

February 5, 2023 | FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

You are the light of the world.
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.

~ Matthew 5:14

Church of

Saint Francis of Assisi

The Heart of New York

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Church of Saint Francis of Assisi
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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

Please check the Bulletin or our website for holiday schedules.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Friday

8 - 9 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

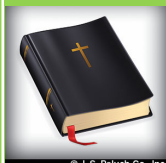
Saturday

The Rosary after the 11:00 AM Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Adult Education Spring Offerings



A new schedule of classes - from
Theology to Scripture and Music to
Literature - there's
something for

everyone!!

Scan this QR Code to see the
full line-up of classes and
register today!



Light shines through the darkness for the upright.

— Psalm 112:4



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The Pastor's Corner

Dear Community and Friends of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi,
May the Lord give you peace.

Thank you for your continued prayers for Fr. Ronald Stark, ofm. Fr. Ronald was pastor here from 1996-2002. He is a gifted preacher, confessor, pastor, and spiritual director. Fr. Ronald also has an incredible sense of humor. He is presently in Hospice Care. We are certainly grateful for his ministry here at St. Francis.

Thank you for your early contributions to the Cardinals Annual Stewardship Appeal. We are at \$1,200 of the \$73,000 goal. Do what you can to support the work of the Archdiocese of New York. As you know, Catholic Charities is overwhelmed by the work with the recently arrived migrants from Ecuador, Venezuela, and other countries. Families are arriving in New York daily seeking hospitality. Your donation to this appeal is greatly appreciated.

The Spring Adult Education/Formation brochures are available. Please consider registering for a course. This can be a great way to engage in the Lenten-Easter-Pentecost pilgrimage. Instead of giving something up, gear up with something new. This is an opportunity to expand your horizons and deepen your understanding of the many ways of God's self-revelation. Information is also available on our website.

Please keep your Monday nights open for soup and scripture as we prepare for Lent together. As we did in Advent, we will offer an opportunity for you to reflect on the Gospel each Monday of Lent as you enjoy a cup of soup and community. Please register so that we can be sure to have enough soup and space for everyone. We can also make access available for folks who need to avoid the steps. (We just need to know that you are coming.)

Jesus tells his hearers and us: "You are the salt of the earth, and you are the light of the world." What was said in the early days of Jesus' ministry during what is known as the Sermon on the Mount is a proclamation for our reflection. We are wonderfully gifted by God, sharers in God's healing, preservation, flavoring, and radiance. Imagine, it is Jesus who says that we are brilliant! Our call is to let our light shine, to reflect God's goodness in our fragile and often fragmented world. Thank you for all sharing your gifts with such generosity.

Blessings and peace,

Thomas M. Gallagher, ofm



Winter Retreat

February 17th—19th

Join with other parishioners and volunteers on a weekend retreat at Mt. Alvernia Retreat Center in Wappinger Falls, New York. Click on the QR Code to get more information about the retreat and to register—space is limited!!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 4, 2023

11:00 AM Mary O'Shaughnessy (D)
4:00 PM Doris Elizabeth Traad (D) &
Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, February 5, 2023

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League
& Eric Castellano
9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community
11:00 Giovannina Di Paolo (D)
12:30 PM Thanksgiving for Blessings of Candy Toppin
& Fr. Gerry Carr, OFM (D)
5:00 PM Souls in Purgatory

Monday, February 6, 2023

7:30 AM Michael Leonard Tillett III, newborn
12:00 PM Anna Xiao Yan &
Salvatore & Nancy Pisani (D)
5:30 PM Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

7:30 AM
12:00 PM Diana Bardy Zafiros & Benedict Xiao Yan
5:30 PM Thanksgiving to St. Anthony &
Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

7:30 AM Josepfina Lopez (D)
12:00 PM Ernesto Puangco & All Souls
5:30 PM Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, February 9, 2023

7:30 AM Damaris Castillo
12:00 PM Maria Ju Ying & Peter A. Rui
5:30 PM Birthday of Dolores Henry
& Souls in Purgatory

Friday, February 10, 2023

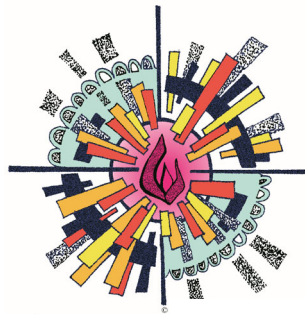
7:30 AM Birthday of Rachelle Jean Vincent &
Special Intentions of Victoria Schultz
12:00 PM Benedict Limeng & All Souls
5:30 PM Souls in Purgatory

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

Catherine B. Puangco

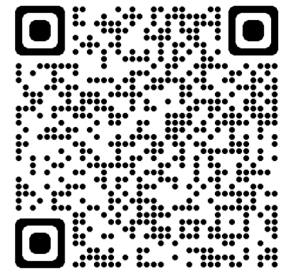
If you would like to make a donation for bread and wine
used at Masses each week,
or for the Sanctuary Light,
please go to the reception desk in the
lobby of St. Francis House.

Migrant Center

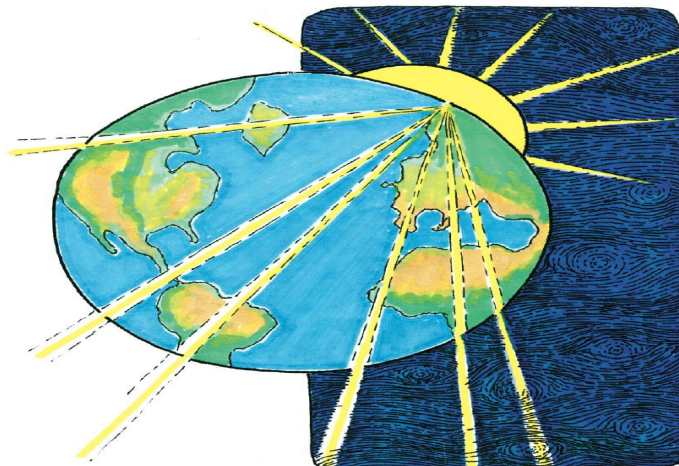


The need continues as
more and more
migrant families arrive
here in the City. An
Amazon and Target
Wish List and other
ways your assistance
may be offered from
volunteering to

donating can be found
here, using this QR
Code.



*Again, many many
Thanks for all you are
helping us to provide
for these sisters and*



**Your
light
must
shine
before
others**