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St. Francis

Ecumenical Catholic church

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**Priest - Fr. Patrick Wenrick**

**Deacon – Michael Maurice**

**MASS Each Sunday at 10:30 am.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME – NO EXCEPTIONS**



St. Francis’ Mission

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To live by **Faith**, be known by **Love**, and be a voice of **Hope** in order to give ourselves in service and better the lives of others.

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***“Jesus describes his care for his sheep”***

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| **First Reading** Acts of the Apostles 13:14,43-52 | **Second Reading**Revelation 7:9,14b-17 | **Gospel Reading**John 10:27-30 |

**In today’s Gospel (John 10:27-30) Jesus tells us: as relationships grow and develop, we come to know more and more about each other; for example, when a friend starts calling your house, most of the time, you must ask who is calling. At some point, however, you know each other well enough that you no longer need to identify yourself on the phone. Observe that recognizing another person's voice is an indication of a developing relationship with that person.**

**Jesus refers to this knowledge of another's voice as a similar description of his relationship with his followers.**

**The metaphors Jesus uses in today's Gospel to describe his relationship with his followers are (sheep and shepherd; recognizing voices) What kinds of things do these metaphors represent to us? (knowledge, protection, and security).**

**Jesus also describes his relationship with the Father. How does Jesus describe this relationship? (He says they are one.) This means that to know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Throughout our life, we hope and pray that we will always continue to grow ever closer to God as we learn to follow Jesus more fully**.

***God’s Blessings, Happy Mother’s Day!!*** Deacon Michael W. Maurice.

 **(Prayer after Communion)**

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy;

O Lord, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. AMEN

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE: IF YOU HAVE ANY PRAYER PETITIONS or PRAYERS OF THANKS, (727) 234-1380)

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**Liturgical Ministry Schedule**

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| **DATE** | **GREETERS** | **ACOLYTE** | **1st READING** | **2ND READING/****INTERCESSION** | **Intercessions** |
| **Mat 8th** | DJ Athman | Debi I | Tony Mc | Dawn A. | Ron L |
| **May 15th** | Ross P. | Michael H. | Dawn A. | Marge W/ | Vicki K |
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|  **Dec. 30** |   |   |   |   |   |

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Interfaith Food Pantry, Inc. Current List of Staples

Soup (cans, but no broth please) Ramen Noodles Tuna (cans) Meat (stew, Spam, ham, chicken, etc.) Fruit (cans) Vegetables (cans) Instant Oatmeal (indiv. pkgs) Breakfast Bars Manwich, Hash, Chili, Pork & Beans (Baked Beans) Spaghetti or Pasta (boxes) Spaghetti Sauce (Pasta Sauce) Pudding & Jello, (small boxes), Peanut Butter Jelly/Jam (no glass) White Potatoes (cans or pkgs) Coffee-ground (no

K-cups or flavors) Plain White Rice (not Minute) Mac & Cheese Cake & Brownie Mixes Condiments (small) Cereal (boxes) Black Beans Tomatoes (Diced, Sauce, Paste) Tea Bags (not Family Size or Iced Tea) Crackers (in sleeves) Gravy (cans or packages) Non-food items: Toilet Paper; Masks! Not needed right now: Dry Beans, Snacks, Candy, Beverages (no juice, soda, etc.) Please avoid items packaged in glass, where possible. Thank you so much.

*St. Francis’ Ministries*

Music Ministry, Michael Velez

Hospitality Ministry

Community Care Ministry

Financial Management Ministry, Larry Roush

Worship & Education Ministry, Michael Maurice

Fundraising & Development Ministry, Lorraine Kerr

Web-site Editor [www.stfrancis-ecc.org](http://www.stfrancis-ecc.org) Michael Maurice

Outreach and Growth Ministry – (Needing Volunteers)

***Let Us Pray for…….*** *![C:\Users\Larry\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\IE\6HY0R5JT\praying-hands-2992-medium[1].png]()*

David Baughman, who is dealing with health issues. Prayers for peace and comfort and a return to full health. 4/2

Bobby Pirowski, Sharon Siuda’s brother, mental health issues, prayers for strength and courage, peace and comfort for the family. 3/27

Julio Perez, prayers for healing and comfort from hip pain. Surgery was rescheduled for 5/6.

For all those in Ukraine, may God grant you peace and comfort and an end to this war. God speed!!!

Tyler Jarvis, Larry Roush’s grandson. Special Intensions. 3/13

Imoen Kraska, granddaughter of Ruth Cushman, who is dealing with lung issues. Prayers also for her parents, Leo & Eileen 2/27

David Clark, brother of Vickie Korosi, who was recently diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma, Prayers for healing and comfort 2/27

Frank Zolfo, brother of Julia. Frank is dealing with a reoccurrence of cancer. Prayers for healing and comfort. 1/9

Mike Velez, prayers for healing and comfort as he recovers from his back surgery. 4/24

Kathy Rettke, niece of Wayne & Ron, who is dealing with medical issues. Prayers for healing and comfort.1/2

Jennifer Cerillo Emanuel, friend of Michael & Cheryl Velez. Battling ovarian cancer 7/11

Bob Bauge, friend of St. St. Francie ECC who is dealing with multiple medical issues. Prayers for healing and comfort. 8/22

Richard DeStevens, friend of Ross Pickreign, dealing with bladder cancer.

Ryan Conley, cousin of John & Leo, who is dealing with mental health issues. Prayers for healing / comfort. Also, prayers for all his family. 1/2

Jim Greives, a friend of St. Francis, for continued healing from eye surgery.3/20

Bp. Denise Donato who is dealing with medical issues and undergoing testing. Prayers for peace and comfort and a return to full health. 4/24

Bernie Holmes, prayers for the repose of his soul and comfort and peace for Kathy and their family.

Jerry Heaberlin, prayers for the repose of his soul and comfort and peace for his friends who miss him. 4/10

**MASS CARDS - Sympathy Mass Cards are available at the church.**

2022 Community Council

Chair, Leo Champagne 727-215-3217

Vice Chair, Mike Heimsath 727-656-2000

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Council at Large/ Recording Sec. Gina Aponte

Council at Large, Lorraine Kerr,

Ad Hoc – Rhonda Gillispie 605-890-2420

Parish Administrator, John O’Grady 727-215-3217



***Upcoming Anniversaries and Birthdays***

***Julio Perez BD 5/08***

***John M. Charron & Victoria Cacciandra Ann. 5/10***

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**May 15th Sunday Mass 10:30 am Live & Via Zoom**

**May 21st Parish Council Mtg, 10:00am Via Zoom**

**May 22nd Sunday Mass 10:30 am Live & via Zoom**

**May 29th Sunday Mass 10:30 am Live & via Zoom**

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|  | **On this day of celebrating your love, we lift to you those** **who have given us life, those who have loved us, those** **who have blessed us, and those who have taught us, our** **mothers. May your blessing pour out upon the woman** **who gave us birth, and those beautiful, strong women** **of faith who have been mothers to us along our journey.****We firmly believe in the power of prayer and we will** **gladly add your friends & loved ones to our prayer list.****Please remind us or let us know when we can take** **them off of the list. Thank you so much.** |
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