

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

**Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano**

**Deacon Robert Kruse**

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**December 26, 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:** 1 Samuel 1:20-22

**Psalm:** Psalm 84

**Response:** "Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord."

**Reading II:** Colossians 3: 12-21

**Gospel:** Luke 2:41-52



### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Sun.-Dec. 26**

For: Repose of the soul of +Anna Wladyslaw Smulski req: Marie Camper

For: Repose of the souls of +Caroline, +Francis & +Frank Vroman req: Ginger Graffeo

#### **Sat.-Jan. 1**

For: Repose of the soul of +Mary Bauer Shinal req: Tina Murphy

For: Repose of the soul of +Tillie Winfield req: Jim & Carol Charles

### **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, Jim Kirkwood, 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, Reggie Wilkerson, Kevin Williams, and George Winfield. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

### **The Holy Family: Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

The devotion to the Holy Family was born in Bethlehem, together with the Baby Jesus. The shepherds went to adore the Child and, at the same time, they gave honor to His family. Later, in a similar way, the three wise men came from the East to adore and give honor to the newborn King with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh that would be safeguarded by His family.

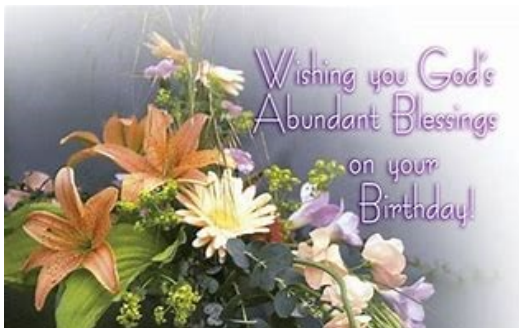
We can go further to affirm that in a certain sense Christ, Himself, was the first devotee of His family. He showed His devotion to His mother and foster father by submitting Himself, with infinite humility, to the duty of filial obedience towards them. --From the [Congregation for the Clergy](#)

## St. Francis News and Notes...

- **Collection envelope update—envelopes are still being processed.** Beginning in January, please use a blank envelope with your name on it with your donation until your envelopes arrive. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

### December Birthdays

John Herr	2
Richard Meyer	4
Felicity Cochran	7
Dave Richter	14
Bill Barcosky	15
Carol Charles	15
Luke Cockerham	19
Genna Cockerham	23
Pat Onestinghel	26
Sue Hunnicutt	29
Cindy Burns	29
Kathryn Cockerham	29



**Mass Times:** 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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## Poinsettias

In Memory of our parents	Bill & Rose Barcosky
In Memory of Tillie Winfield	Karen & Jim Clarke
In Memory of Ron, Mary, Charles Rosul	Joann Thompson
In Memory of Paul, Louise, Joseph & Paulie Graffeo	Ginger Graffeo
In Memory of Francis, Caroline & Frank Vroman	Ginger Graffeo
In Memory of our parents	Jim & Carol Charles
In Memory of Homer & Linda Johnson	Jim & Carol Charles
In Memory of Blanche & Robert Charles	Jim & Carol Charles
In Memory of Richard & Andrew Charles	Jim & Carol Charles
In Memory of Michael Crites, my prince	Germaine Crites
In Memory of Fallon & Hansen Families	Jeff and Mary Hansen
In Memory of Eric Gouldthorpe	Pam Gouldthorpe
In Memory of Charles Seawell	Emily Seawell
In Memory of my parents & my sister	Emily Seawell
In Memory of Carolyn & Pete Mastin & Byrn Meyer	Emily Seawell
In Memory of Andrew Nagy	Marsha Baron
In Memory of Orville & Willa Mae Greenwood	Phil & Mary Greenwood
In Memory of William & Mary Mackintosh	Phil & Mary Greenwood
In Memory of Ron, Mary, Charles Rosul	Joann Thompson
In Memory of Jack & Jean Albert	Andy & Barbara Seaman
In Memory of Margaret Covert	Karen & Jim Clarke

