



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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October 14-15, 2017 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgies for the Coming Week:
Thursday, October 19—12 noon—Mass
Friday, October 20—12 noon—Mass
Saturday, October 21—4:30 pm—29th Sunday Ordinary
Sunday, October 22—8:00 am—29th Sunday Ordinary

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Pastoral Council: Lynore Arrington, Gilberto Ayala, Gloria Clift, Albert Galvan (co-chair), Martha Graf, Temple Guler, David King, Manuel Ortiz, Dan Shanahan (co-chair), Jack Shanahan (youth).

Finance Council: Donna Allgauer, Mary Lou Denis, Brenda Maus, John McKenna, Cindy Turpin

Please contact the parish office if anyone you know is ill and would like to receive communion.

If there is a death in your family or in the parish family, please contact the parish office or pastoral emergency contact number as soon as possible. We want to be of service.

Liturgies and Events

Oct 14	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass—Ordinary 28
Oct 15	Sun	8:00 am	Mass—Ordinary 28
		9:10 am	Religious Education
Oct 16,	Mon	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/LOH
17, 18	Tue	9:30 am	Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet
	Wed		<i>This schedule is for all three days.</i>
Oct 16	Tue	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
Oct 19	Thu	11:30 am	Rosary for Life
		12:00 pm	Mass
		6:30 pm	Casa de Oracion
Oct 20	Fri	12:00 pm	Mass
Oct 21	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass—Ordinary 29
Oct 22	Sun	8:00 am	Mass—Ordinary 29
		9:00 am	K of C Pancake Breakfast
		9:10 am	Religious Education
Oct 23,	Mon	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/LOH
24, 25	Tue	9:30 am	Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet
	Wed		<i>This schedule is for all three days.</i>
Oct 26	Thu	11:30 am	Rosary for Life
		12:00 pm	Mass
		6:30 pm	Casa de Oracion
Oct 27	Fri	12:00 pm	Mass
Oct 28	Sat	7:00 am	Parish Yardsale
		4:30 pm	Mass—Ordinary 30
Oct 29	Sun	8:00 am	Mass—Ordinary 30
		9:10 am	Religious Education

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard in English or Spanish on Thursday and Friday at 11:30am or on Saturday at 3:45pm. For any other time an appointment is necessary.

Readings, October 21-22, 2017

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Isaiah 45:1,4-6
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
Gospel.....	Matthew 22:15-21

Ministries, Oct. 21-22, 2017

	4:30 pm	8:00 am
Lectors:	N. Goehring B. Galvin	N. Shanahan D. King
Ushers:	C. Gaubatz B. Schmachtenberg	E. Drane B. Bannon
Greeters:	E. Ramirez	M. Cotes M. Lopez
Linens:	D. Allgauer	

St. Francis of Assisi Altar Servers

Altar server Coordinator: Jack Shanahan
Captains: Andrew Long, Mickey Shanahan, Christian Escobar, and Zach Harpin.
Servers: Eduardo Escobar, Jose & Omar Lozano, Tommy Nguyen, Tony Nguyen, Jonathan Castaneda, Paul Garcia, Eduardo Cruz, Arturo Garcia, Allen Castaneda,



Altar Flowers

Flowers by Bill Chase

Mass Intentions

Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 12:00 pm

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Friday, October 20, 2017 at 12:00 pm

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 4:30 pm

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Sunday, October 23, 2017 at 8:00 am

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Faithful Departed

Barbara Beckwith	Baby Jose Andres González
Bishop Francis DiLorenzo	Anastasio Salazar
Teresa Domkowski	Shannon Ward

In Need of Prayer

Catie Altice	Steve Judge
Kay Bailey	David William Latchford
Al Bober	Bud & Jacquie Meyer
Fr. Louis Canino	Janice Murray
Frank Dombkowski	Tony Patriarco
Leigh Doninger	Mary Reynolds
Claudia Fisher	Robert
Joyce Franklin	Salazar Castro Family
Bernie Galvin	Buck Shepherd
Bud & Nancy Goehring	Kari Slusser
Ana L. Gonzalez Martinez	Ward Family
Gonzalez-Torres Family	Jason Whitlow
Josephine Graf	Joe Williams
Steve Greer	Anne Wilson
Harpin Family	
Ashley Bena Hoffman	

Home Bound

Terry Coates (Home)	Ann Syminink (Home)
Leigh Doninger (Red Oak Manor)	Dorothy Weiss (Home)

US Military

Lt. Col. Timothy Carey	Joseph Lyons
Noah Davis	James Manning
Brennan Dopp	Capt. K Raine Maus
Brandon Furrow	Francheska J. Remmert
John J. Griffo III	Jason Presley



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus continues to speak to the chief priests and elders in another parable. This time the parable centers on whom God invites to the banquet

of the Kingdom of heaven. On Tuesday, November 7, 2017, we will proclaim Luke's account of the same parable. In Matthew's account, the king sends his servants into the streets to invite people to the feast, since those who were invited did not come, showing their own unworthiness. The servants bring back a variety of people, but the king notes how some aren't wearing the proper attire for a wedding banquet. They are invited, but not chosen for they have not turned to the Lord and put on the wedding garment.

"True devotion to Our Lady is interior; that is, it comes from the mind and the heart. It flows from the esteem we have for her, the high idea we have formed of her greatness, and the love which we have for her. It is tender; that is, full of confidence in her, like a child's confidence in his loving mother ... It implores the aid of its good Mother at all times, in all places and above all things: in its doubts, that it may be enlightened; in its wanderings, that it may be brought into the right path; in its temptations, that it may be supported; in its weaknesses, that it may be strengthened; in its falls, that it may be lifted up; in its discouragements, that it may be cheered; in its scruples, that they may be taken away; in the crosses, toils and disappointments of life, that it may be consoled under them. In a word, in all the evils of body and mind, the soul ordinarily has recourse to Mary, without fear of annoying her or displeasing Jesus Christ."

— St. Louis De Montfort

2017-2018 Religious Education: Class times will be from 9:10am to 10:10am. Students will be dismissed from Mass following the Prayer after Communion. They will meet their teachers in the Commons and proceed to their classrooms. Students attending Mass on Saturdays at 4:30 pm must be in their classrooms by 9:05 am. Registration will be in the Religious Education office.

RCIA will be in the pastor's office immediately following the Sunday 8:00 am Mass.



2017 Parish Yard Sale: This year's Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, October 28th beginning at 7am. There will be lots of furniture, household items, etc. We will continue to accept items up until Friday, October

27th. We also need any help that is available, please contact Albert Galvan if you are able.



Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast: Join the Knights of Columbus for their first Pancake and Taco breakfast of the season next Sunday, October 22 after the 9am Mass. Don't miss out on good food and fellowship.

Hurricane Maria and Mexico Earthquakes Funds:

In light of the devastation caused by Hurricane Maria and multiple earthquakes in Mexico, the Office of National Collections has set up funds for both disasters to receive any contributions dioceses, parishes, or individuals wish to make. Contributed funds will be used to support the reconstruction and pastoral needs of the Church as well as humanitarian and recovery assistance through Catholic Charities USA. . . (Hurricane Maria) and Catholic Relief Services. . . (Mexico Earthquake).

Remittance Instructions

Parish: Send proceeds to diocesan finance office. The Diocese will remit all received funds directly to the USCCB with memo portion of check to "Hurricane Maria Fund" or "Mexico Earthquakes Fund."

Individuals: If your parish does not take a collection but you would like to contribute to one of these funds, please send your donation to:

Office of National Collections, Hurricane Maria Fund, P. O. Box 96278, Washington DC 20090-6278 or

Office of National Collections, Mexico Earthquakes Fund, P. O. Box 96278, Washington DC 20090-6278

Do not hesitate to call if you have questions regarding these collections.

This information is also available on the USCCB website here:

<http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/emergency-collections-and-disaster-relief.cfm>

Thank You

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day Picnic: We would like to thank everyone for their participation in this year's Feast Day Picnic, it was a great success.

Hispanic Ministries: Religious Education would like to thank Hispanic Ministries for a contribution to help several families with RE tuition.

Follower's of Francis: We would like to thank the Follower's of Francis for our beautiful new Baptismal Font. Father Mark blessed the font this past Thursday, if you'd like to see a video of the blessing please check out our website or Facebook page.

Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Budget Goal	\$3,500
Oct. 7-8, 2017	\$3,071
Weekly shortfall	\$429
October total	\$6,044
Disaster Relief	\$875



Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to. ~ Deuteronomy 15:10

Local and Regional News

Commonwealth Catholic Charities

#GivingTuesday: Celebrated around the world on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, Black Friday, and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season. Since it's inaugural year in 2012, #GivingTuesday has become a movement that celebrates and supports giving and philanthropy. Learn more on CCC's Facebook page.

Our Lady of Nazareth Catholic Church Annual Crafts Fair at Cave Spring Lions Club, 4801 Merriman Rd., Roanoke, VA (up the hill from Bojangles). The fair will take place on Friday, October 20 from 9 am to 4 pm. Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas items will be available as well as gifts for children and adults. All proceeds will go to the church outreach programs.

Diocese of Richmond

2017 Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, November 04, 2017 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM
(Eastern Time)

Greater Richmond Convention Center

804-783-7300

403 North 3rd Street

Richmond, Virginia 23219

United States

For the 5th year the diocese is hosting a diocesan-wide Catholic Women's Conference! This is a one-day conference for all women over 18 years old to come together for a day of fellowship, prayer, and learning. Offered in English or Spanish.

Registration Cost: The \$40 early bird registration is now available through midnight on October 1, 2017. Registration after that will be \$55. After October 15, 2017, registration will only be available at the door for \$60. A boxed lunch will be provided. Parking will not be covered in the registration fee.

Registration: To register or for more information find the link at Center for Marriage, Family, & Life website or through the Diocese of Richmond website. You can also email cmfl@richmonddiocese.org and ask for a link or call 804-622-5109.

Español

2017-2018 Educación Religiosa: Los horarios de clase serán de 9:10 am a 10:10 am. Los estudiantes serán despedidos de la misa después de la oración después de la comunión. Se reunirán con sus maestros en la Cámara de los Comunes y procederán a sus aulas. Los estudiantes que asisten a misa los sábados a las 4:30 pm deben estar en sus salones a las 9:05 am. La inscripción será en la oficina de Educación Religiosa.

RCIA estará en la oficina del pastor inmediatamente después de la Misa del domingo a las 8:00 am.



Venta de Garaje Parroquial 2017: La Venta de Yarda de este año se llevará a cabo el sábado 28 de octubre a partir de las 7 am. Habrá muchos muebles, artículos para el hogar, etc. Continuaremos aceptando artículos hasta el viernes 27 de octubre. También necesitamos ayuda disponible, comuníquese con Albert Galván si puede.

Desayuno de Panqueques de Caballeros de Colón: Únase a Caballeros de Colón para su primer desayuno de Panqueque y Taco de la temporada el próximo domingo 22 de octubre después de la misa de las 9 am. No se pierda la buena comida y la comunión.



GRACIAS

Picnic del Día de la Fiesta de San Francisco de Asís: Quisiéramos agradecerles a todos por su participación en el Picnic del Día de la Fiesta de este año, fue un gran éxito.

Ministerios Hispanos: La Educación Religiosa desea agradecer a los Ministerios Hispanos por su contribución para ayudar a varias familias con matrícula RE.

Seguidor de Francisco: Quisiéramos agradecer a la Seguidora de Francisco por nuestra hermosa y nueva fuente bautismal. El padre Mark bendijo la fuente este jueves pasado, si desea ver un video de la bendición, consulte nuestro sitio web o página de Facebook.