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Music for Today's Liturgy

Processional:
#475 **Tree of Life**

Response:
#Psalm 116

Communion:
#792 **The Love of the Lord**

Recessional:
#679 **Center of My Life**



Winner-A-Day Winners: 9/06-9/12
Yvonne Dial, George Allen,
Michael Flood, Richard Schewene,
Jason Allen, Joseph Moss, Carol Fisher.
All are \$25 winners! The Winner-A-Day Hopper has lots of room. Have you purchased your tickets yet? If not, call the parish office at 513-535-2719 so your name can be in the hopper for the daily drawing. If your name is drawn, the ticket goes right back in so that you have the possibility of winning again!



Minister Schedule for September 19

Coordinator: Jerry Diersing
Greeters: Dan Nolan
Lector 1: Kathie Hendy
Lector 2: Katie Callahan
Intercessions: Joan Monin Callahan
Eucharistic Minister: Tina Candelaresi
Collection: Anne Burkhart, Randy Ulses

Please contact Br. Tim or the parish office at 535-2719 if you or someone in your family is ill or if you have a special prayer request in order to be included in our weekly prayers for the sick.



"A crumb shared is better than a banquet alone."

College students among our parishioners

We'd like to publish a listing of all the members of our parish who have students in college. Please forward their names, college attending, and year, e.g. Jane Doe, Miami University, 3rd year. Over the next several weeks, please send to Fr. Al at alhirt@sfsparish.org.



Peace Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.
Grant that I may not so much need to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand,
to be loved as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.




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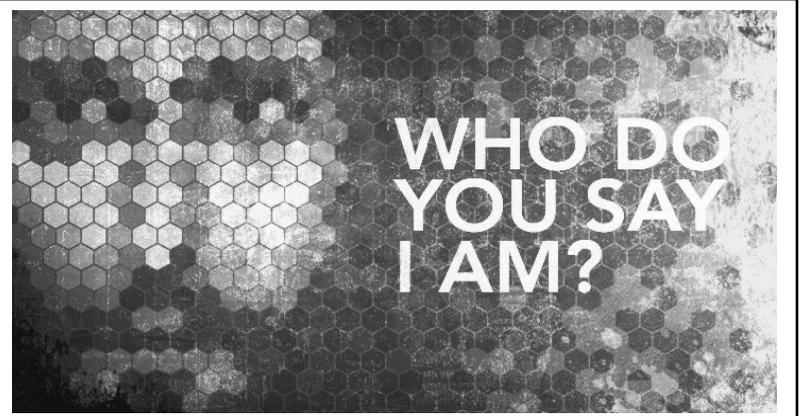


St. Francis Seraph Church

at Liberty & Vine, in Over-the-Rhine

**ST. FRANCIS SERAPH
THE HEART OF OVER-
THE-RHINE**
1615 Vine Street
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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



A Roman Catholic
Community of Faith
welcoming *all* people of faith
in the Franciscan
Tradition since 1859.

Sacraments

Baptism - Infants: Sunday during or immediately following 10am Mass. Expectant parents plan to attend Baptismal Preparation Program.

Baptism - Adults: Usually celebrated at Easter Vigil. Preparation in stages through the year.

Reconciliation - Sundays 9:30am or by appt.

Anointing of the Sick: Schedule by calling the Office before surgery/medical procedure, or in event of serious illness. In event of medical emergency or death, call 513-404-3688.

Matrimony - registered Parishioners should contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to the anticipated wedding date to begin the process of marriage preparation.



OUR MISSION:

Saint Francis Seraph is a Catholic faith community. We are called to serve with and among the people of Over-the-Rhine. Our mission is to share the powerful love of Jesus Christ, which changes lives and communities. In the spirit of Saint Francis, we proclaim the Gospel through worship, education and social justice.

A Short History of St Francis Seraph Parish

Saint Francis Seraph Church is a Roman Catholic parish in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, established by the Franciscan Friars of the Province of St. John the Baptist. In November 1858, the cornerstone was laid for the present St. Francis Seraph Church, and it was consecrated December 18, 1859, with the School opening the same year. In 2000, the church building underwent a major remodel. The social ministries of the Franciscans continued to develop into the 21st century, maintaining the friars historic commitment to Over-the-Rhine in the area of social service. St. Francis Seraph Parish and School continue the friars' parochial and educational ministry. The Parish, School and Ministries are affiliated in a covenant, which expresses the relationship which they share.

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 All
 Visitors!


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Sunday Mass
 10:00 a.m.
Weekday Mass
 Mon.– Fri. 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days
 8 a.m. & 5:45 p.m.

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 Nataliya Kravchenko
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Visit the parish website: sfsparish.org for a history of our parish and the latest news about our church and school, and parish life.

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Stewardship - Week Ending Sept. 5

Sunday Collection: \$3,165.00
 Mail in Collection: \$2,330.00
 Total: \$5,495.00

August PayPal Total: \$5,160.34

Thank you to all who contribute on Sunday and to the many faithful who send your offerings during the week. You can donate online at sfsparish.org. We do not pass a collection basket during Mass. Instead, we have a collection urn behind the lectern.

With each contribution show a cheerful countenance,

And pay your tithes in a spirit of joy.

Give to the Most High as God has given to you, Generously according to your means.

-Sirach 35:8-9

Pastor's Corner



Each year, parishes are assigned a missionary speaker, a way for all Catholics to be introduced to some aspect of the missionary church. This September 26, Fr. David Adiletta, OP, will celebrate our Sunday Mass and preach on behalf of the Dominican missions in East Africa. We should have more details for next Sunday's bulletin.

For the past two Sundays we have asked for your generosity for the immediate needs of the people of Haiti. Now on the last Sunday of September you are asked to help support these African missionaries.

Like the Haiti envelopes we had marked recently, we will make available envelopes marked MISSIONS so that you will be able to contribute to this appeal.

Since I am talking "donations" I want to remind you that very soon we will have a decision made with the Franciscan Province as to how you can direct contributions to the new Heat and AC fund.

Already we have had a couple of \$5,000 offers to get this fund drive started! How good to know that there is enthusiasm for this project.

Fr. Al

Haiti Collection: Today, along with many Catholic Churches in the United States, we will accept donations to assist the people in Haiti so devastated by earthquake, civil unrest, storms and ongoing poverty. The funds we collect will help Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities USA respond to emergency needs. There are special envelopes on the tables in back of church marked "HAITI." Please try to be generous with this great need.



Blessing of our School Staff and Catechists: Next Sunday we will extend a blessing to all those working at our school and teaching in our Children's Faith Formation program here in the parish. We hope to have a reception to which we are all invited in the courtyard after Mass.

Today's Readings:
 Is 50:5-9a
 Jas 2:14-18
 Mark 8:27-35

Next Sunday:
 Wis 2:12, 17-20
 Jas 3:16—4:3
 Mark 9:30-37



Do You Have Faith and Works?



My Parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. This we pray.

WELCOME GUESTS!...If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know how welcome you are, whether you have come from another parish here in the Archdiocese, from across the river, or from further reaches. Thank you for praying with us. Feel free to join us as often as you can! If you are new to the parish, parking is available in the school lot and the two lots over on Moore Street. Turn from Liberty to Moore Street at the Shell station and there are two parking lots immediately after the school on the left and right across from the tap room. This is free parking for our parish while Sunday Mass is in session. There is also free parking in the lot at the southwest corner of Liberty and Race. At the kiosk, enter the code 4316. You can park there until 1pm. Help us grow! REGISTER PLEASE! if you are attending St. Francis Seraph regularly and consider us "your parish"-please register yourself and your family. Forms are available on the table in church.



17th Annual Blue Mass Celebration

On Sunday, Sept. 26, the 11AM Mass at the Cathedral is celebrated with people of all faiths as we pray for the men and women whose dedicated service assists us in making our communities safe and for those who have given the ultimate sacrifice to save others. The Cathedral extends an invitation to all Greater Cincinnati Police, Fire and Public Safety Personnel, active and retired, to attend. A blessing and procession begins at 10:45AM. Fr. Steve Angi, Police Chaplain, will be the celebrant of the Mass. All are invited.

The St. Francis Seraph Church/School Summer Appeal Raffle continues. If you have not sent in your chances, please do so. The drawing will take place October 3. If you need more tickets, please contact the office at 535-2719. Thank you.

September Dates:

Sunday, 9/12: Meeting after Mass for parishioners who live in OTR. Fr. Al is seeking to listen to our members who live in this neighborhood as it is and as it is developing. How might all the members of this parish be able to help, what would be most effective? If you are a resident of OTR and did not receive an invitation to this meeting, please contact Fr. Al. He simply doesn't know everybody yet!

Tuesday, 9/14: Parish Council Meeting, via Zoom, 6:30pm.

Thursday, 9/16: Jeanette Tepe, Randy Ulses and Fr. Al will attend a Worship Commission Workshop hosted by the Office of Divine Worship and Sacraments, 7pm at St. Vivian Church.

Sunday, 9/19: Children's Faith Formation classes begin after the Sunday Mass.

Sunday, 9/26: Mission Appeal at our Mass. Joe and Carol Metz celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

Wednesday, 9/29: Meeting at Good Shepherd for all priests for the "unveil" of the proposed plan for the Families of Parishes.

TBA: 4 or 5 Parish Leaders from each of the parishes in our Cathedral Deanery will be part of a meeting to be introduced to the Beacons of Light process currently ongoing in the Archdiocese.

Once we know what evening this 7-9pm meeting will happen, we'll get some of our SFS leaders scheduled to represent our parish.

RCIA Inquiry Sessions...Do you have a neighbor, friend or spouse who has been asking questions about the Catholic Church? Is there someone you know who might be, either casually or seriously, interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you know an adult who was baptized as a child, but never raised in their Catholic faith or confirmed? Are YOU interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Now is the time to know about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Talk to Fr. Al or Pat Ruthemeyer or call the office at 535-2719.