



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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October 21-22, 2017 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgies for the Coming Week:
Thursday, October 26—12 noon—Mass
Friday, October 27—12 noon—Mass
Saturday, October 28—4:30 pm—30th Sunday Ordinary
Sunday, October 29—8:00 am—30th 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 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
Oct 30,	Mon	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/LOH
31,	Tue	9:30 am	Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet
Nov 1	Wed	<i>This schedule is for all three days.</i>	
Nov 1	Wed	7:00 pm	Mass-All Saints Day (Bilingual) Holy Day of Obligation
Nov 2	Thu	11:30 am	Rosary for Life
		12:00 pm	Mass
		6:30 pm	Casa de Oracion
Nov 3	Fri	10-11:50	1st Friday Adoration
		12:00 pm	Mass
		6-8 pm	1st Friday Adoration

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 28-29, 2017

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Exodus 22:20-26
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Gospel.....	Matthew 22:34-40

Ministries, Oct. 28-29, 2017

	4:30 pm	8:00 am
Lectors:	C. Kern L. Bezy	N. Shanahan J. Cruz
Ushers:	C. Gaubatz R. Long	C. Gaubatz J. Dansby
Greeters:	B. Meyer	J. Gonzalez Ma. Guadalupe
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, Venesa Tamona, Alex & Josh Harpin.



Altar Flowers

Flowers by Bill Chase

Mass Intentions

Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 12:00 pm

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Friday, October 27, 2017 at 12:00 pm

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 4:30 pm

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 8:00 am

For the people of St. Francis of Assisi.

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Faithful Departed

Barbara Beckwith	Teresa Domkowski
Margaret Buford	Baby Jose Andres González
Bishop Francis DiLorenzo	Ananastacio Salazar

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
Joyce Franklin	Robert
Bernie Galvin	Salazar Castro Family
Bud & Nancy Goehring	Buck Shepherd
Ana L. Gonzalez Martinez	Kari Slusser
Gonzalez-Torres Family	Ward Family
Josephine Graf	Jason Whitlow
Steve Greer	Joe Williams
Harpin Family	Anne Wilson
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 Farrow	Francheska J. Remmert
John J. Griffio III	Jason Presley



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: In this Sunday's Gospel reading, the Pharisees, an-

gered by Jesus' teaching in the previous parables, go off and plot against Jesus. They crave to trap him in his own teaching to discount his authority. Unwilling to approach Jesus themselves, the Pharisees send their disciples to ask him about the legality of paying tax to Caesar. Jesus calls the bluff of the hypocrites by simply asking to see the Roman coin. What is obvious to many, but not the Pharisees and their disciples, Jesus teaches: Caesar's is Caesar's and God's is God's.

"The vow of poverty is a generous renunciation and detachment from the heavy burden of temporal things. It is an alleviation of the spirit, it is a relief afforded to human infirmity, the liberty of a noble heart to strive after eternal and spiritual blessings. It is a satiety and abundance, in which the thirst after earthly treasures is allayed, and a sovereignty and ownership, in which a most noble enjoyment of all riches is established. All this, my daughter, and many other blessings are contained in voluntary poverty, and all this the sons of the world are ignorant and deprived of, precisely because they are lovers of earthly riches and enemies of this holy and opulent poverty."— Ven. Mary of Agreda

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Friday, Oct. 3rd from 10am-11:50am followed by Benediction and 12noon Mass and then Adoration again from 6-8pm. Come and spend at least an hour with our Lord.

Visit From Our Twinning Parish Priest: Father Jean Serdieu, the pastor of our Twinning Parish in Haiti, will be here to visit with us on Saturday, November 4th. There will be a pot-luck after the 4:30 Mass so that everyone will have a chance to get to know Fr. Serdieu a little better. **SAVE THE DATE!** For more information see Martha Graf.

Paper Goods & Supplies Drive: Once again we are collecting paper goods and other supplies for our use here at church. We need items like toilet paper, paper towels, 13gal & 33gal trash bags, coffee cups, and napkins. Please place any items in the box in the commons. Any donations are greatly appreciated.

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 this 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. 14-15, 2017	\$2,750
Weekly shortfall	\$750
October total	\$8,794
World Missions	\$537



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

Primer viernes Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento: Únase a nosotros para la Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento este viernes 3 de octubre de 10 a 11:50 a.m. seguido de Bendición y Misa 12 y luego Adoración de nuevo de 6 a 8 p. M. Ven y pasa al menos una hora con nuestro Señor.

Visita de nuestro párroco de Haití: el padre Jean Serdieu, pastor de nuestra parroquia en Haití, estará aquí para visitarnos el sábado 4 de noviembre. Habrá un convivio después de la Misa de las 4:30 para que todos tengan la oportunidad de conocer al Padre. Serdieu un poco mejor. ¡RESERVA LA FECHA! Para más información ver Martha Graf.

Ayuda con Donaciones: una vez más, recolectamos artículos de papel y otros artículos para nuestro uso aquí en la iglesia. Necesitamos artículos como papel higiénico, toallas de papel, bolsas de basura 13gal y 33gal, tazas de café y servilletas. Coloque los elementos en la casilla en los bienes comunes. Cualquier donación es muy apreciada.



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 Hispánicos: La Educación Religiosa desea agradecer a los Ministerios Hispánicos 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.