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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

AUGUST 06, 2023 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

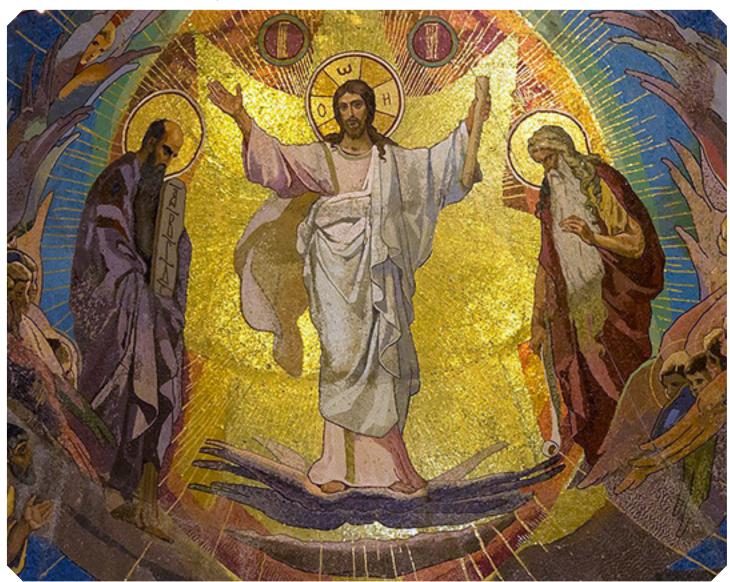


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August 07 -St. Sixtus II; St. Cajetan



August 08 -St. Dominic



August 09 - St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross



August 10 -St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr



August 11 -St. Clare of Assisi



August 12 -St. Jane Frances de Chantal



We are hiring for the part-time position:

Sacramental Ministry Coordinator (15 hours/week)

Responsible for coordinating the sacramental ministries of the parish (Baptism, Weddings, Funerals, First Communion, Confirmation) under the direction of the Pastor and in coordination with staff and parish program leaders.

Contact Fr. Rey for job description and further information: resume@stfrancisparish.com

Collection for the Church in Latin America

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america. To donate online, visit https://www.scd.org/cla.

St. Cajetan
of Thiene

"My Saviour died on a Cross. let me die on wood at least."



Pathways for Justice



A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

Get involved with, or organize, a group to clean up public spaces in your neighborhood and keep them clean and nice looking. In addition to enhancing your surroundings, you will be setting a positive example of how to be good stewards of God's creation.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the
Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into
my soul. Since I cannot at this
moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my
heart. I embrace You as if You were
already there and unite myself wholly
to You. Never permit me to be
separated from You. Amen.

PEACE PRAYER OF &T. FRANCIS



While this prayer has always been attributed to St. Francis, the author is actually unknown. The prayer does wonderfully represent the spirit of St. Francis and the Franciscan Orders.

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**.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek 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.

Amen.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of August 06

Sun: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9 Mon: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tue: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14 Wed: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23/Mt 15:21-28

Thur: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
Fri: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28
Sat: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-3



ST. CLARE OF ASSIST

St. Clare's story continued...

Francis was canonized on July 16, 1228, on the piazza of the church of San Giorgio in Assisi. Gregory IX pronounced the ritual formula by which he entered Francis into the list of saints, he then celebrated Mass inside the church in an ambiance of great fervor and popular rejoicing. Such an act was a rare event given the short period of time since Francis died.

After the death of Francis, the Friars were facing difficulties, one of which was providing for the spiritual care of the women in religious monasteries. Four of the Friars appealed to Pope Gregory IX with this concern. He decreed in 1230 that the Friars would not enter any monasteries for such pastoral service without the permission of the Holy See. Knowing that this decision would cut to the heart the mutual commitments she and Francis made, Clare went on a hunger strike. If the Brothers are not able to feed us spiritually, we refuse to accept their begging food for our livelihood! News of her response reached Pope Gregory, who then issued an exemption for San Damiano. He directed the successor of Francis to see to the spiritual as well as physical needs of San Damiano.

Agnes of Prague, daughter of King Ottokar I of Bohemia, met the Friars Minor around 1225. Through the Friars she heard of Clare and the life of the Poor Sisters at San Damiano. In 1233 she asked Pope Gregory if she might live in Prague with the same form of life as Clare and her Sisters. He refused her request. She then wrote to Clare asking for advice. Clare responded by referring her to Brother Elias, the Minister General of the Friars, who was able to intervene favorably on her behalf. Although



St. Clare, panel from the church of St. Francesco in Padua

Clare and Agnes never met, their correspondence over the years enabled them to develop a deep spiritual relationship. We have four letters from Clare to Agnes begining in 1234 to 1253. The letters portray her as a woman passionately in love with Christ, and provide us with Clare's deepest experience of prayer, contemplation, poverty and the ideals of Gospel life.

Soon St. Clare will join her soul mate in this church.



Mark Your Calendars!!! Sunday Oct 8 from 10:30-1:30

The St. Francis Parish Picnic, to honor our beloved St. Francis, will take place on Sunday, October 8th from 10:30-1:30. This is a community building event - not a fundraiser - to share laughter, food, and games. At this time a planning group has been meeting via email and during one in-person meeting. Moving forward, we'll have weekly meetings but

a lot of the planning will continue to take place via email.

Be of Service! Please, we always need more volunteers, from donating potluck dishes, bottled water, loaning us canopies/tents, being involved the day of the event with setting up, cleaning up, etc. If you want to be included in the emails sent to the planning group, please send an email to Melba Hinojosa at stepping2016stones@gmail.com and she will add you to the list. Ministry leaders, please think about how/if your groups would like to be involved. The planning group is working hard to involve the school community as well.

We'll continue to provide updates on how the picnic plans are progressing.



Children's Faith Formation Volunteer Information Session

Please join us **Saturday, August 12, 2023 from 1-2p.m.** in the Parish Center Chapel for an information session on volunteer opportunities for the upcoming 2023-24 Children's Faith Formation year. We will discuss the many ways you can volunteer your time and talents to this important program for the children of Saint Francis and begin planning for the year. There is not a need to RSVP, but if you have any questions, contact Sara Pietrowski at spietrowski@saintfrancisparish.com.

All are welcome!

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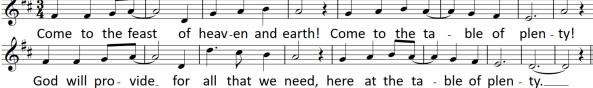
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The Transfiguration of the Lord

St. Francis of Assisi Parish August 5–6, 2023

We adore you Most Holy Lord Jesus Christ, here and in all your churches in the world, And we bless you, because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world. Amen.

Gathering: Table of Plenty Dan Schutte



O come and sit at my table where saints and sinners are friends.

I wait to welcome the lost and lonely to share the cup of my love. (Refrain)

O come and eat without money; come to drink without price.

My feast of gladness will feed your spirit with faith and fullness of life. (Refrain)

My bread will ever sustain you through days of sorrow and woe.

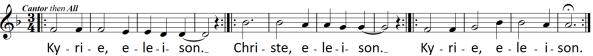
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness to flood the depths of your soul. (Refrain)

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Kyrie:

Mass of Renewal

Curtis Stephan



Gloria:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.

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Psalm: Psalm 97: "The Lord is king..."

Dana Catherine



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Gospel Acclamation:

Curtis Stephan



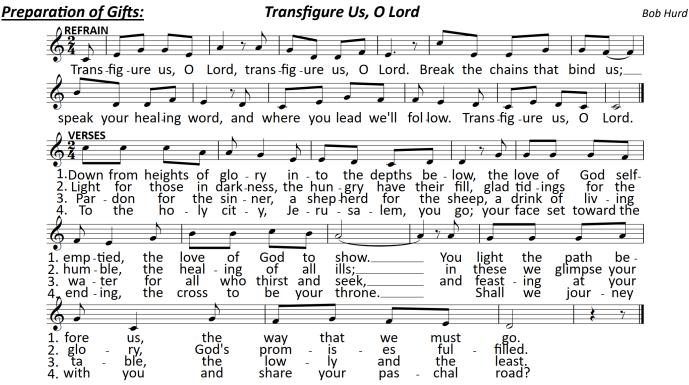
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APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

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Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Mass of Renewal

Curtis Stephen

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us, grant us peace.

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We are the dwelling of God, fragile and wounded and weak. We are the body of Christ, called to be the compassion of God. (Refrain)

vir,_

ser -

po - der

Dios

por - que

You call me Teacher and Lord; I, who have washed your feet. So you must do as I do, so the greatest must become the least. (**Refrain**)

There is no Jew of Greek, there is no slave or free:

There is no woman or man; only heirs of the promise of God. (Refrain)

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Sending Forth:

Rain Down

Jaime Cortez

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Faithful and true is the word of our God. All of God's works are so worthy of trust. God's mercy falls on the just and the right; full of God's love is the earth. **(Refrain)**

God of creation, we long for your truth; you are the water of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you. **(Refrain)** Copyright © 1991, 1992 Jaime Cortez, OCP Publications, Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-706617. All rights reserved.

