

Dear Family & Friends of St. Francis ECC,

Here is some of the news and information buzz which is being talked about around the church for this week:

- Don't forget, this Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will be having a Masquerade Ball (& pot luck dinner) at the church from 5-8PM. There will be food, music and raffles. Please bring a dish to share. Come on out, laugh and have a good time. Don't worry if you didn't sign up, just come anyway. You are welcome to wear a costume or your own mask, if you like? If you don't have a mask, there will be extras. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Velez.
- We are continuing to accepting nominations for our 2017 Church Council through Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup>. Please prayerfully consider this important opportunity to help serve our parish. Nomination forms located in the vestibule in church. You can self-nominate, or you can nominate someone else. We only need 1 nomination per candidate. If you should have any questions, please see any council member for more information. Thank you.
- We will not have First Friday Masses in November and December. First Friday Masses will begin again in January. We will continue to have a Healing Mass on the last Wednesday of each month. Our next Healing Mass will be on Wednesday October 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. You are welcome to attend and to receive a healing, or to receive one in absentia for someone who may need it. All are welcome to attend.
- During the month of November, 11/6-11/20, we will be collecting canned and dry goods for the Interfaith Food Pantry in Seminole to help those less fortunate during the upcoming holiday season. We're announcing this now so that, as you find items on sale, or BOGO's, you can maximize on whatever donations you might wish to make. We have a "wish-list" posted on the bulletin board in the social hall with suggestions of items which are most in need. Thank you.
- Florence Jean-Pierre (Anthony's mother) will be available in the back of the chapel after Mass each Sunday for anyone who would want or need, personal one on one prayers. Florence is also available for prayers before Mass, but that is by appointment only. Florence has had personal prayer and chaplain ministries in a previous church. If you should have any questions about it, please see Florence. She would be happy to speak with you or to pray with you..
- We now have our Brick Program in effect. The funds raised with this program will be "restricted funds" and will only be used down the road for the purchase and or renovation of our own permanent church space. If you would like to purchase a brick we have them for sale for \$100 each or 4 for \$350. The inscriptions will be up to 36 characters or spaces over 3 lines. Forms are available in the lobby at church. This will be an on-going program, our first goal is to sell 100 bricks. Please see any council member if you should have questions. Completed forms with payment can be given to Larry Roush or Jim Villafana. Thank you for helping out with this most worthwhile program.

That is all for this week's Council letter. Please let us know if you should have any questions, concerns or comments. You are always free to e-mail us or contact any member of the church council. Thank you, and as always, we look forward to seeing you in church!!!

In God's Peace, Your Church Council,  
Leo, Jon, Larry, Jim & Barbara