRANCIS PARISH?

Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of that specific parish. Often, people come to us and request a sacrament, ask to be a godparent, volunteer to help with a liturgical ministry, or have another need and are surprised to learn they aren’t registered as an active member of the parish. Once someone is 18-25 years of age, he/she should register on his/her own in the parish even if he/she still lives at home with parents

who are registered. Ministries at any parish are driven by the number of registered households and the makeup of those households. This allows the parish to make decisions about the type of faith formation, social activities, and outreach needed to ensure a thriving community. If you have questions about this, please contact the Parish Office. Staff members will be happy to check your registration status for you.

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS



St. Francis Council 11665 reached a new level during our fraternal year (7/1/2022-6/30/2023). We’ve received the Star Council award in the past, but this is the first time we have achieved a Double Star Council Award! We brought in twice as many members as required for our council.

In addition, we reached the goal to host/sponsor/perform a total of 16 events; four in each of these categories: Faith, Family, Community and Life.

Pictured Here: District Deputy Coordinator, Dave Bogner and our Council’s Past Grand Knight, Dave Breitmayer.



The Knights of Columbus has awarded the November Family of the Month to Glenn & Debbie Oliver. Together, they attend Mass every Saturday evening. Glenn serves as the recorder for the Knights of Columbus Council during our business meetings.

SAINTS IN ACTION

IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

On Sunday, 11/6, two of our parishioners were recognized at the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Saint Mother Teresa Award banquet. Chrisanne Webster and Lucy Lopez were recognized by our most Reverend Bishop Fernandes for truly living their lives in the spirit of Saint Teresa: strong in their Catholic faith, engaged and involved in their parish communities, and whose examples of devotion and dedication are truly in the tradition and spirit of this holy and humble saint.

Join us in congratulating them on this special honor!



LITTLE SAINTS, TOO!

What happens to all those broken and unwanted crayons at the end of the school year?

Instead of being sent to the landfill, Sully and Ellis wanted to do something about it. They asked Mrs. Mummey to collect crayons from teachers so they could be recycled. They mailed most of the crayons to The National Crayon Recycling Program in Arizona, but they also wanted to try to make their own. They created Super Crayons – upcycled crayons to color the world, not the landfill! All their proceeds from crayon sales are donated to the St. Francis de Sales Art Fund and The Granville Center for the Arts.

CATHOLIC OUTREACH MINISTRIES (COM)



Are you aware of our COM ministry at St. Francis: **Walking with Moms in Need (WWMIN)**? The U.S. Catholic bishops have encouraged parishes to become a pro-life hub

where pregnant and parenting women can turn for help. At this time in Ohio especially, it is important that we provide for women who may be struggling to raise their children.

Our core team have created a list of local resources available to expectant and parenting mothers and have planned next steps for this ministry which involves YOU! It is so important to spread the word that help is available and **let us know who needs assistance**. Here's how you can help:

- Know where to refer a woman who needs support, both while pregnant and while raising children. Please feel free to refer women (or any parent) to reach out to the parish office COM line (740.345.9874, option 1), and they will direct the mom in need to our group.
- Visit our webpage at www.stfrancisparish.net/wwmin to see our resources. Please let us know if there are other resources that we missed. This is a team effort!
- Let us know if our core team should reach out to someone who may be hesitant to call us.
- Please contact: Kathy Ruff (kat_ruff@yahoo.com), Lynn Richardson (lynnanne@roadrunner.com), or Vicki Pressey (in the parish office) vpressey@stfrancisparish.net.

Continue to read our bulletin where we will announce requests for volunteers and donors. Some of the ways we plan to serve Moms in Need is by collecting gently used maternity or baby clothes, providing rides to medical appointments, or helping to move to new housing. We don't expect every care team member to help every time; we want to promote a big network of caring friends! We can't wait to hear from you!



St. Francis parishioners, if you are experiencing financial difficulties this season, this year, the Giving Tree Ministry would like to bless our St. Francis de Sales families by fulfilling some of your children's Christmas wish lists.

Visit stfrancisparish.net/givingtree to complete a form with the wish lists for your children. Please submit all forms by Wednesday, 11/22! You will be contacted by Friday, 12/8 to discreetly pick up your gifts in time to place them under your tree.



SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED!

Are you a substitute teacher? Have you ever considered being a substitute teacher? We need you! As our preschool and K-8 grades continue to grow, so does our need for substitute teachers. We can provide the information about qualifications for this position. Or, if you are a PGC compliant parent who would love to help occasionally as a classroom Aide, please contact School Administrative Manager Alana Meek at 740.345.4049 or at ameek@cducation.org. Thank you!

You're invited to
St. Francis de Sales School
 Music Program's
Christmas Performances

DECEMBER 12, 7:00 PM
 ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
 HEMPLEMAN GYM
 INTERMEDIATE BAND

DECEMBER 14, 7:00 PM
 ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
 CHURCH
 K-2ND GRADE

DECEMBER 20, 7:00 PM
 NEWARK CATHOLIC
 AUDITORIUM
 3RD-5TH GRADE

COMMUNITY NEWS

SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN NEWARK, OHIO

DATE & TIME: Thursday, 12/7, 6 to 8:30 p.m

STARTING LOCATION: Second Presbyterian Church, 42 East Church Street

Sights and Sounds of Christmas is a guided, musical walking tour of Newark's downtown churches with proceeds benefiting the Licking County Food Pantry Network. The event is designed to showcase the city's historic churches while celebrating the true meaning of Christmas. Seven downtown churches are featured on the tour: Second Presbyterian; Trinity AME; Trinity Episcopal; First Presbyterian; St. Paul's Lutheran; First United Methodist; and St. Francis De Sales Catholic. This year, the tour will also stop at the Licking County Courthouse.

After the performance at Second Presbyterian, the event attendees separate into two groups for the tour. Two 'lamplighters,' dressed in red and green period costumes, lead the two tour groups along separate, luminaria-lined routes throughout the downtown. The tour groups each stop for musical performances at six other locations before reuniting for the final stop at St. Francis De Sales Catholic, where a musical performance and a cookie reception await.

This is a great annual event! Tickets are \$5 each and are available in the St. Francis Parish Office.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

URGENT SUPPORT NEEDED IN THE HOLY LANDS

As the war rages on, Pope Francis is reaching out to world leaders calling for a cease-fire, entry of humanitarian aid into Gaza and the release of all hostages being held by Hamas. Due to their longstanding presence, Catholic Relief Services has been responding to meet urgent, comprehensive needs, while also monitoring possible extended needs across the region. To support their efforts, pray and consider learning more and donating to CRS at: [Catholic Relief Services \(crs.org\)](http://CatholicReliefServices.org). For more information, contact the diocesan Social Concerns Office at socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org or call 614.224.2540.

PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE

Delaware Saint Mary Church is inviting you to join them on an 11-day pilgrimage to Greece and the Greek Isles. This pilgrimage will travel from 9/17-9/27, 2024. The theme of the pilgrimage is "In the Footsteps of Saint Paul." Deacon Felix Azzola of the parish is the trip sponsor. Estimated cost is \$4,699 per person (double occupancy) leaving from Columbus, OH. The trip is coordinated through NAWAS International Travel. For more information and a detailed brochure, please contact Jeanne Frentsos at 2frentsos@gmail.com or by calling 740.971.3685. Spaces are limited, so if interested, please contact Jeanne soon.

CLERGY

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