

February 25, 2024

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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 chech the website & bulletin for holiday schedule changes.



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Friday

8 - 9 AM; 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM; 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Saturday 10 - 11 AM

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 Fridavs

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



LAUDATO SI...

Circle at St. Francis

Fasting from the Fossil Fuel Five – Transportation, Stove, Dryer, Heating, Hot Water

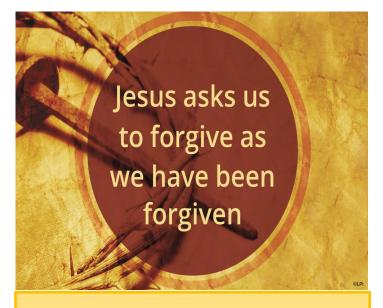
The word fossil may conjure up ideas of being natural but in the case of fossil fuels, it means really old. Oil, coal, and gas were indeed produced from animal and plant waste but that took millions of years. They are not renewable. When they're gone, they're gone, and the process of getting them out from deep in our Earth releases toxic carbon dioxide. Divesting from them runs the gamut from moving your money away from certain banks and corporations, to changing your vehicle or heater (check out new incentives and rebates a la the recent infrastructure bill). At an even simpler level - washing clothes in cold water, hanging them to air-dry, taking the train, biking, walking – all of these actions move us in the right direction.

"...the speed with which human activity has developed contrasts with the naturally slow pace of biological evolution." Pope Francis (LS18)

For more information about the Laudato Si Circle here at St. Francis or to share your own tip of the week, email: stfrancislaudatosi@gmail.com



Click on the QR Code to go to our page on the website for St. Francis Church.



Weekly Collections Weekend of February 10-11, 2024

In-Pew Collection \$5,144.00
OnLine Collection 2,865.00
OnLine Church Support 3,757.00
Total: \$11,766.00





Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 24, 2024

11:00 AM Catalina Urdaniga (D)

& Lagrimas Madrid (D)

4:00 PM Laura Jack (D) & Gloria Lara (D)

Sunday, February 25, 2024

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League

& Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community
11:00 Jessie Q. Sotto (D) & Thanksgiving
12:30 PM Poor Souls & Maured McInerney
5:00 PM Verna & Salvatore Bronzo (D)

& Thanksgiving Candy Toppin

Monday, February 26, 2024

7:30 AM Emma Avecilla (D) & Astray Fernandez

in Honor of St. Michael

12:00 PM Chenxing Yao, John (D) & God's Wisdom

for Clarissa Alenze

5:30 PM Kevin Noaski &

Serhiy Orinchay Petrovich (D)

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

7:30 AM Anna John Kampil for St. Jude

& Rosita Yap (D)

12:00 PM Cornelia & Matthew Melendez

& Fr. John Riordan (D)

5:30 PM Louis Cauvin (D)

& Serhiy Orinchay Petrovich (D)

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

7:30 AM Elvira Hargarten (D)

& Health for Mingyi Liu

12:00 PM Maria LaFranca (D) & Jay Martinello

5:30 PM Serhiy Orinchay Petrovich (D)

& Donna Martinello

Thursday, February 29, 2024

7:30 AM Serhiy Orinchay Petrovich (D)

& Health for Mingyi Liu

12:00 PM Chenxing Yao, John (D)

& Joelle Pierre-Louis's Liberation

5:30 PM Fabrice Pierre-Louis & John Gorham

Friday, March 1, 2024

7:30 AM Serhiy Orinchay Petrovich (D)

& Eugene Whitmore

12:00 PM Nichola & Maria Avansino

& Alexis Morales

5:30 PM Jody Durham

& Irene Margarita Gutierrez (D)



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

Catherine B. Puangco & The Powers Family

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.



Adult Education Spring Offerings Registration is Open!

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 lineup of classes and register today!

Take advantage of these opportunities to deepen your faith and to make



new connections in the parish



Remember your family & friends with an Easter card!

We have a few styles of Easter cards

available to remember and honor your loved ones.

Click on the OR

Codes to order them!







2nd SUNDAY OF LENT



A TIME FOR MENDING

Does your heart need mending? God mends our suffering hearts, but God does not erase the scars. Instead, God heals us in a way that we move beyond our hurts without losing what we have been through.

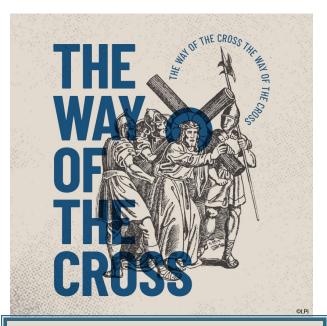
Our wounds, our scars, our past ups and down, our joys and our sorrows all make us who we are. God wants us to remain our unique selves while making sure that the hurts and pains we suffer no longer have power over us. God always offers us new life despite what we suffer. Jesus is no stranger to how God heals.

After his crucifixion he still carried the marks of the wounds in his hands and side, but they no longer caused him pain. His resurrection moved him beyond the cross to new life. The cross left its marks on Jesus, but those marks became a sign of his victory, not his defeat. So it is when God mends our hearts. Our heart may be full of patches and stitching, the signs of God's work on us, but we become more beautiful and more unique. This lent, we come to contemplate the hurts we carry and where our heart needs mending.

We also bring to mind the hearts we have hurt and now need to be mended. May this Lent be a time for God to mend all wounds and bring us to new life, new joy, and renewed love.

This heart was lovingly made by Mary Lou Torpey, a member of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi. When asked about the thought behind her creation she said: "People have not always been able to visit a nearby store to replace something with a hole or a tear. Until modern times, mending was necessary, expected, and often resulted in something even more beautiful and durable than the original piece. This allowed garments, blankets, etc. to be used—and loved--for generations. Our mended heart incorporates fabric from near and far: Africa, Asia, Europe, Australia and the U.S. Most of the stitching is in the sashiko style, and the patches have layered fabric to allow for blooming into something else if worn through. Our hearts get battered and worn. God is a mender of hearts, so often revealing something more beautiful to ourselves and others.





Join us for the Stations of the Cross.

Every Friday during Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross after the Noon and 5:30pm Masses. Fr. Michael Carnevale will lead the prayer.

Come and join the community in this traditional Lenten devotion!



Lenten Talk by Fr. James Martin ,SJ

"Come Forth: The Promise of Jesus' Greatest Miracle"

Come and Join us on Saturday, March 9th at 2pm as Fr. James Martin,

SJ shares a presentation on his latest book. This event is FREE - but preregistration is needed so we have enough room for everyone - he's a very popular speaker!





We're invited to Good Friday Way of the Cross

We are invited to accompany the

members of Pax Christi Metro New York in a Christian Peace Witness on Good Friday, March 29th beginning at 8:30 am. They will start at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza between 2nd and 1st Avenues at E. 47th Street and then process to 42nd Street



A Perpetual Prayer Opportunity

We invite you to remember or pray for a loved one or a personal intention in a special way by lighting a candle for a year in the Shrine of St. Anthony in the Lower Church.

A small plaque displaying the name of your loved one or your intention will be mounted below the candle. The annual offering for each candle is \$200 which will

benefit the outreach ministries of the Church. Click on the QR Code here to get more information.

