



**SEPTEMBER 8, 2024**

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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*Welcome*  *Witness*  
*Worship*

The Church of St. 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

Sunday Mass will be live-streamed at 9:15 am (Korean), 11:00 AM, and 5:00 PM.

### Daily Masses

Monday through Friday at 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:30 PM

Saturday at 11:00 AM

Daily Mass will be live-streamed at 12:00 PM Monday through Friday.

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

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

Saturday 10:00 - 11:00 AM

## DEVOTIONS

**Monday:** Devotions in honor of the Blessed Mother, after all Masses

**Tuesday:** St. Anthony Devotions, after all Masses

**Wednesday:** St. Jude Devotions, after all Masses

**Thursday:** The Sacrament of Anointing, after all Masses

**Friday:** Devotions in Honor of the Sacred Cross, after all Masses

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday-Saturday: 8:30

AM - 5:00 PM (Lower Church)

Dated Mass and weekly Bread and Wine or Sanctuary Lamp intentions may be reserved at our Hospitality desk in the Francis House where Mass cards are sold.

# Mass Intentions for the Week

## Saturday, September 7, 2024

11:00 AM Miguel Gabriel (D), Healing Josephine Stoiber

4:00 PM Norma and Victor Colucci, Sr. (D), Winifred Durham (D)

## Sunday, September 8, 2024

8:00 AM Members Franciscan Mass League, Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community

11:00 Arthur and Mary Bazzurro, Thomas Livoti (D)

12:30 PM Thanksgiving Naty Sievert, Luis Naranjo (D)

5:00 Florentino Mabasa, Sr. (D), Marisa J. Sobremisana (D)

## Monday, September 9, 2024

7:30 AM Joseph Velardi (D), Healing Richard Stoiber

12:00 PM For My Family From Eleanor

5:30 No Intentions

## Tuesday, September 10, 2024

7:30 AM Healing Mary Finuala Beale

12:00 PM Birthday Julian Oliapuram

5:30 No Intentions

## Wednesday, September 11, 2024

7:30 AM Aurora Miller, Jenny and Louis Castellana

12:00 PM Lourdes Sievert (D)

5:30 No Intentions

## Thursday, September 12, 2024

7:30 AM No Intentions

12:00 PM Shania De Carmo (D)

5:30 No Intentions

## Friday, September 13, 2024

7:30 AM No Intentions

12:00 PM Norma and Victor Colucci, Sr. (D)

5:30 No Intentions

**This week's Bread and Wine:** For the Intentions of Catherine Puangco

## Parish Staff

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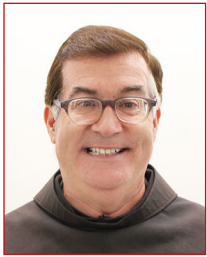
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# The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,  
Greetings!

I am delighted to be the new pastor at this beloved parish. I truly apologize for not providing a printed version of the bulletin earlier. We intend to have a printed version in addition to an improved website to convey all parish events, programs and gatherings.

Since late July, I have been busy hiring a bookkeeper, restarting our development program and working with a part-time coordinator for our website and printer bulletin. At the present time, our parish has only one other full-time friar priest, and the other friars help out with Masses and Confessions.

Needless to say, it has been a slow, awkward transition, but we will move forward with our liturgical and educational programs. I truly hope to meet with every parishioner and friend of our wonderful parish in the near future.

In the meantime, I ask you all to join us for our annual 9/11 Liturgies on Wednesday, September 11. You can find more information below. Also, I will be officially installed as pastor by Bishop Edward Whalen, D.D., an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of New York. This will be held at the 11am Mass on Sunday, September 29. There will be no reception after this installation Mass. Please join us if you can.

Blessings to all,  
Father Brian

## 9/11 REMEMBRANCE DAY: LEST WE FORGET

Join us Wednesday, September 11th at 10:30am for a 9/11 Remembrance Day Mass with FDNY Battalion 7.

Our regular daily Masses at 7:30am, 12pm, and 5:30pm will also be held that day.

## FATHER MYCHAL JUDGE, OFM BUILDING FUND

Beginning this September 11, 2024, the Church of St. Francis of Assisi Parish will officially launch the Father Mychal Judge, OFM Building Fund. Father Mychal was the NYC Fire Department chaplain who died while responding to the World Trade Center attack on 9/11/2001 with 342 FDNY firefighters. Father Mychal was Death Certificate Number One in that fateful tragedy.



Father Mychal lived in Franciscan fraternity in our beloved parish for many years. He always loved the architecture and legacy of spirituality in our beloved parish of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi. The purpose of this building fund is to defray the expenses of renovation, repair, and replacement within the physical plant of our church, the parish house, and the school, which houses our adult education program and 12 step programs. All three buildings are quickly aging and need attention in the areas of electrical work, extensive plumbing, repointing bricks, HVAC repairs, carpentry renovations, painting, and scaffolds to clean out drains around all three buildings, plus numerous door and window replacements. The list goes on and on.

A Construction Committee is being formed with skilled members of the building and construction trades plus contractors. Those who wish to make a donation can send their checks or cash to:

The Father Mychal Judge, OFM Building Fund c/o  
The Church of St. Francis of Assisi  
135 West 31st Street  
New York, NY 10001

We are in the process where donors can send monies electronically within the next few weeks. For more information, please contact Father Brian Jordan, OFM, Pastor at [bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org) or call him at 212-736-8500 ext. 232.



## Parish Events

### CONVERGE BOOK CLUB: BUILDING A BRIDGE

The Converge @St. Francis Ministry invites you to a 4-week book club. We will be reading *Building a Bridge* by James Martin, S.J. Book club meetings will be held Mondays at 6:30pm in September starting September 9th. We will meet in the Francis Room.

This is a free event, but registration is required. You can register at [stfrancisnyc.org/converge\\_bookclub](http://stfrancisnyc.org/converge_bookclub).



## FALL 2024 ADULT EDUCATION COURSES

The Church of St. Francis of Assisi is dedicated to ongoing faith formation through our Adult Education ministry. Our Fall 2024 courses are now open for registration at [stfrancisnyc.org/courses](http://stfrancisnyc.org/courses). We are committed to bringing the faith to all who seek Christ. If the registration fee is a financial burden, email Fr. Brian Jordan, OFM at [bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org) for information on full or partial scholarships.

## CONVERGE LECTIO DIVINA: SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

Converge @ St. Francis invites you to a Lectio Divina Series. This 3-part series will be held on October 6, 13 and 20 at 2:00 PM in the Clare Room. Lectio Divina, which means Divine Reading/Listening, is one of the great treasures of the Christian tradition of prayer, dating back to the monastic third century Desert Fathers and Mothers. You can register at [stfrancisnyc.org/converge-lectio-divina-series-sundays-in-october](http://stfrancisnyc.org/converge-lectio-divina-series-sundays-in-october).

# Misas en Español

en la Iglesia de San Francisco de Asís

**DOMINGOS 10:00AM** *Iglesia baja*

A partir del domingo 6 de Octubre, 2024



## Celebrate St. Francis

9/29 - 1:30pm | Blessing of Animals  
Francis Fest

10/3 - 7:00pm | The Transitus

10/4 - 5:30pm | Festive Mass for the  
Feast of St. Francis

For More Information: [www.stfrancisnyc.org/celebratefrancis](http://www.stfrancisnyc.org/celebratefrancis)  
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## FRANCISFEST 2024: OUR OCTOBERFEST TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



You are invited to FrancisFest 2024, our annual Octoberfest celebration hosted by CONVERGE @ St. Francis – our parish life ministry supporting life, faith and community at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi.

Join us Sunday, September 29 from 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM in the San Damiano Hall for Beers and Brats and Pretzels and good times with parishioners and friends of St. Francis of Assisi. Lederhosen and Dirndls encouraged!

Tickets are \$25.00 until September 22th, \$30 after September 22nd and at the door. Register at [stfrancisnyc.org/francisfest](http://stfrancisnyc.org/francisfest)