# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano Deacon Robert Kruse Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 8, 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.

Readings

Reading I: 1 Kings 19:4-8

**Psalm:** Psalm 34

**Response**: "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

**Reading II**: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Gospel: John 6:41-51

### **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, Bob Green & Family, 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, Claudia Szarnicki, Meghan Thomas, Angus Topfer, Kevin Williams, and Tillie & George Winfield. LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.

### **Mass Intention**

August 7: For: +Jeffrey Nickel req: Ron & Sandra Horwege

# **Gospel Message**

We believe in a loving God, and in his divine Son, Jesus Christ, who came on earth to bring us to heaven, and in the Holy Spirit who completes the work of sanctification in us. Surely, we owe this Blessed Trinity a debt of gratitude! We can never fully repay it. Because of our Christian faith which has come to us from Jesus, we know where we came from, we know whither we are going and we know how to reach that destination. Of all the knowledge a human being can acquire on this earth, the above facts are the most essential and important. Any other knowledge is of temporary value. The knowledge our Christian faith gives us concerns eternity and our journey toward it.

Today, we must thank God from the bottom of our hearts for giving us the Christian faith. This faith means that "God out of the abundance of his love, speaks to men as friends and lives among them so that he may invite and take them into fellowship with himself," as Vatican II puts it. He did not put us on earth and leave us on our own with nowhere to go except to the grave. He sent his beloved Son on earth. He made us heirs to heaven and left to us, in his Church, all the instruction and aids we need to reach our inheritance. The unbelievers and free-thinkers may feel that they are free to do what they will here on earth, but we know that we have been given the freedom of the children of God for all eternity, if only we live according to the faith given us.--Excepted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.



### St. Francis News and Notes...

- Please welcome Fr. David Mott to St. Francis. He will be our celebrant on Saturday.
- Thank you to our wonderful church cleaning team! Their hard work saves our parish hundreds of dollars in maintenance costs each year. Led by Marlene Swift, her team includes Christine Furlong, Germaine Crites, Bill & Rose Barcosky, Jim & Carol Meade and Jackie & Larry Lamanna.
- Friday rosary at 10 am continues for Father Roger as we pray for his return. Please join us!

# **Ministry Schedule**

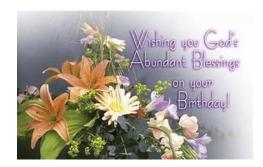
Aug. 7 Lector 1: Karen Baxter Gifts: Ginger Graffeo/Regina Rice
Lector 2: Marilyn Gilbert Ushers: Jeff Hansen/Tom Simonetti

Eucharistic Minister: Midge England Altar Serving: Patti Highley

# **August Birthdays**

Dave McGarry	1
Jerry Sanita	2
Mary Greenwood	13
Bill Chesney	18
William Newcomb	21
David Swift	21
Yvonne Westcott	22
Robert Hieber	25
Jacob Cope	26

Mary-Caroline Cockerham



Mass Times: Sat., 5:00 pm Reconciliation: Sat., 4:30pm -4:50pm & by appt.

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