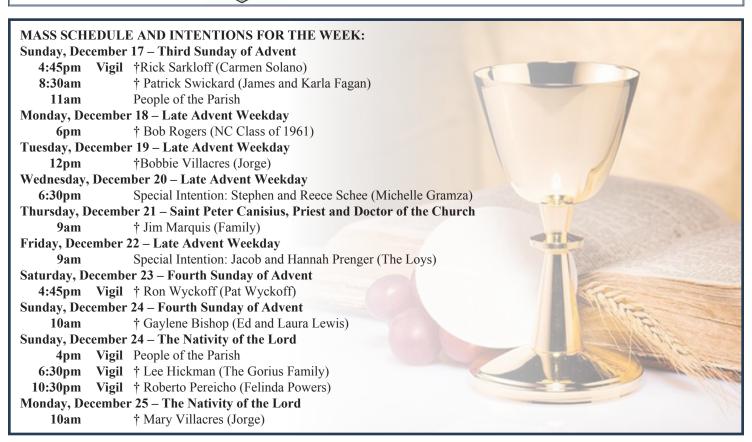


#### MASS INTENTIONS







### IN CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS

School Office closed Thursday, 12/21 - Wednesday, 1/3 Adoration Chapel closed Thursday, 12/21 - Tuesday, 12/26 Parish Office closed Friday, 12/22 - Tuesday, 12/26



Mary Elaine Crumrine recently passed away. Please pray for her and for all the faithful departed. May God grant them peace and eternal rest.

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION

**Diocesan Charities December 25, 2023** 

#### MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT WINTER GATHERING

Pontifical College Josephinum, Thursday, 12/28, 11am-4pm

This day begins with Mass, and includes lunch, discussion, games (bowling, board games, cards, etc.), and Holy Hour. It is open to all Melchizedek Members as well as to all those high school aged or older who are discerning a possible vocation to the priesthood.

Please call the Vocations Office, 614.221.5565 or email vocations@columbuscatholic.org to RSVP.



# Breakfast With | Sunday, 12/17 H. Nicholas | 9:30am - 1pm Johnson Hall





#### THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Reflection on John 1:6-8, 19-28

John, son of Zechariah and Elizabeth, was sent from God to testify to the light, to make straight the way of the Lord, to announce the coming of the Messiah. In this Gospel passage for this third Sunday of Advent, John makes a point to his interrogators that we might miss: The One he is proclaiming is already among them.

How did they not see Him? How can you miss the coming of One so powerful, so awaited, so desired? Indeed, how do we not see Him?

This spirit-filled Messiah is a reversal of what we normally esteem and look for in leaders. He will not dominate in the usual way we expect and even want – by military power, by financial might, by political influence, by the sheer weight of personal appeal and magnetism. Instead, His power will come from self-sacrificing love, and the world will be saved from death and darkness because of Him.

This is the light to which John testifies, and to which we bear witness, and by which we are transformed. Will you join the holy conspiracy of the incarnation, and shine with the very light of God, and breathe with the very Spirit of God?

~ Fr. Jay



#### **WEEKLY SCRIPTURE**

#### Sunday, December 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

#### Monday, December 18, 2023

Weekday Jer 23:5-8 Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Mt 1:18-25

#### Tuesday, December 19, 2023

Weekday Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 Lk 1:5-25

#### Wednesday, December 20, 2023

Weekday ls 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 1:26-38

#### Thursday, December 21, 2023

Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 Lk 1:39-45

#### Friday, December 22, 2023

Weekday 1 Sm 1:24-28 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd Lk 1:46-56

#### Saturday, December 23, 2023

Saint John of Kanty, Priest Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 Lk 1:57-66

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

#### **SAINT PETER CANISIUS**

Feast Day: December 21 Patron Saint of: Germany

Although Peter once accused himself of idleness in his youth, he could not have been idle too long, for at the age of 19, he received a master's degree from the university at Cologne. At this early age, Peter had already taken up a practice he continued throughout his life – a process of study, reflection, prayer, and writing. After his ordination in 1546, he became widely known for his editions of the writings of St. Cyril of Alexandria and St. Leo the Great. Besides this reflective literary bent, Peter had a zeal for the apostolate. He could often be found visiting the sick or imprisoned, even when his assigned duties in other areas were more than enough to keep most people fully occupied.

In 1547, Peter attended several sessions of the Council of Trent, whose decrees he was later assigned to implement. After a brief teaching assignment at the Jesuit college at Messina, Peter was entrusted with the mission to Germany – from that point on, his life's work. He taught in several universities and was instrumental in establishing many colleges and seminaries. He wrote a catechism that explained the Catholic faith in a way that common people could understand.

Renowned as a popular preacher, Peter packed churches with those eager to hear his eloquent proclamation of the Gospel. He had great diplomatic ability, often serving as a reconciler between disputing factions. In his letters – filling eight volumes – one finds words of wisdom and counsel to people in all walks of life. At times he wrote unprecedented letters of criticism to leaders of the Church – yet always in the context of a loving, sympathetic concern.

At 70, Peter suffered a paralytic seizure, but he continued to preach and write with the aid of a secretary, until his death in his hometown of Nijmegen, Netherlands, on December 21, 1597.

Read the full article: "Saint Peter Canisius" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-peter-canisius/. (Accessed December 4, 2023).

#### **PARISH NEWS**

#### MAGNIFICAT GROUP SUBSCRIPTION ORDER/ RENEWAL

Magnificat is an easy-to-read, pocket-sized worship aid that can be used to follow the Mass (daily and Sunday) and can also be read at home for personal or family prayer. This monthly liturgical prayer book provides a fitting way to enter fully into the Church's liturgical rhythms and spiritual legacy.

Orders are being taken for a group subscription for *Magnificat*. **The** 

price per subscription is \$39 per year (beginning with March 2024). The orders arrive monthly in the Parish Office. For those who are currently enrolled, your subscription ends with the current February issue.

To renew or to be added to the group order, please email or call Vicki at the Parish Office at <a href="mailto:vpressey@stfrancisparish.net">vpressey@stfrancisparish.net</a>, 740.345.9874, ext. 200, or mail/drop off \$39 payment (made payable to St. Francis de Sales) to the Parish Office. **Orders must be received by Monday, 12/18! Please include your name and the best way to contact you.** *Magnificat* also offers an annual digital subscription for \$19.99. For more information on *Magnificat*, visit <a href="mailto:us.mgnificat.net">us.mgnificat.net</a>.



#### EMMAUS ROAD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

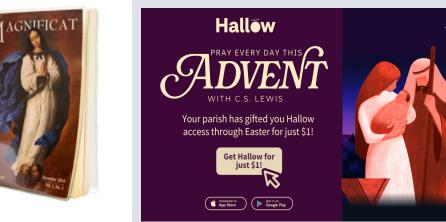
In 2021, the State of Ohio created a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) Program. This program allows Ohio taxpayers to donate to a K-12 SGO for that school to use for scholarships for tuition based on financial need. The donor then receives a dollar-for-dollar non-refundable tax credit on their Ohio

state tax return up to \$750 (\$1,500 if married and filing jointly). This is in addition to a federal tax deduction you are always able to take.

All donations will be managed through the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund. Parishioners, family, and friends of St. Francis de Sales can donate and **directly designate St. Francis School as the recipient of their donation**. If you choose not to designate a school, the money will be used in a general fund for financial aid for diocesan students based on need. 100% of those funds will be available to our school the following tax year to be used for scholarships for our students.

There are envelopes and flyers explaining more in the church vestibule, or to contribute online simply go to: www.emmausroadscholarship.org/gift, or mail a check, made payable to Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund and mail to: Office of Catholic Schools, 197 East Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215. Please note on check that you would like your donation to go to St. Francis de Sales School in Newark.

You will receive a receipt directly from the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund for use in the preparation of your Ohio taxes that will allow you to receive the credit.



# ACCESS TO HALLOW ADVENT THROUGH EASTER Our Parish is partnering with Hallow during Advent! It's not too late to claim your \$1 premium 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/Holy Day. Follow the prompts on the screen to gain access.







#### SINGLE PARENT MINISTRY BOWLING EVENT

Single Parents Ministry is excited to offer this afternoon of bowling for free to single parents and their children! When you register, you'll receive complimentary shoe rental and bowling. This is a great opportunity to bring single friends to a social event outside of the church! Registration is required so we can reserve our lanes.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK	
17 Sunday	1st Communion/Reconciliation Prep Sessions – Classrooms – 9:30-10:45am OCIA Catechumenate Session – Jr. High Classrooms #230/#231– 9:30-10:45am Breakfast with St. Nicholas – Johnson Hall – 9:30am-1pm Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am Baptisms – Church - 12-1:30pm Vanguard Board Meeting – FFC Conf. Room – 9:45-10:45am Grieving With Great Hope Luncheon – Murphy Hall – 12:30-2:30pm Elevate Middle School Youth Ministry – Gym – 6-8pm Summit HS Youth Ministry – Johnson Hall – 6-8pm Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm
18 monday	Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Blessing Bags Assembly – Murphy Hall – 4:30-5:30pm Reconciliation – Church – 5-5:45pm Cub Scouts Meeting – Scouts' Room – 5:30-6:30pm
19 Tuesday	Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Abide Young Adult Men's Group – St. Francis Room – 6:30-8:45pm Fruit of the Vine Prayer Meeting – Johnson Hall – 7-8:30pm
20 Wednesday	Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm School "Wednesday Chapel" – Church – 2-2:45pm Reconciliation – Church – 5:30-6:15pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 7-8pm
21 Thursday	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CLOSED  Men's Christmas Social – Murphy Hall – 6:30-9pm  OCIA – via Zoom – 7-8:15pm
22 friday	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION and PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  Catholic in Recovery – FFC Conf. Room – 7-8pm
23 Saturday	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION and PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 3:15-4:30pm  Reconciliation – Church – 3:45-4:15pm  Rosary for Peace – Church – 4:20-4:35pm  Holy Mass (to Sunday Obligation) – Church – 4:45-5:45pm  Single Parent Ministry Bowling Event – Off-Site – 6-7pm
24 Sunday	CHRISTMAS EVE  EUCHARISTIC ADORATION and PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  Holy Mass (to Sunday Obligation) – Church – 10am-12pm  Holy Mass (Christmas Vigil) – Church – 4-5pm  Holy Mass (Christmas Vigil) – Church – 6:30-8pm  Holy Mass (Christmas Vigil) – Church – 10:30-11:45pm
25 monday	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD  EUCHARISTIC ADORATION and PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  Holy Mass (Christmas) – Church – 10-11am



#### **CHRISTMAS MASS DETAILS**

**4pm Christmas Eve**: Livestreamed with Praise & Worship Mass Ensemble; Mass will begin with the singing of the Proclamation of the Birth of Jesus Christ

**6:30pm Christmas Eve**: Praise & Worship Mass Ensemble

**10:30pm Christmas Eve**: A prelude with an eclectic collection of Christmas carols and songs on both piano and organ will begin at 10pm; Mass will begin at 10:30pm with the singing of the Proclamation of the Birth of Jesus Christ

10am Christmas Morning: A prelude will begin at 9:40am featuring a vocal quartet with flute and horn.









WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE BOLD? How exactly do we seek the lost? Join other men of our community and find out during this one-day retreat brought to you by our parish's Vanguard Men's Ministry and Faith Formation team!

Joe Melendrez has forged a unique path to becoming one of America's most exciting Catholic performers. He has dedicated his life to sharing the Gospel in dynamic and relevant ways around the world and he wants to share with you a few tricks he's learned over the years to capture and leverage the power of the new evangelization to rescue souls for Christ, starting with yours!

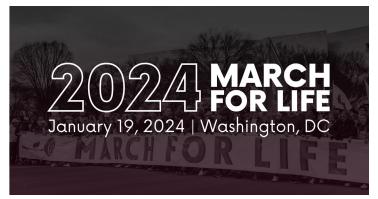
Register now: stfrancisparish.net/register.





Join fellow parishioners and 80,000 other faithful Catholics for the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024! Registration NOW will reserve your tickets to the actual Congress events with our group. Total cost for Congress tickets is \$310/person. Your \$100 deposit due at the time of registration is refundable until June 1, 2024.

All other expenses: lodging, meals and travel are NOT included. We are working to get a special hotel block and we'll provide you with a link to reserve a room once it is confirmed.



St. Edward The Confessor parish is sponsoring a bus trip to Washington, D.C. 1/18-19, 2024 for the National March for Life gathering. If you want to go with them, please contact Paul Gassman at Scoutmaster4Life@gmail.com for a spot on the bus and a cost quote. The Respect Life Group will offer financial scholarships primarily to St. Francis de Sales parish students who need help meeting the cost.



#### UNDONE: FREEDOM FOR THE FEMININE HEART

This retreat will be held right here at St. Francis, Thursday, 1/25-Saturday, 1/27/2024. The event is being offered in person OR virtually via livestream! Register online for either experience at www. jpiihealingcenter.org. Scholarships, student, and missionary discounts available. Contact Heather Stasel at hstasel@stfrancisparish.net for more information.



**Register Now with Early Bird Pricing:** Regular price tickets are \$50 and early bird pricing is \$45.

<u>Just announced!</u> The glove of St. Padre Pio will be displayed for veneration at this Conference in February.

#### PARISH NEWS





Every Friday 2/16/24 to 3/22/24 in Johnson Hall

#### Ash Wednesday Level \$50

- Your name/logo on prominent signage and on each table at every Fish Fry small size
- Your name on the slides at Mass and SFdS YouTube Channel throughout Lent small size
- Opportunity to share marketing materials at 1 Friday of your choice

#### Palm Sunday Level \$100

- **Adult Beverage Sponsor**
- Your name/logo on prominent signage and on each table at every Fish Fry small size
- Your name on the slides at Mass and SFdS YouTube Channelthroughout Lent small size
- Opportunity to share marketing materials at 1 Friday of your choice

#### Holy Thursday Level \$250

- Your name/logo on prominent signage and each table at every Fish Fry medium size
- Your name on the slides at Mass and SFdS YouTube Channel throughout Lent medium size
- Opportunity to share marketing materials at 2 Friday of your choice
- 4 meal tickets and 8 beer tickets to a Friday of your choice

#### Good Friday Level \$500

- Your name/logo on prominent signage andon each table at every Fish Fry large size
- Your name on the slides at Mass and SFdS YouTube Channel throughout Lent large size
- Opportunity to share marketing materials at 3 Friday's of your choice
- 6 meal tickets and 12 beer tickets to 2 Friday's of your choice

#### Holy Saturday Level \$1000

- Your name/logo on prominent signage and on each table at every Fish Fry extra large size
- Your name on the slides at Mass and SFdS YouTube Channel throughout Lent extra large size
- Opportunity to share marketing materials at 3 Friday's of your choice
- 8 meal tickets and 16 beer tickets to 4 Friday's of your choice, no waiting in line, reserved table
- (schedule ahead of time with Sponsor Coordinator) with butler service.

#### Easter Sunday Level \$1500

- Your name/logo on prominent signage and on each table at every Fish Fry extra large size
- Your name on the slides at Mass and SFdS YouTube Channel throughout Lent extra large size
- Opportunity to share marketing materials every Friday
- 8 meal tickets and 16 beer tickets every Friday, no waiting in line, reserved table (schedule ahead of time with Sponsor Coordinator) with butler service

DEADLINE 2/9/2024 to submit how you would like your name to read, any logo/art and Sponsorship Level to Heather Stasel at hstasel@stfrancisparish.net

Checks to be made out to

Francis de Sales Parish

"Vanguard" in the memo

Please leave at Parish office in an envelope labeled "attention Heather Stasel"

#### SAINTS IN ACTION



#### DO YOU NEED A ROSARY?

St. Francis parishioner and Polish immigrant, Janine Koslowski, has made more than 39,000 rosaries that she donates to churches in the Columbus Diocese and to missions throughout the world. And if that's not enough, she constructs wooden stands for churches to display the rosaries she provides for free. At the heart of everything lies a deep Catholic faith and a love for the Holy Mother, Mary that has sustained her through unimaginable trauma as a child to where she is today, a widow and grandmother a long, long way from where she started her life. The rosaries Janine provides can be found in the vestibule of the Church. Please take one or more for

yourself and to share with others. Oh, and be sure to thank Janine if you see her at St. Francis!



#### A REMINDER TO ST. FRANCIS **PARISHIONERS**

We don't want you to miss out on any of the great faith

opportunities at St. Francis de Sales! Please be sure to contact the Parish Office if any of your personal contact information, address, preferred phone and/or email, should change. Also, are your adult children still registered with you? If so, we urge them to provide their own contact details to us. Just call or stop by the Parish Office anytime!

#### SNOW TEAMS NOW FORMING

We're bolstering 4-5 snow removal teams who assist in clearing sidewalks, the parking lots, and putting salt down for both weekends and weekdays following winter weather. Teams will be called into action on a rotating schedule. This is a great way to complete volunteer and service hours for Newark Catholic, School or Parish volunteer hours, etc. or just to give back to your parish community. Training and equipment will be provided. Very little hand shoveling is involved; we have various pieces of power equipment to handle the snow and ice. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Team Coordinator, Jeff Kieffer by email at jeffwkieffer@gmail.com or at 614.329.1645.

#### PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA & LOURDES DISCOVERY WITH **BARCELONA**

Travel with Fr. Dave Sizemore and fellow Catholics on a trip of a lifetime! June 15-June 28, 2024, 14 Days - 21 Meals Visit Fatima, Aljustrel, Valinhos, Cathedral of Burgos, Lourdes, Grotto of Massabielle, Barcelona, La Sagrada Familia, views of Antoni Gaudi's Mila House (UNESCO), the Columbus Monument and Parc de Montjuic, the quaint mountain village of Montserrat, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, the Basilica of Sacré Coeur de Montmartre, and more! We are filling a second coach, so come join in the adventure. Brochures are available in the church and the parish office. For more information contact Collette Tours, 800.581.8942 and refer to Booking #1161671 or visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1161671

#### CATHOLIC OUTREACH MINISTRIES (COM)



#### BLESSING BAG TEAM

Please join us on Monday, 12/18 at 4:30pm in Murphy Hall. We will be filling bags for the homeless. This is part of the Catholic Outreach Ministry. Blessing Bags containing needed items are distributed from the golf cart throughout the month in downtown Newark. Mark your calendars; anyone is welcome to be part of our team!

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### ART AUCTION EXTRAVAGANZA A SUCCESS!

A HUGE THANK-YOU to all who came out to the school art auction, attending the event in person and to those who participated in the online auction. We appreciate you for supporting the growing Music and Art Programs at St. Francis School and the overall Mission of the School and Parish.



#### 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@cdeducation.org. Thank you!

#### AROUND THE DIOCESE

#### A NOTE FROM THE COLUMBUS DIOCESE

Over a year ago, a discussion began regarding a potential merger between the dioceses of Columbus and Steubenville. That discussion was tabled for a time. Fast forward to now, the Apostolic Nunciature has asked Bishop Fernandes and Bishop Bradley (Apostolic Administrator of Steubenville) to lead their respective diocesan leadership teams to coalesce data to be presented to the Holy Father, in order that he may discern a path forward.

Last week, leadership from both dioceses met to begin that work. The final decision will come from the Holy Father; however, at this time, no decision has been made. A joint statement between the dioceses of Columbus and Steubenville has been released publicly and can be found on the St. Francis Parish website. Please speak with our Parish priests if you have questions.



#### LITERATURE PROFESSOR OPENING AT THE JOSEPHINUM

The Pontifical College Josephinum seminary is seeking to hire a full-time Assistant Professor of Literature in the College of Liberal Arts (rank negotiable), beginning in fall 2024. An ideal candidate will possess a completed doctorate (PhD) in literature or an associated area and exhibit a strong commitment to Catholic higher education and to the mission of the Josephinum to form men for the ordained priesthood. Read more about the position and its necessary qualifications at www.pcj.edu/jobopportunity.

#### NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2024 CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR

The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is accepting nominations for the Diocese of Columbus 2024 Catholic Man of the Year. The annual award will be presented by Bishop Earl Fernandes on **Friday**, 2/2 at the Men's Luncheon held at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus. The Catholic Man of the Year is awarded to one layman who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." The recipient will have the opportunity to share his personal testimony during the ceremony. Nominations will be accepted through **Sunday**, 12/31. For details, nomination instructions, and the required online nomination form, go to <a href="https://www.catholicmensministry.com/catholicmanoftheyear">https://www.catholicmensministry.com/catholicmanoftheyear</a>. Submit your nomination and let us know why your husband, father, son, uncle, brother, or friend is your choice for the Catholic Man of the Year!

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#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** For a medical emergency, call the Parish Office immediately at 740.345.9874, Option 7.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** We offer opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration seven days a week. Please see the Activities of the Week section for Adoration times.

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS:** For Sacramental visits to hospital or home, please call the Parish Office immediately and select option 0. Priests are always available to visit. Please let us know!

**PATHWAYS FAMILY FORMATION:** Contact: Peggy Vanderhoff, Director, Ext. 220 or <a href="mailto:pvanderhoff@stfrancisparish.net">pvanderhoff@stfrancisparish.net</a>.

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES: The Parish conducts weekly events and gatherings for Junior High students and High School teens. Contact: Molly Loy, Director, Ext. 208 or <a href="mloy@stfrancisparish.net">mloy@stfrancisparish.net</a> or Grace Wright, Coordinator, Ext. 207 or <a href="mloygwright@stfrancisparish.net">gwright@stfrancisparish.net</a>. The Parish also provides Confirmation Preparation each year. Contact: Ben and Mary Beth Lee, Confirmation Coordinators, Ext. 243 or <a href="mloygwright@stfrancisparish.net">confirmation@stfrancisparish.net</a>.

OCIA: OCIA is an ongoing inquiry process about the Catholic faith. Contact co-directors: David Clay – dclay@stfrancisparish.net (740-345-9874, Ext. 241), Kimberly Sherman – ksherman@stfrancisparish.net (740-345-9874, Ext. 242)

**BAPTISMS:** Baptism and instruction are offered every other month. To make arrangements, please call the Parish Office and select option 0. Classes may be attended prior to birth.

**MARRIAGES:** Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding. Contact: Nancy Buchanan, 740.975.9232 or nerkbucks@roadrunner.com.

**CATHOLIC OUTREACH MINISTRY (COM):** Serving the Poor in our Community. Please call the Parish Office at 740.345.9874, Ext. 260 if assistance is needed. For more information about COM or to volunteer for this ministry, contact Shannon Walker at <u>catholicoutreachministry@gmail.com</u>.

## FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF OUR STAFF, PLEASE CONSULT THE PARISH WEBSITE:

www.stfrancisparish.net

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Sunday, 9:30am-12:30pm Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-4pm Friday, Closed

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY ON ACTIVE DUTY OVERSEAS:

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Please keep in prayer also, all state-side military and all military families.

PARISHIONERS, PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Call 740.345.9874, ext. 200 or email <a href="mailto:ypressey@stfrancisparish.net">ypressey@stfrancisparish.net</a> if you would like to submit, remove, or update names for this list. Thank You!



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