

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 4, 2024

*St. Francis de Sales Parish*

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Making Disciples and Disciple Makers



*Praise the Lord,  
who heals the brokenhearted.*

*Psalm 147:3*



# MASS INTENTIONS



**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**

*Making Disciples and Disciple Makers*

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

### Sunday, February 4 – The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:45pm Vigil** Special Intention: The Robert Riley Family (Bob Riley)  
**8:30am** † Brock Cecutti (Connie Reid and Martin Family)  
**11am** People of the Parish

### Monday, February 5 – Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

- 6pm** † Ruth Ann Campbell (Carolyn McGonagle)

### Tuesday, February 6 – Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

- 12noon** Special Intention: Debby Shelly (Rita and Daughters)

### Wednesday, February 7 – Weekday

- 6:30pm** † Joyce Zimmerman (Bruce and Susan Bain and Sheila Nixon)

### Thursday, February 8 – Saint Jerome Emiliani and Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

- 9am** Special Intention: Peter Headley (Meghan Hamilton)

### Friday, February 9 – Weekday

- 9am** † Patricia M. Snow (Prentice and Jane Snow)

### Sunday, February 11 – The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:45pm Vigil** People of the Parish  
**8:30am** † Bob Campbell (Rhonda Campbell)  
**11am** † Brenda Goodrich (Goodrich Family)



FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

## Blessing of Throats

Following all Masses  
THIS WEEKEND



## THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

**For the Terminally Ill:** We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.



## DAILY ADORERS PLEASE NOTE:

Emergency closings of the Adoration Chapel will be posted on the Adoration sign-up page on: [stfrancisparish.net/register](http://stfrancisparish.net/register) (Links can be found on the St. Francis webpage under Mass Times and the Adoration Ministry page.)

## AS WE PREPARE FOR LENT



### PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Blessed Palms from previous years can be brought to the Church to be burned into ashes for use on Ash Wednesday.

You may place them in the baskets at the rear of the church by next weekend. Please place only palms in the basket; remove bands, plastic bags, etc. Thank you!

**PLEASE NOTE:** Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day are both on February 14, 2024. Bishop Fernandes will not be issuing a dispensation for this day. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence; all from age 14 until age 59 are expected to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays throughout the Lenten Season (Canon 1250-1253).

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION

Catholic Outreach Ministries (COM) February 11, 2024

### END OF YEAR TAX STATEMENTS

Those parishioners who do contribute via EFT have been sent a report by email, but these reports do not include envelope giving to the parish. Complete Parish Contribution Statements showing EFT and envelope offertory giving are now available in the Parish Office. Call or stop by the office if you need this copy. Please note that we no longer have access to Annual Appeal statements. If you donated to the 2023 (Bishop's) Annual Appeal, you will receive a statement directly from the Diocese via US mail. If you donated to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund, you will receive a statement directly from the Office of Catholic Schools.

## VESSELS OF GRACE

Reflection on Mark 1:29-39

An illness or disease, whether physical, emotional, or spiritual, especially if chronic or persistent, can make daily life seem a drudgery and empty a person of any joy or happiness. The complaints of Job in the first reading echo the miserable feelings many sick people endure. Is it any wonder that so much of Jesus' ministry involves healing, curing diseases, and driving out demons? There is always more in these healing stories than just the restoration of health; an accompanying inner healing or transformation leads to new attitudes open once again to joy and meaning in life.

Notice also that the response of Simon's mother-in-law, after being healed by Jesus, is to serve. This is always the appropriate response to grace – to give it away again in acts of love and service. Grace is meant to be shared, and in sharing what we have received, we become vessels of grace, bearing Christ to those we meet in our journey who are in need of healing and strength.

~ Fr. Jay



## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

### Sunday, February 4, 2024

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7  
Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23  
Mk 1:29-39

### Monday, February 5, 2024

*Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13  
Ps 132:6-7, 8-10  
Mk 6:53-56

### Tuesday, February 6, 2024

*Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs*

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30  
Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11  
Mk 7:1-13

### Wednesday, February 7, 2024

*Weekday*

1 Kgs 10:1-10  
Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40  
Mk 7:14-23

### Thursday, February 8, 2024

*Weekday*

1 Kgs 11:4-13  
Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40  
Mk 7:24-30

### Friday, February 9, 2024

*Weekday*

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19  
Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15  
Mk 7:31-37

### Saturday, February 10, 2024

*Saint Scholastica, Virgin*

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34  
Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22  
Mk 8:1-10

Access Daily Readings from  
the New American Bible,  
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at  
<https://bible.usccb.org>

## SAINT SCHOLASTICA

*Saint of the Day: February 10*

*Patron Saint of: Cloistered Nuns*

Born in 480 of wealthy parents, twins, Scholastica and Benedict were brought up together until he left central Italy for Rome to continue his studies. Little is known of Scholastica's early life. She founded a religious community for women near Monte Cassino at Plombariola, five miles from where her brother governed a monastery.

The twins visited each other once a year in a farmhouse because Scholastica was not permitted inside the monastery. They spent these times discussing spiritual matters.

According to the Dialogues of St. Gregory the Great, the brother and sister spent their last day together in prayer and conversation. Scholastica sensed her death was close at hand and she begged Benedict to stay with her until the next day. He refused her request because he did not want to spend a night outside the monastery, thus breaking his own Rule. Scholastica asked God to let her brother remain and a severe thunderstorm broke out, preventing Benedict and his monks from returning to the abbey. Benedict cried out, "God forgive you, Sister. What have you done?" Scholastica replied, "I asked a favor of you and you refused. I asked it of God and he granted it."

Brother and sister parted the next morning after their long discussion. Three days later, Benedict was praying in his monastery and saw the soul of his sister rising heavenward in the form of a white dove. Benedict then announced the death of his sister to the monks and later buried her in the tomb he had prepared for himself.

Scholastica and Benedict gave themselves totally to God and gave top priority to deepening their friendship with him through prayer. In coming closer to Christ they found they were also closer to each other.

Read the full article: "Saint Scholastica" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, [franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-scholastica/](http://franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-scholastica/). (Accessed January 23, 2024).



# PARISH NEWS



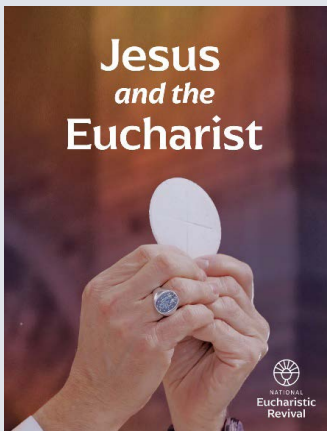
Whole Family Faith Formation  
*In community & at home*

talk about your experience of faith as a family. We can then make a path that fits your family for this upcoming year. We welcome all families with school-aged children to join us! Contact Peggy at [pvanderhoff@stfrancisparish.net](mailto:pvanderhoff@stfrancisparish.net) for more information.

## PATHWAYS FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, 2/4, 9:30-10:45am | Johnson Hall

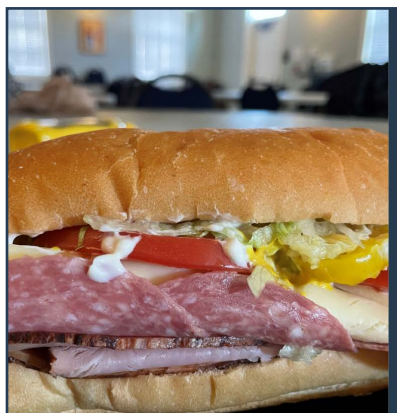
There is no such thing as a one-size-fits-all approach for helping families grow in their faith. We want to be able to meet you and



## SMALL GROUP STUDY – JESUS and the EUCHARIST

As we continue this year of Eucharistic Revival, we would like to invite you to grow closer to Jesus alongside fellow parishioners through the *Jesus and the Eucharist* study. This study was specifically designed for this Year of Parish Revival, and we will be joining many other parishes throughout the United States in participating in this small group study as we journey together through this three-year National Eucharistic Revival.

Each session is full of rich theological content, powerful testimonies, and unique and timely messages from individual bishops across the country. This is a great opportunity to dive more deeply into the richness of our Eucharistic faith. This study will be a special time to grow in community within our parish as we walk this sacred year together. Please join us on Thursdays at 6:30pm beginning 2/8. Sign up at [stfrancisparish.net/register](http://stfrancisparish.net/register).



## \$6 SUBMARINE Sandwich Sale

Saturday, 2/10 & Sunday 2/11 After Masses

At All Church Doors



### SUPER BOWL SUB SALE!

Turkey or Italian Subs will be available at the church exits until sold out. Subs will remain at the same price as previous sales of \$6 each. We accept cash, check or credit card. The proceeds of this community event provides funds to C.O.M., Helping Hands and the expenses of our Diaconate Candidate. Thank you!



## WOMEN OF ST. FRANCIS

Our next meeting is Thursday, 2/8 at 7pm in Murphy Hall. We are looking forward to gathering with our favorite ladies. This month we will be creating our own BRACELETS with H.L. Art Jewelers. The cost will be \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

Please RSVP by 2/5 to Dorothy Varrasso at 740.644.1223.

Our members bring donations of food and other necessities each month for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. We will be collecting ketchup this month. At our January meeting, we collected oodles of noodles. Thank you so very much, ladies, for your generosity!

Our annual Christmas Bake Sale and Cookie Walk was a SUPER SUCCESS. Thank you so much to everyone who baked, worked, and/or purchased our goodies. Your hard work and dollars help us to support our parish!

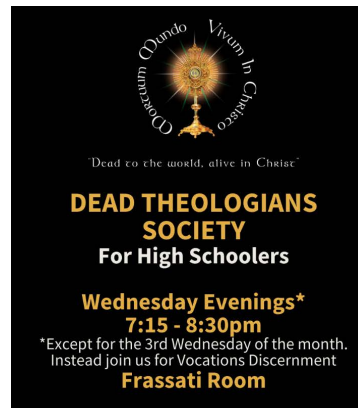


## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SESSION

Completion of the Protecting God's Children (PGC) class is required for all parish and school volunteers who work with or near children. Our parish is offering its

next session on Saturday, 2/10 from 10am to 1pm in Murphy Hall. There is no cost for the PGC class itself, but fingerprinting costs are \$37-\$72. **Fingerprinting is needed, but will not be available at this session; information will be provided.** Complimentary snacks and refreshments will also be provided.

Please register in advance by visiting [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) and click FIRST TIME REGISTRANT to begin the process.



## SEEKING FISH FRY SPONSORS – DUE BY FRIDAY, 2/9

This is your last chance to get your business name in front of 100s and 100s of parishioners and visitors at our annual Lenten Fish Fry Fridays. Contact Heather at [hstasel@stfrancisparish.net](mailto:hstasel@stfrancisparish.net) for more information!



## ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

4 Sunday	<p><b><u>Feast of Saint Blaise Throat Blessing After Morning Masses</u></b>            1st Communion/Reconciliation Prep Sessions – Classrooms – 9:30-10:45am            OCIA Catechumenate Session – Jr. High Classrooms #230/#231 – 9:30-10:45am            Root/Family Pathways – Johnson Hall – 9:30-10:45am            Seeds of Faith – Jr. High Classroom #233 – 9:45-10:45am            Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am            Confirmation/Chosen – Church – 5-6pm            Elevate Middle School Youth Ministry – Gym – 6-8pm            Summit High School Youth Ministry – Johnson Hall – 6-8pm            Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm</p>
5 Monday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm            Reconciliation – Church – 5-5:45pm            Cub Scouts Meeting – Scouts’ Room – 5:30-6:30pm            Walking With Purpose – FFC – 6:30-8pm            Respect Life Monthly Meeting – Johnson Hall – 7-9pm</p>
6 Tuesday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm            Walking With Purpose – FFC – 9:15-11am            Abide Young Adult Men’s Group – St. Francis Room – 6:30-8:30pm            As By A New Pentecost – Murphy Hall – 7-8:30pm            Knights of Columbus Business Meeting – Johnson Hall – 7-9pm</p>
7 Wednesday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm            School Adoration Praise &amp; Worship – Church – 2-3pm            Reconciliation – Church – 5:30-6:15pm            Traditional Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 7-8pm            Dead Theologians Society – Frassati Room – 7:15-8:15pm</p>
8 Thursday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-10pm            Grandparent Ministry – Murphy Hall – 10-11:30am            Single Parents Ministry – St. Francis Room – 6:30-8pm            Eucharistic Revival Small Groups – 6:30-8:15pm            OCIA – via Zoom – 7-8:15pm            Abide Young Adult/New Best Friends – Frassati Room – 7-8:30pm            Women of St. Francis – Murphy Hall – 7-9pm</p>
9 Friday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-11pm            Catholic in Recovery – FFC Conf. Room – 7-8pm</p>
10 Saturday	<p>Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 5am-12pm            That Man Is You – Murphy Hall – 7:30-9am            Outdoor Adventures Ministry – Off Site – 10am-12pm            Protecting God’s Children – Murphy Hall – 10am-1pm            Middle School Lock-In Retreat – Gym – 3pm            Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 3:15-4:30pm            Reconciliation – Church – 3:45-4:15pm            Rosary for Peace – Church – 4:20-4:35pm            Renewal of Wedding Vows at Mass – Church – 4:45-5:45pm            K of C Sub Sale – Church Exits – 5:45-6:15pm            Winter Wonderland Dinner &amp; Dance – Johnson Hall – 6-10pm</p>
11 Sunday	<p>Middle School Lock-In Retreat – Gym            1st Communion/Reconciliation Prep Sessions – Classrooms – 9:30-10:45am            OCIA Catechumenate Session – Jr. High Classrooms #230/#231 – 9:30-10:45am            K of C Sub Sale – Church Exits – After each Mass            Mardi Gras Sunday Celebration – Johnson Hall – 9:30am-1pm            Seeds of Faith – Jr. High Classroom #233 – 9:45-10:45am            Confirmation/Chosen – Murphy Hall – 9:45-10:45am            Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal – Choir Loft – 9:45-10:50am            Vanguard Board of Directors – FFC Conf. Room – 12:30-1:30pm            Elevate Middle School Youth Ministry – Gym – 6-8pm            Summit High School Youth Ministry – Johnson Hall – 6-8pm            Made for More: Mindset for Healthy &amp; Holy Life – Murphy Hall – 6:30-8pm            Eucharistic Adoration – Chapel – 7-10pm</p>



# PARISH NEWS



## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

**ABIDE**  
For Men

Tuesdays, 6:30pm

St. Francis Room

**NEW BEST FRIENDS**  
For Men & Women

Thursdays, 7:30pm  
beginning 1/18

Frassati Room

**COFFEEHOUSE**  
For Women

10am on 1st  
Saturdays/Month

River Road Coffee  
Newark Square

Commit to growing in faith & friendships with other young adults this year!  
Get info and RSVP at [stfrancisparish.net/Register](http://stfrancisparish.net/Register)

Parent Gatherings  
**2nd Thursday of the Month**  
**6:30pm | St. Francis Room**

RSVP at [stfrancisparish.net/register](http://stfrancisparish.net/register)  
Childcare available with advance registration

**Gift of Being Grand**

Grandparent Ministry

**1st & 3rd Thursdays at 10am**

Murphy Hall

**Winter WONDERLAND DANCE**

Saturday, 2/10 at 6pm | Johnson Hall

APPETIZERS, DINNER & DRINKS MUSIC, DANCING & DOOR PRIZES  
REGISTER AT [STFRANCISPARISH.NET](http://STFRANCISPARISH.NET)

### SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

February is the month when annual subscription renewals traditionally begin for the print edition of *The Catholic Times*, the information source for the Diocese of Columbus. In the past, payment for new subscriptions and renewals were collected through the parish, but an online system is now in place to make the process easier. Simply visit *The Catholic Times* website, [catholictimescolumbus.org](http://catholictimescolumbus.org), and access the subscribe tab at the top of the home page to sign up for a new subscription, a renewal or a gift. Current subscribers also will receive a paper statement in the mail that can be returned to *The Catholic Times*, Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay St. with a check for \$26 or paid online at the website. Or, if necessary, drop an envelope marked Catholic Times in the regular collection at Sunday Mass with name, address and payment. Please consider supporting Catholic journalism and keeping up on the events in the diocese, especially during these changing times.

### SPECIAL BLESSING AT MASS

Married couples may want to know there will be an opportunity to reaffirm their marriage covenant with a renewal of their commitment to each and to Our Lord at the close of Mass on Saturday, 2/10. Father will give thanks to God and impart his blessing upon all couples.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

On Monday 2/12, after the 6pm Mass (approximately 7pm) the Knights of Columbus St. Francis Council 11665 will conduct an Exemplification ceremony which inducts new members into the first, second and third degrees. These men will be entrusted with a rosary, a Knights of Columbus pin and a cross. The Knights are on mission with the Church and support the Parish and broader community through various acts of Charity. If you feel a call to action in this way and are a man who is 18+ and a fully formed (through Sacraments) practicing Catholic, seek out a Knight while still in the Church or stay for a pizza and pop reception in Johnson Hall following the Mass and ceremony. Family and friends are all invited. Contact Benjamin Lee at 614.507.5511 for more information or questions.

PRAY EVERY DAY THIS

**LENT** Hallow

### HALLOW HOLY DAY FOR LENT

St. Francis continues to offer you a premium *Hallow* subscription for just \$1 through Easter. Check out some of the great Lenten content while you can! Visit [hallow.com/holyday](http://hallow.com/holyday) for information on how to sign up.





**COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

Inviting All Women! Please mark your calendar now for the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, 2/17, from 8am to 5pm at the Ohio Expo Center, Kasich Hall. The theme is *This Wonderous Gift*, in honor of the Eucharistic Revival. Register now at [columbuscatholicwomen.com](http://columbuscatholicwomen.com). Come ready to rest, refresh, and renew with the Lord. You'll be joined by sisters in Christ from around the diocese and beyond. Don't miss this uplifting, annual event for women to grow in faith, hope, and love.

Just announced, the glove of St. Padre Pio will be displayed for veneration at the upcoming Columbus Catholic Women's Conference in February.

**St. Francis is offering transportation by school bus to this conference. The bus will depart at 6:15am sharp on Saturday, 2/17. The bus will also bring us back to St. Francis, departing at 5:30pm from the conference. Seating is limited to 45 women, so reserve your spot today at [stfrancisparish.net/register](http://stfrancisparish.net/register). Meet in Johnson Hall at 6am. Please bring some cash for a tip for the bus driver. Thanks!!**

**This is NOT your registration for the event. Please see above for that link.**

**WILL YOU be there?**

**You Don't Want to Miss This Moment**

We know what happens when two or more are gathered in the Lord's name - but what happens with 80,000?! Join us in Indianapolis as we ask Him to revive our love of the Eucharist, breathing His life into our dry bones.

Our parish, our communities, our nation and our world will never be the same.

Save your spot on this once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage with your fellow St. Francis parishioners at [stfrancisparish.net/Register](http://stfrancisparish.net/Register).

**BE A PART OF HISTORY. SIGN UP NOW!**

**EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS COME & SEE**

Join fellow parishioners and 80,000 other faithful Catholics for the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024! The 10th National Eucharistic Congress is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to share Christ's love with a world that so desperately needs it.

**Our Pastor, Fr. Dave is our Spiritual Leader for this Congress. Join him after the 11am Mass on Sunday, 2/18 (for just one hour) when he will present all the awesome opportunities regarding this congress that are available for you!**



**SURRENDERING THE SECRET ABORTION RECOVERY**

Led by Catholic women who have themselves experienced abortion, this group endeavors to help others find a path to healing through a weekly interactive Bible study, meaningful group experiences, and a caring community. Upcoming sessions will meet weekly on Wednesdays beginning 2/21, 6:30- 8:45pm. Get info and RSVP at [stfrancisparish.net/Register](http://stfrancisparish.net/Register). If you have questions before registering, place a confidential call or text 740.527.0730 or [STSN Newark@gmail.com](mailto:STSN Newark@gmail.com). Again, please don't hesitate to reach out.

**You are not alone and we're here to help you on the journey to healing.**



## PARISH NEWS



The 27th Annual  
CATHOLIC  
MEN'S CONFERENCE  
**CALLED  
TO BE  
SAINTS**  
THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER

FEATURING:



John Edwards      Chris Stefanick      Fr. Burke Masters

[www.CatholicMensMinistry.com](http://www.CatholicMensMinistry.com)

**Saturday, 2/24/24**  
**Kasich Hall**  
**at the OH Expo Center**



Adoration † Reconciliation † Holy Mass  
Breakfast & Lunch † Faith Organizations

If you would like to ride to the Columbus Men's Conference on a bus (school bus), please register. The bus will depart at 6:30am sharp on Saturday, 2/24. The bus will also bring us back to St. Francis. Seating is limited to 45 men, so reserve your spot today. Meet in Johnson Hall by 6:15am. Bring some cash for a tip for the bus driver. **This is NOT a ticket to the event; use the link shown above to reserve your spot at the conference.**



### CALLING ALL CAMPERS TO KOKOSING VALLEY CAMP & CANOE!

No matter how you like to camp – tent, pop-up, r-pod, or RV – join us for a weekend of camping with fellow SFdS camping enthusiasts.

Kokosing Valley Camp & Canoe is located just 29 miles from Newark in Millwood, Ohio. This campground, located on the Kokosing River, has swimming, canoeing/tubing, a Putt-Putt course and driving range with pond, and is less than 2 miles from the Kokosing Gap Trail!

Cost per site is \$40 a night and includes 30AMP electrical service. Potable water and dump station is included. There is a well-stocked Camp Store, too. Option for early arrivals any time before Friday, June 7.

**Sites HAVE BEEN blocked off for the weekend of 6/7-9 in Sec. B for the SFdS Campout.** All you need to do is go to the Church Center and sign up before 5/10. Limited sites are reserved, so register early. You will pay for your reservation upon your arrival at the Campground check-in station. Just mention that you are with the Saint Francis Church Group.

This will be a great time to get together for fellowship and outdoor fun. If you have questions, contact: Family Ministries or Kevin Douglas at 740.973.7876 or [jkdouglas66@hotmail.com](mailto:jkdouglas66@hotmail.com).

## -Summer 2024- Pilgrimage TO THE MARIAN SHRINES

Join Fr. David Sizemore on a  
once-in-a-lifetime trip

June 15 — June 28, 2024

**A second bus is being filled!**  
**COME & SEE INFO SESSION**  
**Thursday, 2/22 at 6:30pm | Murphy Hall**  
[stfrancisparish.net/pilgrimage](http://stfrancisparish.net/pilgrimage)



Attend this session for a complete description of this Pilgrimage; RSVP is encouraged and should be sent to [garyedwyer@hotmail.com](mailto:garyedwyer@hotmail.com). If interested in details about this trip prior to 2/22, pick up a brochure in our church or contact Collette Tours at 800.581.8942 and refer to Booking #116171.



## SCHOOL NEWS



# SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

IN PERSON & ONLINE



**FEBRUARY  
7-12**

**ST. FRANCIS  
DE SALES SCHOOL**

Also, You Can Shop Online at:  
[www.GoodNewsBookFair.com/Virtual-Fair](http://www.GoodNewsBookFair.com/Virtual-Fair)  
Enter Code **SFDSNEWARK24** at Checkout

NEW RELEASES	SPORTS
BEST SELLERS	HISTORY
CLASSICS	COOKBOOKS
	INSPIRING BOOKS



**FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

### SCHOOL BOOK SALE!

This Book Fair will be open to children throughout the school and will be open to families at parent/teacher conferences Thursday, 2/8 from 3-7pm, and after all weekend Masses. The Book Fair will be held in the library. These are vetted books that we are proud to promote. Anyone can contribute, and by using the QR code, St. Francis School will receive a portion of the proceeds.

## CATHOLIC OUTREACH MINISTRIES (COM)



### ANNOUNCEMENT

# COM OPERATOR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you:

1. Have a desire to help those in need
2. Like to work from the comfort of home
3. Ability to choose which day to work
4. Willing to be trained
5. Limited computer skills necessary

Contact Heather Stasel  
hstasel@stfrancisparish.net  
Call or text 740.975.4135



### JOIN OUR TEAM HELPING THOSE IN NEED, FROM YOUR OWN HOME!

COM is looking for volunteers to be Operators for The Outreach to the Poor; taking phone call requests for rental and utility assistance, shelter, food, etc. You will receive training from experienced operators and have additional resources from a provided list. Contribute your time once a week or a couple of times a month from the comfort of your home, returning messages from those in need. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this vital ministry. How does this event align with our parish mission?: Helping those in need of assistance with rent, utilities, shelter, etc.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE



It costs **\$55,000** per year to educate and form a seminarian.



COLUMBUS CATHOLIC VOCATIONS

The Diocese of Columbus has a **GOOD AND GROWING NEED** by virtue of **16 ADDITIONAL** young men interested in the priesthood. A contribution from you today will support this immediate need to fund future priests throughout our Diocese.

### A GOOD AND GROWING NEED

The Diocese of Columbus has a GOOD AND GROWING NEED by virtue of 16 ADDITIONAL young men interested in the priesthood. The Diocese is dedicated to limiting the financial burden of costs for a seminarian education so our seminarians can focus on their call to the priesthood.

Join us in this mission to support future priests throughout our Diocese by giving to a second collection at the end of February or donating now at: [columbuscatholicgiving.org/seminarian-support-fund](http://columbuscatholicgiving.org/seminarian-support-fund).

**CLERGY**

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