

**Our  
Lord  
Jesus  
Christ**

**the  
King**

*Church of  
Saint Francis of Assisi  
The Heart of New York*

November 20, 2022 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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The Church of Saint 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 Mass**  
4:00 PM

### Sunday Masses

8:00 AM,  
9:15 AM (Korean),  
11:00 AM  
12:30 PM  
5:00 PM

### Weekday Masses

7:30 am, 12:00 PM & 5:30 PM

### Saturday Morning Mass

11:00 AM

### Holidays

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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

#### Monday—Friday

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

**Saturday** 11:30 AM—12:30 PM  
**Sunday** No Confessions

### Devotions

#### Monday

Devotions in Honor of St. Monica  
after the 7:30 AM, 12:00 and 5:30 PM Masses

#### Tuesday

Devotions in Honor of St. Anthony  
after the 7:30 AM, 12:00 and 5:30 PM Masses

#### Wednesday

Devotions in Honor of St. Jude  
after the 7:30 AM, 12:00 and 5:30 PM Masses

#### Thursday

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick  
after the 12:00 and 5:30 PM Masses

#### First Fridays

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
after the 7:30 AM, 12:00 and 5:30 PM Masses

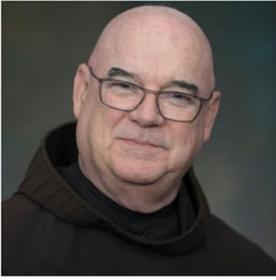
#### Saturday

The Rosary after the 11:00 AM Mass.

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday—Friday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM  
in Lower Church





## *The Pastor's Corner*

Dear Community and Friends of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi,

May the Lord give you peace.

Finally, we have a bulletin! This is a new beginning that we will expand over time. This is the first bulletin we have published since the lockdown. Thank you for your patience.

This is the week we celebrate Thanksgiving. We take the time to thank God and one another for the great blessings of presence. We praise God, who is always present among us. We encounter our God in many life experiences; our Eucharist is our constant Thanksgiving. Our encounters with one another, the migrants, refugees, and all who struggle in life are experiences of God's presence among us. When we are touched by love, forgiveness, courage, wisdom, and generosity. We meet the goodness of God. In adversity, sickness, conflict, and division, Christ is present. We are grateful for our lives and for the lives of all who have nurtured us, challenged us, and engaged us.

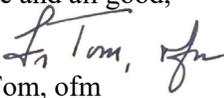
Gratitude changes us. We see the world through a new lens. As we give thanks, we recognize the abundance surrounding us and our ability to share with others. We shift our focus to see the wider world and community. While we continue to move from our cocoons of the pandemic, we realize that we have changed. We remember the "essential workers" who made life better for us; we are grateful for their sacrifices.

An interesting practice might be to consider the gifts of those who gather with you on Thanksgiving. Sometimes we take each other for granted, and sometimes we fail to see the growth and change in the people in our lives. Previous judgments sometimes cloud our ability to give thanks for the giftedness in front of us. This might be a challenge!

I give thanks to God for you. This remarkably gifted Church is a beacon of hospitality and grace that shines beyond the city. People from all over the country contact us to thank us for the Franciscan life that is alive here. The worship, preaching, outreach, diversity, commitment to ministry, and beauty of our Church are the gifts we all continue to give and the thanks we offer to God.

Blessed and happy Thanksgiving to all. Please gather at your tables, take a moment to be present to one another, give thanks to God, and celebrate everyone's gifts.

Peace and all good,

  
Fr. Tom, ofm

## “Holy Land” Advent Day of Reflection

Our Advent Day of Reflection this year will be lead by author Dr. Angela Alaimo O'Donnell, who will invite us to reflect on themes of the Advent season through a selection of poems from her new book Holy Land.

Join us to enter this sacred season with prayer, inspiration from Dr. Alaimo's poetry, mediation and discussion.

Breakfast will be provided.

Copies of the book will be available to purchase that day and Dr. Alaimo will sign books at the end of the event.

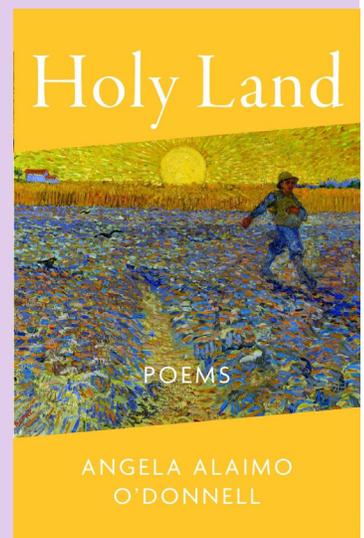
Join us:

Saturday, December 3

9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

San Damiano Hall

This event is free and open to all.



# Mass Intentions for the Week

## Saturday, November 19, 2022

11:00 AM Leclert Belvy (D)  
4:00 PM

## Sunday, November 20, 2022

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League  
9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community  
11:00  
12:30 PM Jose Vega (D) & Damaris Castillo  
5:30 PM

## Monday, November 21, 2022

7:30 AM  
12:00 PM Emile Legere (D)  
5:30 PM

## Tuesday, November 22, 2022

7:30 AM Emilda Garces' Birthday & Cecil Leanon Cox (D)  
12:00 PM Mrs. Toke Van Vliet (D)  
5:30 PM Rosita Magno Thanksgiving

## Wednesday, November 23, 2022

7:30 AM Arthur J. White  
12:00 PM Eric Charles Cruz  
5:30 PM Albert & Venera Costabile (D)

## Thursday, November 24, 2022

*Thanksgiving Day*  
12:00 PM Eduardo & Aurora Ruedas & Jane Zalewski (D)

## Friday, November 25, 2022

12:00 PM

# Migrant Center

### *Here's a list of items that are needed:*

New winter jackets & hoodies – for children and adults  
New winter clothing: hats, scarves & gloves for adults & children  
New tennis shoes, casual shoes & boots  
New underwear & socks for children & adults  
Toiletries, Deodorant, Soap & Toothbrushes & Toothpaste  
Feminine hygiene products  
Diapers & wipes  
Send or drop off donations in the main lobby at.

### **Volunteer:**

We also need volunteers to assist in a variety of ways, and while speaking Spanish is helpful it is not necessary. To find out way you can help please contact Fr. Julian (212) 736-8500 ext. 328 or [jjagudilla@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:jjagudilla@stfrancisnyc.org)

### **Donate:**

If you would like to donate directly toward our assistance of the migrants, which helps us purchase items that are needed but not donated, please consider a dedicated donation to the Migrant Center, by choosing "Migrant Center" under "Fund".

Thank You.

Bread & Wine for Masses this week have been given for the intentions of:

Catherine B. Puangco

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



## SOUP AND SCRIPTURE

Ready or not, the kingdom of God is upon us!

Love is set to come to life in our world and change everything! So, shake loose the cobwebs, wipe the weary from your eyes, and get set to open your mind, your heart, your soul, and your bellies.

We all take our daily physical nourishment from the foods we eat, and we take our spiritual nourishment from the Word of God.

Join us as we combine these nourishing practices every Monday in Advent

**Monday, November 28**

**Monday, December 5**

**Monday, December 12**

**Monday, December 19**

6:30pm in the Clare Room.

The Soup is on!

Join us for one, two, three or all four reflections.

*Since soup is being served, please let us know that you are coming....* ALL ARE WELCOME!

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