

Whoever eats
my FLESH
and drinks
my BLOOD
remains in me
and I in him.

– John 6:56



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June 7, 2026

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MAKING DISCIPLES AND DISCIPLE MAKERS

Mass Intentions



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Making Disciples and Disciple Makers

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, June 7 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

4:45pm **Saturday** Special Intention: Gabe Schneider (Mom and Dad)
 8:30am Special Intention: Dr. David Born (The Knoops)
 11am People of the Parish

Monday, June 8 – Weekday

6pm † Ruth Martin (Nancy Hoar)

Tuesday, June 9 – Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church

12pm † Al Brown (Lori Brown)

Wednesday, June 10 – Weekday

6:30pm Special Intention: Seamus Hamilton (Hamilton Family)

Thursday, June 11 – Saint Barnabas, Apostle

9am † Louise Ellis (Knox-Licking County Vocations Club)

Friday, June 12 – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9am † Bob Heigle (Ruth Lusetti Heigle)

Saturday, June 13 – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9am Special Intention: Angel Schneider (A Friend)

Sunday, June 14 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:45pm **Saturday** † Gerald Huffman III (Huffman Family)
 8:30am † David Hamilton (Suzette Hamilton)
 11am People of the Parish



Stewardship of Treasure



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Did you know the parish pays a fee for every set of offertory envelopes mailed to your home? We want to ensure we are being the best possible stewards of our parish funds. If you've switched to online giving or simply don't use your physical envelopes, please let us know! We would be happy to remove you from the mailing list to help save on printing and postage. To opt out, please contact Kathryn Sardini at ksardini@stfrancisparish.net or 740.345.9874, ext. 257. Kathryn can also assist in helping you switch your giving to an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) which also saves on costs and time.

UPDATES TO MASS & CONFESSION TIMES BEGINNING IN JULY

To better serve our parishioners, we are making a couple of updates **beginning Wednesday, 7/1:**

- We are adding an opportunity for Confessions on Tuesdays, 11-11:45am (before noon Mass) and Thursdays, 12-1pm.
- On Wednesday evenings, Confession will be 5-5:45pm and Mass will begin at 6pm.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for June

FOR THE VALUES OF SPORTS

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

BODY AND BLOOD

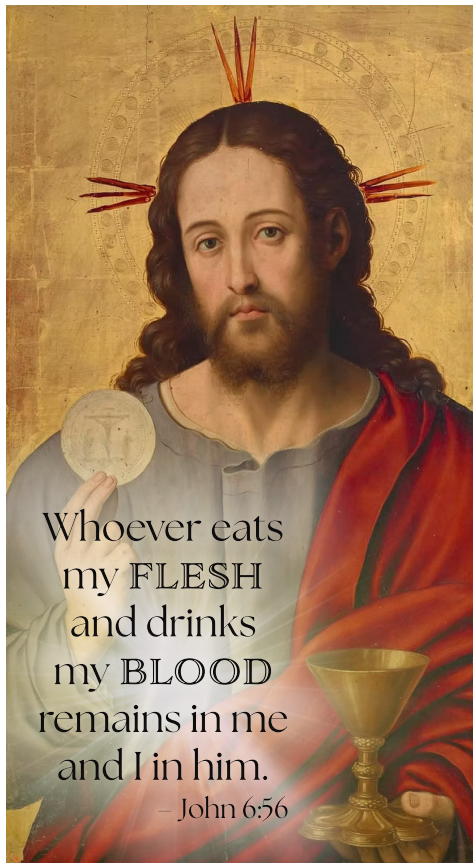
Reflection on John 6:51-58

I am Christian because of Jesus Christ. I am Catholic because of the Holy Eucharist. I just cannot imagine a journey through this life without the nourishment of the most holy Body and Blood of Christ every Sunday, indeed most days of the week as well.

In over thirty years of ministry with men and women converting to the Catholic faith, I have experienced that the one constant and common desire in all of them is a hunger for the Eucharist. Cradle Catholics who have grown complacent about the Eucharist or have become casual in their reception of the Eucharist would do well to walk with these catechumens as they prepare for the initiation sacraments. So often I have been enriched and renewed by their deep faith.

In these days of Eucharistic Revival in the Church, all Catholics are invited to remember that what we do in memory of Jesus, in receiving the Eucharist, is a sacramental obligation, a sacred responsibility that compels us not only to adoration, but to work on behalf of justice for the coming of God's kingdom.

– Father Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, June 7, 2026

Corpus Christi

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a
Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
1 Corinthians 10:16-17
John 6:51-58

Monday, June 8, 2026

Weekday

1 Kings 17:1-6
Psalm 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday, June 9, 2026

Weekday

1 Kings 17:7-16
Psalm 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8
Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Weekday

1 Kings 18:20-39
Psalm 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, June 11, 2026

Saint Barnabas, Apostle

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3
Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6
Matthew 5:20-26

Friday, June 12, 2026

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Deuteronomy 7:6-11
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10
1 John 4:7-16
Matthew 11:25-30

Saturday, June 13, 2026

Weekday

1 Kings 19:19-21
Psalm 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10
Matthew 5:33-37

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

SAINT EPHREM

Saint of the Day: June 9

Patron Saint of Spiritual Directors, Teachers, Poets, and Musicians

Poet, teacher, orator, and defender of the faith, Saint Ephrem is the only Syriac Christian recognized as a doctor of the Church. Born in Nisibis, Mesopotamia, he was baptized as a young man and became famous as a teacher in his native city. When the Christian emperor had to cede Nisibis to the Persians, Ephrem fled as a refugee to Edessa, along with many other Christians. He is credited with attracting great glory to the biblical school there. He was ordained a deacon but declined becoming a priest. Ephrem was said to have avoided presbyteral consecration by feigning madness!

Saint Ephrem had a prolific pen, and his writings best illumine his holiness. In writing about the mysteries of humanity's redemption, Ephrem reveals a realistic and humanly sympathetic spirit and a great devotion to the humanity of Jesus. It is said that his poetic account of the Last Judgment inspired Dante.

It is surprising to read that he wrote hymns against the heretics of his day. He would take the popular songs of the heretical groups and using their melodies, compose beautiful hymns embodying orthodox doctrine. Saint Ephrem became one of the first to introduce song into the Church's public worship as a means of instruction for the faithful. His many hymns have earned him the title "Harp of the Holy Spirit."

Saint Ephrem preferred a simple, austere life, living in a small cave overlooking the city of Edessa. It was here that he died around 373.

Many Catholics still find singing in church a problem, probably because of the rather individualistic piety that they inherited. Yet singing has been a tradition of both the Old and the New Testaments. It is an excellent way of expressing and creating a community spirit of unity as well as of joy.

Read the full article: "Saint Ephrem" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-ephrem/> (Accessed May 11, 2026).

Activities for the Week

7 Sunday	<p>MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST Mass with Inside Procession – Church – 8:30-9:30am OCIA – Jr. High Classrooms #230, #231, #235 – 9:45-10:45am Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am Mass with Outside Procession – Church – 11-12pm Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm</p>
8 Monday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Weekly Reconciliation – Church – 5-5:45pm</p>
9 Tuesday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm St. Joseph Society Men’s Group – Murphy Hall – 6:30-8:30pm The Forge Young Adult Men’s Group – St. Francis Room – 6:30-8:30pm Fruit of the Vine Prayer Meeting – Johnson Hall – 7-8:30pm</p>
10 Wednesday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Weekly Reconciliation – Church – 5:30-6:15pm</p>
11 Thursday	<p>Family Ministry Campout – offsite – 6/11-6/14 Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm New Best Friends Young Adult Group – Frassati Room – 7-8:30am</p>
12 Friday	<p>Family Ministry Campout – offsite – 6/11-6/14 Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-11pm Catholic in Recovery – FFC Conference Room – 7-8pm</p>
13 Saturday	<p>Family Ministry Campout – offsite – 6/11-6/14 Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5-9:20am/10:30am-12pm That Man Is You/Summer Sessions – FFC – 7:15-9am Saturday Morning Mass – Church – 9-9:30am Adoration and Reconciliation – Church – 9:30-10:30am Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 3:15-4:30pm Weekly Reconciliation – Church – 3:45-4:15pm Rosary for Peace – Church – 4:20-4:40pm</p>
14 Sunday	<p>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Family Ministry Campout – offsite – 6/11-6/14 Mass with Summer Rite of Acceptance – Church – 8:30-9:30am Vanguard Board Meeting – FFC/St. Raphael Room – 9:30-11am Holy Grounds/Celebrating Fr. Anish’s Birthday – Johnson Hall – 9:45-10:45am OCIA – Jr. High Classrooms #230, #231, #235 – 9:45-10:45am Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm</p>

WHAT IS A VIGIL MASS

You may have noticed that our Mass Schedule in this bulletin has a slight change regarding Saturday evening Mass; it is no longer listed as a Vigil Mass. Here’s an excerpt from an article from Fr. Paul Keller, O.P. and Director of the Office of Divine Worship for the Diocese of Columbus that was published in *The Catholic Times* to explain that correction.

A Saturday evening Mass is not really a “vigil” Mass unless it happens to be the Saturday night before Easter Sunday or the night before special solemnities in the Church. The word vigil comes from the Latin *vigilia*, meaning a watchfulness, staying awake, being alert. At a vigil Mass, we are watching for the actual day of the feast to arrive. Vigil Masses mark very important times for us to be alert to God’s power in our lives.

The typical Saturday evening Mass is properly referred to as a Mass of Anticipation or an Anticipated Sunday Mass. When Saturday evening Masses became common, they received the wrong name: Vigil. And, unfortunately, the name has stuck.

As we learned from Fr. Keller with the update on our posture during the liturgy (see our bulletin from 1/25/26), it’s always good to keep in step with direction from our Diocesan leadership.



WELCOME HAGAN STOVALL

Dear St. Francis de Sales Community,
My name is Hagan Stovall, and I am a seminarian for the Diocese of Columbus. This summer I am living at the parish and shadowing under Fr. Tom along with helping with various things such as VBS and Totus Tuus. When the diocese told me that I would be here for the summer, I was very grateful as I have heard many great things about the parish.

A little bit about me: I grew up in Gahanna, attending St. Matthew Parish my whole life. I attended St. Matthew School from K-8, went to St. Charles for high school (class of 2020), and then studied theology and philosophy at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas (class of 2024). While at Benedictine, I served for two summers on staff at Damascus, was involved in FOCUS discipleship and lived in a St. Paul’s Outreach (SPO) household. One of my favorite memories of undergrad involved writing a thesis on the ethical work of Karol Wojtyla (St. John Paul II). After entering seminary in the fall of 2024, I spent my first year, propaedeutic year, at Mount St. Mary’s in Cincinnati. This past year, I moved to Washington, D.C. to do some further studies in philosophy since I had already completed most of the classes for the first couple of years of seminary while in undergrad. I’m looking forward to getting to meet many of you and to learn from you. Please don’t hesitate to reach out or to stop me if you see me. I would love to share more about my discernment or to answer any questions you may have. Know that I will be praying for you, and I ask that you please pray for me as well.

In Christ,
Hagan Stovall

COLLAR CORNER

For the next couple of weeks, I want to field some of the questions from our Ask Me Anything box in the back of the church. We will cover some of them at our quarterly A.S.K. (Adults Seeking Knowledge) events, but I figured it’d be good to answer some of them in the intervening time.

So, here’s the question:

Q: If you die and then are resuscitated by emergency services, what happens to your soul during that time or does a soul take a while to leave the body after you die?

A: Great question! The specifics of what happens when we pass from this life to eternity are a speculative question in theology, meaning the Church has not, and probably will not, definitively teach about what happens. One of the great theologians in the church, St. Thomas Aquinas, borrowed from the best of ancient philosophy in talking about human nature as a unity of body and soul. One way we can understand death, using that framework, is that it is the temporary separation of body and soul. I say temporary because, as we profess in the Apostle’s Creed, we believe in the resurrection of the body, meaning we look forward to a time when our bodies and souls will be reunited and enjoy a share in the glory that Jesus showed in His human body after the Resurrection. As far as when that separation of soul and body may occur, it is a mystery. Because there is a deep union between body and soul, it is reasonable to think that a person’s soul would depart the body immediately at the point of bodily death. If a person was brought back by emergency services after bodily death, this would involve their soul being reunited with their body. Many people have experienced what are known as near-death experiences, or NDEs, where they encounter Jesus and have a review of their lives. This corresponds to what the Church would call our *particular judgement*, that judgement that each of us will face before Jesus when our earthly journey ends. It is certainly possible that Jesus would let someone encounter Him in a dramatic way after their body, if only temporarily, stopped functioning. It is well within the bounds of our faith to think that Jesus would appear in such a way to a person near death if it would benefit that person’s eternal salvation. Many who have experienced such NDEs had the rest of their lives changed after they were brought back. For more information on the mysteries surrounding the activity of the soul after death, check out Jimmy Akin’s podcast, Jimmy Akin’s Mysterious World. Also, for more information on the *particular judgement*, refer to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraphs 1021 and 1022. Fr. Tom

Celebrating Fr. Anish’s Birthday

SUNDAY, 6/14
After Masses | Johnson Hall



BENNY’S BONE

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So, I was with the Pack Leader recently while he worked with his dad (who I call Daddo) and brother on building a backyard playset for his nieces and nephews. It was a beautiful day and I enjoyed getting to lounge there in Grandma and Daddo’s backyard. I enjoyed getting to smell

the bushes and grass and, of course, roll around in the grass, but the highlight of the afternoon was when I discovered that this playset had a spot perfectly sized for me. The base of it is a playhouse with a little pretend grill and sink in it. The part I liked was that it was shaded and had just enough room for me to lay down. So, while the humans worked, I got to nap in the shade. If I had opposable thumbs, I would’ve helped them, but sometimes it pays not to have them! I hope on these sunnier days you have shady spots where you can lay and relax. Love, Benny 🐾

Parish News



PHOTOS NEEDED FOR NEW PARISH DIRECTORY

Families who were unable to schedule a professional photo sitting are invited to submit their own photos for inclusion in the upcoming parish photo directory. Files accepted are jpg, pdf, or tif files with image resolution minimum of 300dpi at 2"x3." Please ensure that all family members pictured are dressed appropriately (no bathing suits or other revealing outfits, please). Submit your photo ASAP, but no later than Sunday, 6/28 for inclusion at www.stfrancisparish.net/photo. The photo publisher charges \$15.00 per submitted photo, and you will receive a copy of the photo directory. Make checks payable to St. Francis with "Photo Directory" in the memo or pay online using the link provided at the time of photo submission. Watch the Bulletin for distribution of the new directory, which should be available by late summer.

Support the 2026 Missionaries from our Parish

stfrancisparish.net/Missionaries damascus CATHOLIC MISSION CAMPS



Colin Keck



Grace Upton



Conor Keck

SUPPORT MISSIONARIES FROM OUR OWN PARISH

You've done it again! This great community has raised up young adults who are working in the Lord's vineyard as missionaries. This year's missionaries are Colin Keck, Conor Keck and Grace Upton. These three youth are working for Damascus Mission Camp this summer and beyond and they can certainly use our prayers! Also, if you feel called to support them financially, they could use that help, too. Visit www.damascus.net/partnership to find out how to give. You'll find Colin and Conor listed under "full-time missionaries" and Grace under "summer missionaries." Thanks in advance for your support!



JOIN US FOR A YOUTH & TEEN SUMMER FAITH BLAST: TOTUS TUUS Monday, 7/20-Friday, 7/24, 9am-2:30pm for Grades 1-6

For grades 1-6: Help your children grow into clear, consistent, and courageous witnesses for Christ this summer! Led by joyful teachers, Totus Tuus inspires kids to know God's love, embrace prayer, and bring the Sacraments home to their families. Activities: 4 daily sessions, daily Mass & Reconciliation, skits, games, and prayer. It's the Catholic faith-centered VBS you've been looking for!

Monday, 7/20-Friday, 7/24, 7-9 pm for Grades 7-12

For grades 7-12: Give your teens a space to encounter Christ in a real, powerful way this summer. Our Totus Tuus Teen Program combines solid Catholic catechesis with engaging witness talks, small group discussions, and plenty of time for games and community. Most importantly, teens will dive into the heart of Catholic worship with Adoration, Reconciliation, and Night Prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. It's the perfect balance of fun, fellowship, and deep prayer!

Visit www.stfrancisparish.net/register for details and to sign up.

A vibrant graphic for Rainforest Falls VBS featuring a waterfall, a rainbow, and tropical foliage. The text "RAINFOREST FALLS" is prominently displayed in a stylized font, with "Exploring the Nature of God" below it.

We need Supplies!
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A Few Spots Left
Register for VBS - Grades K - 5th
stfrancisparish.net/Register

Monday, 6/22 - Friday, 6/26
9am - 12pm

Knights of Columbus News



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2026 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The Knights of Columbus Fr. Bill Johnson Council #11665 here at St. Francis de Sales would like to give a well-deserved congratulations to our 2026 Newark Catholic High School Scholarship winner, Hannah Kofod. Hannah will be a sophomore next year and we wish her nothing but the best for her 2026/2027 school year ... and beyond! Winners are chosen from submitted candidates and must be a family member of an active Knight of Columbus. To learn more about our Council, visit <https://kofc11665.org>.



A WORD ON LIFE FROM POPE ST. JPII

“Christ’s blood reveals to man that his greatness, and therefore his vocation, consists in the sincere gift of self. ...It is from the blood of Christ that all draw the strength to commit themselves to promoting life. It is precisely this blood that is the most powerful source of hope, indeed it is the foundation of the absolute certitude that in God’s plan life will be victorious.”

– Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae* © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

School News



ST. FRANCIS
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SCHOOL

School Summer Office Hours

June: Monday - Friday, 9am - 12pm
July: Closed (messages checked periodically)

BULLETIN ERROR

Virtue Awards were published for our school students in last week’s bulletin. The name of the student awarded the honor of the Virtue of Justice for Grade K1 is Evelyn Harvey. We extend our apologies to Evelyn and her family for misspelling her name.



SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Congratulations to incoming 8th graders, Alice Lee and Reid Gebhart, recipients of the Brady Hempleman Scholarship!

We are proud of these outstanding students and all they have accomplished during their 7th grade year. We look forward to seeing all they achieve as they enter 8th grade.

SEEKING EDUCATIONAL AIDES AND 4TH GRADE TEACHER FOR 2026-2027

We’d love for you or someone you love and trust to consider joining the team at St. Francis School in the fall. Educational Aides are needed to assist our classroom teachers in Preschool through 8th grade. We are also seeking a 4th grade teacher. Anyone who is interested in this position, please apply by contacting our Principal, Mrs. Mummey, smummey@cducation.org with a personal resume of interest and experience. Qualifications will be discussed.



A FOND FAREWELL FROM MRS. SALIBA

Dearest St. Francis de Sales Parish and School Community, As we approach the final days of the 2025-2026 school year, I want to share my heartfelt gratitude for the warmth and love you have shown me the last several years, serving here at St. Francis de Sales. I feel tremendously lucky to have been welcomed into this community and will miss it greatly.

To the students of SFdS: I will miss your smiles, hugs, jokes, joy and your strong desire to be virtuous and loving. Continue serving our loving and merciful God and know I am always praying for and cheering you on!

To the parents and greater community: Thank you for your support, trust in me, your kind words, encouragement and grace. How lucky are all these kids to have you as role models of living out the faith!

Finally, to the incredible teachers and staff: Wow, I have never worked with such a tight knit community that rallies around one another like St. Francis de Sales. I pray you continue to feel God’s blessings and consolation from serving the Lord in such a profound and noble way! I am grateful for the fun, support and dedication you have shown me time and time again.

Goodbyes are never easy, but please know of my sincere gratitude and appreciation for each of you. You have left an indelible mark on my heart.

With love,
Carli Saliba



WELCOME NEW VICE PRINCIPAL HORTON

We are excited to announce that current Jr. High teacher Allison Horton has accepted the Vice Principal position. Allison brings with her a wealth of experience as a teacher, strong leadership skills, and a genuine desire to serve and support our students, staff, and families. As we welcome Allison into this important role, we are reminded of God’s faithfulness in providing leadership and guidance for our school: “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight.” – Proverbs 3:5-6. Please join us in welcoming Allison into her new role, and please keep both Allison and Carli in your prayers as they begin these new journeys. Be sure to congratulate Allison when you see her. We are so excited to work alongside her in this new role. She will bring her many talents, gifts, and charisms to our school community.



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LITTLE BLESSINGS

Catholic Social Services is holding a Little Blessings resource fair on Friday, 6/12 from 10am to 12pm at our Newark offices, located at 1031 Brice Street.

The Little Blessings program supports families with children aged 0-5yrs. in the Licking County area. Little Blessings works to address the nutrition, health, parenting, and well-being needs of families with infants and toddlers by providing supplemental nutrition support, empowerment programming, nutritional classes, meal planning, baby supplies, parenting classes, and resource connection to improve overall family wellbeing.

We'd love to have families with children in that age group attend and receive great information and demonstrations on proper car seat installation, safe sleeping techniques, nutrition planning, education opportunities, and maternal medical services. There will be giveaways of childcare items and car seats (while supplies last), a food truck to provide delicious items for participants, and a chance to connect with others in the community.



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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DONATIONS

The SVdP Food Pantry is a part of the Licking County Food Pantry Network and the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. It is manned by Vincentians from the area churches. Food donations are gathered in the vestibule of St. Francis Church and transferred to the Food Pantry on Wilson Street in Newark where hours of operation are Tuesday nights from 6:30-8pm and on Saturday mornings from 9-11am.

Canned goods are always in demand, but also needed are personal care items, like toothpaste, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper. **For this week, we are asking for tuna, pasta sauce and canned pasta.** Cans with pull-tabs are helpful. All donations are appreciated!

Around the Diocese and Beyond

DIOCESAN SENIOR CITIZENS CELEBRATION

The Office of Pro-Life Ministries will be hosting the 47th annual Diocesan Senior Citizens Celebration on Thursday, 6/18. Bishop Earl K. Fernandes will celebrate Mass at St. Brendan at 11am followed immediately by lunch in the parish hall. Parking is available behind the church. Please be sure to register online at dioceseofcolumbus.org/seniorday and direct questions to the Office of Pro-Life Ministries at 614.241.2540.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sunday, 9:30am-12:30pm

Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-4pm

The Parish Office is Closed on Friday



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PARISH & SCHOOL

Making Disciples & Disciple Makers

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Please leave a message. A pastoral minister will return your call.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Eucharistic Ministers and Clergy are always available to visit for Sacramental visits to home, assisted living, or hospital. Contact the Parish Office or call Debby Shelly at 740.334.3147.

MARRIAGES: Couples considering their marriage at St. Francis should contact our wedding team at least nine months before the proposed date of the wedding at Ext. 239 or by sending a detailed email to weddings@stfrancisparish.net.

BAPTISMS: Required Instruction Classes are offered every other month. Classes may be attended prior to birth. Group Baptisms are offered every other month; individual Baptisms by request. Signed Parent and Godparent forms must be submitted prior to a Baptism date being confirmed. For information, class and sacrament schedules, email our team at baptism@stfrancisparish.net.

NEW CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE: Per Bishop Fernandes, Confirmation is moving to 4th grade to better equip our youth for a lifetime of active faith. To transition, we will confirm multiple grades over the next three years, starting with students in 4th, 7th, and 8th grades for the 2026-2027 school year. Sessions begin in the fall each year. 4th grade families, contact Diana Baus at dbaus@stfrancisparish.net. 7th/8th grade families, contact Ben and Mary Beth Lee, Confirmation Coordinators, Ext. 243 or confirmation@stfrancisparish.net. Adults, please see the Becoming Catholic section.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (OCIA): The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the Catholic Church's way of helping people understand the Church, welcoming new members and supporting Catholics in their return to full communion with the Church. Year-round inquiries are welcome. Please visit www.stfrancisparish.net/OCIA for more information or to contact our coordinators.

SACRAMENTAL RECORDS: Visit stfrancisparish.net/sacramentalrecords or contact the Parish Office, Ext. 252.

PARISH MINISTRIES – 740.345.9874

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: We offer opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration 7-days a week. Please see the Activities of the Week section in this bulletin for Adoration times. Access stfrancisparish.net and select Ministries for detailed information.

FAMILY FAITH QUEST: Helping families grow in their faith; ALL Parish families with children (elementary through high school) are welcome! We meet to talk about your experience of faith as a family, then together, create a path that fits your family. Contact Diana Baus, Director and Campus Minister, Ext. 351 or dbaus@stfrancisparish.net

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES: The Parish conducts weekly events and gatherings for these ministries. Grace Wright, Director of Youth Ministry at Ext. 207 or gwright@stfrancisparish.net. Molly Loy, Youth Ministry Associate and Young Adult Minister, at Ext. 208 or mloy@stfrancisparish.net.

CATHOLIC OUTREACH MINISTRIES (COM): Serving the poor in our community. If assistance is needed, call our Parish Office and select Option 1 to leave a message. For more information about COM or to volunteer for this ministry, contact Heather Stasel at catholicoutreachministry@gmail.com or refer to the Ministries section of the parish website.

PRAYER WARRIORS: Send your prayer requests to prayers@stfrancisparish.net. If you would like to pray intentions along with your fellow parishioners, just send a note to the email asking to be included on the Prayer Warrior Flocknote.

FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF PARISH STAFF,

CONSULT OUR PARISH WEBSITE:

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Please keep in prayer also, all stateside military and all military families.

PARISHIONERS, PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Call 740.345.9874, ext. 200, or email vpressey@stfrancisparish.net if you would like to submit, remove, or update names for this list. Thank You!

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