



ST. FRANCIS

ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Priest - Fr. Patrick Wenrick
 Assisting Priest – Fr. Tom Wilt
 MASS Each Sunday at 10:30 am.

ALL ARE WELCOME – NO EXCEPTIONS

St. Francis' Mission Is"

To live by Faith, be known by Love, and be a voice of Hope in order to give ourselves in service and better the lives of others.

March 26, 2023

"Fifth Sunday Of Lent"

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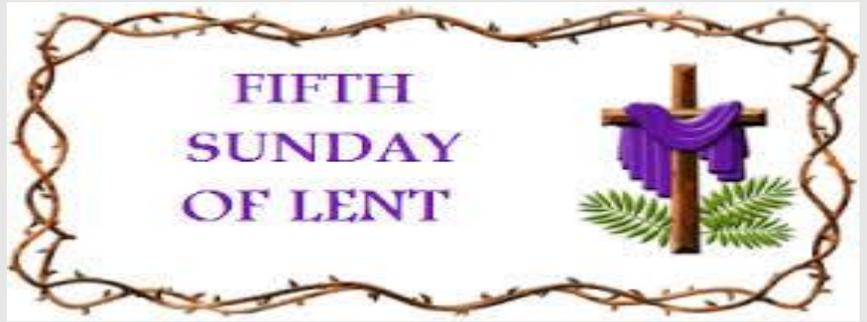
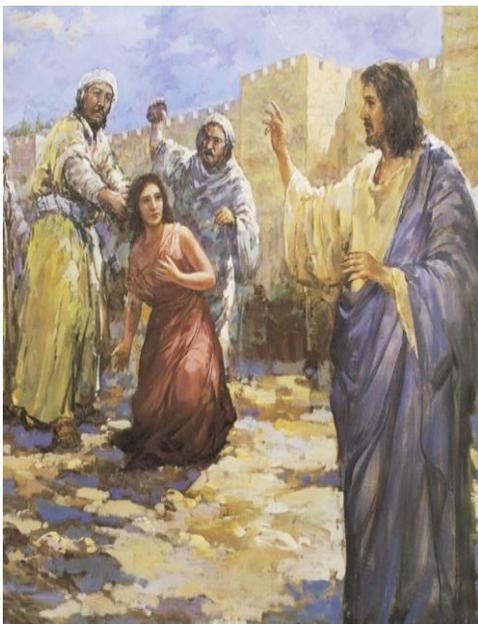
(Prayer after Communion)

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; where there is sadness, joy;

O Lord, 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

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Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

1st Reading
 Ezekiel 37:12-14

2nd Reading
 Romans 8:8-11

Gospel
 John 11:3-7

God's power to bring life out of death and hope out of despair, as demonstrated in the raising of Lazarus from the dead.

Faith: The importance of faith in Jesus Christ, as exemplified by Martha's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and the Son of God.

Repentance: The call to repentance and conversion, as expressed in Paul's letter to the Romans, and the need to live according to the Spirit and not the flesh.

Trust in God's mercy: The promise of God's mercy and forgiveness, as expressed in the Responsorial Psalm, and the need to trust in God's loving kindness and plenteous redemption.

The Pascal Mystery: Through the raising of Lazarus from the dead, Jesus demonstrates his power over death and foreshadows his own resurrection. This event is a sign of hope for believers, as it points to the victory of life over death.

Grief and suffering: The gospel illustrate the reality of human suffering and the pain that comes with loss, as well as the compassion and empathy that Jesus shows towards those who are grieving.

GOD'S BLESSINGS

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DATE	GREETERS	ACOLYTE	1 st READING	2 nd READING	INTERCESSION
Mar. 26 th	Ross P.	Deb I.	Ron L.	Tony Mc	Dawn A.
April 2 nd	DJ	Paul F.	Ross P.	Ron L.	Connie C.

St. Francis' Ministries

Hospitality Ministry, John Swatek / Julia Zolfo
Comm. Care Ministry, John O'Grady / David Baughman
Financial Management Ministry, Larry Roush
Fundraising & Development Ministry, Lorraine Kerr
Outreach and Growth Ministry, Sharon Meade

Interfaith Food Pantry Currently in need of Coffee & Tea bags & Cereal.



Let Us Pray for.....



Bill Hartwig, recovering amputation surgery and has upcoming surgery for mechanical knee and leg.
Mike & Linda Killian on the sudden death of their daughter, Kelly, may she rest in peace. Peace & comfort to Mike, Linda & family. 3/18
Thomas Victor, son of Margaret, friend of Ross, John & Leo, Frank & Joe; for peace & comfort & recovery from open heart surgery 3/18
Fr. Pat & Sue Wenrick on the passing of Sue's brother, Roy Wilson. May he rest in peace and peace & comfort for their family. 3/5
Kevin, Curtis, Prayers for healing and comfort from back pain from a bone spur. 2/26
Dennis Duckett, dealing with cancer issues and recovering from surgery. Prayers for healing and comfort. 3/5
Dawn Esworthy, best friend of D.J., who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. Prayers for healing and comfort. 1/8
Richard Crowe, friend of John & Leo who is undergoing diagnostic testing. Prayers for healing and comfort. 1/8
Bob Winslow, Terry's Dad who is now adjusting to life after losing his wife of 67 years. Prayers also for Terry, Debbie & their family. 2/5
Ruth Ann Cushman. Prayers for recovery from a recent hospital stay for a UTI. Hopefully soon she will be back in her new home. 2/22
Ritchie Champagne, Leo's 43 y/o nephew who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer. Prayers for healing & comfort. 11/6
Albert Whitestone, DJ's Brother who is recovering from a heart attack and stent placement. Prayers of healing and comfort. 11/6
George Resler, who is currently undergoing continued treatment for bladder cancer. Upcoming cancer surgery in March. 2/7
Nancy O'Donnell, a snowbird member who is continuing to recover from a broken ankle. Prayers for healing and comfort. 10/23
For those who are dealing with mental illness and addictions, and for their families, may God's healing touch be upon them.
John Speck, brother of Vicki Lee, who is undergoing testing for prostate issues. 02/19
For the people of Ukraine, that the war ends soon and they can begin the process of piecing their lives & country back together. 11/6
William Brower, for recovery from a blood infection and for healing to his foot. Prayers for healing and comfort. 1/22
Bobby Pirowski, Sharon Siuda's brother, mental health issues, prayers for strength and courage, peace and comfort for the family. 3/27
Heather Bader, friend of DJ & Deb. Heather is the caretaker for her aging mother who had multiple health issues. 5/15
For those who have been killed, injured or affected by the mass shootings in our country. Let us pray for peace. Amen.

MASS CARDS - Sympathy Mass Cards are available at the church



LOOKING AHEAD

April 2nd Palm Sunday Mass 10:30 am Live & via Zoom
April 6th Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 pm Live & via Zoom
April 7th Good Friday Mass 7:00 Live & via Zoom
April 8th Saturday Vigil Mass 7:00 Live & via Zoom



Caroline Kotras BD 3/26
Brandon Brooks BD 3/29
Theresa Boyd BD 3/31

2022 Community Council

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We pray to the Lord,
For the Church: that we may be transfigured more and more into the image and likeness of Christ.
For the grace to listen that we may hear the voice of Christ in prayer, events, and relationships so that we may respond more fully to God's invitation.
For freedom from fear: that God will cleanse our hearts and help us to live in the freedom of the Children of God.
For all who are facing a crisis, loss, or low points in their lives: that they may experience the transforming grace of God and grow in their trust of God to bring forth a new beginning and an abundant life.