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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**

Monday, April 1st there will be only the Noon Mass. No Confessions and the Church Office is closed..

#### **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 Fridays** 

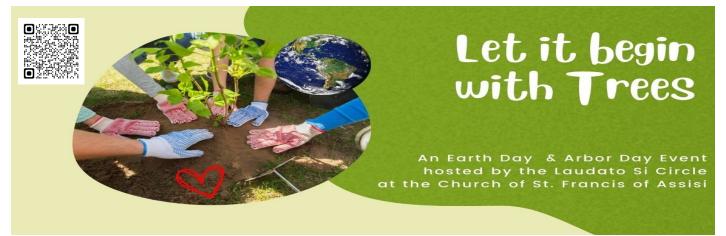
Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus after the 7:30 AM, 12:00 and 5:30 PM Masses

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



## LAUDATO SI...

## Circle at St. Francis

#### There's A New Kid in Town

The Climate Museum, a temporary pop-up, is now scaling up to become a permanent, year-round presence here in New York City. For now though, you can see the exhibition "The End of Fossil Fuel" through April 30<sup>th</sup> in its downtown space.

You'll see art, learn, and get some guidance on what to do. There's a kid's corner and a station for writing postcards to elected officials. There's help with addresses, postcards are provided, and when you're done, the Museum will take care of the postage and mailing. We are in the middle of a crucial shift in our culture. The fossil fuel industry is weaker than you think and clean energy is astoundingly popular and bi-partisan. The Climate Museum provides a communal space to learn and talk to each other. Free admission. Wed thru Sun 1-6 at 105 Wooster Street. Learn more at <a href="https://www.climatemuseum.org">www.climatemuseum.org</a>

"We are all one – and if we don't know it, we will learn it the hard way." Bayard Rustin

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 March 16-17, 2024

In-Pew Collection \$5,031.00
OnLine Collection 2,137.00
OnLine Church Support 3,965.00
Total: \$11,133.00

Jesus asks us to forgive as we have been forgiven



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 30, 2024

11:00 AM No Mass or Intention

6:03 PM For the Intentions of the Parish

**Sunday, March 31, 2024** 

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League

& Nicholas & Ann Castellana

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community 11:00 Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D)

& Lillian de Paris & Mary Locz (D)

12:30 PM Sunghee Kim (D) & Annabella Wong (D)

5:00 PM Arthur & Mary Bazzurro & Joeliza

Magbanua's Birthday

Monday, April 1, 2024

7:30 AM

12:00 PM Anna Guglielmo (D) & Adeline &

Charles Santamaria

5:30 PM No Mass or Intention

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

7:30 AM Jacob Thottam (D) & St. Anthony

12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D)

& Bridget Reilly (D)

5:30 PM Annabella Wong (D) & Kevin Nooski

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

7:30 AM Thavee & Dexter Banchongpian (D)

& Rodolfo & Dominic Mamhot (D)

12:00 PM Carmen Maria Morales (D)

& Annabella Wong (D)

5:30 PM Restituto & Aurelia Mamhot (D) &

Leonor Mamhot (D)

Thursday, April 4, 2024

7:30 AM Modesto Miranda (D) & Healing/Birthday

Kelly Anna Kaminski

12:00 PM Esther Medina (D)

& Dorothy & James Yost (D)

5:30 PM Harry Cafetz (D) & Zosima De Jesus (D)

Friday, April 5, 2024

7:30 AM Healing Karl Evangeline & Elizabeth

& John Gerard O'Neill (D)

12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D)

& Birthday Lilian Lozada

5:30 PM Francis Legaspi (D) & Manuel Mendaros



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

Catherine B. Puangco

&

Intentions of Rafael & Jaime

&

Intentions of John & Mary Capellan

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

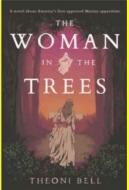


newly arrived migrants and anyone who needs it.

For more information scan the QR Code.

### Join Converge for their Spring Book Club





The group will be gathering to read "The Woman in the Trees" by Theoni Bell. The Club will meet on Mondays on April in the Clare Room at 6:30pm.

For more information and to register for this FREE event, click on the QR Code to let us know you're coming!





# 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 QR
Codes to order

them!







## GOSPEL MEDITATION Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

#### What Would Mary Do?

This Easter morning, I am thinking of Mary Magdalene.

I want to know her state of mind as she approached the tomb in the darkness. Was she afraid? Was she thinking clearly? Was she tired? Had grief and trauma robbed her of her sleep the last two nights? What did she intend to do? Anoint Christ's body, yes — but what else? Kiss his hands, trace the markings where the lash had fallen upon his skin? Say goodbye? Weep? Despair?

What were the words she planned to whisper into the cold, empty darkness that morning, as she wept over God's body?

I don't know anything about her state of mind that Easter morning, except that I know she wanted to be with Christ. Perhaps that was all she knew, too. Perhaps she had no other thought, no other desire, than nearness to him. She didn't need to understand everything, and she didn't expect answers — she didn't dare hope for that.

But everything and everyone had fallen apart around her, and in Jesus' presence she knew her heart would be able to rest.

If you have ever been in the midst of a crisis in your life and found yourself pacing the floors of your house when no one else is awake, muttering the words to a prayer you know by heart, you know what Mary Magdalene felt. In those moments, we do not always feel God's presence. Sometimes, when we look for Him, we only see an empty tomb.

When these dark moments come, I pray you will remember the faithfulness of this great saint. Be like Mary Magdalene. Look for Jesus, always. You may not always find him, but he will always find you.

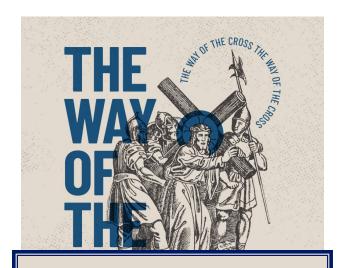
"She ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, 'They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him.'" — John 20:2

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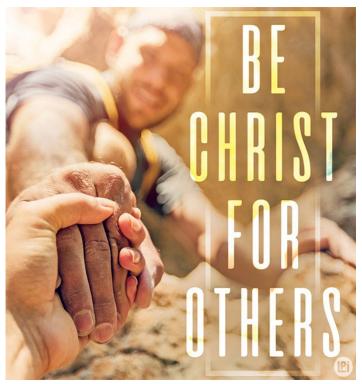
## RESURRECTION

Join us for the Stations of the Resurrection

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

Come and join the community in this Easter Season devotion!







#### 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.

