

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 11

4:00pm SFX Margarita Thiesen by June Martin

6:00pm SG Living and Deceased members of both parishes

Sunday, June 12—11th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:30am SFX Virginia Greeneisen by Rick & Theresa Andreski

10:30 am SG Edward Reynolds by M/M Pete Laubacher

Monday, June 13

8:00am SFX Terry Bernard by Bob & Joanne Cinson

Tuesday, June 14

9:00am SG Bob Biggins by Ann Marie Hank

Wednesday, June 15

8:00am SFX Daniel P. Bitzel by John & Rita Hoffer

Thursday, June 16

9:00am SG Tony & Diane Petrarca by Tim & Joanne Martin

Friday, June 17

9am SG Communion Service

Saturday, June 18

4:00pm SFX Patricia Liberator by Jack & Family

6:00pm SG Tom King by Dick & Carol Dull

Sunday, June 19

8:30am SFX Living and Deceased members of both parishes

10:30 am SG Jim & Nancy Mick by Don & Sally Karlen

CHURCH SUPPORT:

May God bless you for your generosity to our parishes on June 5, 2016

St. Gabriel: Adult \$2,048; Loose \$191; Cap. Improve. \$30; New Hall \$160.76; Workless Festival \$132.

St. Francis Xavier: Adult \$2,485; Loose \$183; Extra Ordinary Bldg Fund \$346; New Hall \$850.

CORRECTION: The correct amount for the Christian Care collection for May 28/29 was \$653.00. Thanks to all.

PARISH SUPPORT: Please make any Checks covering your Regular Church contributions payable to the parish in which you are formally registered. The exception would be if you are making a donation to the New Church Hall Fund., which should be payable to: St. Francis Church. Thanks.

SUMMERTIME & GIVING: The relaxed pace of the summer is here. Have a good time and safe trips and vacations. Remember to attend Mass while here and when you are away. **There is no vacation from church!** To find the closest Catholic Church, Mass times and directions check: masstimes.org Also, please don't forget your home parish. We are still here and we need to maintain things while you are away. Your regular church support is very important. We have been looking into forms of electronic giving, but at this time the fees are prohibitive. Thank you and safe travels!

SICK AND SHUT-INS OF THE PARISH

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Stone Crossing: Vera Kompara

St. Joseph Care Center: Fran Montella

ST. GABRIEL

At Home: Ivette Martinez, Jerry Nicolet

Eldercare: Mildred Rennier, Shirl Bonar; Joe Casper (SFX)

Arbors (Great Trail) Nursing: Richard Lane, Doris Ferguson.

St. Luke Minerva: Stella Kiko; Mary Wadsworth

Aultman Woodlawn: Patricia Burman

Prayer Chain for St. Gabriel and St. Francis:

For the prayer list for St. Francis, please call Dolores Hudson at 330-863-0273; For St. Gabriel, please call Darlene Mackey at 330-868-6639.

FOR ILL & HOSPITALIZED: Please call Parish Office as soon as one is hospitalized, to request home visits and Holy Communion, from either parish. The Eucharistic Ministers *are not* to make these arrangements. Whenever one is admitted to an area hospital, or nursing care facility please **inform the Admissions Office you are Catholic and your Parish.** Due to the *Privacy of Information Act*, hospitals no longer give out personal information.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CONCERNS:

Habitat for Humanity has approached the local area churches to assist with constructing a home for a local family. Our two parishes are asked to help on **July 16th**, we will need about 6 people to help with trim work. The typical day begins at 8:30am (safety talk), break at 10 am for meditation, lunch around noon and finish around 2:30pm. If you can help, please call Ryan Irwin at 330-205-5475.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: "When I entered your house, you did not give me water for my feet." Luke 7:44

Today's Gospel calls us to consider how we serve God. Do we consume like the Pharisee who simply reclines at the table and expects to be served? Or, do we contribute like the woman who kneels before Jesus and washes His feet? Every day we must make a choice. Take or give? Consume or contribute? Recline or serve?

THANK YOU TO ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC WOMAN'S CLUB

Thanks to St. Gabriel CWC for their recent gift of \$2,500.00, which represents a portion of their proceeds from the Annual CWC Boutique. Your hard work, dedication and sacrifice of time and talent help to make many good things happen in our parish. We celebrate what is great in our parishes! May God continue to bless you and the good you are able to accomplish.

OFFICE HOURS: The church office will be closed this coming Friday, June 17, 2016.



"Come Together, Build Our Future, Leave a Legacy"

Help keep the momentum growing. Support The Pledge Drive Phase for a New "Parish Hall".

"Pledge Drive" Phase

Target Goal **97.6%** Reached!

Will you help us get to the top?

Offerings as of 06/6/2016:

\$270,277.05 Pledges & Gifts

\$ 38,750.00 Brick and Window sponsorships

\$ 21,000.00 Block sponsorships

\$ 11,933.00 Memorial Donations.

\$341,960.05 [Note: Pledge Target Goal is \$350,000]



Dear Parishioners, Family Members, Visitors, and Friends: Please help our dream to become a reality!

As many of you are aware, the original quonset hut hall at St. Francis has served us well for over 65 years and has reached the stage of being beyond repair. The only viable solution is to replace the existing structure. For the past 15 years St. Francis and St. Gabriel have been served by one pastor. It makes great sense for our two parishes to work together for our future growth and development. We are anxiously awaiting the drawings from the architect in order to proceed with our plans for a new hall in 2016. The Pledge Goal Phase is only one source of funding for our project. Part Two is the Savings & Fund Raisers which are earmarked in our "Building Fund" and, Part Three will require a Bank Loan to cover any unpaid pledges and any amount needed to complete our project. Please prayerfully consider ways in which you may be able to help make this project a reality: A Pledge, a One Time Gift, Use of the Monthly Envelope, Volunteering of time and talent with Fund raisers, Gifts in Kind, or a Memorial Gift. **Information sheets and pledge cards available in the narthex of church, or by calling Parish Office. KEEP THE MOMENTUM GROWING!**



PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN Items needed:

June 18/19 Toiletries

June 25/26 Pasta & Fixins

MOMENTS OF MERCY:



Pope Francis spoke of when Jesus told his disciples "you are the salt of the earth", "you are the light of the world". Christians, he said, must be salt and light, but never self-serving: salt must add flavor and light must illuminate the other. The Pope continued with the question: "what must a Christian do in order for the salt not to run out, so that the oil to light the lamp does not come to an end?" The "battery" a Christian uses to generate light, the Pope explained, is simply prayer.

"There are many things one can do, many works of charity, many great things for the Church, but if you do not pray, it will be dark and dimly lit" he said. Prayer, the Pope said, is what lights up Christian life, and he highlighted the fact that prayer is a "serious" matter: "a prayer of adoration to God the Father, a prayer of praise to the Holy Trinity, a prayer of thanksgiving, a prayer to request to God... prayer must come from the heart".

"It's curious - he continued - both salt and light are for others, not for oneself: salt does not give flavor to itself; light does not illuminate itself. Of course", he noted, "you may be wondering how long salt and light can last without running out if we continue to give of ourselves relentlessly. That's where the power of God comes in", the Pope explained, "because the Christian is salt given to us by God during Baptism, it's a gift that never ends. *May your light shine before all*", the Pope concluded, "so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in Heaven".

WINNERS: "LUCK OF THE DRAW"

Congratulations to the winners of the St. Francis Men's Club 2016 "Luck of the Draw" raffle. 1st Prize: \$1,000— Ian Robertson; 2nd \$500: John & Jan Prevot, 3rd \$400: John & Jan Prevot; 4th Place \$100 Mike Hudak. Thank you to all who participated in our fund raiser.

NEW: "MINISTRY SIGN-IN FORM"

Since there has been confusion about the presence of those scheduled for weekend liturgical ministries (lectors, special ministers of holy communion, servers) we are initiating a "Sign-In" Form for both churches. **A binder will be kept in each sacristy. As soon as you arrive at church, simply make a check mark by your name.** If you are a substitute, sign your name in the blank provided. Please try to arrive early to allow enough time to prepare for your ministry. A more detailed note is included in your new Ministry Schedule.

P.S. The "Note" from me in your ministry schedule is simply meant to help us all be a little more reverent and respectful whenever fulfilling a ministry at the altar. If any of the advice applies to you and your ministry, thank you for taking it as a positive encouragement. This is not a criticism of any individual. All are doing a good job. We can always improve. Thanks for your kind understanding, help and cooperation. All Ministers Matter! Fr. Cinson

DIOCESAN/PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN.

“Give to the Most High as he has given to you.”

The needs of our diocese and individual parishes are great. This year our Parish Goal to the D/PSC Campaign for **St. Francis is \$21,452** and **St. Gabriel's is \$22,568**. **Any amount generated over our goal will be returned to our parishes. Any gift will be appreciated.** We have received a **20% response from St. Gabriel** (306 households), and **29% from St. Francis Xavier** (200 households).

Thanks to all who have already responded. Your support of the D/PSC is the most effective way our parish community joins together in the Church's work to care for our neighbors and to make disciples in the 13 counties of southeastern Ohio which make up our Diocese. If you have yet to participate in the 2016 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign, please visit www.diosteub.org or complete an **Appeal Envelope** found on the bulletin table in narthex of each church, or by calling the parish office. **God Bless you! God bless your generosity! God bless your love!** Fr. Victor Cinson



NEXT SENIOR LUNCHEON:

St. Gabriel CWC will hold their next senior luncheon for seniors from both St Gabriel and St Francis on Wednesday, June 22 at noon in the annex rooms of St. Gabriel. Please sign the paper in the narthex of each church if you plan to attend so they know how much food to prepare.



WORKLESS FESTIVAL:

The St. Gabriel offering packet has a special envelopes marked **“Workless Festival”**. In the past years parishes held festivals in order to raise extra funds to assist with the annual budget. Today it is difficult to get the volunteer workers in order to put on a festival. It has been customary for us to ask families and wage earners to assist us in whatever way you are able to help us meet our regular expenses during the summer. Thank you to all who have contributed so generously already. If you can help us out, we will put your gifts to good use.

HOPE AND FORGIVENESS

There were some interesting conceptions of sin prevalent in the time of the Hebrew scriptures. There was the belief that God punished sin immediately. Those who suffered disease or misfortune were, therefore, sinners getting their due from the Almighty. Today's first reading hints at another kind of God. When David admits his sin, Nathan declares, “The LORD on his part has forgiven your sin” (2 Samuel 12:13b). Here was not a vengeful God but a merciful God. What good news that must have been to David and those who, like him, could be honest enough to admit their sinfulness!

Jesus is the good news of God's mercy and forgiveness incarnate. Without Jesus, perhaps the good news would have been too good to believe, too difficult to imagine. But there he is in today's Gospel, the God-man, forgiving a sinner and declaring that she is forgiven because of her great love. There is hope, then, for the rest of us sinners, if only we love enough! Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

HELP NEEDED: The Monday Crew at St. Gabriel is looking for a few more volunteers to help make the church grounds beautiful. We begin at 9am on Monday's and work until around 11am. No experience necessary.

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday evening bible study has ended for the summer. Please watch the bulletin for further information as bible study resumes in the fall with a new schedule for 2016-17. May God bless all those that attended and made this year's evening scripture study a fruitful and fulfilling experience.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL- BARNYARD ROUND-UP JULY 11th

This summer's VBS "Barnyard Round-up!" will begin Monday July 11th through the 15th; it will be a morning to noon session, (exact time to be announced). VBS is for Pre-K through 6th grade with 7th grade and up helping. Registration for VBS will open up in June; watch the bulletin for details.

VOCATION VIEWS: Love abounds when forgiveness is experienced. Forgiveness frees one to follow Jesus. Rededicate your life to Jesus. (Luke 7:36-8:3)

KEEP WATCHING THE WEBSITE stgabriel-stfrancis.org: **NEW PAGES ARE BEING CREATED AS WE SPEAK!**



BACK TO SCHOOL PROJECT:

Our parishes are participating in the “Back to School Project” which will benefit student attending the Malvern and Minerva schools. Watch the bulletin for further information in weeks to come. There will be a special drop off box under the coat rack at each church. You may also sponsor a child. Watch the bulletin for further details.



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION:

The Peter's Pence Collection is an opportunity to stand in solidarity with Catholic all over the world to support the charitable works of Pope Francis. This collection is essential to helping others become witnesses of charity. There is an envelope in your packet for this collection. Thank you for your generosity.



“I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands; one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

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OFFICE HOURS:

9am – 5pm Monday - Thursday; 9am—2pm Friday

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00pm at St. Francis

6:00pm at St. Gabriel

Sunday: 8:30am at St. Francis

10:30am at St. Gabriel

Weekdays 8:00am Mon. and Wed. at St. Francis

9:00am Tues. and Thurs. at St. Gabriel

9:00am Fri. St. Gabriel Communion Service

[See Weekday Schedule inside for changes & special days.]

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil (evening before) 7:00pm at St. Francis

Holy Day 9:00am and 7:00 pm at St. Gabriel

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 2:00 – 2:45pm St. Gabriel

3:15 – 3:45pm St. Francis

Other times by request. [Note: Confessions will be cancelled when there is a wedding at either church. Check weekly bulletin.]

BAPTISMS

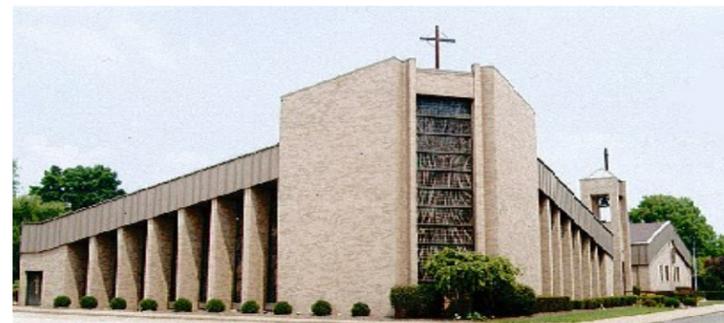
Parents are to call the Parish Office to arrange for a preparation meeting. The child need not yet be born to make these arrangements.

MARRIAGES

Couples intending to marry **must** consult the pastor personally at least 6 months prior to the desired date. No date will be set until this meeting takes place.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

All items must be submitted to the Parish Office **in writing** by **12:00 Noon on Tuesday**.



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITIONS:

Last week's “Treasure” no doubt raised an eyebrow or two with the image of the deacons scurrying through the streets of Rome, or perhaps galloping on horseback, with fragments of eucharistic bread from the bishop's liturgy. These would be dropped into the chalice at outlying celebrations, presided over by presbyters, to express unity with the bishop, and perhaps also to remind the presbyters that they were not free agents. The Council of Laodicea forbade the custom of the *fermentum* in the year 348. Generally, one of the rules of interpreting law is that people don't make laws about things that aren't happening. So, by mid-fourth century, we have an important clue that what had once been a Roman custom had become widespread.

Interestingly, when the Church of England (and its related bodies) went through a liturgical renewal in the mid-nineteenth century, they reclaimed this custom from the mists of history. Today, it is the custom in some Anglican dioceses for a fragment of the host from the bishop's Holy Week liturgy (what we call the Chrism Mass) to be carried to every parish. On “Maundy Thursday” (our Holy Thursday), the fragment is dropped into the chalice to signify the parish's communion with the bishop. This modern revival of the *fermentum* is different from the “co-mingling” action we are used to, in which a fragment of the consecrated bread is dropped into the chalice just before Communion.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE: We have a special ecclesiastically approved low-gluten(0.01%) host available for any with glucose intolerance (celiac disease). Please inform the ushers **before** Mass begins. Those receiving this special host should come forward in the line in which the priest is distributing the Eucharist.



11th Sunday Ordinary Time, June 12, 2016