

# St. Frances Cabrini

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Welcome to our Parish Community!

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## Parish Office Hours:

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.,  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thurs., 9:00 a.m. to noon  
Closed Sat. & Sun.

Please note: If you are not yet fully vaccinated, please wear a mask if you come in person to our parish office.

Members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society are available at 881-3075 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. on weekdays. Call that number if you need a food box or other practical assistance.



### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We offer this devotional service in our parish once a month. Usually it is on the first Friday of the month. Everyone is welcome! Invite your friends and family!

St. Frances Cabrini, born in Italy in 1850, founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She immigrated to New York in 1887 to assist Catholic immigrants, died in 1917 and was the first American citizen to be canonized.



September 19, 2021  
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

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**Whoever receives one child such as this  
in my name, receives me;  
and whoever receives me, receives not me  
but the One who sent me.**

Mark 9:37

#### THE MEANING OF DISCIPLESHIP

The geography of today's Gospel is significant. Jesus is completing his ministry in Galilee and beginning his journey to Jerusalem, where he will meet both death and resurrection. The prediction of his death placed here is the second of three in Mark's Gospel, and as usual it is the occasion for an important teaching on the part of Jesus. Today that lesson is tied to the need for his disciples to embrace a ministry of service. A play on words in Aramaic would have linked the words "child" and "servant," thus turning Jesus' gesture of placing a child in their midst into an illustration of his understanding of himself as the Servant of the Lord. It is that same awareness of the meaning of their ministry that Jesus (and Mark) wishes to instill in the disciples. Theirs must be a ministry of service if they are to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. And that service might even require of them that they be "handed over" to death. What would have been—in the culture of Jesus' day—an ordinary discussion of social status ("who is the greatest") becomes in Mark's context a key insight into the meaning of discipleship for the disciples and for us.

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#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

**Psalms** — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

**Second Reading** — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

**Gospel** — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18  
 Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13  
 Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6  
 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9  
 Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22  
 Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45  
 Sunday: Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and Sat. Masses, 8:00 a.m.

Sat. anticipatory Mass  
(meets Sun. Mass obligation), 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

#### EVERYONE PLEASE READ — AN URGENT MESSAGE FROM OUR BISHOP:

Due to concerns about how the Delta variant of COVID-19 might be affecting unvaccinated children, Bishop Weisenburger is now urging that both Clergy and the Faithful wear masks, at this time, at all Masses and events. This includes both vaccinated and unvaccinated persons. The reason is that there are no vaccines approved for persons younger than 12, and evidence is mounting that the Delta variant affects children and infants more than the original virus, and it can be spread even by vaccinated persons.

Therefore, until directed otherwise, effective immediately, everyone is asked to wear masks at all Masses and events. (Priests and deacons will remove them while speaking.) The Bishop has also suspended the Sunday Mass obligation for families with small children. Parents may make the decision for their own families whether or not to attend Mass. Even if no young children are present at a Mass or other event, please bear in mind that parents or other persons regularly in contact with young children (like grandparents or teachers!) may be in attendance, and we need to protect them from exposure to the Delta variant and the risk of passing it along to children. As the Bishop has said, **this is a life issue!**



**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION** is available on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m., as well as by appointment with Fr. Bala.

**2020-2021 FINANCIAL REPORT**Collection Total for 09/12/2021: \$2,350

WE SO APPRECIATE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

**YOUTH GROUP I & II**

This week: How do YOU know God is real? What are the ways in which God makes Himself known to us, and how should we respond to His revelations?

Next week: Confirmation Class (Baptismal Promises), 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Youth Group I (Thoughts on Jesus), 9:30 to 11:15 a.m.

**FREE TUTORING, FOR ALL GRADE**

**LEVELS** is offered in Rms. 7 & 8 (in the portable classroom building behind the Education Building)

on (most) Wednesdays, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Questions?

Call Jim Mueller at (520) 327-0614 (voice only, leave a message if no answer). Or email him at [eggmen@expressmail.dk](mailto:eggmen@expressmail.dk).

**A SPECIAL MASS IN HONOR OF ST.**

**VINCENT DE PAUL** will be held in our church on his Feast Day, Monday, Sept. 27, at 8:00 a.m. We will pray for the members of our St. Frances Cabrini Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, our generous supporters, and those assisted by the Society. If you have ever considered joining our group of volunteers, please join us for the Mass and our special celebration after it.

**ARIZONA ROSARY CELEBRATION**

Plan to attend the annual Arizona Rosary Celebration on Sat., Oct. 16th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:15 a.m. at St. Augustine Cathedral. Bishop Weisenburger will preside. Come to pray the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament, participate in a Blessing Procession, enjoy music, and listen to the words of keynote speaker Rev. Wilfred Raymond, C.S.C., president of Holy Cross Family Ministries. This year, we will be honoring Mary under her title of Our Lady of Sorrows. All Catholic Schools, parishes, organizations, groups and individuals are invited. For more information, contact Karen McEwen at (520) 870-5122 or [ksmcewen@comcast.net](mailto:ksmcewen@comcast.net), or visit the website [www.azrosary.net](http://www.azrosary.net).

**PARISH PRAYER INTENTION BASKETS**

If you would like your special intention prayed for at the Rosary Celebration, you may write it on one of the forms provided and put it in the Prayer Basket in our church vestibule, beneath the Rosary Celebration poster.

**Relief for Earthquake Victims in Haiti**

If you missed last weekend's special collection for victims of the terrible earthquake of August 14, you may still contribute to Catholic Relief Services for this purpose. Donate online at [crs.org/supporthaiti](http://crs.org/supporthaiti), or call 1-877-HELP-CRS. Donate by check to the following address: Haiti Response

Catholic Relief Services

P.O. Box 17090

Baltimore, Maryland 21297-0303.

**ST FRANCES CABRINI TO MERGE WITH  
OUR LADY OF LA VANG PARISH**

Bishop Weisenburger's letter on this subject to the members of our parish was distributed as a flyer in last weekend's bulletin. It is available on the parish website, and copies may also be obtained from the parish office. The merger will take place at the beginning of December, 2021.

**SINGERS WANTED FOR SPECIAL SAINT**

**FRANCES CABRINI MASS!** We will sing in honor of our parish's patron saint (her Feast Day is Nov. 13) on Sun., Nov. 14th at the 10:30 Mass. If you have ever been a member of the St. Frances Cabrini Choir (or any other church singing group), and are able and willing to participate, please contact Eileen in the parish office. We will have one rehearsal, time as yet to be determined. Singers will have brunch in Rm. 5 after the Mass.

**SEPT. 18TH-SEPT. 26TH**

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| Sat.   | 5:00 PM - First Responders, Doctors & Nurses      |
| Sun.   | 8:30 AM - Refugees from Wars & Oppression         |
|        | 10:30 AM - People of the Parish                   |
| Tues.  | 8:00 AM - Priests of Our Diocese                  |
| Wed.   | 8:00 AM - All Wounded Veterans                    |
| Thurs. | 8:00 AM - Everyone Suffering from Serious Illness |
| Fri.   | 8:00 AM - Cabrini Coffee Girls                    |
| Sat.   | 8:00 AM - Seminarians of Our Diocese              |
| Sat.   | 5:00 PM - Salvador & Olga Lopez††                 |
| Sun.   | 8:30 AM - People of the Parish                    |
|        | 10:30 AM - Victims of Natural Disasters           |

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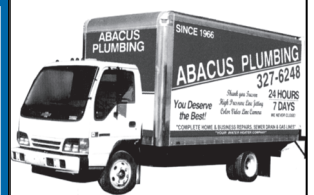
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