

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, February 3**  
**5:00pm SFX-** Living and Deceased Members of Our Parishes

**Sunday, February 4- Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
**8:30am SFX**—Margaret Whittington by Carole & Dave Szink  
**10:30am SG**—Aiden McNutt by PSR Staff & Students

**Monday, February 5- St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**  
**9:00am SFX**—Louis Brue by Victor Cinson, Sr. Family

**Tuesday, February 6— St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs**  
**9:00am SG**—Anne Petros by Barbara & David Cinson

**Wednesday, February 7**  
**9:00am SFX**—Ron Deeter by Jackie Contini

**Thursday, February 8— St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine**  
**9:00am SG**— In Memory –Ruth Pilati (12 yrs) by Bill & Boys

**Friday, February 9—No Mass Today**

**Saturday, February 10**  
**5:00pm SFX**—Gene Balizet by Peshek Family

**Sunday, February 11 Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
**8:30am SFX**—Living and Deceased Members of Our Parishes  
**10:30am SG**—Mary Jane Thurin by Louis Thurin Family

**Weekly Contributions Weekend of January 27/28, 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 \$1,202; Online giving \$215; Loose \$111; Church in Latin America \$110; Solemnity of Mary \$10; Capital Improvement \$145.

**St. Francis Xavier:** Adult \$1,860; Online giving \$346.24; Loose \$245; Extra Ordinary Exp. \$125; Diocesan Priests Retirement \$100; Solemnity of Mary \$20.

**Good Shepherd Hall \$140.**

**Please note:** The “On-line Giving” total (above) is the Adult Collection as well as any Other Donations made on our web-site. **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 January 27/28, 2024**

Sat. 5pm (SFX)	68	Sun. 8:30am (SFX)	101
		Sun. 10:30am (SG)	120

**SICK OF ST. FRANCIS & ST. GABRIEL**

**Arbors Nursing** -400 Carolyn Court, Minerva, OH 44657:  
 Doris Ferguson, Sandra Romano, Henry Monte, and MaryAnn Corrin  
**St. Luke Minerva:** Bob Gorrell  
**Centreville Village, Carrollton:** 1082 Kensington Rd, Carrollton:  
 Loretta Evans, Barb Laubacher.  
**Canterbury Villa, Alliance:** Ron Koniecko (Memory Unit)  
**Inn at University Village, Massillon:** Nancy Schott, Dee Hudak  
**St. Joseph Senior Living, 2308 Reno Dr, Louisville, OH 44641,**  
 Rose Thrower  
**Brookdale Bath:** Janet Boyer. Brookdale Bath Senior Living,  
 101 N Cleveland—Massillon Rd. Room 223, Akron, OH 44333  
**Home:** Cathy Barnhart, 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](http://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: February 3/4, 2024**

MASS TIME	SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCH. MIN
5:00p m (SFX)	Levi McKarns Grant Thompson	B. Rossetti	R. Schott B. Coen
8:30am (SFX)	Volunteers	M. Larson	R. Irwin J. Kandel P. Tucci
10:30am (SG)	M. Fescemyer X. Fescemyer	N. Marko	M. Ellis J. Ellis B. Pilati

**Minister Schedule: February 10/11, 2024**

MASS TIME	SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCH. MIN
5:00 pm (SFX)	Levi McKarns Grant Thompson	T. Bille	S. Coen B. Coen
8:30 am (SFX)	Volunteers	D. Thompson	R. Irwin M. Larson P. Tucci
10:30am (SG)	Ava Whiteleather Alice Whiteleather	D. Pilati	V. Orem J. Ellis S. Roby



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST**

Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, **February 4, 2024** from 9:00am to 12:30pm at St. Gabriel. The breakfast menu will be pancakes, sausage, home fries, scrambled eggs and a drink. Adults \$7.00; children ages 6-12 years are \$3.00 and ages 5 and under are free. Hope to see you there!

**“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**

**DIOCESAN PRIESTS’ RETIREMENT PLAN**



The diocesan **Priests’ Retirement** collection will be taken up this weekend, **February 3rd & 4th**. Your continued generosity is a blessing and much appreciated. Envelopes are in your contribution packets and are also available in the church. **[Please**

**Note:** Envelope was not included in **St. Francis packet**. Extra Envelopes are available on bulletin tables.] **Thank You!**

**LENTEN SMALL GROUP FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD**

Have you lost a child (of any age) and would like to be connected with others who have been asked to carry this difficult cross? We are happy to encourage you to join a virtual small group through the Red Bird Ministry as they go through Red Bird's Lenten Journal: ***I am Beloved, Not Broken.***

Join Red Bird Ministries as they journey through brokenness to the place of beloved-ness, commemorating the 40 days Jesus spent praying and fasting in the desert and carrying our own crosses as we walk with Christ through His crucifixion, burial, and Resurrection of Christ, Easter Sunday! Learn more and register at: <https://www.redbird.love/lenten-stud> The Journal is available in both print or digital form.



**WITH SYMPATHY**

We offer our deepest sympathy:

•To the family of **Judith Aquino (85)** of St. Gabriel, who died on her birthday, January 29, 2024 in Alliance, Ohio. Her funeral Mass will be at St. Francis Xavier on Tuesday February 6, 2024 at 11:00 am.

• To Christina (Waybright) Beverage and Family on the death of her husband, David Beverage who passed away January 25, 2024. **May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.**

**LENTEN FISH FRYs.** The excitement is growing! *Lenten fish dinners return to Good Shepherd Hall and St. Gabriel Hall.* **St. Francis Fish Dinners** will be held on the six Fridays from **February 16 thru March 22.** **St. Gabriel Fish Fry** begins for five Fridays **from February 23 thru March 22.** Thanks to ALL who have volunteered. Helpers are still needed to assist in many areas. Please consider signing up on the **Volunteer Sheets.** Sales are cash only.



**FIRST RECONCILIATION**

Yesterday we welcomed Teagan Feyas as she celebrated her First Reconciliation. As our single candidate for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist this year, Teagan is preparing very well with her catechists and family. Please keep her and all of our PSR students and their families in your prayers.



**CONFIRMATION SPONSOR/ CANDIDATE MEETING SUNDAY**

Sponsors will join their candidates at our 9 AM session today for an important meeting followed by “Same Pew Sunday” for Mass at 10:30 AM. We welcome them as they embark on this faith journey with their candidate. Please keep our candidates, sponsors, families, and preparation team in your prayers as we prepare for the celebration of Confirmation, the sacrament of witness, on May 18.



If you, or someone you know, are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian faith, or maybe baptized Catholic but not raised in the faith,

and you’ve been thinking about the Church and wondering who we are and what we believe, maybe God is inviting you to find out more. The RCIA process is designed for adults. We meet regularly with a sponsor and an RCIA Team to discuss a wide variety of topics including; Scripture, Prayer, the Sacraments, and teachings of Jesus. If you would like to know more, we invite you to call Linda Shaw at 330.868.4498 or 330.495.6350 to discuss this faith journey process. You are invited to **“Come and see”**.

**DIOCESAN MEN’S DAY OF RENEWAL**

The Diocese of Steubenville is hosting its annual Men’s Day of Renewal on Sat., March 9, at St. Stephen Church in Caldwell, Ohio. Doors open for registration at 8:00 AM. The day consists of a Holy Hour, two presentations, a penance service, lunch, and concludes with Mass celebrated by Bishop Bradley at 2:30 PM. The speaker this year is Dr. Alan Schreck, Professor Emeritus of Theology at Franciscan University. The theme is: *Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit*. You can register by using one of the registration forms on the bulletin table, or online at <https://athenscatholic.org/steubenville-mens-day>

**ST. FRANCIS CWC NEWS -** The next meeting of the St. Francis CWC will be **Feb. 7, 2024** (Wednesday). The rosary will begin at **2:00pm**. Meeting will follow at **2:30pm** in the Narthex of the Church. All welcome!

**BULLETIN INSERT**

Please read today’s **bulletin insert**. One side has a letter from Bishop Bradley inviting our parishes to participate in the **Synodal** process. The other side has a statement by the Catholic Bishops of Ohio on legislation regarding the **Death Penalty** as a part of Right To Life.



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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

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.

**PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN—FOOD PANTRY**

February 4: Canned Fruits & Vegetables

February 11: Paper Products (Necessities)

**PRAYER FOR DISCERNMENT—DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE AND COLUMBUS**

“Father of love and goodness, source of all wisdom and truth, thank you for the opportunity to consider the future of our diocese.

May we come to know your will in this process by listening with open hearts to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

May we discover the paths you would have us follow to serve faithfully your people here in central and southeastern Ohio.

Grant us the grace to recognize and follow the voice of your Son, the Good Shepherd and the Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Francis de Sales guide and accompany us in our discernment. With gratitude, we offer you this prayer, dear Father, in the name of your Son, Jesus, and in union with your Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen”

Note: Bishop Paul Bradley has asked us to offer this prayer daily as our diocese and the diocese of Columbus consider the future of our two diocese. Steubenville Register, 12/22/2023.

**VOCATION VIEWS:** Proclaiming the gospel is our Christian mission. Jesus proclaimed the Good News and healed because he was rooted in prayer. Take Jesus’ lead—pray! (Mark 1:29-39)

**POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY**  
For the terminally ill. We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

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**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 4, 2024**