November	7 32nd Sunday	8	9 *Shannon McDevitt	10 *Gary Robbins	11	12 *Gregory Kleinschmidt	13 *Susan Dahlstrom
ber 2021	14 33rd Sunday	15 *Stefanie Meyer	16	17	18 *Bubs Kindt	19	20

Music for Today's Liturgy

Processional: #708 Set Your Hearts Response: #93 Praise Your Name Communion: #760

Christ Has No Body Now

Recessional: #810 Let Justice Roll

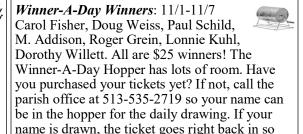
Minister Schedule for November 14

Coordinator: Lois Biddle Greeters: Amy Dressman Lector 1: Joan Monnin Callahan Lector 2: Tim Candelaresi Intercessions: Steve Sparks **Eucharistic Minister:** Mary Geers Collection: Joan Callahan, John Reder

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.



that you have the possibility of winning again!

A Picture Wall: Today, we continue to take pictures for this project. We will be taking pictures today and next Sunday so that we can try to include everyone and spread out the picture taking process. If you could stay for a few minutes after Mass, we will take pictures on the steps leading up to the altar. Another possibility is that you bring in pictures that you already have of yourself and your family.

Please contact Br. Tim or the parish office 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.

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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.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST. FRANCIS justice.

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

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 Overthe-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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Stewardship - Week Ending Oct. 31

Sunday Collection: \$2,813.00 Mail in Collection: \$3,005.00

Total: \$5.818.00

Missionary Sunday: \$692.00

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 iov. Give to the Most High as God has given to you, Generously according to your means. -Sirach 35:8-9

Exercise daily...Walk with the Lord.

Pastor's Corner

Vocations Awareness Week: The whole Church is invited this week to take time to pray and think about the importance of vocations among the People of God. Traditionally, the Church has spoken of vocations regarding priesthood, religious life, married life and single life. That may not capture all the ways that people are experiencing God's call, the invitation to live out Baptism, but it helps us see more broadly than just "churchy" vocations. However, I would like to draw more attention to the importance of fostering, encouraging our young people to listen to what might be an inner call. Particularly, I want to draw attention to the life of the Friars Minor.

Our emerging Franciscan Family in the Archdiocese (St. Clement and St. Francis Seraph Parishes) is one place that we will eventually hope some younger friars will want to serve. Where will these younger friars come from? Fewer men are entering the Order. The days of hundreds of Friars in Cincinnati are long gone. How can we encourage our young men to explore what Religious Life might hold for them? When talking to our youth, do parents ever mention the option of Religious Life or Priesthood? I know I probably need to plant some seeds and speak once in a while about the joy and satisfaction that I have known in this Franciscan life. I still believe this form of religious life has value. As a parish we will begin to pray a Prayer for Vocations at Mass some Sundays. We can ask that some hearts will be open to exploring the richness of liv-

ing in the footsteps of Jesus as St. Francis imitated.

Fr. Al



Before the turkey is ready to go in the oven and the pies are ready to be baked, before the football games begin and your family and company arrives, come and

give thanks to God this November 25, at our annual St. Francis Seraph Thanksgiving Day Parish Mass at 10AM.

Today's Readings: Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16 Dn 12:1-3 Heb 9:24-28 Heb 10:11-14, 18 Mark 12:38-44 Mark 13:24-32



Practice Random Acts of Kindness



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.

November Events:

Today. Worship Committee meets after Mass. Nov. 9. Parish Council Meeting (via Zoom) 6:30 Nov. 11. Deanery Meeting to be attended by Fr Al, noon-2:30pm

Nov. 21. Catholic Campaign for Human Development. This is an annual special collection that helps the US Church help break cycles of poverty. Nov. 25. Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10am.

In time for the holidays, an online Fair Trade Sale will be held from Nov. 8-22 to help benefit SERRY (Sustainable Employment, Resources, Rights and a Vision of hope) and Catholic Relief Services. Go to serry.org to learn about their mission in the world and its history. Go to serry.org?a=saleforCRS to view the catalog of gifts made by artisans from around the world. 20% of your order will be donated to CRS, and free shipping.

Finance Committee Report



At the Oct. 28 meeting, members reviewed the first quarter financial reports. The parish

shows a very good bottom line, income and expenses close to what we have budgeted. The school is waiting for all the Ed Choice checks and CISE monies, so right now we show a significant deficit, but that will change in November. Members reviewed our Fundraising mailings report. We see that these appeals are still netting a very good return. Members recommended that Fr. Al/Parish Council give more information about the large projects of window restoration, the HVAC project and work on the 1600 Vine building. The committee continues to reflect upon the reality that one day the parish will need to pay for expenses that so far have been absorbed by the friary—most of the utilities, especially.

Your Finance Committee: Denise Ratterman. Fred Robertshaw, Robb Wing (Parish Council liaison), Carla Sherman and Henry Stacey. Judy Cox and Fr. Al are ex officio.

We honor Veterans this Thursday in remembrance of all those who have worn the uniforms of our Na-



tion's military. Originally known as Armistice Day, it commemorated the signing of the Armistice, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of the year 1918, which officially ended the First World War.

Dear Lord.

We honor our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country. We pray that you will bless them, Lord, for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety, for all of us. Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made for our country. We respect them, we thank them, we honor them, we are proud of them, and we pray that you will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness. Amen.