

*Church of*  
**Saint Francis of Assisi**

*175 Years*  
1844 - 2019

April 21, 2019

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



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The Church of St. Francis of Assisi in Midtown Manhattan is a parish in the Archdiocese of New York and an urban ministry center staffed by the Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province and their partners in ministry.

Inspired by our faith in Jesus Christ, and rooted in the charism of St. Francis of Assisi, we actively WELCOME all people.



We WORSHIP God through prayerful and inspiring liturgies, the celebration of the sacraments, and the devotional life of the Church. We WITNESS to our faith by ministering to everyone, especially those who are poor, alienated or oppressed.

## Our Weekly Schedule

### Celebration of the Eucharist

#### Saturday Evening Vigil Masses

4:00, 5:15 PM (Organ & Cantor)

#### Sunday Masses

8:00 AM (Organ & Cantor), 9:15 AM (Korean),  
9:30 AM (Organ & Cantor; Lower Church),  
11:00 AM (Organ & Choir); 12:30 PM (Organ & Cantor),  
5:00 & 6:15 PM (Contemporary Ensemble)

#### Weekday Masses

7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 11:30 AM; 12:30, 4:30, 5:30 PM

#### Saturday Morning Masses

8:00, 11:00 AM

#### First Friday Filipino Community Mass

6:15 PM (Lower Church)

#### Holidays

Consult the weekly bulletin and the posted notices for federal and other holidays.

### Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

**Monday - Friday** 7:30 - 8:30 AM; 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM; 4:00 - 5:30 PM

**Saturday** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM; 3:30 - 5:30 PM

**Sunday** 8:30 - 9:30 AM; 4:30 - 5:30 PM

### Devotions

#### Monday

Devotions in Honor of St. Monica after 8:30 AM, 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses

#### Tuesday

Devotions in Honor of St. Anthony after all Masses starting at 7:45 AM

#### Wednesday

Devotions in Honor of St. Jude after 8:30 AM, 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses

#### Thursday

Devotions in Honor of Our Lady of Lourdes for the Sick after 8:30 AM, 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses

#### Friday

Devotions in Honor of the Sacred Heart after 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses  
Lenten Season: Stations of the Cross  
Easter Season: Stations of the Resurrection

#### Saturday

The Rosary after the 11:00 AM Mass

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday-Friday: 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM (Lower Church)

### On the cover:

A fresco of Resurrection of the Lord by by Paolo Giovanni Crida (1886 - 1967) in the *Capella Pinardi* in Turin, Italy – the first chapel of St. John Bosco, the founder of Salesians.

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The Pastor's Corner



A Blessed and Happy Easter!

We hear these words in today's Gospel: "On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning while it was still dark and saw the stone removed from the tomb." After experiencing the torture and crucifixion of Jesus and having her heart broken through it all, now the tomb was empty. St. John often puts in phrases that we can easily overlook; the phrase that I am referring to is "it was dark." St. John uses this to show not just the darkness of the night, but the "darkness" in the followers of Christ because of His death. Their faith and hope in Jesus was gone. . . or was it? His resurrection reassures us that even though there is often "darkness" in our lives, it is the Lord who strengthens and enlivens our hope. "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

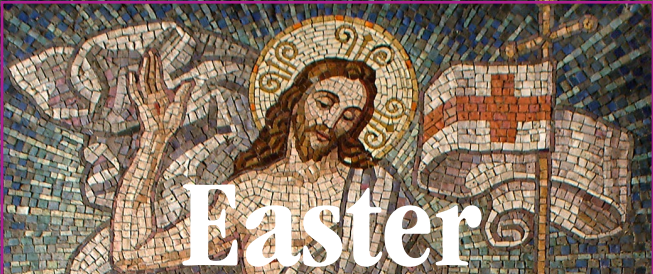
Congratulations to our Elect who have been baptized, confirmed and received the Eucharist. Congratulations to our candidates for completing their initiation into the church. You are an inspiration to us and we are happy that you are our brothers and sisters in Christ. Congratulations to Joe Nuzzi and the RCIA Team for journeying with this group since September. It is always a great joy for me to preside at the Easter Vigil and celebrate the Easter sacraments with these brothers and sisters. May the Lord continue to bless and guide you!

Thank you to Fr. Timothy Shreenan, Director of Liturgy; Edward Trochimczuk, Director of Volunteer Ministries; and Meredith Augustin, Director of Music. A special thanks to all the cantors, organists, choir, musicians, altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and ministers of hospitality who were so helpful throughout the Triduum. You are a blessing to us!

Fr. Andrew  
Fr. Andrew Reitz, O.F.M.

Just in Time for Easter!

We now have a selection of jams and jellies made by the Trappist monks in Spencer, Massachusetts. These products are made by the monks themselves and are one way they support themselves in their cloistered prayer life. The Trappists still live a very strict life of prayer and work and have minimal contact with the outside world. The jams and jellies are available in the lobby of the Parish House.



Holy Saturday • April 20

There are no confessions on Holy Saturday; the Church will remain closed until 6:00 PM.  
The Great Vigil of Easter (English): 6:30 PM  
The Great Vigil of Easter (Korean): 9:00 PM

Easter Sunday • April 21

Masses: 8:00, 9:15 (Korean), 9:30 (Lower Church), 11:00 AM, 12:30 and 5:00 PM.  
There are no confessions on Easter Sunday.

Easter Monday • April 22

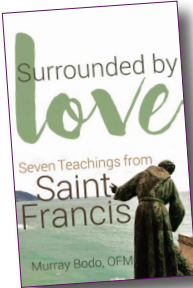
Mass at 11:30 AM  
There will be no confessions and the Church offices will be closed for the day.

Via Lucis • The Stations of the Resurrection

Every Friday during the Easter Season after the 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses  
During the Easter season we will celebrate the Via Lucis or Way of Light. The Via Lucis consists of 14 "Stations" which recount the Easter story from the Resurrection to Pentecost.

Book Review: Surrounded by Love

The well-known Franciscan author, Murray Bodo, O.F.M. (author of Francis: the Journey and the Dream) has published this new book on "Seven Teachings from Saint Francis." His books are always inspirational, easy to read and clear. The seven teachings are no surprise for anyone familiar with St. Francis of Assisi and what he stands for: the Wonder of the Incarnation, the Paradox of Poverty, Live the Gospel, Repair God's House, Making Peace, Creation, the Joy of Humble Praise and Service of God and an extra teaching on "Love." Interwoven throughout the chapters are quotations from the Writings of St. Francis and many classical and contemporary authors. We are able to hear the story of St. Francis presented throughout the chapters. Murray's writing is always refreshing and enjoyable to read, even if you have little knowledge of St. Francis and Franciscanism. The book is available in the lobby of the Parish House.





*In Memory of:*

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*Easter Flower Donations*

During the Easter season, the sanctuary is filled with plants and flowers to celebrate the glory of Christ's resurrection. We are grateful to our generous donors.

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The Paschal Candle and Easter flowers have been given for the special intentions of Katherine Puangco.





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A Network of Information, Support & Protection of Immigrants



### Are you without immigration status?

Here's a possible solution!

STAND UP! is a campaign to protect the rights and welfare of immigrants, especially the undocumented. It is confidential, dependable and secure. For more information, contact us at [standupimmigrants@gmail.com](mailto:standupimmigrants@gmail.com) or 212-736-8500, Ext. 305.

## INMIGRANTES, LEVÁNTENSE CONSTRUYAMOS LA RED

La Red de Información, Apoyo y Protección de Inmigrantes



### ¿Está sin estatus de inmigración?

¡Aquí hay una solución posible!

¡LEVÁNTENSE! es una campaña para proteger los derechos y el bienestar de los inmigrantes, especialmente los indocumentados. La campaña es confidencial, confiable y seguro. Para más información, contáctenos a [standupimmigrants@gmail.com](mailto:standupimmigrants@gmail.com) o 212-736-8500, Ext. 305.

## The Shrines of France

11 Days: November 6-16, 2019

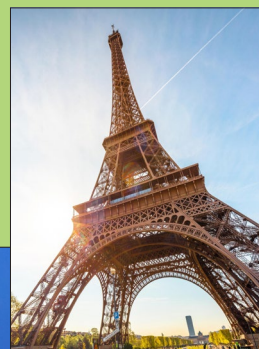
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Mass Intentions for the Week

The Bread & Wine for Masses this week have been given for the intentions of of Joseph, Marie & Thomas Powers, Jr., and in memory of Thomas Powers, Sr. from Victorina Powers.

The Sanctuary Lights have been given for the healing of Cristina Umayam Kho.

If you would like to make a donation for bread and wine used at Masses each week, please go to the reception desk in the lobby of St. Francis House to reserve a date.



<b>Holy Saturday, April 20, 2019</b> 6:30 PM For the People of the Church of Saint Francis of Assisi	<b>Easter Wednesday, April 24, 2019</b> 7:00 AM Easter Novena 7:45 Harry Campbell (d.) 8:30 St. Jude Novena 11:30 Michael V. Garry (d., 9th anniversary) 12:30 PM Fr. Michael Panicali 4:30 Wilma Furstenberg (d.) 5:30 Wilma Furstenberg (d.)
<b>Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019</b> 8:00 AM Easter Novena 9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community 9:30 Arthur & Mary Bazzurro (d.) 11:00 Felicidad De Guzman (d.) 12:30 PM Lillian De Paris (d.) 5:00 Sharon E. Itliung, thanksgiving	<b>Easter Thursday, April 25, 2019</b> 7:00 AM Easter Novena 7:45 Nicholas & Elena Daconta (d.) 8:30 St. Jude Novena 11:30 Patrick Reilly 12:30 PM The Sick 4:30 John Brennan 5:30 Thomas & Edith Castellana (d.)
<b>Easter Monday, April 22, 2019</b> 11:30 AM Easter Novena	<b>Easter Friday, April 26, 2019</b> 7:00 AM Easter Novena 7:45 William Brennan 8:30 St. Jude Novena 11:30 Rose Ferrari (d.) 12:30 PM Charito Guzman & Meelee Ly Velasco (d.) 4:30 Eric A. Rivera (d.) 5:30 Eleanor Kim-Dominguez (d.)
<b>Easter Tuesday, April 23, 2019</b> 7:00 AM Easter Novena 7:45 Nichola & Elena Daconta (d.) 8:30 St. Jude Novena 11:30 Myrna Laron (d.) 12:30 PM Ira V. McKenzie (d.) 4:30 Liana Benoit 5:30 Merio Plondaya (d.)	

Saint Francis of Assisi Parish Directory

ST. FRANCIS HOUSE: 135 W. 31st Street • SAN DAMIANO HALL: 127 W. 31st Street  
ST. FRANCIS ADULT EDUCATION CENTER: 139 W. 31st Street

**Adult Education**  
A variety of courses in Scripture, church history, spirituality, personal growth, and other topics are offered at noon and in the evenings in the Fall and Spring months. Special brochures with course offerings are published prior to the start of each term and are available at the church entrances. Fr. William Beaudin, O.F.M., Director; 212-736-8500, Ext. 311.

**Franciscan Bread for the Poor**  
The St. Francis Breadline provides food for hungry people every morning of the year at 7:00 AM. Franciscans Deliver brings groceries to area shut-ins on a weekly basis. For more information, go to [www.stfrancisbreadline.org](http://www.stfrancisbreadline.org).

**Counseling Center**  
Counseling services are available on a short- or long-term basis by appointment only. Sliding scale fee structure. Call 212-736-8500, Ext. 290 for information or to make an appointment.

**Saint Francis Bereavement Ministry**  
While grief is a very private experience, people who have lost loved ones can benefit from the witness and support of others who have lost someone special in their lives. The St. Francis Bereavement Ministry offers an opportunity for the bereaved to connect with others who grieve, and to seek a path of healing as they come to terms with their loss. Call Fr. Brian Smail, O.F.M. at 212-736-8500, Ext. 204 to inquire.



### Immigration Assistance

The Migrant Center at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi provides assistance to all immigrants regardless of status. If anyone needs assistance or has concerns about immigration matters, please contact the Migrant Center at 212-736-8500, Ext. 305/377 or email [migrantcenter@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:migrantcenter@stfrancisnyc.org).

### Korean Ministry

The Korean Community worships in Korean every Sunday at 9:15 AM. A Mass for young adults is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 6:00 PM in the lower church. Fr. Michael Kim, O.F.M.; 212-736-8500, Ext. 384.

### LGBT Outreach

Our LGBT ministry is very active in our community. The ministry provides various spiritual, social, and educational events from September through June. For more information, please visit the website to sign up for our mailing list. For more information, contact Meredith Augustin, liaison for the LGBT ministry, at 212-736-8500, Ext. 327.

### Mass Cards & Perpetual Enrollments

Available at the Reception Desk in the lobby of St. Francis House. Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM; Saturday: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM; Sunday: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

### Music Ministry

To become involved in our liturgical music ministry, please call Meredith Augustin, Director of Music Ministries, at 212-736-8500, Ext. 327.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA is the process by which people can question, search, and inquire into the Catholic faith. The RCIA is for any unbaptized adult who is new to the Catholic faith or any unbaptized child usually over the age of 7. The RCIA is also for any adult or child over the age of 7 who was baptized in another Christian tradition and for baptized Catholic adults seeking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Joseph Nuzzi at 212-736-8500, Ext. 365.

### RENEW! Younger Retiree Program

Catholic retirees, age 55 and over, participate in spiritual, cultural, social, and service activities in the New York Metropolitan Area. For information, please contact RENEW at 212-736-8500, Ext. 389.

### Secular Franciscans

Lay men and women who strive to follow the Gospel way of life according to the ideals of St. Francis. For information please see our website <http://www.stfrancisnyc.org/secularfranciscans.htm>.

### St. Francis on Facebook

St. Francis Church is on Facebook! Join the group "St. Francis of Assisi NYC" on Facebook to see who else is a member, be informed of news and events and keep in touch with what's going on in your parish community. Stay connected the way you like to stay connected. Join the group today and invite your friends.

### Self-Help Groups

St. Francis Church hosts numerous self-help groups, including Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Sex Addicts Anonymous, Survivors of Incest Anonymous, and others. Please consult the Self-Help and Support Groups brochure for times and locations of the meetings.

### Spiritual Direction

Spiritual Direction as a means of spiritual growth and faith development is provided by the Center Staff. Contact Fr. Joseph Cavoto, O.F.M. at 212-736-8500 for more information.

### Ugnayan Filipino Ministry

A home away from home for newly arrived Filipino immigrants. Our ministry sponsors the Sacred Heart devotion during the 6:15 PM First Friday Mass with fellowship afterwards. We conduct Lectio Divina every Third Friday of the month. The ministry also welcomes interested individuals to join their music ministry. Rehearsals are on two consecutive Thursdays before the First Friday. Email: [flipinoministry@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:flipinoministry@stfrancisnyc.org).

### Volunteers

St. Francis Church invites individuals to give freely of their time and expertise in order to make a difference. Our volunteers participate in liturgical ministries as well as other forms of service to the church and the community. Edward Trochimczuk, Director of Volunteers. Email: [etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org).

### Young Adult Ministry

This is a ministry of, by, and for Catholic men and women in their 20's and 30's. At St. Francis we believe that ministering to young adults begins by creating an environment where people feel welcome, especially by worshipping God together in a way that feeds the spirit. For more information please email: [youngadults@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:youngadults@stfrancisnyc.org).



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