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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday / 8:30am - 4:00pm
Friday-8:30am-12:30pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday / No Mass
Tuesday - Friday / 8:30am Mass
Saturday / 4:30pm Mass
Sunday / 10:00am Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays / 3:00pm - 4:00pm

PRAY THE ROSARY

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday / 8:10am - 8:25am

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Scheduled monthly. Preparation sessions for parents and godparents are required. Call the Rectory for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Anyone who wishes to be married at St. Francis of Assisi must be a registered parishioner at least one year prior to the request for marriage. In addition the Archdiocese of Louisville requires a planning period of at least 6 months prior to any wedding. Call the Rectory for more information.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING THE SICK HOSPITAL/NURSING HOME VISITATION

Hospitals and nursing homes are not at liberty to communicate information to churches regarding patients. Please notify St. Francis of Assisi Rectory if/when you or a family member is admitted to a hospital or nursing home if you wish to be visited or anointed.

WELCOME!

We welcome all guests and new members! If you are interested in registering with the parish, new families and singles are asked to make an appointment with Debra Renauer as soon as possible. Please also contact us if you are a current member with plans to move from the parish.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Bulletin announcements must be submitted in writing by 12:00pm Noon on Fridays one week before they will be published.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 25
(17TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME)

10:00 AM Barbara
Grosso

TUESDAY, JULY 27

8:30 AM Anna
Gordon

**WEDNESDAY, JULY
28**

8:30 AM People of
the Parish

THURSDAY, JULY 29
(ST. MARTHA)

8:30 AM People of
the Parish

FRIDAY, JULY 30
(ST. PETER
CHRYSOLOGUS,
BISHOP & DOCTOR
OF THE CHURCH)

8:30 AM People of
the Parish)

SATURDAY, JULY 31
(ST. IGNATIUS OF
LOYOLA, PRIEST)

4:30 PM People of
the Parish

**NEXT SUNDAY,
AUGUST 1 (18TH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME)**

10:00 AM Ken
Eichert

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-
44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-
18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn
6:1-15

Monday: Ex 32:15-24,
30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-
22, 23 [1a]/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11;
34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7,
8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt
13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-
35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf.
9c]/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21,
34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a
and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-
27 or Lk 10:38-42

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11,
15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-
4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt
13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/
Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt
14:1-12

Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-
4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-
24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph
4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

GOSPEL REFLECTION

St. Oscar Romero said, "We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces.

We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to

do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord's grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life's adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God's creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed!

Bread and wine transform into Christ's Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that. ©LPi



EVENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

“Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted.” John 6:11

The multiplication of the loaves and fishes teaches a basic principle of stewardship. Generosity travels in an ever-widening circle, returning a hundredfold to those who give from their substance.



DID YOU KNOW?

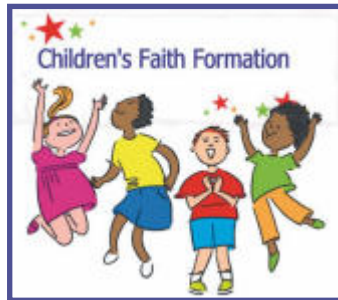
After a year of isolation and dangerous declines in quality of care, residents of long-term care facilities need volunteer visits more than ever. Our Long-Term Care Ombudsman program advocates and problem-solves with residents in facilities in 15 counties in Kentucky. Please volunteer with us to befriend, engage, and empower residents—or contact us if you need assistance finding or addressing problems in a long-term care facility. We can help.

cclou.org/long-term-care-ombudsman/



The Children’s Faith Formation Program on Sunday mornings is in need of catechists for several grades. If interested please contact the Parish Office at (502) 456-6394 and ask to speak to Jo Ann Jones, the Director of Faith Formation.

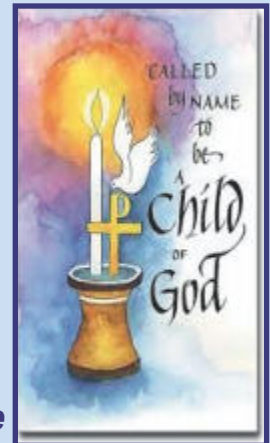
Mrs. Jones will interview you and inform you of the special qualifications in volunteering and working with children in the Archdiocese.



Our next baptisms will be the weekend of August 14th and 15th.

The parent class will be on Monday, August 9, at 7:00 p.m. in church.

If you are interested in having your child baptized, please call the parish office at 456-6394.



HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL LAY YOUR HEALING HANDS UPON ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK. WE BEG YOU TO HAVE COMPASSION ON ALL THOSE LISTED BELOW, AMEN.

Chris Ballard

Mary Alice Barzian

Joyce Berg

Cheryl Biven

Norman Bott

Rosemary Bott

Janet Bowling

Brianna Bragg

Ugo Bruni

David Butler

Mark Churchman

Lisa Cox

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Darlene Falk

Joe Goulart

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Robert Scully

Christopher Sears

Elizabeth Sears

Samia Shunnarah

Geraldine Smith

Toni Sowers

Franz Spalding

Mil Thompson

IF YOU WISH TO REMAIN OR BE ADDED TO THE CURRENT PRAYER LIST, PLEASE DROP THIS FORM IN THE COLLECTION BASKET, OR CALL THE RECTORY.

Prayer Tree

The Prayer Tree is a way to have SFA parishioners pray for you, a family member, or a friend. Please call Denise Bartholomew at 502-452-6428.

Healing Blankets

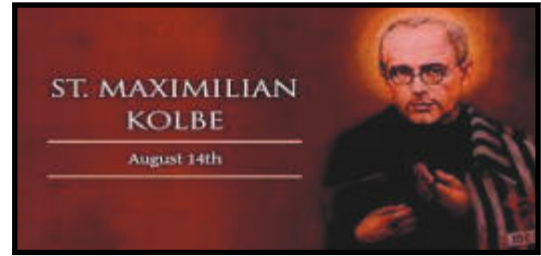
For information about obtaining a healing blanket for a parishioner in need, call Toni Sowers at 644-6681.

EVENTS AND STEWARDSHIP

As our church has opened to full capacity once again, we are **reinstating the Church Cleaner Ministry** here at St. Francis. This entails **cleaning the church before weekend masses. Training is available.**



If you are interested in volunteering your time and talent to do this important task by yourself, with family members, or with a friend, please contact Debbie in the parish office at 456-6394.



Max Fest - Family Day at Fiat Farms August 14, 2021

Celebrate the Vigil of the Assumption and the Feast of Saint Maximilian Kolbe with us at Fiat Farms

1250 Conner Station Rd - Simpsonville, Ky. on Saturday, August 14, 2021. Featuring speaker Fr. Bernard Timothy, O.P.

Taylor Tripodi concert, fun activities, and ice cream Festivities begin with a Mass at 10:00 a.m.

For more details and to register for the free event, visit: <https://ticketstripe.com/FamilyDayFiatFarms>

An offering from the Cathedral of the Assumption

The Eucharist, Christ's Farewell Gift of Peace



Led by Fr. Adrian Burke, OSB
Sunday, August 8
Cathedral Undercroft, 433 South 5th Street

The same conference will be offered twice -
following 9:30 am Mass and following Noon Mass

No reservations required

Join us in reflecting on the deep meaning of the Holy Eucharist. As Catholics, we believe that the Crucified and Risen Lord is truly and substantially present among us and for us in the Eucharist in several ways—in the Word, preached and proclaimed; in the gathering of the disciples; in the ministry of the priest; and in the Bread broken and the Cup shared in fellowship.

Father Adrian is a professed monk of St. Meinrad Archabbey and School of Theology. He directs retreats, gives workshops on a variety of topics related to Christian spirituality, and teaches in the graduate degree program for lay students. He is a spiritual director for both lay persons and seminarians. The Cathedral is grateful to welcome Father Adrian back for this event.



WHITLEY CITY SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

July 31-August 1

SUPPLIES REQUESTED:

- * Folders
- * Pens/Pencils
- * Backpacks
- * Crayons/Markers
- * Notebook Paper
- * Notebooks



Boxes will be in the back of church this weekend & next.

EVENTS AND STEWARDSHIP

Training Program for Pastoral Care to the Sick *Have you ever considered becoming more active in ministering to the sick but are uncertain where to begin?*

The **Archdiocese of Louisville Family Ministries Office** is offering a **six-part Training Program** to help anyone learn how to better help out in this important ministry for those who minister to the sick in hospitals, nursing homes, or to the homebound.



The training will take place at **St. Margaret Mary Catholic Community** at **7813 Shelbyville Road Louisville, KY 40222** in the Spirituality Center on six consecutive Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

- Aug. 26, 2021 (Thurs) Introduction to Pastoral Care
- Sept. 2, 2021 (Thurs) Pastoral Communication Skills
- Sept. 9, 2021 (Thurs) Prayer
- Sept. 16, 2021 (Thurs) Understanding Loss & Grief
- Sept. 23, 2021 (Thurs) Self-Awareness/Boundaries
- Sept. 30, 2021 (Thurs) Taking Communion to the Sick and Homebound

Cost is \$10 per session and you can attend any or all as you like.

To register, or for more information, please contact Denise Puckett at (502) 636-0296, ext. 1268 or at dpuckett@archlou.org.



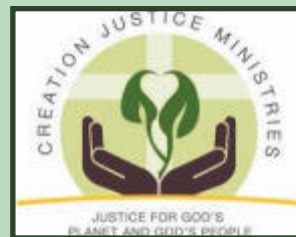
Marriage & Family Moments

By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

"Love is work. It's good work, if you can get it. But it's work, nevertheless." (Benjamin Cheever) What's the first work project that you and your spouse took on together – painting a room, washing the car, repairing a window, learning better communication skills?

"Brothers and sisters...live...with all humility, gentleness, and patience." (Ephesians 4:2) Which of these qualities is strongest or weakest in your family? Ask anyone old enough to choose one of these to work on today.

An environmental tip from the SFA Ecological Stewardship Committee, courtesy of Creation Justice Ministries of the National Council of Churches, USA:



OWN LESS THINGS

This way when something breaks you will be more inclined to fix it immediately because you need it rather than just utilizing an alternative.

Repairing things rather than just throwing them away is obviously better for the environment.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT-JULY 18

Parish Envelopes.....	\$2,634.00
Loose Collection.....	\$5,414.00
Online Giving with WeShare	\$5,910.68
Total for July 18, 2021	\$13,958.68
2020/2021 Weekly Budget Amount Needed.....	\$9,711.39
OVER BUDGET FOR THE WEEK.....	\$4,247.29
Received Year to Date (7/1-7/18/21).....	\$33,649.41
Received Year to Date Budget (7/1-7/18/21).....	\$29,134.17
YEAR TO DATE VARIANCE (7/1-7/18/2021).....	\$4,515.24
2020/2021 Budget (7/1/2021-6/30/2022).....	\$504,992.32

There is no greater peace of mind than knowing your personal property and accumulated wealth will be shared with family and loved ones exactly as you intend. If you wish to remember St. Francis of Assisi with a gift, this can be easily included in your Will.



For more information, contact Melody R. Denson in the Archdiocese of Louisville's Office of Mission Advancement at 502-585-3291 or by email mdenson@archlou.org.

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