

February



2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 First Friday 5:30 pm Word/ Communion Service	2 5:30 pm Mass
3 9:00 am Mass 10:00 am PSR Resumes 11:15 am and 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center	4 12:15 pm Word/ Communion and Holy Hour RCIA 7:00 pm at Saint Francis	5 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center	6 7:20 am Morning Prayer/Communion 5:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm VBS Plan- ning Mary's House 7:00 pm KC meeting	7 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 6:30 pm Bible Study	8 5:30 pm Word/ Communion 6:00 pm Saint Andrew Trivia Night	9 5:30 pm Mass
10 9:00 am Mass 10:00 am PSR 11:15 am and 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 6:30 pm Confirmation Session at Saint Francis	11 12:15 Mass and Holy Hour RCIA 7:00 pm at Saint Francis	12 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center	13 7:20 am Mass 5:30 pm Choir 6:00 pm Women's Club	14 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 6:30 pm Bible Study	15 5:30 pm Mass	16
17 9:00 am Mass 10:00 am PSR 11:15 am and 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center	18 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour RCIA 7:00 pm at Saint Francis	19 11:00 am Mass at Integrity 5:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour at Newman Center 7:00 pm Liturgical Ministers Training	20 7:20 am Mass 11:00 am Mass at The Landing 5:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Youth Ministry Commission	21 Cornelia Goff 100th Birthday! 12:00 pm Heritage Club Event 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 6:30 pm Bible Study	22 11:00 am Mass at Prairie Living 5:30 pm Evening Prayer/Communion	23 5:30 pm Mass Cornelia Goff 100th Birthday! Join us in Xavier Hall after mass for cake!
24 9:00 am Mass 10:00 am PSR 11:15 am and 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 6:30 pm Confirmation Session at Saint Francis	25 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour RCIA 7:00 pm at Saint Francis 7:00 pm Parish Council meeting	26 11:00 am Mass at Integrity 5:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour at Newman Center	27 7:20 am Morning Prayer/Communion 5:30 pm Choir	28 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 6:30 pm Bible Study		

Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church
303 S. Poplar Street
Carbondale, IL 62901 618-457-4556
Email: sfrancis@clearwave.com website: stfxcarbondale.org
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4:30—5:00 pm or by appointment

Regular Mass Schedule:
Monday: 12:15 pm followed by Holy Hour;
Wednesday: 7:20 am
Friday & Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am & 12:15 pm Spanish Mass

Newman Catholic Student Center
(Partnership Relationship) email: san@siucnewman.org
715 South Washington Street
Carbondale, IL 618-529-3311 website: www.siucnewman.org

Regular Mass Schedule:
5:15 p.m. Mass on Tuesday followed by Holy Hour, and 5:15 pm
on Thursday
11:15 am Mass on Sunday
5:15 pm Mass on Sunday during school

FEBRUARY, 2019

Liturgical Year: We are in Ordinary Time.
2 Feast of Presentation of the Lord in the Temple
5 Agatha, Martyr
6 Paul Miki and Companions, Japanese martyrs
8 Josephine Bakhita, Former slave
11 Our Lady of Lourdes
14 Cyril and Methodists, Missionaries to Slavic peoples
22 Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

“**Jesus** is the name given to the Son of God, the second Person of the Trinity. Jesus means ‘God saves.’ **Christ** is the title given to Jesus and it means ‘The Anointed One.’” **U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults.**

WHO ME? HOLY?

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.’ [A] heart capable of love admits nothing that might harm, weaken or endanger that love. ... God wants to speak to our hearts; there he desires to write his law. ... Certainly there can be no love without works of love, but this Beatitude reminds us that the Lord expects a commitment to our brothers and sisters that comes from the heart. ... A heart that loves God and neighbour, genuinely and not merely in words is a pure heart. It can see God. Keeping a heart free of all that tarnishes love: that is holiness.” **Francis. Gaudete ex Exultate. Par. 83-87.**

REDISCOVERING THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY: GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY

“In a crisis, water donations are often possible through the Red Cross, Red Crescent or another relief agency. Educating ourselves on water quality and protecting this vital natural resource could be one way to assure this resource for the future. More than 4,000 children alone die each day because of the diseases carried by impure water. What can I do?

How can my family and I – or my neighborhood or city – conserve water? What water issues are in my region and how can I learn more and get involved? We can Google words like “clean water for world” or “global water issues” and learn much more about the issues and organizations working to solve those problems.” **From Creighton University: On-Line Ministries.**

POSSIBLE NEW SAINT: ILLINOIS PRIEST

Fr. Augustus Tolton is the first African American diocesan priest; he studied in Europe because no American seminary would accept him. He served in Quincy and Chicago. “Tolton’s story is one of carving out one’s humanity as a man and as a priest in an atmosphere of racial volatility. His was a fundamental and pervasive struggle to be recognized, welcomed and accepted. He rises wonderfully as a Christ-figure, never uttering a harsh word about anyone or anything while being thrown one disappointment after another. He persevered among us when there was no logical reason to do so. **Statement of Bishop Joseph N. Perry.** Learn more at toltoncanonization.org/

OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS: THE ENDURING CALL TO LOVE

This 2018 pastoral letter from the U.S. Bishops says: “Because we all bear the image of God, racism is above all a moral and theological problem that manifests institutionally and systematically. Only a deep individual conversion of heart, which then multiplies, will compel change and reform in our institutions and society. It is imperative to confront racism’s root causes and the injustice it produces. The love of God binds us together. This same love should overflow into our relationships with all people. The conversions needed to overcome racism require a deep encounter with the living God in the person of Christ who can heal all division.” Read the entire letter at usccb.org/racism

5 second prayer: Each time you see a heart this month, thank God for the gift of love.

LIVING THE FAITH AT HOME THIS MONTH

- +Be a Valentine for someone who needs a smile or a visit or a text.
- +Pray for those being engaged on Valentine’s Day.
- +Respect your life and that of your family: eat healthy and exercise and care for your heart.
- +Start a gratitude diary: each day, record one reason for being grateful.
- +Pray that those who are ill find healing and comfort. Pray for medical personnel and caregivers.