

Church of

Saint Francis of Assisi

The Heart of New York



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

RECEIVE
THE HOLY
SPIRIT.

— JOHN 20:22 —

April 7, 2024

Church of Saint Francis of Assisi
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Welcome  Witness
Worship

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 our website or the bulletin for any 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 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



Let it begin with Trees

An Earth Day & Arbor Day Event
hosted by the Laudato Si Circle
at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi

LAUDATO SI...

Circle at St. Francis

Bye Buy

The Buy Nothing Project is a global gift economy network. It is a neighborhood-specific movement where folks can offer things they don't need and neighbors can pick them up free of charge. This keeps items out of landfills and gets them into the hands of someone who needs them. No money changes hands. Neighbors can also ask for something they need and members can respond if they have an item they're willing to give. If you use Facebook, you can search for your local Buy Nothing group (you may be asked to provide your cross-streets to ensure you're in a neighborhood's borders). There's also a **Buy Nothing app**. Learn more at <https://buynothingproject.org/>

"The most environmentally friendly product is the one you didn't buy." Joshua Becker

This tip comes to us from Allison G., a friend of one of our parishioners. 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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 6, 2024

11:00 AM Viola Arthur (D) & Marion Duignan (D)
4:00 PM Mireiele Gbeasor & Mareline Lawson (D)
& Tricia Rumola's Birthday

Sunday, April 7, 2024

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League
& Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)
9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community
11:00 Intentions of Celestin Lawson &
Verna & Salvatore Bronzo (D)
12:30 PM Gregoria Gutierrez (D) & World
Peace & Conversion of Sinners
5:00 PM Laudato Si Intention for the Earth &
Pope Francis & Poor Souls

Monday, April 8, 2024

7:30 AM Thomas & Edith Castellana
& Albert Joseph
12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D)
& Elizabeth Brennan
5:30 PM Mary Esposito (D) & Thanksgiving

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

7:30 AM Rosano Atilano (D) & St. Anthony
12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D)
& Edwin Kwan
5:30 PM Carlos De Celis (D) & Edwin Kwan

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

7:30 AM Birthday of Exequila Banchongpian
& Michaela Grace & Kristina Kaminski
12:00 PM Dr. William Flanagan, Jr. (D)
& Susan Capobianco (D)
5:30 PM Judith Wieman (D) & Intentions of
Iris Wilson

Thursday, April 11, 2024

7:30 AM Alfredo Guglielmo (D) & Fermin,
Epifania & Antonietta Escabarte
12:00 PM Joel Derilo (D) & The Poor Souls
5:30 PM Healing for Maria Theresa Abejo
& The Poor Souls

Friday, April 12, 2024

7:30 AM Rosa & Caridad Dino (D) &
Thanksgiving Fe Pareja
12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D)

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

Catherine B. Puangco
&
Intentions of
Adelaida Carlos

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.

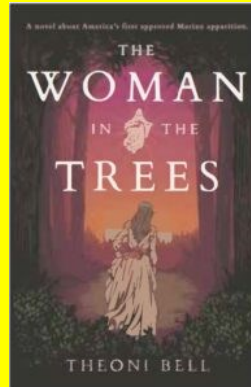
Migrant Center

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.

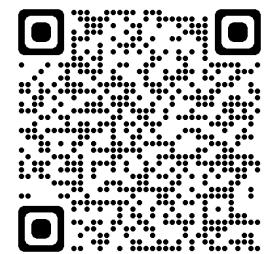
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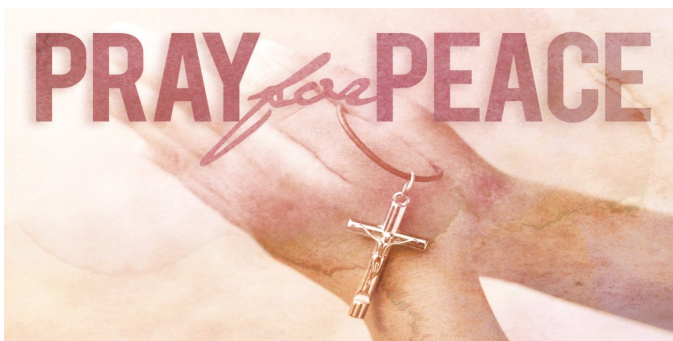
Join Converge for their Spring Book Club

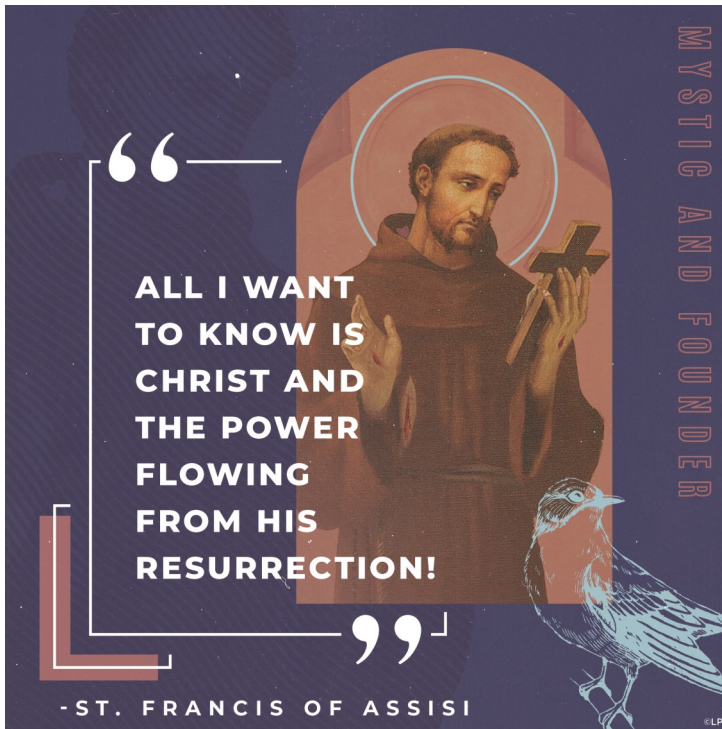


The group will be
gathering to read "*The
Woman in the Trees*" by
Theoni Bell. The Club will
meet on Mondays on April
in the Clare Room at
6:30pm.



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





GOSPEL MEDITATION
Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

Written in the Wounds

For all the condemnation Thomas the Doubter has received in 2000 years of homilies, I think there's something to admire in him.

Thomas is not unique. We all waver at some point, overcome by hesitation, distracted by the clamor of the world which seeks at every turn to shout above the whisper of the divine.

Thomas knows what he saw on Good Friday: his friend nailed to a cross, a sword driven through his body. He saw the blood and the water. He saw these things with his own eyes, eyes given to him by God, eyes which have never failed him before. And God doesn't ask us to suspend reality to believe in Him. He only asks us to be discerning about how that reality is interpreted in our hearts.

Thomas knows the man before him is either a fraud, preying on the hopes and anxieties of the traumatized disciples, or he is the Christ, the Savior of the world, accomplisher of impossible things. But where to look, to tell the difference?

Satan once appeared to the great mystic saint, Teresa of Avila, disguised as Jesus. She knew instantly that he was a fraud. Enraged, he demanded to know where his deception had failed. "You have no wounds," she told him simply.

Could we have accepted a savior who did not bleed? I don't think we could, because sooner or later, we would all stand before him and say, "Here is where the world hurt me. Here, and here, and here. What about you?" Christ can point to his hands, his feet, his side. "Here, and here, and here," he can say. "And I overcame them all."

It's the wounds, you see. The truth is in the wounds.

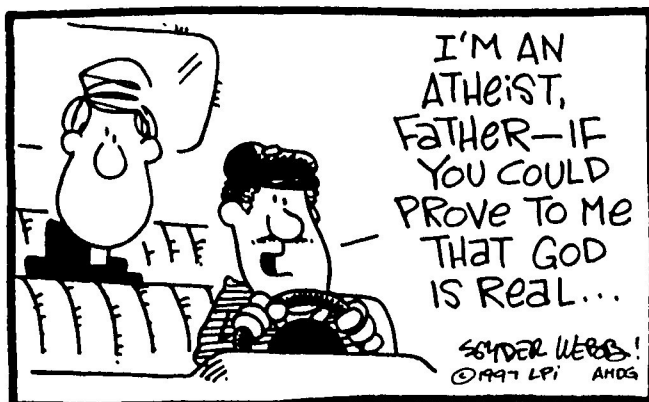
Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" — John 20:28

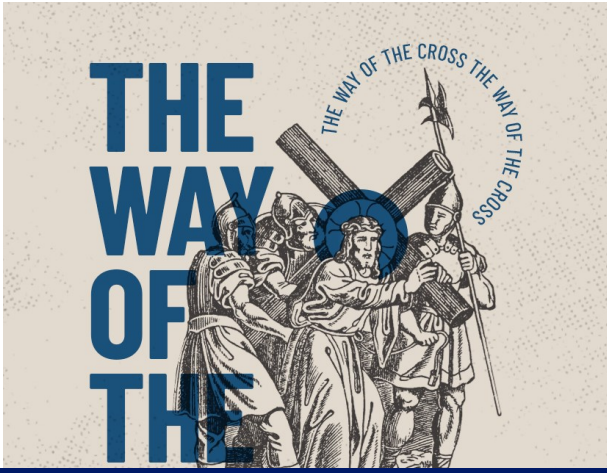
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER





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.

