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shall proclaim your faithfulness.*

~ Psalm 89:2

June 28, 2026 | 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Francis de Sales Parish

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Making Disciples and Disciple Makers

Mass Intentions



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
Making Disciples and Disciple Makers

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, June 28 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:45pm Saturday † Marie Kovreg (The Family)
 8:30am People of the Parish
 11am Special Intention: Megan Hanrahan (Grant, Lyla and Reed)

Monday, June 29 – Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

6pm † Pauline Margaret Deems (Keith Luscher)

Tuesday, June 30 – The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

12pm For an Increase in Vocations (Jim Lieber)

Wednesday, July 1 – Saint Junipero Serra, Priest

6pm † Deceased Members of the Gorius-Keck Family

Thursday, July 2 – Weekday

9am Louise Ellis (Rita Rector and Daughters)

Friday, July 3 – Saint Thomas, Apostle

9am Special Intention: Crystal Elkins (Theresa, Donna, and Jo)

Saturday, July 4 – Independence Day – Happy 250th America!

9am Special Intention: Meghan Hamilton (A Friend)

Sunday, July 5 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:45pm Saturday † David Hamilton (Suzette Hamilton)
 8:30am † John Fischer (Janine Kozlowski)
 11am People of the Parish



IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Adoration Chapel will be **CLOSED** Friday, 7/3 through Sunday, 7/5
 Parish and School Offices will be **CLOSED** Friday, 7/3 through Sunday, 7/5
 Masses and Confessions will proceed as normally scheduled



Lois Ann Meyers, mother of St. Francis teacher Pam Deal, recently passed away. Please pray for her and for all the faithful departed. May God grant her peace and eternal rest.

We Welcome a New Life in Christ through Baptism

Isabella Marie..... Daughter of Nicole McAlpine
 Sloane Marie Daughter of Shane and Erika Jewell



Pray for Our Priests

28th	29th	30th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
FR. SUNDER ERY	FR. TESFAYE PETROS BOTACHEW	FR. THEODORE MACHNIK	FR. THEODORE SILL	FR. THOMAS BLAU, OP	FR. THOMAS BUFFER	FR. THOMAS GARDNER	FR. THOMAS KAMAU
<small>Pickerington, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</small>	<small>Pickerington, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Diocesan Director of Multicultural Ministry</small>		<small>St. Matthew, Gahanna</small>	<small>St. Patrick, Columbus</small>	<small>St. Cecilia, Columbus</small>	<small>St. Francis de Sales, Newark</small>	<small>Ohio University, Zanesville</small>

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for July

FOR RESPECT FOR HUMAN LIFE

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.



Women's Summer Book Club

Bring Balance, Peace & Purpose to Everyday Life | Starts week of July 6
 6-Weeks | Completely Online | Pick your Preferred Day/Time stfrancisparish.net/register

ONLINE BOOK CLUB FOR LADIES

You are invited to our Summer Book Club with the National Walking with Purpose team! It's 100% ONLINE! This July, join us as we dive into *Walking with Purpose: Seven Priorities That Make Life Work*, by Lisa Brenninkmeyer – a book club designed to help you bring balance, peace, and purpose to your everyday life. You will be part of a small group that meets weekly on Zoom, led by a volunteer small group leader. We welcome women of all ages and stages; so there is truly a place for everyone. Each session lasts one hour and meets consecutively for six weeks. Simply select the day and time that

works best for you, click Next, and complete the registration form to reserve your spot. Sessions begin the week of July 6 and continue for 6 weeks. Day/Time Options – pick the one that works best for you! Mondays at 7pm; Tuesdays at 1pm or 8pm; Wednesdays at 11am or 9pm; Thursdays at 10pm; Fridays at 10am. Cost is just the purchase of your own book which is available on Amazon.

Visit stfrancisparish.net/Register for information and to sign up.

WORTH THE LOSS

Reflection on Matthew 10:37-42

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the pep talk Jesus gave the twelve before sending them on mission. It started several Sundays ago with the specific charge that they were to go to all the towns and villages of Israel proclaiming that God's kingdom was at hand. Next came instructions about how they were to make the journey – traveling light and relying on hospitality. Now, Jesus asks them to be faithful to the mission, faithful to this loving Father, who deserves a love from them that supersedes their love for anyone or anything else.

Despite the somber tone of the first few verses, both parts of this Gospel encourage the follower of Jesus. If true life is found only in Jesus, than anyone who lays aside anything for the sake of Jesus will reap a bumper crop. The sacrifices a person makes in following Jesus are more than outweighed by the benefits that come from being Jesus' friend. Jesus does not pretend that discipleship is cost-free, but he does insist that the gain is worth the loss.

– Father Jay



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WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, June 28, 2026

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a
Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11
Matthew 10:37-42

Monday, June 29, 2026

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Acts 12:1-11
Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19

Tuesday, June 30, 2026

Weekday
Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12
Psalm 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8
Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday, July 1, 2026

Weekday
Amos 5:14-15, 21-24
Psalm 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17
Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday, July 2, 2026

Weekday
Amos 7:10-17
Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Matthew 9:1-8

Friday, July 3, 2026

Saint Thomas, Apostle
Ephesians 2:19-22
Psalm 117:1bc, 2
John 20:24-29

Saturday, July 4, 2026

Weekday
Amos 9:11-15
Psalm 85:9 and 10, 11-12, 13-14
Matthew 9:14-17

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

SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA

Saint of the Day: July 1

Patron Saint of Vocations to Church Ministry, California, and Hispanic Americans

Born on Spain's island of Mallorca, Serra entered the Franciscan Order. Until he was 35, he spent most of his time in the classroom – first as a student of theology and then as a professor. He also became famous for his preaching. Suddenly he gave it all up and followed the yearning that had begun years before when he heard about the missionary work of Saint Francis Solano in South America. Junipero's desire was to convert native peoples in the New World.

Arriving by ship at Vera Cruz, Mexico, he and a companion walked the 250 miles to Mexico City. He became president of the missions there. Other missions followed: Monterey/Carmel (1770); San Antonio and San Gabriel (1771); San Luis Obispo (1772); San Francisco and San Juan Capistrano (1776); Santa Clara (1777); San Buenaventura (1782). Twelve more were founded after Serra's death.

Because the Native Americans were living a nonhuman life from the Spanish point of view, the friars were made their legal guardians. The Native Americans were kept at the mission after baptism lest they be corrupted in their former haunts – a move that has brought cries of "injustice."

Junipero Serra's missionary life was a long battle with cold and hunger, with unsympathetic military commanders and even with danger of death from non-Christian native peoples. Through it all his unquenchable zeal was fed by prayer each night, often from midnight till dawn. He baptized over 6,000 people and confirmed 5,000. His travels would have circled the globe.

He brought the Native Americans not only the gift of faith but also a decent standard of living. He won their love, as witnessed especially by their grief at his death. He is buried at Mission San Carlo Borromeo, Carmel, and was beatified in 1988. Pope Francis canonized him in Washington, D.C., on September 23, 2015.

Read the full article: "Saint Junipero Serra" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-junipero-serra/> (Accessed May 19, 2026).

Activities for the Week

<h1>28</h1> <i>Sunday</i>	<p>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time MCP Appeal Weekend OCIA – Jr. High Classrooms #230, #230, #235 – 9:45-10:45am Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am Baptisms – Church – 12:30-1:30pm Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm</p>
<h1>29</h1> <i>Monday</i>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Weekly Reconciliation – Church – 5-5:45pm</p>
<h1>30</h1> <i>Tuesday</i>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Finance Council Meeting – FFC Conf. Room – 5:30-6:30pm Soul Sisters Board Dinner Meeting – Offsite – 6-8pm 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>
<h1>1</h1> <i>Wednesday</i>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Weekly Reconciliation – Church – 5-5:45pm</p>
<h1>2</h1> <i>Thursday</i>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm Note: The Faith & Family Center will close at 5pm for carpet cleaning 4th Degree Knights of Columbus – Murphy Hall – 5:30-8pm New Best Friends Young Adult Group – Frassati Room – 7-8:30pm</p>
<h1>3</h1> <i>Friday</i>	<p>Adoration Chapel and Parish Office Closed Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-11pm Catholic in Recovery – FFC Conference Room – 7-8pm</p>
<h1>4</h1> <i>Saturday</i>	<p>Independence Day Eucharistic Adoration Closed 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>
<h1>5</h1> <i>Sunday</i>	<p>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am Eucharistic Adoration Closed</p>



NOW HIRING: DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

We are seeking a faithful and collaborative Director of Music to lead and grow the parish’s liturgical music ministry. The Director of Music coordinates music for weekend Masses, holy days, sacramental celebrations, weddings, funerals, and school liturgies, working closely with clergy, parish staff, and school leadership. Responsibilities include directing the adult choir, developing a parish children’s choir, collaborating with the school music teacher to support school choir leadership for liturgical celebrations, forming and scheduling cantors, and assisting with oversight of parish sound equipment and livestream ministry volunteers.

The Director also supports seasonal liturgical planning, maintains music resources, and participates in parish staff collaboration and liturgy preparation. Candidates should be practicing Catholics committed to the mission of the Church and able to lead liturgical music in a collaborative parish setting.

Ability to play the organ or willingness to learn. Bachelor’s degree in music (or equivalent experience) preferred. Experience with Catholic liturgy, choir direction, parish sound systems, or livestream ministry is beneficial.

Full job description is available upon request. Interested candidates, please submit your resume and spiritual narrative to Maggie Wright at mwright@stfrancisparish.net.

Stewardship of Treasure



2026 MISSION APPEAL: We welcome Fr. Weldit Tesfazghi Abay, Chaplain of the Eritrean Catholic Ge'ez Rite Community in the Diocese of Columbus and Parochial Vicar at St. Brendan the Navigator Parish, as he presents a Mission Appeal on behalf of the Archdiocese of Asmara, Eritrea the weekend of Saturday, 6/27 and Sunday, 6/28. Fr. Weldit is originally from Zagr, Eritrea, in the Horn of Africa. He was ordained in 2009 for the Archdiocese of Asmara and has served the Church in Eritrea, Sudan, and Egypt. He also studied English and Cultural Studies at Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology in Franklin, Wisconsin, while serving Eritrean Catholic communities in the United States. He currently serves the Eritrean Catholic faithful in Columbus and remains deeply committed to supporting pastoral and educational outreach efforts in Eritrea.

Situation in Eritrea: In Eritrea, access to education and healthcare has become increasingly limited. Since 1995, the government has restricted religious organizations from providing social services, including the seizure of Catholic schools and hospitals. As a result, many children are left without the educational support they need to succeed. However, despite these hardships, the Church continues to respond with faith, courage, and compassion, working to serve those most in need wherever possible.



Purpose of the Mission Appeal: This appeal supports the pastoral mission of the Archdiocese of Asmara, focusing especially on approximately 75 hearing-impaired young people who have limited access to faith formation and pastoral care. Many of these youths face social and spiritual isolation due to a lack of trained ministers and resources in sign language. This mission seeks to respond to that need with compassion and practical support.

Goals of the Mission

- To support the evangelization and faith formation of Deaf youth in Eritrea
- To provide catechesis and religious instruction in sign language
- To assist in training catechists and ministry workers for Deaf ministry
- To provide communication tools, transportation, and basic outreach resources
- To strengthen inclusion so the hearing impaired can fully participate in the life of the Church
- To invite the faithful to participate through prayer, generosity, and financial support

Why This Mission Matters: The Church is called to serve all people, especially those who are often forgotten or marginalized. This mission ensures that Deaf young people are not excluded from hearing the Gospel in a way they can understand and live fully. Your support helps build a more inclusive Church where every young person can encounter Christ and grow in faith.



Invitation to Parishioners of St. Francis de Sales: Pray for hearing-impaired youth in Eritrea and those serving them. Support this mission through generous financial contributions – a second collection will be taken for Fr. Weldit's Mission **this weekend**. Continue to help strengthen outreach programs that bring the Gospel to all.

43 Seminarians
studying for the
priesthood in 2025
compared to 17 in 2022

Our Goal:
\$221,734

100%
75%
50%
25%
\$151,886 Pledged

The Appeal

YOUR GIFT MATTERS
Support The Appeal at
columbuscatholicgiving.org/appeal
or scan the QR code

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR MAY 2026

Mass Offertory/	
Envelopes	\$ 34,649.79
EFT Offertory	\$ 99,784.38
Virtual Offertory	\$ 675.00

MONTHLY COM COLLECTIONS FOR MAY 2026

Church Collection	
Boxes	\$ 6,197.29
EFT Donations	\$ 1,133.32

Please note: Walking With Moms donations are now included in COM totals.

Parish News



LAST DAY TO SUBMIT PHOTOS 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 no later than Sunday, 6/28 for inclusion at www.stfrancisparish.net/photo. The photo publisher charges \$15 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.



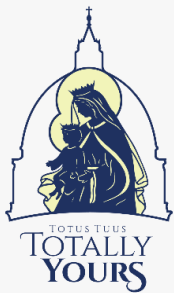
YOUTH MINISTRY ZOO TRIP – RSVP BY 6/29

Youth Ministry is inviting all youth in 6th-12th grade to go to the Zoo! We will meet at St. Francis at 8am and return by 3pm. Cost is \$10/student. Lunch is not included, so plan to pack or bring money to buy on your own at the zoo. Please register at www.stfrancisparish.net/Register by Monday, 6/29 so we can get your ticket!



BENNY'S BONE...CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK

Within a few days, the Moon first became larger and larger in our windows and then became all that we could see. The dusty, grey surface had an eerie quality to it that was hard to put your paw on. Something about the way the hills reflected the light of the sun so brightly while the valleys sat in almost total darkness made my hackles stand on end. But that feeling of unease was matched by my excitement to be one of three dogs that would actually be able to experience the lunar surface. Unlike with the manned missions to the moon, we didn't need to leave anyone behind to pilot the orbiting module, as it was being controlled partially by automated computer systems and partially through the mission control back on Earth. That meant all three of us were able to descend together in the lunar lander. With the help of AI, the lander sped closer and closer to the lunar surface as we all looked on. Finally, with a gentle thud, we found ourselves on the moon. Being dogs, all we could think to do was join together in a flood of excited barking and tail wagging. Instead of stepping out of the lander, we all counted to three together and launched ourselves down toward the lunar surface. We all three landed in a cloud of lunar dust. When we emerged from it, we saw a man in a space suit bounding towards us with that peculiar hop step that is the norm for making your way around on the moon. It was our lunar handler, Dave. He greeted each of us with a pet, even though we couldn't really feel his hand through our dog space suits. Then he asked us: how do you guys feel about playing some space-fetch? This wasn't exactly the same as playing fetch on earth, as it involved a special metal space ball that connected with a magnet fixed near our mouths on the space suits, but it was so much fun bounding in the low-gravity atmosphere of the moon towards the ball as it bounced lazily across the lunar plain. As I returned with the ball stuck to my mouth, I heard what I thought was Dave calling my name, "Benny, Benny." With a start, I realized the voice wasn't from Dave, but Daddo, and I wasn't bounding on the moon, but kicking the wall by my bed in Grandma and Daddo's living room. My moon adventure was just a dream, but maybe there will be a sequel at some point! Love, Benny 🐾



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, 7-9pm 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! Discounts are extended to students who participated in VBS in June.

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

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FULTON J. SHEEN
ST. LOUIS, MO | SEP 22 - 25, 2026
ALL -INCLUSIVE MOTORCOACH TRIP

DAILY ITINERARY

<p>Day 1: Tuesday, September 22 St. Louis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drive from Newark, Ohio to St. Louis, Missouri • Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis • Dinner in St. Louis • Overnight in St. Louis 	<p>Day 3: Thursday, September 24 Beatification of Venerable Fulton J. Sheen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast at the hotel • Attend the Beatification Mass at the St. Louis Dome • Exclusive evening talk and dinner with Chris Stefanick • Overnight in St. Louis
<p>Day 2: Wednesday, September 23 Our Lady of the Snows & Cathedral of St. Peter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast at the hotel • Mass at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows • Visit the Cathedral of St. Peter in Belleville • Afternoon free time (visit the Gateway Arch, Mississippi River boat ride, Forest Park) • Dinner in St. Louis • Overnight in St. Louis 	<p>Day 4: Friday, September 25 Return Home</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast at the hotel • Drive back home from St. Louis to Newark, Ohio

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- Double Room **\$1,499 /person**
- Single Room **\$1,799 /person**

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“O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of Your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.” *From the USCCB, “Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty”* – Read more at www.usccb.org/prolife.

Knights of Columbus News



Spaghetti Dinner
BENEFIT FOR JAYCE'S JOURNEY
SATURDAY, 6/27, 4 – 7:30PM
Johnson Hall
Adults: \$12 | Kids: \$5 | Family of 4: \$30
Cash, check, and credit cards accepted

3-yr old Jayce & his grandma Kathy Braidich



SPAGHETTI DINNER BENEFIT FOR JAYCE'S JOURNEY

Our parish community is coming together to support one of our own, grandson of Kathy Braidich. Please join us for a Benefit Spaghetti Dinner to support 3-year-old Jayce McClary and his family. Jayce was born with Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome and is waiting to receive a life-saving heart transplant. Jayce's only wish is to come home to his brothers and family. Let's surround them with our prayers and community generosity!

When: Saturday, 6/27, 4-7:30pm

Where: Johnson Hall

Menu: Spaghetti (Marinara or Meat Sauce), Breadsticks, Salad, Dessert Table, Iced Tea, Lemonade, & Water.

Cost: Adults: \$12 | Kids: \$5 | Family of 4: \$30

(Cash, check, and credit cards accepted)

How You Can Help:

- Attend the Dinner:** Enjoy a great meal, with all proceeds directly helping the McClary family with upcoming expenses.
- Gift Card Donations:** The family is requesting restaurant/food gift cards to help ease the burden during their long hospital stays and travel to and from the hospital. You can also sign up to help at www.mealtrain.com/0dg4ov
- Keep Praying:** Prayers are what the family is living on right now to bring this amazing, handsome kid home.

This event is proudly co-sponsored by: Soul Sisters, Women of St. Francis, The Knights of Columbus Council 11665, The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly 830, and the Volunteers of The Turban Project.

School News

HIRING FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

We'd love for you or someone you love and trust to consider joining the team at St. Francis School in the fall. We're seeking candidates for the following positions:

Educational Aides are needed to assist our classroom teachers in Preschool through 8th grade. These are part-time positions with varying hours during the school day/week. Anyone who is interested in this position, please apply by contacting our Principal, Mrs. Mummey at smummey@cducation.org with a note of interest and your resume.

Community News

NEIGHBORING PARISH IS HIRING

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Buckeye Lake is seeking a qualified person to fill the position of Director of Religious Education. Our Director of Religious Education position will be open for the new PSR year beginning in September. This is currently a 20-hour/week position and considered part-time. Training will begin in July once a candidate has been selected and confirmed. Please call the Parish Office at 740.928.3266 if you are interested and we will be glad to provide a job description which will include our parish needs.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PANTRY REQUESTS

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 all 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. This week's requests continue to be:

- Tuna
- Pasta sauce
- Canned pasta

Cans with pull-tabs are helpful. All donations are appreciated!



THE SPICE 5K
IS ALMOST HERE!

Help support students in our schools by joining the 5K!

DON'T WAIT - REGISTER TODAY!

SCAN THE QR CODE OR USE LINK [runsignup.com/spice5kforkids](https://www.runsignup.com/spice5kforkids)

WHY YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

SPICE relies on the support of our school families and community to continue helping students succeed.

Join us for the on August 1 and help make a difference!

AUGUST 1 SATURDAY | **ROTARY PARK NEWARK** | **8:15 AM FUN RUN 8:30 AM 5K** | **REGISTRATION 7:15 AM**

5K RUN/WALK TO BENEFIT CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN LICKING COUNTY

Special People in Catholic Education (SPICE) Licking County invites you to have fun AND support students across our Family of Schools. SPICE provides students and faculty with the resources they need to be academically supported in a faith-filled environment. The SPICE 5k offers options for both a Kids Fun Run and a full 5K! Scan the code above to get info and sign up today.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES



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CATHOLIC OUTREACH
MINISTRIES

Every ticket and sponsorship helps provide food, clothing, financial assistance, and hope to individuals and families in need throughout our community.

THANK YOU FOR
MAKING AN IMPACT!



SATURDAY

JULY 11, 2026



DOORS OPEN
AFTER 4:45PM MASS

Get settled, grab a drink
and enjoy the atmosphere!



DINNER, DRINKS &
ENTERTAINMENT
BEGIN AT 6:30PM

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- Website recognition
- Social media recognition ★

SILVER SPONSOR \$1,000

- Four event tickets
- Program recognition
- Event signage
- Social media recognition ★

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- Two event tickets
- Program recognition
- Social media recognition ★



TABLE OF 8
\$550

- Reserved seating for 8 guests
- Recognition in program



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INDIVIDUAL TICKET \$50
COUPLE TICKET \$90

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2 adult beverage tickets,
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Rooted in Hope

Fundraiser at Rockside Winery
Sunday, July 12th at 5:30 p.m.

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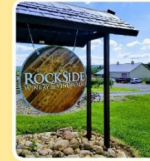
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What To Expect

- Wine, refreshments, and food
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★ CONSECRATION OF THE UNITED STATES ★ TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Why We Consecrate

My brother bishops, dear priests & deacons, women & men in consecrated life, and faithful lay men and women: What a remarkable moment of grace we are privileged to share. On the threshold of our nation's 250th anniversary, we gather to place the Church in the United States, and indeed the whole nation, into the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ.

Consecration is an act of faith. It is an acknowledgment that history is the story of God's faithful love at work in the world. We consecrate our nation, not because it is perfect, but because it is beloved by God. We ask him to heal what is wounded, strengthen what is good, and guide us towards a future marked by justice, peace, freedom, and respect for the dignity of every human person. Consecration is also an act of hope. The future belongs to God.

Remaining in the Love of Christ

In a culture that prizes independence and self-reliance, we gather publicly to acknowledge that our deepest identity and our truest hope come, not from ourselves but from the Lord. Jesus says: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love."

The Sacred Heart is the revelation of God's love made flesh. To consecrate ourselves to the Sacred Heart is ultimately to accept Christ's invitation to remain in His love and to allow that love to shape every aspect of our lives, public and private.

Consecration Requires Humility

Jesus tells us: "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." Yet if we are honest, we must acknowledge that neither our nation nor the Church has always clearly reflected that love—there have been moments of failure, division, and sin.

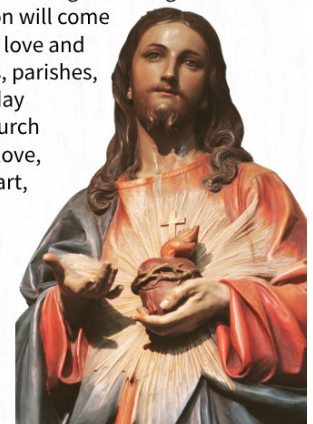
Consecration requires the humility to acknowledge both. We cannot come to the Heart of Christ while pretending we have no need of His mercy. To consecrate ourselves and our nation is to place our wounds, our shortcomings, and our sins before the One whose love is greater than all of them.

Consecration Sends Us Forth

Jesus also says: "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain." To consecrate ourselves to the Sacred Heart means remaining in Christ's love and carrying that love into the world. It means building communities where truth is proclaimed clearly and charity is practiced generously. The Sacred Heart does not divide; it reconciles. It does not simply invite us to receive love; it sends us forth to share it.

To all the faithful: this consecration is something we do together. The renewal of the Church and our nation will come through disciples who remain in Christ's love and bear the good fruit of holiness in families, parishes, communities and in their daily lives. Today we choose trust. Today we place the Church in the United States, and this nation we love, into the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In his Heart, we find gratitude for the past, strength for the present, and hope for the future.

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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.

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

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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.

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