

Saint Francis of Assisi The Heart of New York

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

September 17, 2023

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Welcome Witness

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 website for Holiday schedule changes..



Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming a Catholic or finishing other rites of Initiation like Confirmation? Click on the QR Code for more information about the RCIA here at St.



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



Mary Untier of Knots Triduum of Prayer

We will celebrate three days of prayer for Mary - Untier of Knots Tuesday, September 26th -Thursday, September 28th. Click

on the QR Code for more information.





A Word from Our Staff

Dear Parishioners, friends and visitors at the Church St. Francis of Assisi,

As the Director of Evangelization and Adult Education, I am responsible for a variety of ministries here at St. Francis. The one that touches my heart most profoundly is the work I do with adults preparing for the sacraments of initiation. In 2008 I established the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults here at St. Francis and since then this parish community has accompanied over 220 women

and men to full initiation in the Catholic Church. Each person is unique and comes with their own beautiful story of life and faith. To share the Gospel – sometimes for the first time – with these people is a priviledge for which I am profoundly grateful. Even though I have directed the RCIA for over 20 years I am still humbled by the task of introducing people to the Lord and to His Church.

I do not do this ministry alone. I share this ministry with an incredible team of volunteers. Together we try to share our faith and relationship with God with our candidates. It takes a community to bring someone to know Christ, because when two or three of us are gathered in His name, He is there among us.

This ministry also has another, larger, more important community that makes the work of the RCIA Ministry team possible: all of you.

Evangelization – bringing people to Christ - is the work of the entire parish community. You, the people in the pews, invite your friends to come and see. You are the first contact people have with the Gospel and you, at Mass, welcome the catechumens, dismiss them with a blessing and pray for them as they make their way to the sacraments.

We just began our RCIA sessions again this past Tuesday and we are starting with 15 inquirers. More may join in the coming weeks. All of them are here not because of one ministry in this church but because the light of Christ shines forth from this community and that light draws people in.

The members of St. Francis of Assisi make this a place where people encounter the love of God. May God continue to bless everyone here as we try to live the Good News of Christ together.

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Joseph Nuzzi Director of Evangelization and Adult Education



NEW Bereavement Group

"When Someone you love becomes a memory, that memory becomes a treasure"

The Fall Bereavement Group will run for five Mondays beginning on September 25th and ending on

October 23rd. The sessions will begin at 6:30pm and end at 7:30pm. We will accept 6 individuals so that it would be a more intimate group. Please call by Fr. Michael Carnevale, OFM at 862-703-8822 if you are interested. Space is limited!

> Weekly Collection Weekend of September 9-10, 2023

In-Pew Collection	\$4,018
OnLine Collection	2,245
Total:	\$6,263



Join us as we celebrate and give thanks for the

life of St. Francis of Assisi. From the Blessing of the Animals to a movie with Pope Francis and the Transitus and the Feast of St. Francis, click on this QR Code to learn more about the various events including the Oktober Fest.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 16 2023

11:00 AM	Michael Kauffmann. (D) &
	Conceicao Rodrigues (D)
4:00 PM	Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)
	& Michael Kauffmann. (D)

Sunday, September 17, 2023

8:00 ÅM	Members of Franciscan Mass League
9:15	Intentions of the Korean Community
11:00	Anthony J. Math, Jr. (D) &
	Raymond Hyde (D)
12:30 PM	Mireille Belmont Gerald (D)
	& Healing for Maria Potesta
5:00 PM	J. Hyde (D) & Birthday of Menchu de Jesus

Monday, September 18, 2023

7:30 AM	
12:00 PM	Loguisto, Raso & Sobanko Families
	& Healing for Maria Potesta
5:30 PM	Alemranda, Antolini, Jack & Laurento
	& Carmen Perez & Rigoberto Briceno (D)

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

7:30 AM	
12:00 PM	Healing for Maria Potesta & St. Anthony
5:30 PM	Healing for Tanya Sanchez

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

7:30 AM	Mickie Majeramane (D)
12:00 PM	Vincent Barbera (D)
	& Healing for Maria Potesta
5:30 PM	C C

Thursday, September 21, 2023

7:30 AM	Genelle Phillip (D)
12:00 PM	Alyssa Fauz & Healing for Maria Potesta
5:30 PM	Rosario Frayna (D)

Friday, September 22, 2023

7:30 AM	
12:00 PM	Healing for Elizabeth Brennan
	& Healing for Maria Potesta

5:30 PM



Anointing of the Sick/Communion Calls

For homebound communion calls or anointing of the sick, contact Edward Trochimczuk 212.736.8500 X361 <u>etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org</u>

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 Migrant Center is partnering with

a coalition of other agencies to provide job fairs and job training opportunities to newly arrived migrants and anyone who needs it. For more information scan the QR Code.



Can you sponsor our Ice Cream Social?



We are looking for people to sponsor our Sundae Sunday for the 3rd Sunday of September after the 5:00pm mass. The cost of 3 flavors ice cream, toppings and cups is

\$150.00. If you can help, sponsor any part or all of the social please contact Edward Trochimczuk (212)-736-8500 x361 or etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org.

Adult Education Fall 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!