

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PEACE

BE WITH YOU.

— LUKE 24:36 —

Church of

Saint Francis of Assisi

The Heart of New York

April 14, 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

Let It Begin With Trees

The Laudato Si Circle here at St. Francis is hosting its first event on Saturday, April 27th from 10am – 1pm. We're going to learn about our city's trees and how we can participate in taking care of them. One block, ten trees. We care for our common home. This is a FREE hands-on event and an opportunity to work side by side with your neighbors. Space is limited so advance registration is required.

Get all the dirt at <https://stfrancisnyc.org/let-it-begin-with-trees/> or scan this

QR code.

“Learn character from trees, values from roots, and change from leaves.” *Tasmeen Hameed*



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.

Jesus asks us
to forgive as
we have been
forgiven

Weekly Collections Weekend of March 23-34, 2024

In-Pew Collection	\$5,737.75
OnLine Collection	1,979.00
OnLine Church Support	<u>1,356.00</u>
Total:	\$9,072.75

Weekend of March 30-31, 2024

In-Pew Collection	\$12,833.50
OnLine Collection	7,424.00
OnLine Church Support	<u>3,020.52</u>
Total:	\$23,278.02



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 13, 2024

11:00 AM Nelida Dumeng (D) & Jody Durham
4:00 PM Intentions of Frank & Mary &
Intentions of Amani Stroude

Sunday, April 14, 2024

8:00 AM Members of Franciscan Mass League
& Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)
9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community
11:00 Gerry Cortes Fojas (D) & Robert Byrne (D)
12:30 PM Birthday of Amparo Villa & Wedding
Anniversary Cecilia & Oro Eco
5:00 PM Leandro Tanega (D) & Nardi Polia

Monday, April 15, 2024

7:30 AM Olheia Garces & Jody Durham
12:00 PM Edith Castellana & Healing for Rosa
Amelia Correa
5:30 PM Thanksgiving Eusebia Eden Ibarrola &
Jose & Felicidad De Cruzman (D)

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

7:30 AM Thanksgiving Kerline Abellard & Family
& Romeria Alejandro & Sergio Norena (D)
12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D) &
Thanksgiving Suze Petit Maitre & Family
5:30 PM Nam Choel & Nancy Mullin (D)

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

7:30 AM Elena & Nicholas Daconta
& Maura & John Zoeller
12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D) &
Milagros Febles (D)
5:30 PM Alejandro & Vivencia Servida (D)
& Richard & Maureen O'Connor

Thursday, April 18, 2024

7:30 AM Bridget Connolly & Alexiz Morales
12:00 PM Chen Wei Wei's Mother, Anna (D) &
90th Birthday of Carmen Julia Restrepo
5:30 PM Mary O'Sullivan &
George & Margarita Raez

Friday, April 19, 2024

7:30 AM Elena & Nicholas Daconta
& Xavier Melendez
12:00 PM John Battaglia & Matthew Melendez
5:30 PM Richard Conlan & Poor Souls
& Intentions of Mike & Chris

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

Catherine B. Puangco
&
Intentions of
The Powers Family
Thomas Sr. & Jr., Joseph, Marie & Vicky

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

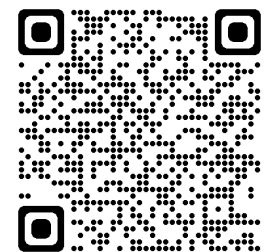
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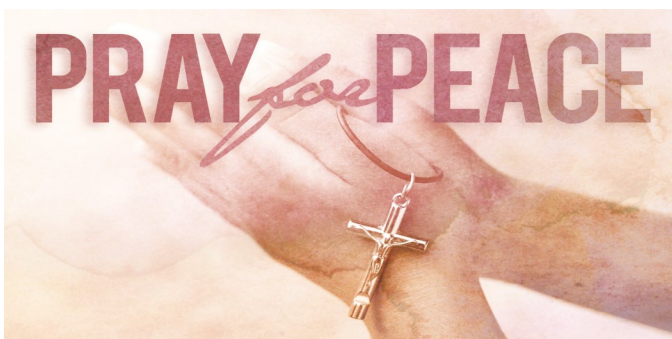
Spring Book Club

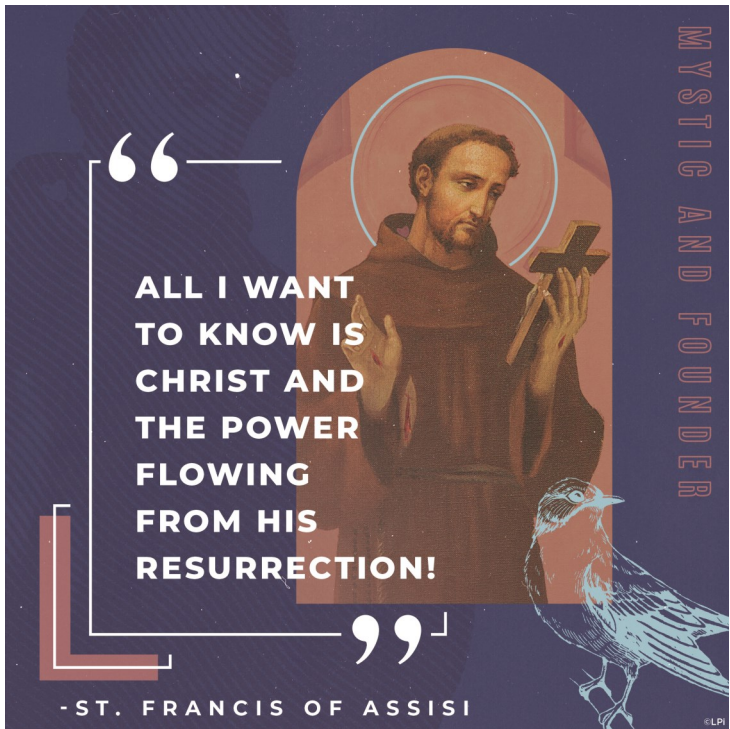
The group will be
gathering to read "*The
Woman in the Trees*" by

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

The Twist Ending

Any reader of psychological thrillers will come across the “dead main character trope” fairly often. This is the famous *Sixth Sense* twist ending (I would say “spoiler alert,” but the movie is older than most of the people who work in Youth Ministry at your archdiocese, so you’ve probably seen it by now) where the reader finds that the main character has been dead for all or most of the story.

I’m always a little disappointed when this happens. It delivers shock value, sure, but it also undermines everything that happens in the story. You’ve come on a journey with this character, only to find out that nothing you saw transpire was real in the way you thought it was. You feel a little stupid, because the whole time you only had part of the truth.

I suspect Jesus knows this about us. He knows we don’t like to have the rug pulled out. It’s why he is so up-front about his humanity following the resurrection. See how Jesus, resurrected, shows the disciples his feet, his hands. See how he asks them for food and lets them watch him eat it. See how this creates in them an understanding, a belief.

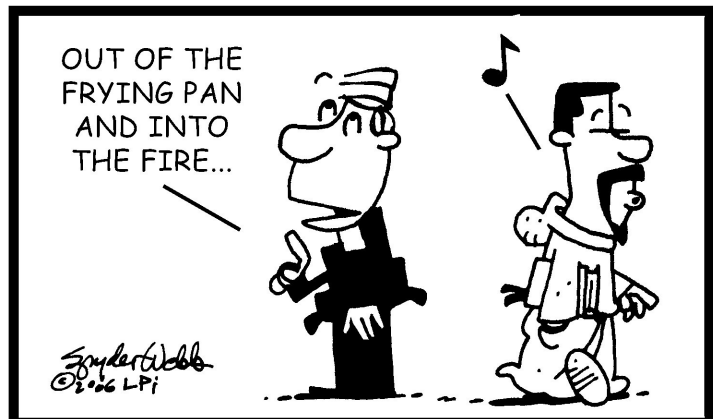
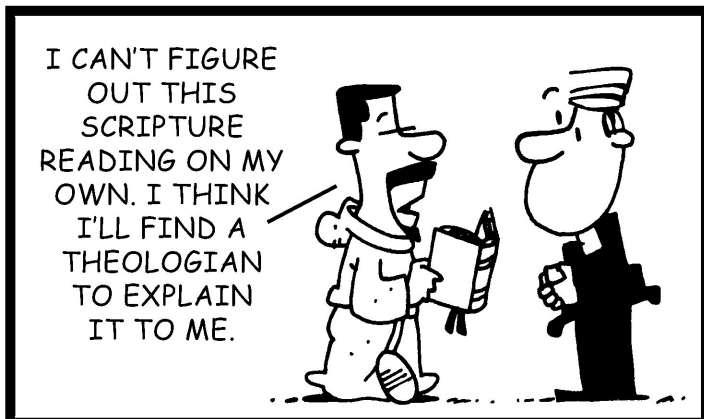
The humanity of Jesus Christ is absolutely crucial. It’s what bridges the divide between the sons of Eve and the God she defied. Our reconciliation with God cannot happen unless human flesh pays the price that will balance the scales. Human flesh: skin that can tear and bleed, bones that can break, a mouth that can thirst, a stomach that can ache with hunger.

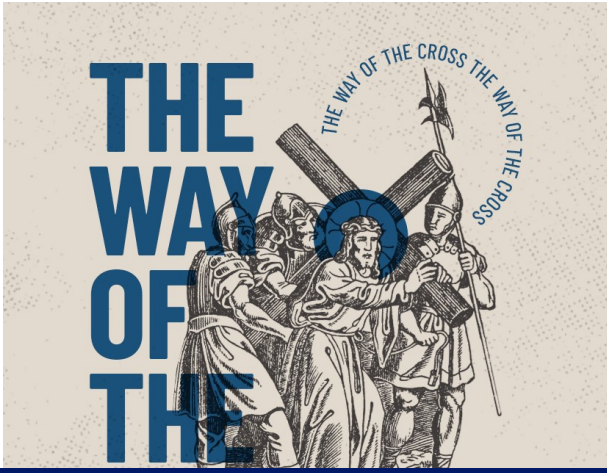
The passion and death of Jesus Christ is not a thriller with a twist ending: *he was a ghost the whole time!* The twist, if anything, is this: he was human the whole time.

“Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” — Luke 24:39

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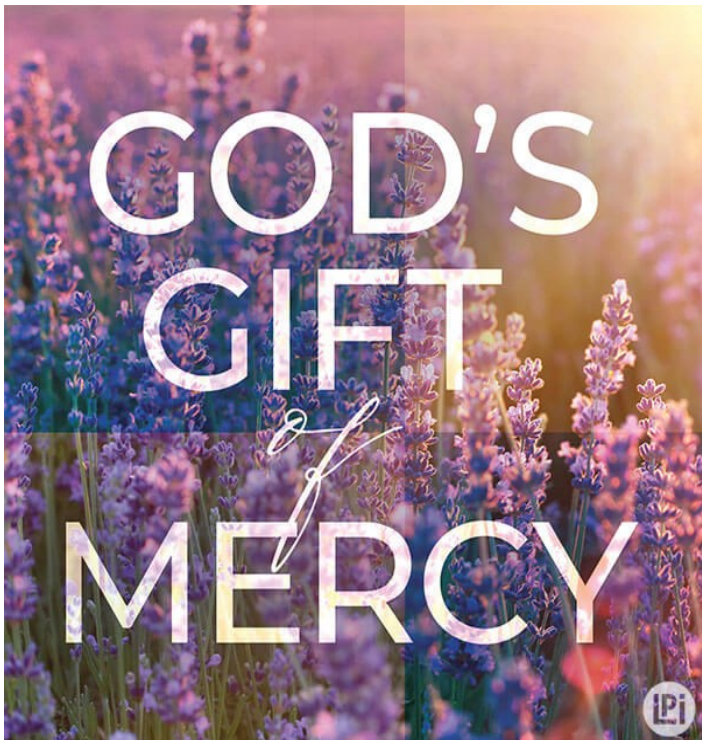
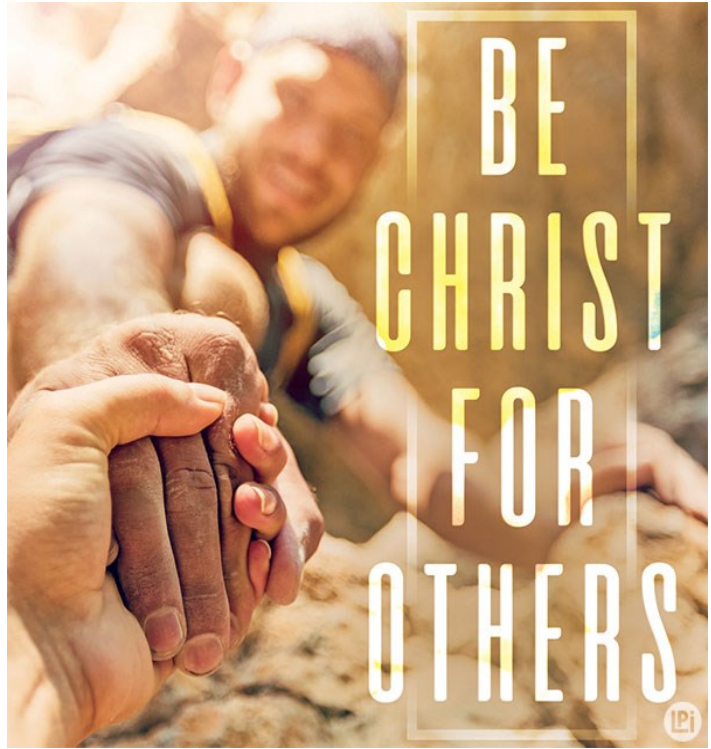
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RESURRECTION

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.

