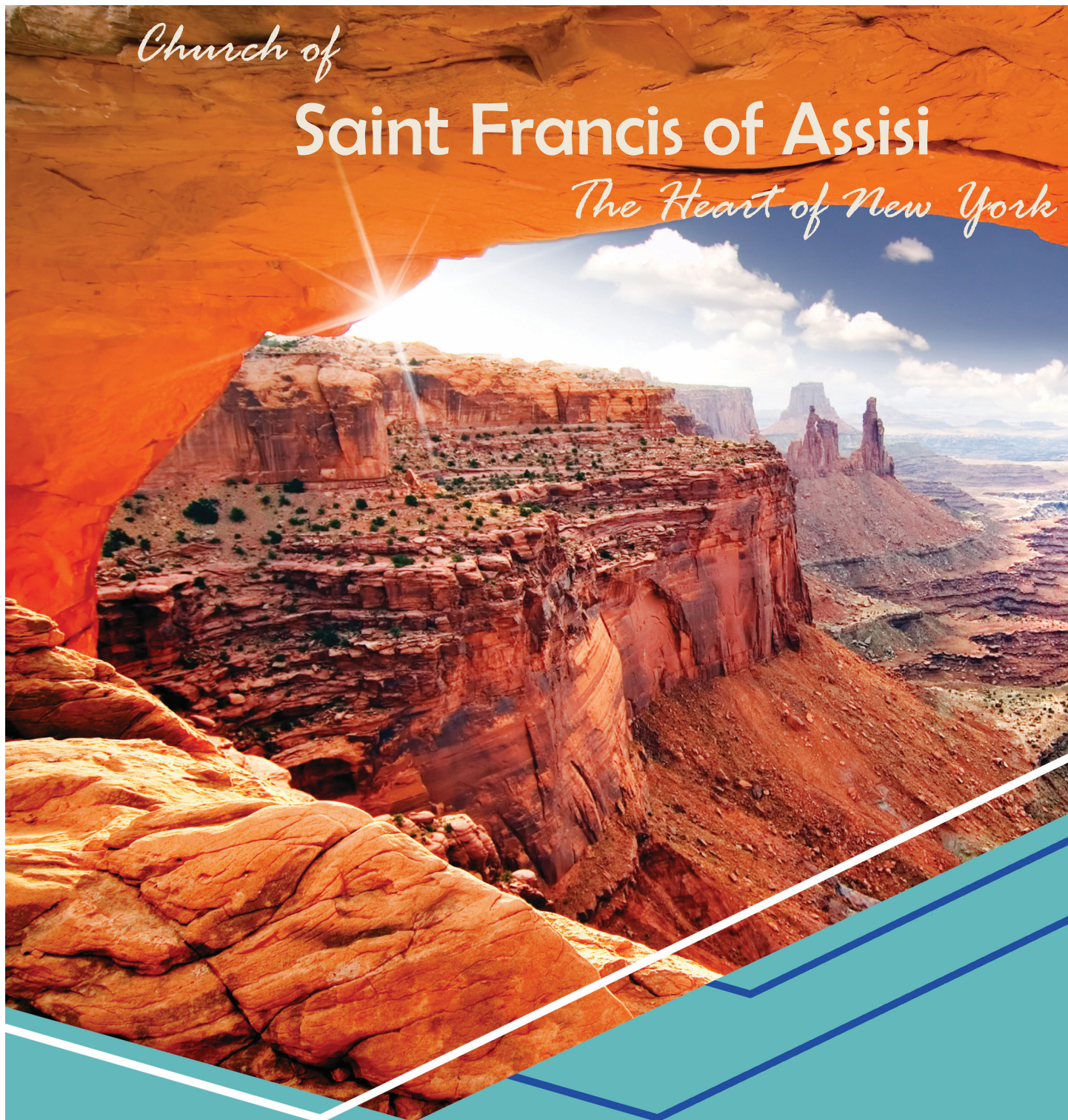


*Church of*

# Saint Francis of Assisi

*The Heart of New York*



## 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.” - Mt 21:32

**October 1, 2023**

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 website for Holiday schedule changes..

### 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

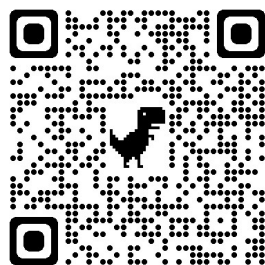
The Rosary after the 11:00 AM Mass.

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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



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.



## *A Word from Our Staff*

Dear Beloved-



In September, I began my 17th year working at this amazing church as the director of music. It is also my 27th year of working for the friars of the Holy Name Province—soon to merge with 5 other provinces to become Our Lady of Guadalupe Province. My life has been forever changed by the friars and I am ever grateful. It is a tremendous blessing to make music in this historic place. Week after week to hear your voices raised in song, led by our incomparable cantors, Nell and Liam, is a gift. Thank you for your constant support of the music ministry here.

I am super excited that my first “From the Staff” falls the weekend we kick off our “Francis Fest.” Please try to join us for as many events as you can. Our Converge Ministry has worked very hard for our Oktoberfest! Sunday, join us for brats and beer and fun!! Tickets are available at the door. Monday evening will be poignant, as together we watch “The Letter.” This documentary inspired by the papal encyclical *Laudato Si’* is one of the most spiritually and ecologically significant films I have ever seen. Tuesday we celebrate the Transitus, Francis’s dying and rising to new life. If you have never been, it is not to be missed. Our Francis Fest culminates with our Festive Mass for our Holy Father St. Francis, Wednesday evening at 5:30pm.

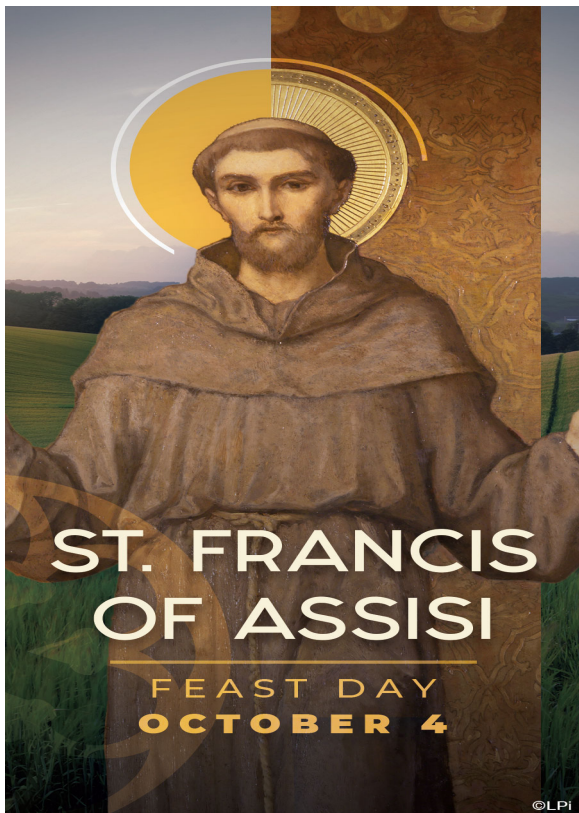
The friars and staff all look forward to celebrating with you!

Pace e bene!

Love-



Meredith



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 30 2023

11:00 AM Tom Gray (D) &  
Etiennise Gabriel & the Sacred Heart  
4:00 PM Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)

## Sunday, October 1, 2023

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League  
& Stacey Pierre-Louis  
9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community  
11:00 Anthony J. Math, Jr. (D) &  
Mary Caulfield (D)  
12:30 PM Mary Flanagan & Patricia Quinn (D)  
& The Poor Souls in Purgatory  
5:00 PM Thanksgiving to St. Theresa of Lisieux  
& For the Poor

## Monday, October 2, 2023

7:30 AM  
12:00 PM Benedict Dias (D)  
5:30 PM

## Tuesday, October 3, 2023

7:30 AM Thomas & Edith Castellana  
12:00 PM Carmen Maria Morales & All Deceased  
& Teresita Carethenesis  
5:30 PM

## Wednesday, October 4, 2023

7:30 AM Micahel Gilbraide &  
Krzyszof Siedlecki (D)  
12:00 PM Patrick Manna & Esther Medina (D)  
5:30 PM Michael C. Bernardo (D)

## Thursday, October 5, 2023

7:30 AM Jacques L. Symby (D)  
12:00 PM Fausta Bacani (D) & Mirched Saint Amour  
5:30 PM Artemas Beattie (D)

## Friday, October 6, 2023

7:30 AM  
12:00 PM Mary Ann Burbage & Dorothy Yost  
& Maria Rosa (D)  
5:30 PM

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

Catherine B. Puangco  
Francisco Carlos' Birthday  
Marie Jeanette Celestin, Rosemelie Eustache &  
Gerardo Celestin

Intentions for the Sanctuary Light  
Francisco Carlos' Birthday

If you would like to make a donation for bread and wine  
used at Masses each week,  
or for the Sanctuary Light,

## 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.



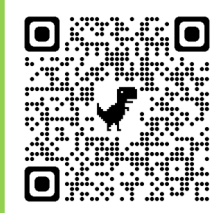
For more information scan the QR Code.



## Anointing of the Sick/Communion Calls

For homebound communion calls or anointing of the  
sick, contact Edward Trochimczuk  
212.736.8500 X361  
[etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org)

## Adult Education Fall Offerings



A new schedule of class  
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!

**Honor Your Pet**  
As part of our celebration of  
the Feast of Francis this



year, we're  
offering folks  
an opportunity  
to remember and give thanks for  
their special pets, living or  
deceased. Candles with their  
names on them will be part of the  
celebration. Click here for more information and  
to have a special candle created for your pet!

