

# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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**May 12-13, 2018**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

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#### **Parish Registration**—Contact the Parish Office

#### **Parish Facebook Group**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/112238392199573/>

#### **Knights of Columbus Facebook Group**

<https://www.facebook.com/kofcrockymountva/>

#### **Youth Group Facebook Group**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/168563686553669/>

**Pastoral Council:** Lynore Arrington, Gilberto Ayala, Gloria Clift, Albert Galvan (co-chair), Martha Graf, 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 of anyone you know is ill and would like communion or anointing of the sick.*

*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

May 12	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass-Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 13	Sun	8:00 am	Mass-Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 14- May 16	Mon- Wed	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/Rosary
May 17- May 18	Thu- Fri	12:00 pm	Mass
May 19	Sat	8:00 am 4:30 pm	Mass for the youth Mass-Solemnity of Pentecost (Bilingual/First Holy Communion)
May 20	Sun	8:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 am	Mass-Solemnity of Pentecost Last Session of Religious Education Last KoC Pancake Breakfast
May 21- May 23	Mon- Wed	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/Rosary
May 24- May 25	Thu- Fri	12:00 pm	Mass
May 26	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass-Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
May 27	Sun	8:00 am	Mass-Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
May 28- May 30	Mon- Wed	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/Rosary
May 31- June 1	Thu- Fri	12:00 pm	Mass

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

## Readings, May 19-20, 2018 Solemnity of Pentecost

**First Reading** ..... Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b  
**Second Reading** ..... Romans 8:22-27  
**Gospel**.....John 7:37-39

## Ministries, May 19-20, 2018

	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
Lectors:	L. Bezy B. Galvin	J. Vadase D. King
Ushers:	C. Gaubatz B. Schmachtenberg	J. Dansby B. Fandel
Greeters:	T. Manning	J. Garcia S. Gonzales

## St. Francis of Assisi Altar Servers

**Altar server Coordinator:** Jack Shanahan

**Captains:** Andrew Long, Mickey Shanahan, Christian Escobar, Zach Harpin.

**Servers:** Eduardo Escobar, Jose Lozano, Omar Lozano, Tommy Nguyen, Tony Nguyen, Jonathan Castaneda, Paul Garcia, Eduardo Cruz, Arturo Garcia, Allen Castaneda, Venesa Tamona, Alex Harpin & Josh Harpin.

## Mass Intentions

Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 12:00 pm  
For the people of St. Francis of Assisi

Friday, May 18, 2018 at 12:00 pm  
For the people of St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 4:30 pm  
For the repose of the soul of Arturo Diaz

Sunday, May 20, 2018 at 8:00 am  
For the repose of the soul of Sharon Hernandez

## Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers: Faithful Departed

Ozell Ayers	William Lackey
Shirley Ayles	Donald Ledbetter
Mary Barnwell	Regina Opalka
Paul Eames	Helen Scarfe
Ana L. Gonzalez Martinez	Joseph Stagner
Wilhelm Hausler	Timothy Wade
Sharon Hernandez	Anne Wilson
Mildred Hynes	Bobby Young
Raymond Kloos	Frank Young

## In Need of Prayer

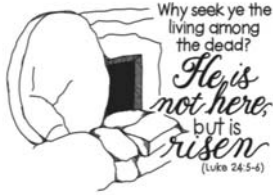
Herbert (Bert) Allen	Dolly LeMond
The Anderson Family	Fr. Nicholas (Nick) Mammi & Family
Marilyn Blauert	Mike Meeks
Cirenio Cruz	Ann Overton
Albert Galvan	Faye Phillips
Bernie Galvin	Judy Ratcliff
Ronald L. Hall	Bill & Pat Siler
Bobby Hodges	Sharon Young & Family
Dennis & Betty Holden	

## Home Bound

Jeanne Banks	Dolly LeMond (Home)
Terry Coates (Home)	Ann Syminink (Home)
Leigh Doninger (Franklin Health Center)	Dorothy Weiss (Home)

## US Military

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



**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**-Joy is Jesus' wish for his dear ones, his disciples. He knows he took care of them while he was with them on earth, but he must return to the Father. So now he prays that the Father watch over them while they are still in

the world. He does not want his followers removed from the world, for then they have no impact on the world. Bind them to the truth and make them holy are Jesus' desires for the disciples and us.

**Adult Faith Formation**-The next class for adult faith formation will be on G.K. Chesterton and will meet on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the parish lobby. During this class a video presentation from the multi-part series Catholic Pivotal Players hosted by Bishop Barron. There will be a subsequent group discussion and no preparation or participation in previous classes is required. For any questions or concerns, please contact Tony Patriarco at [apatricarco@centurylink.net](mailto:apatricarco@centurylink.net) or 540-365-2899.

**Youth**-Come Next Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> (7:45am) to consider what God might be calling you to do in your life! Sign up ONLINE at <http://francis-of-assisi.org/event-registration> OR at the youth events bulletin board downstairs. We need a count of attendees! Mass and Breakfast at 8:00 am and outdoor activities until 2:30pm.

**Religious Education**-The last class for the 2017/2018 Religious Education year will be Sunday May 20. Have a great and blessed summer!

**Save the date!**-Corpus Christi will be observed and celebrated on Sunday June 3: Adoration, Procession and Potluck! More details to come!

**Happy 30th Anniversary-St. Francis of Assisi Church!**-There will be a Celebration Dinner on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 in the Social Hall for this special event! The Church will supply the meat dishes but we are asking all Parishioners who plan on attending to bring a covered dish and drink to share. We are also looking for talented people to help organize, set up, and clean up after. Look for sign up sheets in the Commons in about 2 weeks. See Donna, Cindy, or Brenda for more information.

**Lead our Youth!**-The youth group program is a wonderful way to help our youth put their catholic faith into action. They would thrive with a good male role model! Please prayerfully consider whether God is asking you to volunteer to guide our youth. Contact Bernadette Harmon via text (301.938.2213).

**First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, May 19. This will be a bilingual Mass. Please keep the following children and youth in your prayers as they make their final preparations:**

**La Primera Comunión Sagrada se celebra el 19 de mayo durante la misa a las 4:30pm. La misa será bilingüe. Por favor oren por los siguientes niños y jóvenes que están haciendo sus últimas preparaciones:**

Vanesa Arevalos  
 Brian Arevalos  
 Collette Davis  
 Dulce Garcia Sanchez  
 Imanol (Manny) Gonzalez  
 Natalia Guzmán Carillo  
 Miguel Guzmán Carillo  
 Paula Guzmán Flores  
 Brandon Hernández  
 Lucas King  
 Iona May

Alonzo Lopez  
 Jonathan Olvera Pichardo  
 Marely Lisbeth Ortiz  
 Agustín Ortiz Santiago  
 Christian Peña  
 Nancy Peña  
 Tania Rodríguez Solis  
 Christian Santiago  
 Janet Ortiz Santiago  
 Isaiah (Levi) Sifuentes

**Come see what is new in the Sacramentals and Gifts Display Case!**-Available to serve you: Saturdays: Laura Hernandez, Sundays: Janet Vadase or Bernadette Harmon.

**Add the blessings of morning prayer to your day!**-Offer prayers for our parish community, our church, and our world right here on weekdays when there is no mass scheduled. If you are unfamiliar with the Liturgy of the Hours, come a few minutes early to get oriented; someone will be available to guide you. Materials are available in English and Spanish.

**May is the Month of Mary**

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of the Church and therefore, the example, as well as the guide and inspiration of everyone who, through the Church, seeks to be servant of God and man and the obedient agent of the promptings of the Holy Spirit. In our observance of the Marian month, we should emphasize Our Lady's participation in the Paschal mystery and in Pentecost.

**Mayo es el mes de María**

La Santísima Virgen María es la madre de la iglesia y por lo tanto, el ejemplo, y también la guía e inspiración de todos los que, a través de la iglesia, buscan ser siervos de Dios y del hombre y el agente obediente de las incitaciones del Espíritu Santo. En nuestra observancia del mes Mariano, deberíamos enfocarnos en la participación de nuestra señora en el misterio Pascual y en Pentecostés.

## Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Budget Goal.....	\$2,979
First Collection Only: May 5-6, 2018 .....	\$2,827
Weekly Shortfall.....	(\$152)



*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)*

**Congratulations to the following graduating seniors! Father Mark White will give a blessing during 8:00am Mass Sunday, May 27.**

**Felicidades a los siguientes estudiantes graduados! Padre Mark White dara una bendición durante la misa de las 8am domingo el 27 de mayo.**

**Graduating from Franklin County High School on May 26:**

Armando Hernandez Morales  
John Paul "Jack" Shanahan  
Kimberly Castañeda Garcia  
Linda Nyugen  
Maria De Jesus Cortes  
Mary Nguyen  
Michelle Ayala Gonzalez  
Stephanie Cruz Vasquez

**Graduating from Hollins University on May 20:**

Xochitl Ayala Gonzalez

**Graduated from Ferrum College on May 5:**

Jordan Brown

## Local and Regional News

**Latin Mass**-Our Lady of Peace in Appomattox, VA May 20 at 3pm. All are welcome.

**Memorial Day Liturgy at St. Andrew Diocesan Cemetery**-Your Diocesan Cemetery invites you, your family & friends to its annual Liturgy celebrating Memorial Day on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 11am at the top of the hill around the flag pole area. Rev. Fr. Louis Benoit will be celebrating our Liturgy for all the souls who lost their lives defending the freedoms that we hold so dear today. Help us to commemorate their sacrifices and to remember that they did not lose their lives in vain. We also pray for all the souls of our faithful departed resting in peace at St. Andrew's Diocesan Cemetery. Light refreshments will be available after the Liturgy.

Note: In the event of rain, the Liturgy will be celebrated

at St. Elias Maronite Church, 4730 Cove Road NW, Roanoke. If you have any questions, please call Mandy Tolano at (540) 597-7173, Monday-Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM.

**1st Friday Prayer**-The Office for Black Catholics and the Office of Social Ministries invites the faithful of the Diocese to join us in a yearlong prayer for racial harmony hosted every 1st Friday of the month. Please join us on Friday, June 1, 2:00pm as we pray the Glorious Mysteries. Call in number is (844) 572-5683, ext. 4828689. Follow us on Twitter, @cdrobc and @CDROSM. For more information please contact [obc@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:obc@richmonddiocese.org) or (804) 622-5262.

## Español

**Jóvenes**-Vénganse el siguiente sábado, el 19 de mayo (7:45am) para considerar que quiere Dios de ti. Regístrense en línea en: <http://francis-of-assisi.org/event-registration> o en el tablón de anuncios de eventos para jóvenes que está abajo. ¡Necesitamos un conteo de asistentes! Misa y desayuno a las 8am y actividades afuera hasta las 2:30pm.

**La Educación Religiosa**-La última clase de educación religiosa del año 2017/2018 será domingo el 20 de mayo. Que tengan un verano bendito!

**¡Feliz aniversario de 30 años San Francisco de Asís!**-Habrá una cena para celebrar el 9 de junio a las 5:30pm en el salón social para este evento especial! La iglesia proveerá los platos con carne, pero estamos pidiendo que todos los miembros que piensan venir también traigan un plato adicional y una bebida para compartir. También estamos buscando a personas con talento para ayudarnos a organizar, acomodar, y limpiar después. Las hojas de inscripción estarán en la sala común en 2 semanas. Ve a Donna, Cindy, o Brenda para mas información.

**Guarda la fecha!**-Vamos a observar y celebrar Corpus Christi domingo el 3 de junio: adoración, procesión, y un picnic. Pronto vendrán más detalles!

**Vengan a ver qué hay de nuevo en la vitrina de sacramentales y regalos!**-Disponibles para servirles: Sábados-Laura Hernández, domingos-Janet Vadase o Bernadette Harmon

**¡Guía Nuestros Jóvenes!**-El programa del grupo de los jóvenes es una manera maravillosa para ayudar a nuestros jóvenes poner en acción su fe Católica. Prosperarían con un hombre ejemplar como su líder. Por favor considere con oración si Dios te está llamando a ser voluntario para guiar a nuestros jóvenes. Comuníquese con Bernadette Harmon por texto 301-938-2213

**Oración Matutina**-¡Añade las bendiciones de la oración matutina a tu día! Ofrece oraciones para nuestra comunidad parroquial, nuestra iglesia, y nuestro mundo aquí mismo todos los días entre semana cuando no hay una misa planeada. Si no está familiarizado con la liturgia de las horas, vengase unos minutos antes para orientarse. Alguien estará disponible para guiarse. Tenemos materiales en inglés y español.