

Lord,

*let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.*

— (Ps 33)

**OCTOBER 20, 2024
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Church of Saint Francis of Assisi
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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 province of Our Lady of Guadalupe 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

The Saturday 5:15 PM Mass will resume November 2.

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM, 9:15 AM (Korean), 10:00 AM (en español, en la Iglesia Baja),
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. Special events will also be livestreamed.

Daily Masses

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

Saturday at 11:00 AM

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, October 19, 2024

11:00 AM James Harford (D); Thank You - Kendrice Roc

4:00 PM Tanya Sanchez (D); Special Intentions Celestin Lawson

Sunday, October 20, 2024

8:00 AM Members Franciscan Mass League; The Earth and for All of Us That We May Become Better Stewards of God's Creation

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community

11:00 Sheila Garces; Godfrey Rozario Birthday and Good Health

12:30 PM Thanksgiving To St. Anthony; Lawrence and Teresa Costa (D)

5:00 Fran Abbate (D); Anniversary Dominador S. Lee (D)

Monday, October 21, 2024

7:30 AM Mary Bazzurro; Joseph Velardi (D)

12:00 PM Leonida G. Soresca (D); Mona Lebreton

5:30 Blanche Malong (D); Healing Kathryn O'hara

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

7:30 AM Eileen Ireland (D)

12:00 PM Thomas James Albinski (D); Joseph Czobor (D)

5:30 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony; Oprah and Children Randolph and Valerie Adam

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

7:30 AM Erik Charles Cruz (L)

12:00 PM Healing Fr. Andrew Reitz; Jacinta and Heidi Caro (D)

5:30 John Mullane

Thursday, October 24, 2024

7:30 AM No Intentions

12:00 PM Frank Gallagher (D); Henry Piezko (D)

5:30 Julie Mullane (D)

Friday, October 25, 2024

7:30 AM No Intentions

12:00 PM Birthday Stefan Coty; Nancy Vega (D)

5:30 Verna and Salvatore Bronzo (D); Kathy Sullivan

This week's Bread and Wine: Catherine Puangco; Powers Family: Thomas Sr., Jr., Marie, Joseph and Vicky

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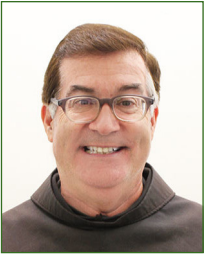
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The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,
Greetings!

After watching the news about the exchange of charges from both political parties, plus witnessing the mass exodus the City Hall of NYC, I have come to a sad conclusion. We have a serious leadership crisis in our country! Candidates and elected officials who cast venom and blame other people for their faults are not good leaders. We can learn to do better.

This weekend's readings call us to practice servant leadership. In the first reading from Isaiah, we first hear of "the suffering servant" in the Old Testament. This a foreshadowing of the eventual suffering of our spiritual leader, Jesus Christ. The last verse of Isaiah reads "through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear."

In today's Gospel passage from Mark, some of the Apostles are jostling on who is closer to Jesus Christ. Jesus admonishes his own apostles with these words of fraternal correction in the last verse of this Gospel passage "For the Son of Man did not come to be served BUT to serve and give his life as a ransom for the many." That is true leadership in our Judeo-Christian tradition.

A true Christian leader is called to serve the People of God and not expect to be served by them. One example comes from our first Catholic American President, John F. Kennedy:

"If we are strong, our strength speaks for itself. If we are weak, words will be no help." (From the talk President Kennedy never got to deliver in Dallas, Texas on November 22, 1963.)

Blessings to all,

Father Brian



Miembros de la comunidad de todas las edades se unieron con Padre Brian para nuestra primera Misa en español a principios de este mes. Las misas en español son los domingos a las 10 de la mañana en la iglesia inferior. Confesiones en español también están disponibles los jueves de 11 AM-12 PM y de 4:30 a 5:00 de la tarde.



Community members of all ages joined Father Brian for our first Spanish Mass earlier this month. Spanish Masses are Sunday at 10am in the lower church. Confessions in Spanish are also available Thursdays at 11 AM-12 PM and 4:30 PM-5:00 PM.

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Join us as we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. Masses will be celebrated on Thursday, October 31 at 5:30 PM (Vigil Mass) and on Friday, November 1 at 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM.



OCTOBER LAUDATO SI MEETING

The Laudato Si Circle, the environmental ministry of St. Francis of Assisi, will be meeting Thursday, October 24 at 6:30 PM in the first floor Conference Room.

Please note that this meeting is in place of the regular fourth-Thursdays meeting. You can find out more about Laudato Si at stfrancisnyc.org/laudatosi.

MARATHON MASSES

On Saturday, November 2, we will celebrate two Masses honoring all NYC Marathon runners and their families. The first will be the regular 4 pm Mass, and the second will be the return of the 5:15 pm evening Mass. After both Masses, all Marathon runners will receive a special blessing for their participation in the 2024 NYC Marathon.

Please invite all NYC Marathon runners and their families to attend one of these two special Masses. For more

information, please contact Father Brian at bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org. He ran 21 NYC Marathons!

JOIN US FOR FRIENDSGIVING!

Join Converge @St. Francis and the LGBT+ Ministry for Friendsgiving Sunday, November 17th at 1:30 PM. Everyone is welcome!

Our Friendsgiving is a classic pot-luck dinner. Everyone brings something to share! The LGBT+ and Converge Ministries provides the turkey and the ham. We ask everyone to sign up to bring either a side dish or dessert to share, or to contribute towards the cost of the turkey and ham.

Pre-Registration is required for this event. Registration closes on Monday, NOVEMBER 11th at 11:00 PM. Due to the nature of the event, we cannot accept walk-ins. You can register at stfrancisnyc.org/friendsgiving2024

ABOUT THE COVER PHOTO

In the Catholic Church, the month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To honor our Blessed Mother, this month's bulletin covers feature images of Mary from throughout the Church of St. Francis of Assisi. This painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe can be found downstairs near the Confession booths.

ALL SOUL'S DAY AND NOVEMBER MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

According to Catholic tradition, throughout November, the Month of Remembrance, we remember, honor and pray for our loved ones who have passed away.

On November 2, Saturday morning Mass at 11am will be held for All Soul's Day. We will also have our All Souls Mass of Remembrance Wednesday, November 13 at 6:30 PM. During the month of November, all All Soul's Day Mass envelopes will be placed on the altar to commemorate the names of our beloved dead.

For more information about the All Souls Mass of Remembrance and to submit your loved ones' names, go to stfrancisnyc.org/allsouls

