



Church of
Saint Francis of Assisi

175 Years
1844 - 2019

June 9, 2019

Pentecost Sunday

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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:

The Descent of the Holy Spirit, fol. 10v in *The Hours of Marie de' Medici*, MS. Douce 112, Bodleian Library, Oxford. This illuminated manuscript was produced in Ghent or Bruges between 1515 and 1520 by an anonymous artist known today simply as the "Master of the David Scenes in the Grimani Breviary." The scene depicts the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Blessed Mother and the Apostles as others in the back of the room catch sight of the event taking place.

The Pastor's Corner



On Pentecost Sunday, St. Paul says: "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." God cannot be outdone in the way

He bestows gifts on everyone. We admire the way that God has made each person different: unique personalities, talents, abilities, intellects. Working together rather than competing with one another can make wonderful things happen. Look at the church over the centuries and consider what it has done for humanity: creating educational institutions, health care facilities, care of the poor, reaching out to the unbelievers, being sensitive to those who are marginalized. Understanding the differences among us and learning to listen with the heart allows us to know that there continue to be many "spiritual gifts."

We welcome Fr. Jim Martin, S.J. who will be speaking here at St. Francis on Monday evening, June 10. Fr. Martin has challenged the way we look at our brothers and sisters and how we easily categorize them. He has been criticized for this, but he has begun many of his talks with a quotation from the Catechism of the Church that can open many doors. Come and hear Fr. Martin. We are happy to have him here at St. Francis of Assisi, the saint who had an open and challenging approach for his day and age.

And now, I am happy to announce our . . .

175th Anniversary Raffle

\$1,000 First Prize • \$500 Second Prize • \$250 Third Prize
Tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20, available at the Reception Desk
The drawing will be held September 20.

You do not have to be present to win. Good luck!

Fr. Andrew Reitz, O.F.M.

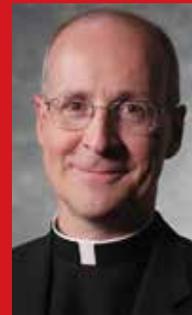
Collection for Black & Indian Missions



The Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help diocesan communities to build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native

American, and Alaska Native people of God. Your support will help to train catechists, permanent deacons, and seminarians for future generations. Please be generous in the second collection this weekend.

Welcome: Showing Respect
and Welcome in the Church
to LGBT Persons
Monday, June 10 at 7:30 PM
in San Damiano Hall
with Fr. James Martin, S.J.



Free and open to the public.
Fr. Martin will be signing books
at the end of the event.

Come to the Feast of Saint Anthony!



We will celebrate the Feast of Saint Anthony on Thursday, June 13th with Masses and Devotions to St. Anthony at 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 10:30, 11:30 AM; 12:30, 1:30 (Spanish), 4:30, 5:30, 6:30 (Haitian, Upper Church) and 6:30 PM (Filipino, Lower Church).

Relics of St. Anthony will be available for veneration in the lower church throughout the day.

Blessed St. Anthony's Bread will be distributed all day long in

the 32nd Street entrance and in front of the church on 31st Street as long as supplies last.

2019 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal

Goal for St. Francis Church: \$113,500

Amount pledged to date: \$39,471

(last report: \$39,371)

Number of Gifts: 1 (last week: 62)

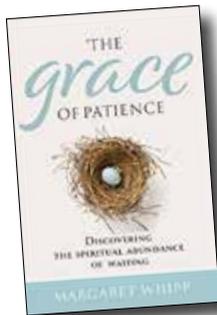
Number of Potential Givers: 1,661

Look closely: we are standing still. One new gift was received during the past week and none the week before. Hopefully, in the next few weeks – the final weeks of the Appeal – we can reach \$50,000. With so many people who haven't given, this should be easy to reach. A little bit of help from a few people can make a big difference!

Once again, we apologize to those who gave to Renew and Rebuild who keep receiving mail from the Cardinal's Appeal. We were told that you would not be on the mailing list for the Cardinal's Appeal because of your generosity to Renew and Rebuild. Sorry for the annoying mail.

Book Review: *The Grace of Patience*

Every day people speak of the challenge they have of the need to be more patient. Living in an atmosphere such as New York City certainly doesn't help the situation. In our spiritual lives, we hopefully move forward and notice positive changes in certain attitudes and virtues. Unfortunately, patience is not one of those virtues that people find easy to practice, or to change their ways.



Margaret Whipp, head chaplain for the Oxford University Hospitals, has chosen to deal with the reality that: "having to wait is a fact of life." As a

hospital chaplain, she has encountered patients who are forced to wait: wait for the doctor, wait for the results of a test, wait for the next step in their treatment, wait for the news that a person is going home. Each chapter deals with topics associated with waiting: pressure, night time, struggle, surrender, rootedness, resilience and more. A practicum is included with each section and Scripture is woven throughout. It is a helpful book dealing with a virtue that we wish were easier. *The Grace of Patience* is available in the lobby of the Parish House.



Father's Day Novena Cards

Enroll your father in our annual Father's Day Remembrance. Between Sunday, June 16, and Monday, June 24, we will remember all fathers, living and deceased, at daily Mass. Father's Day cards are available at the reception desk for a suggested offering of \$5.00 each.

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place: St. Francis of Assisi Parish at 175

As part of our parish's year-long jubilee celebration, the St. Francis Adult Education Center is offering a three-week summer program that will look at our parish's past and present through several lenses: the biblical, the historical, the theological and the artistic. St. Francis of Assisi Parish offers a case study in what it means to be the Catholic Church in America and an oasis of spirituality in the secular city.



Week One (Fr. William Beaudin, O.F.M.)
Wednesday and Thursday: July 17 & 18
Biblical Perspectives

Week Two (Fr. Dominic Monti, O.F.M.)
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: July 23, 24 & 25
Historical Perspectives

Week Three (Joseph Nuzzi and Fr. Timothy Shreenan, O.F.M.)
Tuesday and Wednesday: July 30 & 31
Theological and Artistic Perspectives

Stay tuned for more information coming soon!

The Shrines of France

11 Days: November 6-16, 2019

visiting

Geneva • Annecy • Lyon • Tours
Loire Valley • Chartres • Mont St. Michel
Bayeux • Normandy • Caen • Lisieux • Paris

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

\$3,199 from New York

For information email areitz@stfrancisnyc.org.



STAND UP, IMMIGRANTS! BUILD THE NETWORK

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 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 o 212-736-8500, Ext. 305.

Gaudete et Exsultate:

Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis

Chapter 4: Signs of Holiness in Today's World

Growth in holiness is a journey in community, side by side with others. . . Each community is called to create a "God-enlightened space in which to experience the hidden presence of the risen Lord."

Sharing the word and celebrating the Eucharist together fosters fraternity and makes us a holy and missionary community. It also gives rise to authentic and shared mystical experiences.



Let us not forget that Jesus asked his disciples to pay attention to details: that wine was running out at a party, that one sheep was missing, noticing the widow that offered her two small coins, having spare oil for the lamps should the bridegroom delay, asking the disciples how many loaves of bread they had, having a fire burning and a fish cooking as he waited for his disciples.

A community that cherishes the little details of love, whose members care for one another and create an open and evangelizing environment, is a place where the risen Lord is present, sanctifying it in accordance with the Father's plan. There are times when, by a gift of the Lord's love, we are granted amid these little details consoling experiences of God.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

The Bread & Wine for Masses this week have been given for the intentions of Catherine B. Puangco; for Joseph, Marie & Thomas Powers, Jr., and in memory of Thomas Powers, Sr. from Victorina Powers; and in memory of Bonifago Carlos, Sr. & Bienvenido Carlos Sr., from Adelaida Carlos.

The Sanctuary Lights are given for the intentions of Francisco Carlos & Buenaventura Carlos from Adelaida Carlos.

Saturday, June 8, 2019

8:00 AM Mary Bazzurro (d.)
 11:00 Deceased of Secular Institute of Missionaries of Kingship of Christ
 4:00 PM Kathleen Harris
 5:15 Providencia Castro

Sunday, June 9, 2018

8:00 AM Cayden Benoit
 9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community
 9:30 Paulino Prado (d.)
 11:00 Fr. Nicholas Basile (d.)
 12:30 PM Boyet & Cynthia, wedding anniv.
 5:00 Franciscan Mass League
 6:15 Souls in Purgatory

Monday, June 10, 2019

7:00 Mary Ellen & Robert Walsh (d.)
 7:45 Herminio Marquez Lagado (d.)
 8:30 Richard Donchak (d.)
 11:30 Daniella Exil, birthday
 12:30 PM John & Mary Garry (d.)
 4:30 Souls in Purgatory
 5:30 In honor of Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

7:00 Mike Harvier
 7:45 Ann Nissen (d.)
 8:30 Felino Dulzura, Sr. (d.)
 11:30 Laurence Fitzpatrick (d.)
 12:30 PM Mary & Eugene Tiernan (d.)
 4:30 Nancy Castellano (d.)
 5:30 Josefina Gabales (d.)

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

7:00 AM Adam Jasaraj, birthday
 7:45 Emmanuel Perenne (d.)
 8:30 Raymonde Pierre-Louis
 11:30 Aura Illera (d.)
 12:30 PM Mark Whelan
 4:30 Sean Murray (d.)
 5:30 Patricia Donnelly (d.)

Thursday, June 13, 2019

Feast of Saint Anthony

7:00 AM William Dinan (d.)
 7:45 Fr. Tom Walters, O.F.M.
 8:30 Thanks. to St. Anthony, Marie Carole Jean Pierre
 10:30 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony, birthday wishes for Juliette
 11:30 Irene McKnight (d.)
 12:30 PM The Sick
 1:30 (Spanish) Roger Malan, birthday
 4:30 Sharon E. Itlion
 5:30 John & Penny Urban (d.)
 6:30 (Upper Church, Haitian) In honor of St. Anthony
 6:30 (Lower Church, Filipino) Theresa Colantonio (d.)

Friday, June 14, 2019

7:00 AM Cornelia Melendez
 7:45 Gotaco Lee Family
 8:30 Nolasco Fernan Family
 11:30 Catherine Fitzpatrick (d.)
 12:30 PM Nicole Spadarecchia
 4:30 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Jasinski (d.)
 5:30 Alex Seraphin (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.

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.

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.

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.

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.



Is God calling you to be a Franciscan Friar?

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