

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Deacon Robert Kruse

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 10, 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: Wisdom 7:7-11

Psalm: Psalm 90

Response: "Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!"

Reading II: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30



Prayer List

WE PRAY TO THE LORD...Becky Baudaillier, Chris Bogdewic, Flora Brabo, Maria Brabo, Donna Brewster, Jean Camm, Honey Furfaro, Jennifer Furfaro, Irene & Dr. George Gray, 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, Susy Weiss, Kevin Williams, and George Winfield. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

Mass Intentions

October 9: For: Good Health & Blessings req: Marie Camper

For: +Wojciech Grajewski req: Marie Camper

Gospel Message

The **Gospel** is from St. Mark, 10:17-30. By coming to Jesus with his problem this man has done all Christians a good turn. We have learned from Christ's answer that over-attachment to worldly goods is one of the big obstacles to entering heaven. The man in this story was a good-living man, he kept all the commandments from his youth upward and he had an interest in eternal life, while many of his compatriots of that day had not. Reading this man's heart like an open book, Christ saw that not only was he fit for eternal life but that he was one who could have a very high place in heaven if he would leave everything and become a close follower of his. Not only would he become a saint, but he would lead many to sanctity.

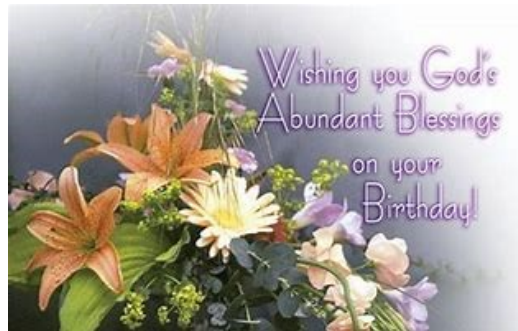
This statement of Christ, however, does not mean that a follower may not possess any of this world's goods. He may possess and use those goods, but what he must not do is to allow them to take such a hold on him that he has no time for acquiring everlasting goods— the Christian virtues. --Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

St. Francis News and Notes...

- Fr. David Mott joins us again as celebrant on Saturday, Oct. 9.
- Sunday, Oct. 10 at 1 pm is our church fellowship picnic! Please bring a dish to pass & your beverage of choice. Pork barbeque sandwiches will be provided. There may be a game or two & I heard maybe a new line dance!
- Every Tuesday Mass is at 1:30 pm at St. Francis. Our celebrant is Fr. Joseph Mary.
- Bishop Barron's *The Creed* formation is off to a great start! Some of the highlights of this week include taking a look at why the Nicene Creed is important, how it serves as a point of contact among Christians and exploring if "faith" means accepting things without evidence. Next week in session we dive deeper into God, the Father Almighty and discuss why evil exists in a universe that the infinitely good and loving God created and continually directs. Join us Wednesdays at 10:30 am. Our Thursday night class has been cancelled.
- Father Roger, our pastor, will celebrate his birthday on October 19th. He will also concelebrate the Mass with Fr. Dan Kelly on Oct. 16. Father thanks everyone for their prayers and well wishes.

October Birthdays

Kelly Knapp	1
Jeff Hansen	2
Glenn Johnson	3
Michele Smith	4
Steven Clarke	5
Tom Hunnicutt	7
Paul Golightly	8
Steven Davis	9
David Rider	11
Hunter Meyer	12
Patricia McGarry	14
Lydia Carter	15
Germaine Crites	17
Eric Douthat	18
Fr. Roger	19
Bonnie Boylan	19
Jiovanni Grey	19
Catherine Mary Kyle	20
Rose Barcosky	21
Bill Tucker	22
John Goulde	25
George Clarke	31



Mass Times: Tues., 1:30 pm & Sat., 5:00 pm **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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