

October 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour 4:30 pm Finance Council 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center 7:00 pm 11 Days of Compassion at Saint Francis	2 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center and Holy Hour	3 7:20 am Mass 5:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus	4 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm Bible Study	5 First Friday NO School at Saint Andrew	6
7 NO PSR 2:00 pm Pet Blessing	8 Office closed For Columbus Day 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center	9 9:30 am Partnership Meeting at Saint Francis 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center and Holy Hour 7:00 pm Gifts of Compassion	10 7:20 am Mass 5-7 pm Saint Andrew Chili Cook-Off 5:30 pm Choir	11 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm Bible Study	12 10:45 am Mass at Liberty Village 6:30 pm Area Spanish Commission	13 8:30—12 noon—Saint John's Theology Day at St. Clare, O'Fallon—"Is Isis Islamic?" Blessing of Volunteers and Caregivers at all Weekend Masses
14 1-2 pm Life Chain 6:30 pm Confirmation Session in Xavier Hall	15 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm Living Rosary at Saint Francis 7:00 pm RCIA at Saint Francis	16 Happy Bosses Day! 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center and Holy Hour	17 7:20 am Mass 5:30 pm Choir 6:00 pm Saint Andrew School Board Meeting 6:00 pm Child Protection in Herrin	18 11:30 am Mass Heritage Club Event after Mass 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm Bible Study	19 10:30 am Mass at Prairie Living	20 Blessing of Expectant Parents at all Weekend Masses
21 10 am 2nd Grade Reconciliation Workshop with parents 1-3 pm Speaker on Psalms at Newman Center	22 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center	23 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center and Holy Hour 6:00 pm Taste of Faith Potluck at Latter Day Saints	24 7:20 am Mass 5:30 pm Choir 6:00 pm Youth Ministry Commission	25 11 am Mass at Integrity 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir	26 11:00 am Mass at the Landing	27 Anointing of the Sick at all Weekend Masses
28 6:30 pm Confirmation Session in Xavier Hall	29 12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour 5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm Pastoral Council 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center	30 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center and Holy Hour Pro Life Dinner at KC's in Murphysboro Fr. Bob Speaker	31 7:00 pm Vigil of All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation 5:30 pm Choir	November 1 All Saints Day Masses: - Holy Day of Obligation 7:00 am at Saint Francis 12:15 & 5:15 pm at Newman Center	November 2 7:00 pm—All Souls Day Mass	

Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church

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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 p.m. followed by Holy Hour;

Wednesday, 7:20 a.m.

Friday 5:30 p.m., Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

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
Sacrament of Reconciliation: half hour before daily Mass or by appointment

Regular Mass Schedule:

5:15 p.m. Mass: Tuesday followed by Holy Hour and on Thursday

11:15 a.m. Mass Sunday

5:15 p.m. Mass: During School Year Only

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Liturgical Year: We are in Ordinary Time.

- 1 Therese of the Child Jesus, Patron of florists
- 2 Guardian Angels
- 3 Theodora Guerin, Missionary in Indiana
- 4 Francis of Assisi, Patron of ecology
- 11 Pope John XXIII, Diplomat, reformer
- 15 Teresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church
- 17 Ignatius of Antioch, Early Church father
- 18 Luke, Evangelist
- 19 Isaac Jogues and companions, American martyrs
- 22 Pope John Paul II. Missionary pope

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

The **Preface** is the prayer of praise that **precedes** the Consecration. We lift up our hearts and sing the Hosanna at the end. Although the introduction and conclusion remain the same, the Preface itself varies. Listen carefully as the presider gives reasons for our praise.

MEDITATING ON THE GOSPELS

Meditation is featured in the popular literature as something new but it is an ancient practice. Take a Gospel passage and read it over. "... use your imagination to enter into a Gospel story, sensing and feeling what's going on. Instead of analyzing the passage or seeking insights (save that for Bible study at a different time), you'll seek to experience being a character in the story." **Soul Shepherding by Bill Gaultiere**. Then put yourself in the scene. No coach needed. Just a Bible and some quiet time. For some suggestions, go to www.soulshepherding.org/ignatian-meditation-guides/

REDISCOVERING THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY:

VISIT THE SICK

"Sometimes we can get squeamish about being around hospitals or nursing homes, but this work of mercy invites us to visit someone who is in the hospital or is housebound. The touch of a hand, a hug and real eye contact are great healers to the human spirit...."

Creighton On-Line Ministries

Send family photos to a loved one in a nursing home.

Take a relative or neighbor who cannot drive out for lunch or a grocery run.

Give a caretaker a break.

Join Saint Francis Xavier's of Compassion. See <http://www.stfxcarbondale.org/gifts-of-compassion>

WHO ME? HOLY?

"*Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*" These are strong words in a world ..., where we constantly pigeonhole others on the basis of their ideas, their customs and even their way of speaking or dressing....

If we are constantly upset and impatient with others, we will end up drained and weary. But if we can regard the faults and limitations of others with tenderness and meekness, without an air of superiority we can actually help them and stop our wasting our energy on useless complaining. ...

Meekness is yet another expression of the interior poverty of those who put their trust in God alone. ... Reacting with meekness and humility: that is holiness." **Pope Francis. *Gaudete et Exsultate* (Rejoice and Be Glad).**

TAKE CARE OF GOD'S CREATION

The Ban the Straw campaign reminds us to care for our environment. As we enjoy the autumnal weather and honor Francis of Assisi (10/4), let's take some time to appreciate our natural resources. "By learning to see and appreciate beauty, we learn to reject self-interested pragmatism." **Par. 215. *Laudato Si, Francis' Encyclical.***

How to appreciate beauty in God's creation?

Visit Giant City State Park or Crab Orchard Wildlife Refugee Center for free family activities.

Walk a trail at Mayberry Arboretum off Pleasant Hill Rd.

Enjoy the colors on the trees.

Study wildflowers.

5 SECOND PRAYER: When you see pumpkins, thank God the Father for the gift of plentiful food.

LIVING THE FAITH AT HOME THIS MONTH

+Pray for those who are ill and those facing death.

+Be a good citizen: inform yourself on the issues and candidates and prepare to vote.

+Rake leaves or offer some other autumn chore for a neighbor.