

# **ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano**

**Deacon Robert Kruse**

**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 13, 2021**

**Our Mission Statement:** St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community strives to be an instrument of peace and love in Amherst County through fellowship in the Eucharist and service to the poor, the youth, the stranger and the un-churched, in cooperation with other Christian churches.

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## **Readings**

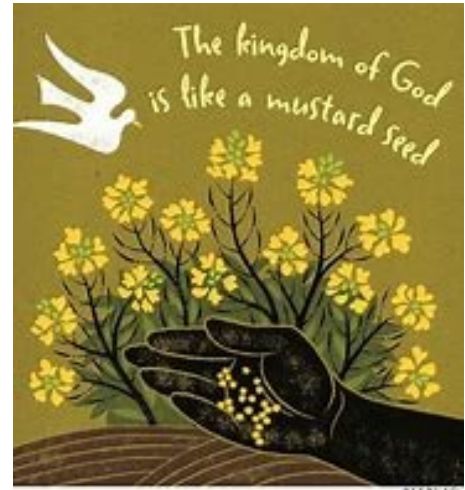
**Reading I:** Ezekiel 17:22-24

**Psalm:** Psalm 92

**Response:** "Lord, it is good to give thanks to you."

**Reading II:** 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

**Gospel:** Mark 4: 26-34



## **Mass Intentions**

Sun., June 13 My thanks to Bruce & Gail Curtin req: Patti Highley

## **Prayer List**

**WE PRAY TO THE LORD...**Becky Baudaillier, Flora Brabo, Maria Brabo, Donna Brewster, Jean Camm, Honey Furfaro, Jennifer Furfaro, Carolyn Greaves, Jordan Greaves, Phil Greenwood, Janet Hollingsworth, Christine Horwege, Tom Hunnicutt, Beverly Infante, Wayne Mundy, Gene Onestinghel, Parker Onestinghel, Pat Onestinghel, Lori Ann Pompie, Marti Sanita, Rick Shoman, Cochise Suarez, David Swift, Claudia Szarnicki, Angus Topfer, Kevin Williams, and Tillie & George Winfield. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

## **Gospel Message**

The **Gospel** is from St. Mark 4:26-34. One of the proofs of the divine origin of the Church of Christ is its growth from very humble beginnings. Christ could have come on earth in the prime of manhood, without the cooperation of any human ancestry. He could have preached his gospel to the whole world himself without any help from men. By extraordinary miracles he could have astounded the world into believing. If he wished to have the assistance of men he could have chosen the outstanding philosophers and orators of Greece and Rome. Instead, he chose to come into this world as a baby, the son of a poor mother and of a carpenter foster-father. He was born in a stable; was forced into pagan Egypt before he was a year old; he lived thirty or so years in Nazareth in poverty, earning his meager daily bread by the sweat of his brow. Then for three years he trudged the highways and by-ways of Palestine, often weary, hungry and footsore, preaching the good news of redemption. For assistants he chose fishermen, shepherds and tax-gatherers, twelve of the most ordinary of the ordinary people of his day. Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

## St. Francis News and Notes

- Weekday mass is cancelled until further notice.
- On the table in the narthex, some hard copies of our bulletin will be available. The bulletin will still be emailed.
- The Diocese of Richmond is lifting the dispensation from the obligation to attend mass effective June 26, 2021 and June 27. This obligation does not apply to those who are ill, have a serious or contagious illness, parishioners who are confined, or those with serious underlying health conditions.

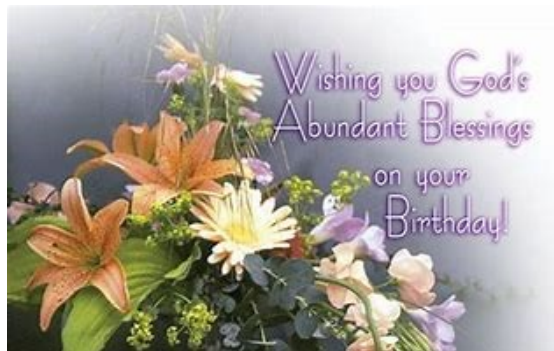
## Ministry Schedule

June 12 Lector: Marilyn Gilbert Gifts: Karen Baxter & Ginger Graffeo  
Ushers: Glenn Johnson & Jeff Hansen

June 13 Lector: Jim Meade Gifts: Grey Family  
Ushers: Cockerham Family

## June Birthdays

Jennifer Hansen	1
Cameron Grey	7
Caroline Furlong	7
James Cockerham	7
Janet Hollingsworth	18
Mary Hansen	24
Heath Cockerham	24



**Mass Times:** Wed. 1:05 pm, Sat., 5:00 pm; Sunday 8:00 am; **Reconciliation:** Sat., 4:30pm –4:50pm & by appt.

**Office Hours:** Tues. 11:00-3 pm; Wed. 1:00-3:30 pm; Fri. 11:00-3 pm **Office phone:** 434-946-2053

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