



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we celebrate our Patron's Feast Day this week, Saint Francis of Assisi, I would like to invite you to join me to once again to give THANKS to God for His abundant blessings pouring on our Church here through the patronage of Saint Francis of Assisi - the Saint who accepted to be poor in the eyes of the world, but so "rich" in the eyes of God.



Let us join our voices and hearts with Saint Francis of Assisi in praising God now and forever!

With the intercession of Saint Francis of Assisi and with his concrete example of how to love God and how to bring God's love to other creatures, we, the people of Faith at Saint Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church in Franklin, will continue to be God's instrument of love and peace with our ability and responsibility. May Saint Francis of Assisi, who loved the Eucharist so much, guide us and intercede for us before Jesus Christ - who humbled Himself to be among us, with us and like us, except sin. Amen.

I also want to reflect a little bit on the love that each of you has shared with me, other members of this community and also with those in need who are non-Catholics. How can we do it day in and day out? Are we not tired in doing so? Was your love always accepted by others? How can we keep the "bond of love" among ourselves so strong? Where did you get the courage and strength to love and forgive?

Look at our "HOUSE OF PRAYER" also. It has been maintained, fixed, and improved over the years. Absolutely I cannot do it by myself and I never thought I could. It is you. Yes, that is each and every one of you - full-time members, summer-time members or just visitors a few times each year - who show your love to this Faith Community, to God's House and to each other in the name of our Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. How could you do that -year after year?

That is your FAITH in Jesus Christ, your LOVE for Him in the EUCHARIST and your HOPE in His promises!

Like in today's Gospel, the Apostles said to Jesus: "Increase our faith." Our faith can increase when we practice it with trust, humility and obedience.

Going to Mass (Saturday/Sunday/Holy Day of Obligation), frequently receiving the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist, praying to God every day - morning and evening, offering your time, talent and treasure, showing our love, care, forgiveness and understanding to those around, attending faith formation classes to know your faith better (R.C.I.A. or Adult Faith Formation or Children's Faith Formation), participating in other Liturgical events (Adoration, , Rosary, The Stations of the Cross..), and so forth.

Friends, our Catholic Faith is so profound and deep with Tradition. God has given us faith and also the means to make it grow, mature and bear good fruit. It is our CHOICE.

Saint Francis of Assisi: Pray for us.

Peace, Fr. Tien

The Priests' Retirement & Benefits is still short \$3,420 of our assessment. Contributions can be submitted to the Parish Office or in the weekend collections in the envelope located in the foyer marked "Priests' Retirement & Benefits". Thank you!



Memorial of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary- October 7



The feast of the Holy Rosary was established by Saint Pius V on the anniversary of the naval victory won by the Christian fleet at Lepanto, October 7, 1571. The victory was attributed to the help of the holy Mother of God whose aid was invoked through praying the Rosary. The celebration of this day invites all to mediate upon the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary who was so singularly associated with the incarnation, passion and glorious resurrection of the Son of God.





Fr. Tien will be at the annual Priests' Retreat this week. There is NO daily Mass and NO Reconciliation on Wednesday. There will be a Communion Service on Friday followed by adoration and benediction until noon. The church will be open during office hours if you would like to come and pray. All are welcome to attend Daily Mass at 11:30 a.m. in Maggie Valley next week.

Catholic Adult Education on Monday night at 7:00 p.m. is Teachings of Jesus-Path of Non-Violence; not passivity, but a provocative form of resistance. Love is "willing the good of the other." Come join us in the spirit of fellowship.

Deacon David & Education team.



All parishioners are welcome to attend The Knights of Columbus meeting Tuesday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. for special guest speaker of 828 Vets, a local nonprofit dedicated to growth, awareness, and success to veteran careers and businesses while offering veteran opportunities to area resources and community support. As always, the Knights will say the Rosary at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday before the speaker. All are welcome.

### Faith Formation

Catechesis gives everyone an opportunity to think about their responsibility to pass on the faith and be a witness to the Gospel message. Designated catechists play a particular role in teaching and proclaiming the Word, giving witness to their faith in dedication to the life of the Church. Faithful teachers give generously of their time to instruct children and adults in our Faith Formation programs.



### Mother Teresa: No Greater Love - Ruby Cinemas - October 3 & 4



Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, sparking a renewed interest in this spiritual giant of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Filmed on 5 continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today. This is far more than a documentary. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

**Pray for healing:** Shirley Allegretti, Rita Bader, Joan Barnum, Ray Behr, Dean Birchard, Pam Brady, Parker Burkhardt, John Wayne Crunkleton, Mary Cude, Lillianne Duong Davis, Carol Fox, Tony Frede, Morgan Hagen & baby, Shannon Halpin, Brandon Hatch, Daniel Hellerer, Donna Hogsed, Jim Holloran, Barry and Guyla Ivers, Aaron Ivey, Ty Kimsey, Chris Marinari, Matthew Marinari, Millard Michaels, Bill, Dee and Germaine Moffitt, Dolores Molter, Monica Moya, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Bill Shaw, Linda Smith, Catherine Holten Snider, Irene Tisdale, John Turner, Charlene Yudell, Alice Yuzzi



**Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces:**

Stephen Fox, Kyle McCormick, Lauren Richards, Christopher Richards, Elizabeth Scoon



## Mass Schedule and Intentions

### Saturday, October 1

**Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

- 5:00 P.M. ✚ Dan Allegretti by Barbara Broadwell  
✚ Bill & Anna Nemeth by Bill & Cindy Nemeth  
✚ Timoteo di Nazareth Mendoza Hernandez

### Sunday, October 2

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 9:00 A.M. ✚ Justino Soriano by his family  
✚ Maria Nahum Jimenes  
11:30 A.M. ✚ Jose Sanchez

### Monday, October 3

- 9:00 A.M. NO DAILY MASS

### Tuesday, October 4

**Saint Francis of Assisi**  
NO DAILY MASS

### Wednesday, October 5

**Saints Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Blessed Francis Xavier**

- 5:30 P.M. NO DAILY MASS

### Thursday, October 6

**Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin**

- 9:00 A.M. NO DAILY MASS

### Friday, October 7

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

- 9:00 A.M. Communion Service, followed by adoration till noon then Benediction

### Saturday, October 8

**First Saturday**

**Adoration from midnight until 8:45 a.m.**

- 8:45 A.M. Benediction  
9:00 A.M. Father Tien's intentions  
5:00 P.M. ✚ Lester & Rita Boutte by Bill & Cindy Nemeth  
✚ Bob Mast by Dee Moffitt

### Sunday, October 9

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 9:00 A.M. ✚ Justino Soriano by his family  
✚ Lobaina Reyes  
✚ Kasmer Pleskach by Mary Pleskach  
11:30 A.M. ✚ Jose Marcos Ortega-Muniz by his family

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday 6:15 p.m.

### The Rosary

The Rosary is recited one-half hour before Mass.