

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano**

**Deacon Robert Kruse**

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 18, 2022**

**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 1:** Amos 8:4-7

Lector 1: Joan Thompson (Saturday)

Lector 1: Maureen Chesney (Sunday)

**Psalm:** Psalm 113

**Response:** "Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor."

**Reading 2:** 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Lector 2: Karen Baxter (Saturday)

Lector 2: Stephanie Gerber (Sunday)

**Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13

## Prayer List

**WE PRAY TO THE LORD...**Becky Baudaillier, Chris Bogdewic, Maria Brabo, Donna Brewster, Dr. George Gray, Brandon Greaves, Carolyn Greaves, Gary Greaves, Gary Greaves, Sr., Jordan Greaves, Bob Green & Family, Phil Greenwood, Janet Hollingsworth, Christine Horwege, Sue & Tom Hunnicutt, Alex Infante, Beverly Infante, Leonardo Infante, Wayne Mundy, Gene Onestinghel, Pat Onestinghel, Donald & Rae Pfaff, Lori Ann Pompie, Marti Sanita, Rick Shoman, Jim Stella, Cochise Suarez, Claudia Szarnicki, Mildred Szarnicki, Meghan Thomas, Angus Topfer, Jane West, Reggie Wilkerson, Kevin Williams and Debbie Wyman. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

## Mass Intention

Saturday, Sept. 17 Repose of the soul of +Paul Dascer req: Jeff Hansen

## Gospel

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke 16:1-13*. These words of Christ warning those who would follow him on the road to heaven not to become the slaves of earthly things are applicable to all of us. Most of us may feel that this warning is for millionaires and business magnates. Our Lord didn't say so. There was not a single millionaire in his audience. He meant it for all of us, for what he warned against was not the just acquisition of this world's goods but their unjust acquisition, and the dishonest use of them when they were justly acquired.

The second lesson our Lord wishes to teach us is that we should use what we can spare of our earthly possessions in helping those who are in need of our help. By doing that, we will be making friends who will help us at the judgment seat to get a lasting reception in heaven. Remember that description of the judgment which our Lord gave when he said, "I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was naked and you



clothed me"? What we do for the needy, we do for Him. Those whom we help, as far as we can, will be witnesses testifying for us when our final examination, on which our eternity will depend, comes upon us.  
 —Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings Cycle C*, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan, O.F.M.

**St. Francis News and Notes...**

- Rosary continues every Friday at 10 am.
- St. Francis parishioners are invited to "JOURNEYING TOGETHER: ONE CHURCH ONE HEART, ONE MIND." Parish Retreat at St. Mary's, September 16 and 17th. Friday 7-9, Saturday 8-12. Father Joseph Biber will conduct the retreat with Father Roger. Potluck @ 6pm on Friday night before the retreat starts. Coffee and donuts Saturday as well as a sandwich lunch will be provided.
- Saturday, October 1—Family Dinner after our 5 pm Mass in honor of our patron saint St. Francis' Feast Day.
- Tuesday, October 4—St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day Mass—1 pm  
 Blessing of the Animals— 3 pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 5—No Mass



**September Birthdays**

Marti Sanita	2
Karen Clarke	4
Patti Highley	5
Eileen Furlong	5
Peggy McFadden	9
Donna Baer	10
Jim Meade	13
Bill Meznarich	13
Andrew Schroeder	14
Laura Schroeder	14
Claudia Szarnicki	17
Jackie Lamanna	21
Luc Dionne	23
Bruce Curtin	24
Donna Cockerham	28
Michael Baer	28
Stephanie Gerber	29



**Mass Times:** Wed., 1 pm and Sat., 5 pm & Sun. 8 am (except the 1st Sunday of the month)

**Reconciliation:** Sat., 4:30 pm –4:50 pm & by appt.

**Office Hours:** Tues. 11:00-3 pm; Wed. 11:00-3:00 pm; Sat. 2:30-4:30 **Office phone:** 434.946.2053

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