

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 20
5:00pm SFX –Fr. Joe Zamary by Parishioners of St. Francis

Sunday, April 21 - Fourth Sunday of Easter
8:30am SFX - Earl & Gretchen Staley by Jane Phillips
10:30am SG - Living and Deceased Members of Our Parishes

Monday, April 22
9:00am SFX – Mabel & Dan Bitzel by Mary Ann Coyne

Tuesday, April 23 - Sts. George and Adalbert
9:00am SG – Agnes Vennitti by Janine Simpson

Wednesday, April 24 - St. Fidelis
9:00am SFX – Fr. Joe Zamary by Parishioners of St. Francis

Thursday, April 25– St. Mark
9:00am SG – Anne Petros by Rick Recchio

Friday, April 26 -No Mass Today

Saturday, April 27
5:00pm SFX –Dominic & Judy Aquino by Mary Ann Koniecko

Sunday, April 28– Fifth Sunday of Easter
8:30am SFX –Living and Deceased Members of Our Parishes
10:30am SG –Ava Else Burman by Aunt Judy Black

Weekly Contributions Weekend of April 14, 2024

The weekly collection is very important to the life of the parish. It demonstrates the faith of the people and is used to assess the viability of our parishes.

St. Gabriel: Adult \$1,313; Online giving \$285; Loose \$97; Capital Improvement \$20; Catholic Home Mission \$20

St. Francis Xavier: Adult \$1,730; Online giving \$284.50; Loose \$389; Extra Ordinary Expense \$30; Catholic Home Mission \$20

Good Shepherd Hall \$85

Please note: The “On-line Giving” total (above) is the Adult Collection as well as any Other Donations made on our website. **Thank you for your generosity.**

CHURCH SUPPORT

Thanks to all for your financial support to our parishes. You may **Mail** gifts to: Parish Office, PO Box 275 Minerva, OH 44657, use the **On-line Giving** (see front of bulletin for details), or place them in **Collection**.

WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE FOR April 14, 2024

Sat 5:00pm (SFX)	76	Sun. 8:30am (SFX)	111
		Sun. 10:30am (SG)	90

SICK OF ST. FRANCIS & ST. GABRIEL

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Inn at University Village, Massillon: Nancy Schott, Dee Hudak
St. Joseph Senior Living, 2308 Reno Dr, Louisville, OH 44641, Rose Thrower
Alliance Altercare: Matt Martin (Memory Care Unit)
Home: Joe Churico

Prayer Chain for St. Francis and St. Gabriel:

For the prayer list for St. Francis, please call Dolores Hudson at 330-863-0273.

“MASS FOR SHUT-INS”

You may view on our Website: stgabriel-stfrancis.org, or **St. Gabriel and St. Francis Church Facebook**. Watch as the event happens, or later on at your convenience. **9:00 am Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday. Sunday Mass: 10:30am**

Minister Schedule: April 20/21, 2024

MASS TIME	SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCH. MIN
5:00pm (SFX)	Levi McKarns	D.Mohr	G.Rhodes R.Schott
8:30am (SFX)	Volunteer	C.Brawley	.Kandel M.Larson P.Tucci
10:30am (SG)	Ava Whiteleather Alice Whiteleather	C.Toussant	L.Grim S.Roby D.Toussant

Minister Schedule: April 27/28 2024

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8:30 am (SFX)	Volunteer	C.Brawley	R.Irwin J.Kandel M.Larson
10:30am (SG)	M.Fescemyer X.Fescemyer	A.Burman	L.Grim D.Cinson B.Pilati



VOCATION VIEWS: On This Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations. What love God has bestowed on us in calling us his Children! Pray that you may be faithful to your vocational call. (1 John 3:1—2)

“GOOD SHEPHERD HALL”
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Our hall is a joint effort by and for both parishes located on the St. Francis campus. Thank you for Your continued Pledge payments, one time Gifts, new Pledges, and Memorial Gifts. Thanks to all who are contributing towards the support of our facility.

RENTAL: Open to the general public for events and special occasions. Special rates regularly apply to **Registered and Active** members of either parish through your financial support in the building and maintenance of our facility. **Spread the news. Rental Information, Scheduling and Rates, Contact Kathy Pirolozzi (330) 705-1273 or Paula Tucci (330) 206-3657**



2024 DIOCESAN PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN April 16, 2024 Report

	Goal:	Pledges:	% of Goal:
St. Gabriel	\$27,341	\$22,410	82%
St. Francis Xavier	\$27,341	\$18,846	69%

Please Note: The Goal (identical) for both parishes is correctly posted. This is due to an increase in the Diocesan budget this year, and a revision of the process of determining the assessment for each parish in the Diocese.

Sincerest Thanks to all who have responded so generously as we begin the 2024 DPSC Campaign. Both parishes are well on the way to meeting our goals. Remember that all gifts **over our goal** come back to our parishes. We use these rebates to help maintain our buildings and grounds and for any emergency repairs. **This is the best way to make a gift to your parish.** About **25% of our parishioners have responded so far.** If you have not had an opportunity to respond, it is not too late. I hope that more members of our parishes will respond in the days ahead. Use the pre-addressed DPSC envelope found in the narthex of church, call the parish office, or go online at www.Give.DioSteub.org. **God Bless your generosity!**

2023 MSGR MALLOY SCHOLARSHIP
 The Knights of Columbus Council #11380 is offering a scholarship up to \$1,000.00 to an eligible high school senior. You are required to be a practicing Catholic member of St. Gabriel Catholic Church or St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. You must be attending a Catholic institution of higher learning in the fall of 2024. Applications will be available on the desk in the gathering space in both parishes. **Applications must be postmarked by May 7, 2024.**

DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE DEACON PROGRAM
 Please join Deacon Mark Erste, Director of Diaconal Ministries, and his wife for an information session to find out more about the life of a Deacon. Interested men and their wives are invited to a Permanent Diaconate Information Session on **Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 10:00am-2:30pm** at St. Mary’s Church in St. Clairsville. Lunch will be provided. RSVP (so we have enough food) to Deacon Mark at **740-512-4135 by May 8th.**



FIRST EUCHARIST
 Next Sunday, **April 28, at the 10:30am** Mass we will welcome **Teagan Feyas** and **Anthony Seymour** as they join us for the first time at the table of the Lord. We congratulate them and their families on their special day!

CONFIRMATION will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 18, at 5 PM** at St. Francis Xavier. Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us for this special liturgy as we welcome **Bishop Paul Bradley** to our parishes.



CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS
 Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Our Steubenville Diocese benefits from this collection. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.



DIOCESAN PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND
 Please accept my sincerest Thanks to all parishioners who have contributed so generously to our **Steubenville Priests Retirement Fund**. Your gifts will help to maintain this fund and ensure its future. To date, **\$70,431.37** has been received from all over the diocese. Additional envelopes can be found in the narthex of each church and donations may be made at any time. Thank you on behalf of myself and all of the clergy of our diocese. **God Bless your generosity!**

ST. FRANCIS CWC NEWS
 The next meeting of the St. Francis CWC will be **May 1, 2024**. The Rosary will be prayed at 2:00pm and the meeting will follow at 2:30pm in the narthex of the church. This is a very important meeting. We will be discussing Father’s Jubilee and plans for the next Quarter Auction. Everyone’s input is greatly appreciated!



SENIOR LUNCHEON
 The St. Gabriel CWC will be hosting a **Senior Luncheon on Wednesday, April 24th at 12:00pm** in the Annex. Seniors from St. Francis & St. Gabriel Churches are invited to attend.



CONGRATULATIONS to Jim & Nancy Schott who will celebrate their **65th** Wedding Anniversary on April 25, 2024. They were married at St. Barbara’s in Massillon. Nancy is a resident at The Inn at University Village, 2650 Ohio State Dr. SE, Massillon, OH 44646



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SOCIAL HALL PHONE: St. Gabriel 330-868-4610
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OFFICE HOURS: Office/Rectory: 330-868-4498
10am - 4pm Monday -Thursday

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE Please check the inside for Holy Days and other information.
SATURDAY: 5:00pm St. Francis
SUNDAY: 8:30am St. Francis
10:30am St. Gabriel

WEEKDAYS: 9:00am Mon and Wed. St. Francis
9:00am Tues. and Thurs. St. Gabriel
—See Schedule inside for changes and Special Days—

CONFESSIONS - Saturday
St. Gabriel. 2:00-2:45pm
St. Francis. 30 minutes prior to the 5 pm Mass as time allows



OUR FASCINATING FAITH Vocations
Jesus, the Good Shepherd, tells us that he calls his own sheep by name and those sheep respond by following him. Unlike the early disciples, we do not have the benefit of hearing the Lord Jesus call us by name. Or do we? Through the centuries countless men, women, and children have responded to the call of the Lord and dedicated their lives to ministering to God's people. How often have we heard the phrase, "he or she 'has the calling' "? We need look no further than our own parish to find ways that the call of the Lord is manifested. The Lord Jesus is constantly calling out to us through the celebration of the sacramental life, through the proclamation of the living word, and through the example of those who have put on Christ in Baptism. Today the Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd, speaks to each one of us, the sheep of his flock. Let us listen for the call to follow him as his disciples. And on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us pray for others, as well, to hear and heed whatever God is calling them to do with their life as a baptized Christian. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



SEWING SUPPLIES NEEDED
Seeking Donations of Embroidery Supplies for an asylum that houses people with children waiting for sponsors, jobs, and a home.

- Cotton embroidery floss, all colors.
- Cotton crochet thread, any color.
- Tiny seed beads (glass or plastic) of any color.
- NO Acrylic thread or yarn, this cannot be used.
- Embroidery needles, various sizes. Crochet hooks and small scissors.

Your past donations of supplies and/or money have been much appreciated! Donations may be left in the narthex of St. Francis, marked: "Anita Tokos, Embroidery Supplies."

Other times by request. (Note: Confession will be canceled when there is a wedding/funeral at either church).

BAPTISMS
Parents are to call the Parish Office arrange for a preparation meeting. The child need not yet be born to make these arrangements.

MARRIAGES
Couples intending to marry need to contact the pastor personally 6 months prior to the desired date. This meeting is necessary to set the date and answer any questions.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Please call the rectory when you are hospitalized, or would like to request the Anointing of the Sick.

BULLETIN DEADLINE All items must be submitted to the parish office **in writing** by **12 NOON ON TUESDAY.**

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION —Especially during the Easter season, we are very conscious of the communal nature of baptism. We stand witness to the baptism of adults at the Easter Vigil in many parishes, and countless parishes celebrate festive baptisms for infants. The rule for celebrating baptism is that it be only once a day in any parish church, a sign of the Church's desire that baptism be the work of the gathered community. "Private baptism" is therefore a misnomer, since all baptisms, even emergency baptisms for infants in danger of death, are a public act of entrance into the Body of Christ, the Church. In an emergency, and providing the parents desire it, anyone can baptize by pouring water and saying, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." But then afterward the Church is encouraged to supply what is missing: the gathered assembly to proclaim and hear God's word, the promises, the naming, the anointings, the clothing with a white garment, the candle, the Lord's Prayer, and the solemn blessing of the parents at the altar. Wonderfully, this ritual often provides the opportunity for great rejoicing at the recovery of an infant who had been in danger.—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch

OUR PROTECTOR —Today's readings invite us to recognize our need for one who ensures our safety, nourishes us, and leads us to peace and security, like sheep who rest in the care of a good shepherd. Such a shepherd will protect and save the sheep, even from the most deadly of predators. Today, we ponder the incredible news that Jesus accepted death on the cross in order to open the gates of eternal life with God for us. Through his resurrection, Jesus protects and saves us from the power of sin and death. We need only accept his love and live as God's people in this life, relying on the Lord who is the door to new life for us and for all. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Fourth Sunday of Easter - April 21, 2024

