

# SAINT FRANCES X. CABRINI PARISH

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**OCTOBER 4, 2020**  
**27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



## THE LORD'S VINEYARD IN THE HOUSE OF HIS PEOPLE

Why did Jesus' story about wicked tenants cause offense to the scribes and Pharisees? It contained both a prophetic message and a warning. Isaiah had spoken of the house of Israel as "the vineyard of the Lord" (Isaiah 5:7). Jesus' listeners would have likely understood this parable as referring to God's dealing with a stubborn and rebellious people. This parable speaks to us today as well.

It richly conveys some important truths about God and the way he deals with his people. First, it tells us of God's generosity and trust. The vineyard is well equipped with everything the tenants need. The owner went away and left the vineyard in the hands of the tenants. God, likewise trusts us enough to give us freedom to run life as we choose. This parable also tells us of God's patience and justice. Not once, but many times he forgives the tenants their debts. But while the tenants take advantage of the owner's patience, his judgment and justice prevail in the end.

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND—Saturday 4:00 pm  
—Sunday 9:30 am

WEEKDAY—Tuesday 9:00 am  
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
is currently by appointment only.  
Contact Father Paisley  
at 570 696-1144 ext .17

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:  
TUESDAY—THURSDAY  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

ISAIAH 5:1-7

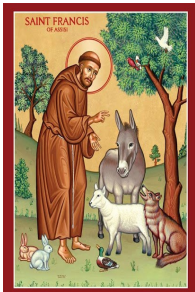
PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9

MATTHEW 21:33-43



## NEW PARISHIONERS:

We, St. Frances X. Cabrini Parish, welcome new parishioners to register with our parish by calling the Rectory at 570-696-3737 or stop by during office hours. We also invite you to visit our web page at [www.sfcbps.com](http://www.sfcbps.com). Thank you.



In commemoration of the **FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI**, we will be blessing the animals on Sunday, October 4, at 12:30 P.M. at St. Therese's Church, 64 Davis St., Shavertown. Participants are welcome to bring their pets for this special blessing in honor of

Saint Francis, Patron saint of animals.

All attending are encouraged to wear a mask and observe social distancing for the safety and protection of others. This annual event will be held 'rain or shine'.

## OUTDOOR DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION WILL TAKE PLACE AT ST. THERESE'S CHURCH ON OCTOBER 11TH.

They will offer Holy Communion on Sunday following the 8:00 A.M. live-stream Mass. Interested parties are welcome to park in either of our lower parking lots between 9:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M., and await direction from our attendants to proceed in their cars to the upper parking lot (adjacent to the rectory). Once there, participants will be expected to exit their car wearing a mask, approach the Communion station while observing social distancing receive Holy Communion, return to their car, and exit the upper lot by turning left onto Davis Street and proceeding to Stafford Street.



The mass intention book for 2021 is now available, therefore, we are accepting mass, sanctuary, and Marian Shrine candle requests. Mass donation is \$10. Sanctuary candle donation is \$10.00 and Marian Shrine candle donation is \$5.00. Please call Diane at 570-696-3737 during office hours Tuesday through Thursday between 9:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

## MASS RESERVATION HOURS

Those wishing to make a reservation for one of our weekend masses are now welcome to call and leave a message with (name (s) of the person (s) attending and the mass day) on Wednesday evenings between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. or on Thursdays by speaking directly to Diane between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

at 570-696-3737.

Thank you for your cooperation.





Mass Intentions  
for the week

**REQUESTED BY:**

Tuesday 10/06 9:00 a.m.  
Saturday 10/10 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10/11 9:30 a.m.

John Kundrat, Jr.  
Olga & Armand Spagnuolo  
Francis Sweeney

Leonard & Alice Krispin  
Family  
Wife & Family

**CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES**

*There are many new faces who come because they need the food to survive... One little child asked her father, 'What are we eating tonight?' He said, 'Whatever that lady is going to give us.'*



Lee Ann Lywiski, St. Joseph Food Pantry Supervisor, Hazleton

**10,501 families were served in Catholic Social Services food pantries from March to July, 2020.**



Catholic Social Services touches more than 300,000 lives each year, offering more than food and shelter to the poor and forgotten. Staff and volunteers restore human dignity and give hope to needy individuals and families through counseling, emergency help, employment assistance and permanent and transitional housing, including special care and support for veterans.

To learn more and to make a gift visit [AnnualAppeal.org](http://AnnualAppeal.org)



**CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING**

A mandatory meeting for the parent(s) of our 7<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation students will be held in St. Therese's Church on Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m. Information packets will be distributed in preparation of the upcoming sacrament.

**FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING**

A mandatory meeting for the parent(s) of our 2nd grade Holy Communion students will be held in St. Therese's Church on Monday, October 19, at 7:00 p.m. Information packets will be distributed in preparation of the upcoming sacrament.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION**

The Catholic Conference of Bishops has requested that all parishes across the country take up a special collection for those ravaged by natural disasters and wild fires. All funds received will be sent to: Catholic Charities-USA, the Catholic Relief Services, shelters and food banks.

Donations may be made by marking an envelope with Special Collection-natural disasters and placed in the weekly collection basket or it may be mailed to the parish office through the month of October. Thank you for your generosity of treasure and spirit.



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Please pray for Ben Bilski, Virginia Brown, Charles Caine, Russ & Mary Ann Dymond, Donna Marie Gashi, Dave Hagerty, Don Hilstolsky, Don Hunter Sr., Jim & Connie Kemmerer, Gene Kritzburger, Neil Lispi, Jane Moore, Thomas Moore, Tom Roarty, Austin Schultz, Mary Shively, Brian Smith, Terry Smith, Jim Starbuck, John Solinsky, & Lilly Stroud.



*The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle is burning this week of October 4 through October 10, 2020.*

*In Memory of: Deceased Members of the Parish*

*Requested by: Parish Family*



*The Light of the Sanctuary Candle is burning this week of October 4 through October 10, 2020.*

*In Memory of: Francis Sweeney*

*Requested by: Wife & Children*



**COMMITMENT OF TREASURE**

*God has entrusted us with many gifts: Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their gifts, and continue to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.*

**Weekly Collection 9/27/2020 \$ 1,847.00**