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OUR MASS SCHEDULE

The 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass is livestreamed.
Go to the homepage of our website for the link.

Sundays: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Tuesdays - Thursdays: 11:00 a.m.

Fridays: 6:00 p.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 p.m.

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Parish Membership

We welcome you to join our parish by contacting our Office Manager, Theresa, at the Parish Office

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Fridays 5 p.m. or by appointment

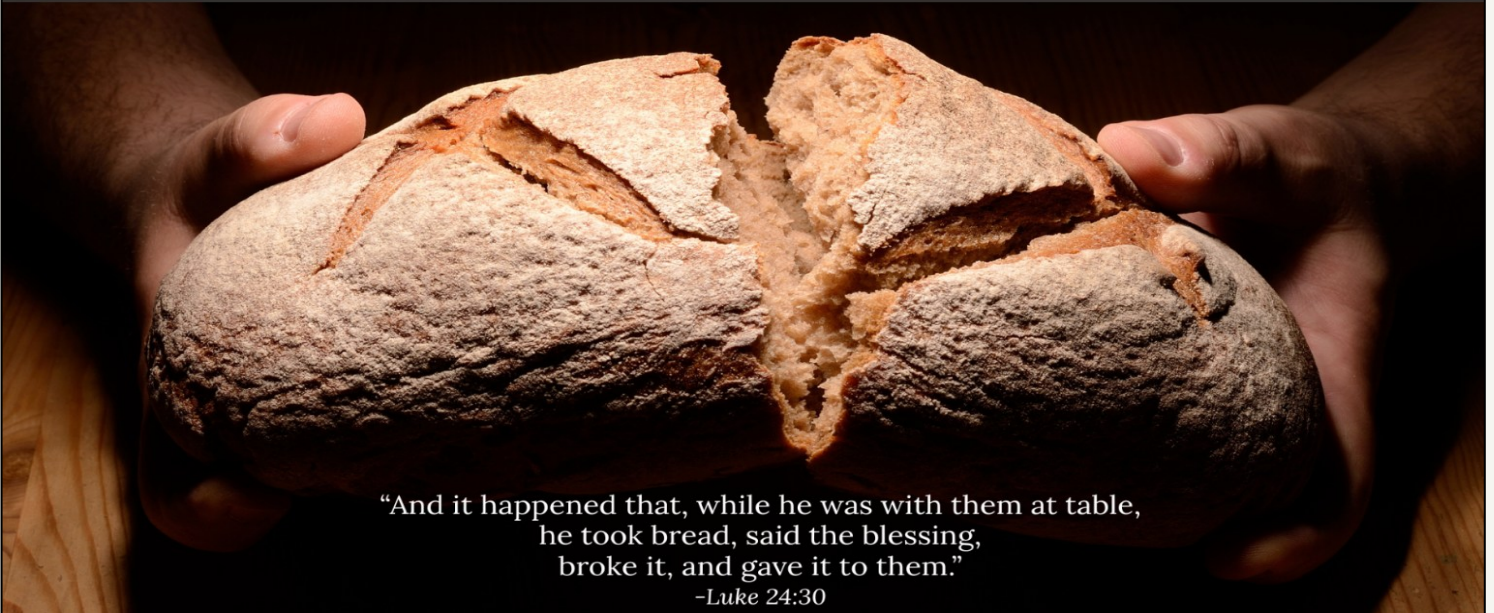
Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Antony
avarghese@columbuscatholic.org

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA):
Contact Kathy Dancey kathydancey@gmail.com

Religious Education of Children:
Contact Diane Bowling dbowling841@gmail.com

Sacrament of Baptism:
Contact the Parish Office office@sfacolumbus.org

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Contact Fr. Antony a minimum of 6 months in
advance of your desired date



"And it happened that, while he was with them at table,
he took bread, said the blessing,
broke it, and gave it to them."
-Luke 24:30

APRIL 19, 2026 / 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 19, 2026

9:00 a.m. Mass for **Catherine Damm** (*Frank Conway*)

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Jim Louis** (*Tom & Hedy Goetz*)

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

11:00 a.m. Mass for **John & Rose Burless** (*Rubinic Family*)

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Rev. Ron Atwood** (*Joanna Nunn*)

Thursday, April 23, 2026

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Irma Switalski** (*Jay Jackson*)

Friday, April 24, 2026

6:00 p.m. Mass for **Frances Gehrlich**
(*Tom & Sharon Gehrlich*)

Sunday, April 26, 2026

9:00 a.m. Mass for **Mary Patrice Sweeney**
(*Helen Anne Sweeney*)

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Edward Gehrlich**
(*Tom & Sharon Gehrlich*)

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Intentions of Dcn. Shane Gerrity**
(*Rubinic Family*)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Gary Good** (*Rubinic Family*)

Thursday, April 30, 2026

11:00 a.m. Mass for **Tina Nicolous** (*Rubinic Family*)

Friday, May 1, 2026

6:00 p.m. Mass for **Denise Blackburn** (*The Rosary Group*)

THE CABRINI PLEDGE

The history of the U.S. Catholic Church, like the history of the United States itself, is very much intertwined with the phenomenon of migration. The Cabrini pledge is both a reminder of our immigrant heritage and a call to deeper engagement with our faith in response to current events. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) encourages you to become a Keeper of Hope by taking the Cabrini Pledge at usccb.org/cabrinipledge

NEXT SUNDAY—SECOND COLLECTION

Next Sunday our second collection will go to support Catholic Home Missions which aids mission dioceses across the United States and its territories where poverty, isolation, or low Catholic populations hinder self-sustaining ministries.

SFA ONLINE GIVING

To make an online donation to St. Francis of Assisi parish scan the QR code on the right with the camera on your cell phone/tablet/computer. Once the QR code is focused, you will see a url below it. Clicking on the url will take you to the Online Giving page on our website.



GOSPEL REFLECTION

When I first read Homer's *Odyssey* as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **"their eyes were prevented from recognizing him."** (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church.

Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are.

— *Father John Muir* ©LPi

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SFA is looking for a part-time coordinator to oversee our Pflaum Gospel Weeklies program and sacramental preparation of children in our parish community, from pre-K through 9th grade. The ideal candidate would have some teaching experience and studies in theology at the college level. Interested? Salary is commensurate with experience. Contact the office office@sfacolumbus.org



TIME TALENT TREASURE
 "It is in giving that we receive."
 St. Francis of Assisi

Treasure: Does your company offer a company match for personal philanthropic donations? St. Francis of Assisi is approved as part of the national registry. Registration ID is 45901. Please contact SFA Finance Chair, Chris Meacham 614.561.6510 if you have any questions on how this works.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

If you have something that you would like other parishioners to know about or be part of, submit item for consideration to office@sfacolumbus.org as a Word or text file by noon on the Sunday prior to the bulletin date. If there is an event date involved in your item, consider submitting the material two weeks ahead of the designated date.

SUMMER CAMPS

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Bishop Watterson: go to bishopwatterson.com and scroll down to "Summer Activities" for dates, registration, and other details.

St. Charles Preparatory: go to www.scprep.org and select "Summer Programs" under the "Admissions" section. For questions, contact Ryan Aiello at 380.209.2248 or raiello@scprep.org

The Catholic Times is now digital and free
catholictimescolumbus.org

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The SFA Prayer Shawl group crochets and knits blankets, shawls, scarves, and hats then distributes them to parishioners and friends of parishioners for illness, loss of a loved one, birth of a baby, etc. If you know of someone in need of one of these items to brighten their day, email Sandy Glasner smglasner@gmail.com

OCIA

MONDAYS
 7:00-8:30 PM

Parish Hall

LEADERSHIP

TUESDAY, APRIL 21
 7:00 PM

Parish Hall

"BREAKING OPEN THE WORD"

WEDNESDAYS
 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Zoom meeting contact Kathy Dancey for invite kathydancey@gmail.com

FINANCE COUNCIL

THURSDAY, APRIL 23
 6:00 PM

Parish Hall

CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAYs
 7:00 PM

Church

Contact Paula Vasey for information musicdirector@sfacolumbus.org

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

TUESDAY, APRIL 28
 7:00 PM

Zoom meeting contact Louis Schulte for invite schultlj@gmail.com

NNEMAP SPICE PACKETS

MONDAY, MAY 11
 10:00 AM

Parish Hall

LITURGY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MAY 12
 7:00 PM

Parish Hall

PRAYER SHAWL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13
 5:00 PM

Zoom meeting contact Sandy Glasner for invite smglasner@gmail.com

Liturgical Minister Schedule

STEWARDSHIP OF "TIME" AND "TALENT"
 SCHEDULE CONFLICTS? Contact Niqui at nbeckrum@gmail.com

	April 19 9:00 a.m.	April 19 11:00 a.m.	April 26 9:00 a.m.	April 26 11:00 a.m.
Altar Servers	Doug Cluxton	Moriel Hounmenou Loren Williams	Louis Schulte	Brandon Pablo Charbelle Sounouvou
Greeters	Jennifer Mason Diane Plunkett	Marco Montez Lilah Williams	Nicholas Mason Marlene Yeldell	Alisha Pablo Brent Reeb
Crucifer	Louis Schulte	Thomas Hounmenou	Doug Cluxton	Alison Miller
Lector 1	Althea Mulichak	Joel-Henry Mansfield	Nora Calvert	Sharon Gehrlich
Lector 2	Evan McFadden	Tina Butler	Mary McCafferty	Rachel Beebe
Extraordinary Ministers	Fr. Reddy	Jan Rosenfield	Jeanna Diederich	Joanna Nunn
	Dan Burke Tom Vargo	Mark Coleman ME O'Shaughnessy	Stephen Colahan Althea Mulichak	Jaime Capestany Jan Rosenfield
Collection Counters	X	Tom Gehrlich Sharon Gehrlich Terra Schulz	X	Jaime Capestany Laura Casaday Adriana Gambach

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