

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20, 2022

Our Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi is a Roman Catholic church striving to be an instrument of peace and love through the sacramental life of Jesus Christ and service to others.

Reading 1: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Lector 1: Ann Tucker (Saturday)

Lector 1: Maureen Chesney (Sunday)

Psalm: Psalm 122

Response: "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."

Reading 2: Colossians 1:12-20

Lector 2: Karen Baxter (Saturday)

Lector 2: Genna Cockerham (Sunday)

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

Eucharistic Minister: Midge England (Saturday)

Larry Lamanna (Sunday)



Mass Intentions

Saturday, Nov. 19 Rest of the soul of +Paul Graffeo req: Ginger Graffeo

Sunday, Nov. 20 Rest of the soul of +Eleanore Mary Ryan req: Bill and Maureen Chesney

Rest of the soul of +Jeanine Lamanna req: Jackie and Larry Lamanna

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, Peggy Sexton, Rick Shoman, Joyce Spiaggi, Laurence Spiaggi, Jim Stella, Cochise Suarez, Claudia Szarnicki, Mildred Szarnicki, Meghan Thomas, Angus Topfer, Jane West, Reggie Wilkerson, Kevin Williams, George Winfield, Harry Winfield and Debbie Wyman. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

Gospel: All four Evangelists tell us that when Jesus was crucified on Calvary there was an inscription written on the upper arm of the cross which said that he was "King of the Jews." To the disgust of the Jewish leaders he insisted on putting the title of the crucified criminal, "King of the Jews," over his cross. In doing this, Pilate was proclaiming to the world, that these vengeful leaders of the people had condemned the messianic King, for whom they had been waiting for centuries, to the shameful death of the cross. He was doing even more. He was proclaiming that the innocent one who hung on that cross was the "King of Kings" the King of this world and of the next.

Today let us renew our loyalty to Christ our King. We are privileged and proud to be his subjects. As members of his Church on earth we are as yet in the preparatory stage of that kingdom. If we do the little that he asks of us, during this period of preparation, we are assured of being full citizens in his eternal kingdom of happiness and peace. —Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

St. Francis News and Notes...

- St Francis is providing Thanksgiving food boxes to 12 families at Central Elementary. The holiday meal provisions and a gift card for perishable items are taken care of. We are asking for donations of non-perishable items that will get the families through the rest of the weekend. We also accept monetary donations and will take care of the shopping to fill the boxes with additional items. Lists of needed food items are on the narthex table. Cut-off date for food items is Saturday, November 19.
- Thursday, November 24 our Thanksgiving Mass will be at 1 pm. We will also have a pot luck after Mass for those who wish to gather in fellowship. There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex table and the cut-off date for sign-ups is Sunday, November 20.
- On Sunday, November 27 beginning at 3 pm, Singing in the Season begins! Participants will walk or drive to six of Amherst churches and sing a short selection of seasonal music at each. The route begins at Emmanuel United Methodist, continue to Mt. Olive Baptist, Ascension Episcopal, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic, Epiphany Anglican and Amherst Presbyterian. The afternoon will conclude at Second State about 5:30 with a community sing and refreshments. The event is free and open to the public.

Meals on Wheels Team B is in need of another member starting in January 2023: Our thanks to Gail Curtin for her many years of service leading this team. Team B meets on the fourth Monday afternoon of each month for about 90 minutes. We prepare nourishing meals for Amherst County senior shut-ins for MOW drivers to pick up. Please join our team as we support our community. Call Jackie Lamanna @ 434-826-9410 or email her @ larjac73@gmail.com for more details.

November Birthdays

Tom Simonetti	2
Rebecca Grey	2
Madison Luther	2
Jackie Faria	3
Regina Rice	8
Marilyn Gilbert	11
Tim McGarry	14
Matthew McGarry	16
Deborah Walker	19
Emily Hubbard	20
Garold Cockerham	21
Gail Curtin	24
Elizabeth Douthat	28
John McFadden	29
Sharon Simonetti	30



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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Facebook: [stfrancis/amherst/va](https://www.facebook.com/stfrancis/amherst/va)

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