

Liturgies and Mass Intentions - Week of Jan. 20, 2019

Sunday, January 20
9:00 am – Mass for the Capital Campaign
11:00 am – Mass for Hans Margaroli (Kevin Dunleavy)
Monday, January 21
NO MASS
Tuesday, January 22
6:00 pm Mass
Wednesday, January 23
6:00 pm Mass
Thursday, January 24
6:00 pm Mass
Friday, January 25
5:30 NO RECONCILIATION
6:00 pm Mass
Saturday, January 26
6:00 pm Mass

Schedule of Sunday Liturgical Ministries

Thank you for your willingness to serve to make our Mass successful

Crucifers (Cross Bearers)

January 20 – 9:00 am Craig Kowalinski **11:00 am** Lori Toczic
January 26 – 6:00 pm Kathleen Porter
January 27 – 9:00 am Bob Geoghegan **11:00 am** Craig Kowalinski

Altar Servers

January 20 – 9:00 am Frank Schneider **11:00 am** OPEN
January 26 – 6:00 pm Steve Hillyer
January 27 – 9:00 am Chris Paisley **11:00 am** Nolan Rothrock

Eucharistic Ministers

January 20 – 9:00 am Chris Paisley, Steve Hillyer
11:00 am Sandra Glasner, Nick Castillo
January 26 – 6:00 pm Rick Miller
January 27 – 9:00 am Katherine Kriedermann, Frank Conway, Mary Ann Kerscher **11:00 am** Mark Coleman, Sue Cruickshank, Marilyn Smith

Lectors

January 20 – 9:00 am Louisa Celebrezze, Jarret Chirafisi
11:00 am Sue Cruickshank, Gary Snyder
January 26 – 6:00 pm Emily Wu
January 27 – 9:00 am Todd Marti, Cecilia McAdams
11:00 am Jon Murphy, Gary Snyder

Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters)

January 20 – 9:00 am Loren Williams, Louis Schulte
11:00 am Robert Ariss, Gretchen Rivera
January 26 – 6:00 pm Sandra Glasner
January 27 – 9:00 am Hedy Goetz, Tom Goetz
11:00 am - Gretchen Rivera, Megan Murphy



Calendar of Events at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Check out our website www.sfacolumbus.org

Sunday, January 20
▶ 12:00 Book Discussion Group Parish Hall
▶ 12:30 pm Baptism Workshop – Ocean Room
Monday, January 21

Tuesday, January 22
▶ 6:00 pm Caregiver's Support Group Panera
Wednesday, January 23
▶ 7:00 pm "Breaking Open the Word" Parish Hall
Thursday, January 24
▶ 6:30 pm Zumbini Class Parish Hall
Friday, January 25

Saturday, January 26
▶ 8:00 am Parish Hall Clean Up/Set up
▶ Wine and Cheese Gathering after 6:00 pm Mass

St. Francis of Assisi Regularly Occurring Events

Men's Prayer Group – 8:30am 1st Saturday of Mo. Parish Hall
Moves to Good Shepherd Room (Rectory Basement) in FEB.
You can access this from outside the back of the Rectory.

St. Francis Seniors – 2:00pm 2nd Sunday of Mo. Parish Hall

Mass at Westminster Thurber – 3rd Tues. of Mo. @ 11:00 am

St. Vincent de Paul – 7:00 pm 4th Monday in Parish Hall
And **Sandwiches for St. Lawrence** – 10:00am 3rd Sunday
Parish Hall contact Lorri lorrik09@gmail.com

Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm Every Thursday **REHEARSALS
BEGIN AGAIN PRIOR TO ASH WEDNESDAY**
Imarazita@hotmail.com

Breaking Open the Word - 7:00 pm Every Wednesday, Parish
Hall contact Kathy kdancey@columbus.rr.com

SFA Book Discussion Group – 12:00 January 20th to discuss
Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng Parish Hall For more
info. <http://stfrancisbc.weebly.com>

Caregivers Support Group – 6:00pm 4th Tues of Mo. at Panera
on 3rd Ave. contact Mary Ann at napaker@wowway.com

Zumbini - 6:30pm Every Thurs. Parish Hall age 0-4
Contact Gretchen at sprinklesgr@gmail.com

Parish News and Information

Volunteers Needed During the time of the Capital Campaign renovations in the Sanctuary, we are in need of people who can reset part of the Parish Hall for meetings during the week. We will be doing this after the 11:00 Mass, every Sunday. Thank you to those of you who can help with this!



Mark Your Calendars for the Lenten Soup Suppers NEW DAY THIS YEAR - MONDAY

Lenten Soup Supper Topics

6:30-8 pm, MONDAYS, Parish Hall

March 11 Holy Week: What it is, what it means

March 18 Faith-based care creation

March 25 Re-entry for prisoners returning to the community; our parish role

April 1 Symbolism in our church windows

April 8 Catechesis—What should we know?

April 15 Stations of the Cross

As we approach our annual Lenten Soup Supper season, please e-mail ayodele.adesanya@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer to provide a soup and/or bread at one or more of the Monday evening Suppers: 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15. We hope you join us!

Do you have the winter “blahs”? Preschoolers climbing the walls? Looking for a FUN interactive way to move and groove with your favorite baby or toddler? Then join Gretchen Rivera and her daughter Maria on Thursdays for a Zumbini class! From 6:30-7:15pm we will sing, dance, and make new friends! Space is limited, so sign up at zumbini.com. Questions? email ZumbiniwithGretchen@gmail.com

PASTA DINNER

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019 12:00 – 8:00 PM

We are going to need: Decorators – Servers - Pastry Bakers – People to sell the Pastry – Ticket Sellers – Raffle Ticket Sellers – Kitchen Help – Clean Up Help – Sauce Makers – Reset the Hall Help. **This truly takes a village to pull off.** Sign up will begin soon and Frank Schneider and/or Marti Damm will answer any question!

ON LINE GIVING VIA OUR WEBSITE! Change the way you presently use your credit/debit card or checking deduction and use the website. Easy-Peasy BUT IF YOU ARE AT ALL TIMID ABOUT THIS, CALL ANDY IN THE OFFICE (614-299-5718) AND SHE WILL WALK YOU THROUGH IT! OR DO IT WITH/FOR YOU!!

5 Things You Need To Know About "Offering A Mass" For A Loved One

- 1.) It doesn't cost anything...but if you're able to give, an offering of \$10.00 (set by the Diocese) is appreciated.
 - 2.) A Mass can be offered for a person who is living or deceased.
 - 3.) You can have a Mass said in Thanksgiving or for a celebration
 - 4.) It's not a long or difficult process to request a Mass.
 - 5.) Because the Mass is the highest form of worship on Earth, there are many fruits and graces that result from having a Mass said.
- CALL OR COME INTO THE OFFICE (614-299-5781)

Sunday's Gospel Reflection
The Wedding at Cana in Galilee

Two scenes help us grasp the meaning of the wedding of Cana. The first goes back to Genesis and the couple at the point of leaving paradise, where abundant water fertilized and refreshed the garden, with four rivers flowing to all parts. In this departure from paradise, nothing is cheerful. In another scene, woman and man again meet. The woman stands facing the cross, contemplating her Son's death. The voice from the cross, "Woman, there is your son," echoes his voice at Cana, "Woman, what can we do?" Just as Cana abounds in water, transforms into an exquisite wine, two fountains, water and blood, spring forth from the pierced boy of the Crucified.

Just so, Cana becomes a perfect setting for the formation of a new family. But, as the evangelist neglects to report on the identity of the bride and groom, a symbolism resounds. John informs us, "Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs." Cana represents the marriage covenant between God and his people (Isaiah's prophecy), the marriage consummated in the sacrifice of the bridegroom on the cross. In the New Testament, marriage continues to be a symbol of the love between God and the Church.

The abundant water transformed into wine symbolizes the effervescent joy that flows from this union. It is a sign of the vitality of the wedding feast that has no end. **Wine – happiness – runs dry when the sense of God is lost, when we abandon our first love.** The transformation of water from the stone jars into a wine of superior quality is the quality of life we find in and with Christ. The Cana wedding shows how God gives his consent to our happiness, to life without end. The excess of wine anticipates how Christ, the spouse, in his sacrifice on the cross, offers his own blood, the price of salvation for his spouse, the Church.

We no longer feel "abandoned," and our land is no longer "devastated" (first reading), because we are espoused to God, who cares about human life, sadness, and joy. God gets involved in our life and enters it to share the little and big joys, from this time forth, for richer or poorer, in sickness and health, all the days to eternal life. The first reading and the Gospel share the prophetic theme of the wedding between God and his people as a covenant of love. Despite our infidelities, God constantly renews his covenant. The portrait of the Cana wedding points the reader to the "hour" of Jesus, to his Cross and Passover to the Father, his hour of glory: "When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all to me." The present "sign" is the beginning of the era of the Messiah, when new wine in abundance – emblematic of irrepressible joy – abounds.

Around the Diocese

The next Bi-Monthly Mass of Healing and Healing Service at Saint Joseph Cathedral will take place on Monday, January 21, 2019, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Are you suffering the loss of a loved one? Are you looking for friends to share in your grief and healing? Please join us at our Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry meetings. This is a Christ-Centered peer support group that meets for six weeks, four times per year. Each session includes Scripture, prayer, reflection, and sharing. Sundays from Feb. 3 through Mar. 10. at Our Lady Of Peace Church, located at 20 E. Dominion Blvd. in Columbus, OH 43214. If you have any questions, you may contact Rose Daiga, a parishioner at Our Lady Of Peace at rose.daiga@gmail.com or at 614-565-0795.