

10 28th Sunday *Abraham Kleinschmidt -2nd Sunday on Main	11 *Carolyn Heller	12 *Chuck Knepfle	13 *Chris Kolik	14	15 *Diana Campbell *Jeanette Tepe	16 *Jerry Schmidt
17 29th Sunday	18	19 *Anne Burkhart *Elianan Niese	20 *Julie Fay	21	22 *Sara Kleinschmidt	23

Music for Today's Liturgy
 Processional: #584
Come to the Water
 Response: #122
Let Us Go Rejoicing
 Communion: #782 and #790
Only This I Want and The Summons
 Recessional: #658
Seek Ye First



Winner-A-Day Winners: 10/4-10/10
 Tim Schweikert \$1000 (feast of St. Francis), Vicki Eckstein, Chris Stange, Mary Akers, Al Humbert, Elaine Goldschmidt, Frank Listerman. All others 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 October 17
Coordinator: Jerry Diersing
Greeters: Matt Cavanaugh, Dan Nolan
Lector 1: Joan Monin Cavanaugh
Lector 2: Bob Dahlstrom
Intercessions: Moe Nieman
Eucharistic Minister: Carla Sherman
Collection: Anne Burkhart, Joan Callahan

Your life may be the only Bible some folks read.

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.



The Summer Raffle concluded this past Sunday. Here are the winners: \$125: Robert Brown, Br. John Carey, Duane Stacklin, Karen Rahe, Joe Pearce, Ruth Ann Ravenna, Lonnie Kuhl, Br. John Carey, Lucille Kotzbauer, Jim Caskey, Vicki Eckstein, ADCO Heating, Bob Greulich, Lee Moeller, Carol Schweitzer, Elizabeth Lacey, William Frese, Michael Flood, Tom Gruber, Mary Lang. \$200: Jim Bastin, Brian Cleary, Paul Leibel, Patricia Foehle \$500: Mike Roberts, Virginia Cheeseman, Cathy Doyle. \$1000: Antoinette Mellett, Marilyn Meyer \$2000: Ron Martini. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets!



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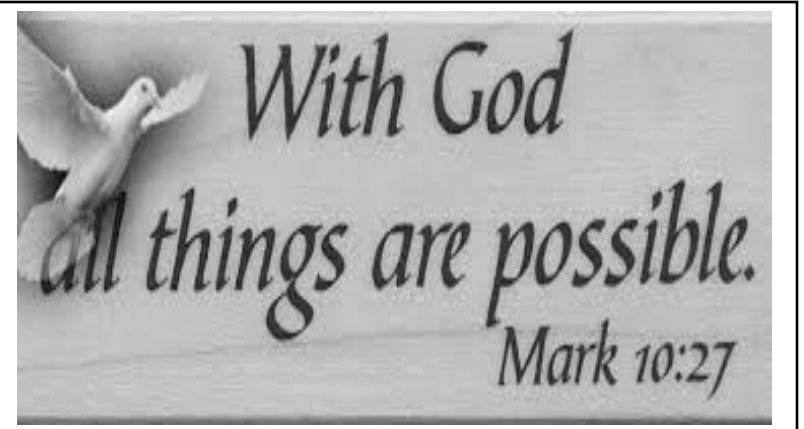
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A Roman Catholic
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 welcoming *all* people of faith
 in the Franciscan
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Sacraments
Baptism - Infants: Sunday during or immediately following 10am 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.


Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time




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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We
 Welcome
 All
 Visitors!


 Like Us and Spread the Word!

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

Parish Council
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Visit the parish website: sfparish.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 Oct. 3
 Sunday Collection: \$3,025.00
 Mail in Collection: \$4,950.00
 Total: \$7,975.00
 Paypal Collection for September: \$3,239.59



A Picture Wall: Due to the pandemic, our faith community has not had many opportunities to gather socially in order to get to know one another. This is especially challenging since there are so many new members. So we want to create a picture wall on display in back of church. We would like to take pictures of our parishioners on several Sundays. We are asking for volunteers who would be willing to stay after Mass to take pictures. Cell phone photos will be fine. Talk to Br. Tim if you can help.

Pastor's Corner



In the coming weeks, I urge you to take seriously your responsibility to be an informed voter. Many of our parishioners live in Cincinnati. We will be voting for a new mayor, a largely new city council, 4 school board members along with issues and other offices. Nov. 2 will be an important decision day. I ask that you keep politics outside of our worship experience. When we gather for Mass, we celebrate the Sacrament of our unity. We may not all hold the same political views so we want to keep our focus on the Lord. While divisions among Catholics have become rather serious in recent years, let's do our best to gather as sisters and brothers, regardless of our leanings in the political world.



Fr. Al

October Count: YOU Count!

All Catholic churches count Mass attendance in the month of October. Sorry, we can't include those who are live-streaming. Obviously, our numbers are going to be significantly higher than they have been in past years. This is data we can use in our parish planning and that the Archdiocese considers in all this Beacons of Light planning. Come to Mass and be counted!

YOU COUNT!

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.



The St. Francis Seraph School library is looking for a few volunteers to help on Mondays. The library hours are from 8am-2pm, but any amount of time you would be able to provide would be most helpful. See Tom Wanner here in church, or email Peggy Frondorf at pegdorf75@gmail.com. No experience necessary, just a love to read with the students.

Today's Readings:
 Wis 7:7-11
 Heb 4:12-13
 Mark 10:17-30

Next Sunday:
 Isaiah 53:10-11
 Heb 4:14-16
 Mark 10:35-45



Autumn leaves. God does not.



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. **The school lot is closed and locked at 1pm.** There is also a parking lot on the left and right side of Moore Street. 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.



Second Sunday on Main happens today from noon to 5pm from 12th to Liberty on Main.

(back for one more time by popular demand...)

These three young couples were recently married! Through these pictures, parishioners will have a glimpse at their joy and maybe a chance to congratulate them as you see them in church on Sundays.



Julie Kenning and Nick Brune, St. Ursula Chapel, Cincinnati, July 3, 2021



Nataliya Kravchenko and Anthony Newby, St. Francis Seraph Church, August 7, 2021



Kasio Solomianko and Ian Blair, St. James Church, Arlington, Illinois, August 14, 2021

October events:

- Oct. 12. **Parish Council** meets via zoom at 6:30PM.
- Oct. 16. **Marriage** of Sarah Billec and Trey Hughes at St. Francis de Sales, Fr. Al presiding. Sarah and Trey have recently joined our parish.
- Oct. 17. **Synod Sunday:** In churches around the world, this Mass will acknowledge the two-year process leading up the Synod in 2023 on Synodality. Pope Francis has been speaking about this important concept of listening to all the sectors of the Church. Each diocese will be encouraging some listening sessions and we'll certainly try to participate in this.
- Oct. 22. **Marriage** of Megan Gladfelter and Connor Inglis at noon. This couple began wedding planning with Fr. Al while at SMSG, delayed because of covid, and now will have a simple marriage ceremony here prior to their Saturday big reception.
- Oct. 24. **Mission Sunday:** This is the Catholic Church's worldwide day to celebrate that we are a missionary church. A special collection on this Sunday helps fund so many of the efforts in mission dioceses around the world.
- Oct. 28. **Parish Finance Committee meets** at 1PM.