



ST. FRANCIS

ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Priest - Fr. Patrick Wenrick

MASS Each Sunday at 10:30am. Followed by coffee and Fellowship

ALL ARE WELCOME – NO EXCEPTIONS

*St. Francis' Mission
Is"*

*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.*

February 9, 2020

"Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time "

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(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,

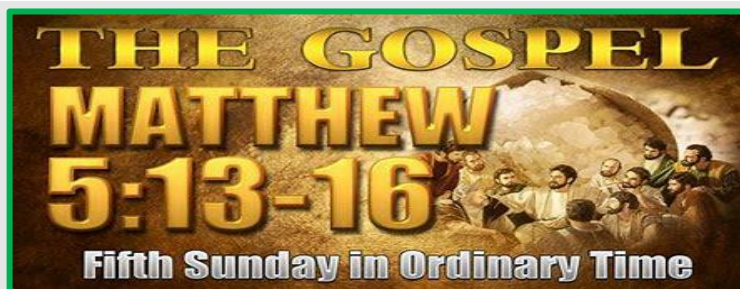
(727) 234-1380

Our 2020 Lenten Prayer and Study
group will be starting on 2/26. Please
see page 2 for more information.

Fr. Patrick is continuing to offer the
sacrament of Reconciliation. He will
hear confessions any Sunday morning
between 10 - 10:15 or by appointment.

BECOMING A MEMBER OF ST. FRANCIS

We have many new people who are attending Mass with us on Sundays and receiving this council letter each week. If you would like to join as an "official" member of St. Francis ECC, please complete an **ORANGE** MEMBERSHIP CARD. A permanent name badge is included with your membership. The membership cards can be found on the counter in the vestibule.



"Jesus teaches that his disciples are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world."

Matthew 5:13-16

Today's passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual *Works of Mercy*. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

God's Blessings,

Michael Maurice. Worship and Religious Education Ministry.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DATE	GREETERS	ACOLYTE	1 st READING	2 ND READING/ INTERCESSION	EUCCHARIST MINISTER
Feb. 9	Ross P.	George R.	Betty B.	Stephanie	Michael H.
Feb. 16	Rick H.	Michael H.	Ron L.	Debbie F.	Deb I

St. Francis' Ministries

Music Ministry, Michael Velez
Hospitality Ministry, Julio P. & Sue W.
Community Care Ministry, Terry Winslow
Financial Management Ministry, Larry Roush
Worship & Education Ministry, Michael Maurice
Fundraising & Development Ministry, Lorraine Kerr
Webmaster – www.stfrancis-ecc.org Terry Winslow
Outreach and Growth Ministry – (Needing Volunteers)



Let Us Pray for.....

Bud Stupi, friend of Jeannie Christi. for the repose of his soul, and for comfort and peace for his family and friends.
Rhea Brown, friend and former colleague of Debbie Faulkner, for the repose of her soul, comfort and peace for her family.
Walt McGary, Tony's father, for the repose of his soul and peace and comfort for the family
Shirley Maurice, recovering from back surgery.
Samuel Rodriguez, Living with HIV, Prayers for a Cure, Comfort and Healing
Michael Williams, son of Daniela Williams. Medical issues.
Rafael Velez, Mike's Dad who is recovering from a recent surgery.
Victor Sanchez, friend of Richard Soltys, diabetes and other health issues, prayers for comfort and peace.
Brian Delaney, friend of John & Leo, undergoing treatment for lymphoma.
Joswe Lara, friend of Richard. Fighting Colon Cancer, Prayers for healing. Peace, and comfort for Him and his loved ones.
Carol Bianco, sister of Richard Soltys, Treatment for Leukemia, prayers for healing, peace & comfort for her and family.
Elizabeth & Pedro Rodriguez, Gina Aponte's Mom & Dad.. Elizabeth has been hospitalized with double pneumonia and blood clots
Jerry Heaberlin who is homebound with health challenges.. For healing, health and comfort.
Mrs. Pat Dixon, friend of David Baughman. Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer.
Bernie Holmes, recent hospitalizations and undergoing dialysis. Prayers for health, peace and comfort for him and for Kathy, his caregiver.
Sharon Champagne, Leo's sister-in-law. For the repose of her soul and for peace and comfort for her family.
Frank DeFalco, Joe Ursitti's brother in-law, for the repose of his soul, comfort and peace for the family
Prayer leaflets are available on the Community Table. Please complete and drop in the offertory plate or contact a Council Member.
MASS CARDS - Sympathy Mass Cards are available by contacting the church office (727-234-1380)



LOOKING AHEAD

Feb. 9th Mass 10:30 followed by Coffee and Fellowship.

Feb. 16th Mass 10:30 followed by Coffee and Fellowship.

Feb. 23rd Mass 10:30 followed by Coffee and Fellowship.

Feb. 26th Lenten Prayer & Study Group 7:00 – 8:00 pm here at the Church

2020 Community Council

Chair, Leo Champagne 727-215-3217
Vice Chair, Terry Winslow 727-397-1709
Secretary/Treasurer, Larry Roush, 727-258-8867
Council at Large/ Recording Sec. Gina Aponte
Council at Large, Lorraine Kerr
Ad Hoc - Mike Heimsath 727-656-2000
Parish Administrator, John O'Grady

INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In urgent need of a variety of non-perishable food items. Below is a list of the items that we regularly distribute to our clients in order to supply them with healthy, nourishing meals. We wouldn't be able to distribute over 8000 meals a month to the needy in our community without your help. Below is the list of staples which are needed most.

Soup, Potatoes (boxes, packages & cans), Black Beans/Pork-n-Beans, Canned Chicken, Spam, Tuna, Rice (white), Pasta/Pasta Sauce. Boxed Dinners (Hamburger/Tuna Helper), Veggies –

(gr. beans/carrots/corn/mixed/peas), Chef Boyardee/Mac & Cheese, Fruit (cans), Jello/Pudding, Singles (fruit cups/jello cups/breakfast/dinners/soup)

If you should have any questions, please see Deb Faulkner. Deb volunteers at the pantry on Mondays.

Please bring your donations to church and we will take care of getting it to the food pantry for you. Any and all donations are gratefully appreciated. Thank you all for your generosity to the food pantry.



Upcoming Anniversaries and Birthdays

Dawn Ahern BD 2/10
Ross Pickreign Ross BD 2/17
Trish Callahan BD 2/23
Eleanor Martin BD 2/25
Nancy O'Donnell BD 2/29

LENTEN PRAYER AND STUDY GROUP

We will be having a Lenten Prayer/Study group again this year. Lent is a holy time of introspection and penance as we prepare for Christ's passion, death and resurrection. There is a flyer and a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Social Hall. The group will meet on Wednesday evenings from 2/26-4/15, from 7-8 pm here at the church. Please sign up by February 9th so we can get the Lenten study books (\$4) in time. See the flyer or talk to Deb Faulkner if you should have any questions. Thank you.