

Welcome

# OCTOBER 6, 2024 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.

**Daily Masses** 

Monday through Friday at 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM (livestreamed until October

5), 5:30 PM

Saturday at 11:00 AM

Beginning October 6, we will no longer livestream our daily Mass. Please join us for our Sunday 11:00am or 5:00pm livestreamed Masses. Special

events will also be livestreamed.

**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)

**Mass Intentions for the Week** 

Saturday, October 5, 2024

11:00 AM Thomas and Edith Castellana; Birthday Mirched Saint Amour

4:00 PM Artemas Beattie (D); Michael La Magna (D)

Sunday, October 6, 2024

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

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community

11:00 Healing Katarzyna Samanta Wyrwal; Marie Therese Michel (D)

12:30 PM Thanksgiving To St. Anthony; Frankie Taverni (D)

5:00 Rev. James R. Sidoti, O. Carm (D); Sp Int Jaydon Jeremy Gonzalez

Monday, October 7, 2024

7:30 AM Leslie G. Philogene (D)

12:00 PM Jane R. Janiak (D); Mary McGovern (D)

5:30 Jose Cruz (D); Amani Stroude

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

7:30 AM Thanksgiving To St. Anthony

12:00 PM Healing Katarzyna Samanta Wyrwal; Sp Int Jaydon Jeremy Gonzalez

5:30 Frankie Taverni (D)

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

7:30 AM No Intentions

12:00 PM Healing Katarzyna Samanta Wyrwal; Healing Teresita De Jesus

Restrepo

5:30 Lolita Lopez Birthday Thanksgiving

Thursday, October 10, 2024

7:30 AM No Intentions

12:00 PM Healing Katarzyna Samanta Wyrwal; Sp Int Jaydon Jeremy Gonzalez

5:30 Giovannie and Leonardo Mamaril (D); Jimmy Delos Santos (D)

Friday, October 11, 2024

7:30 AM Susan Porzio

12:00 PM Healing Katarzyna Samanta Wyrwal; Souls In Purgatory

5:30 Intention Of Amani Stroude; Reiji Wakayama

This week's Bread and Wine: Catherine Puangco; Intention of Adelaida

Carlos

**Sanctuary Lights:** Catherine Puangco

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.

### **Parish Staff**

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### The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings!

First and foremost, my heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed to the great success of St. Francis Week with the liturgies and social events.

Second, partnership and marriage are highlighted in this weekend's readings. In the passage from the first reading, the Book of Genesis signals the depth and meaning of human partnership, the intensity of interpersonal attraction and the goal toward which God has ordered it, which is humanity's ultimate good. This ultimate good leads to the institution of marriage.

The passage from this week's passage from the Gospel of Mark discusses the contrast between the permanence of marriage and the possibility of divorce. Let's get real! According to recent data, nearly 50 percent of marriages end in divorce. Yes, the ideal is to stay married. However, reality dictates otherwise. I have three siblings that have stayed married to their original partner. And I have two siblings who were married, divorced and remarried. I should know — I worked on both of their annulments.

Marriage is the most intimate union of two people in the world. Although it is rewarding, it is not always easy. Family members and friends should suspend judgment of any of their loved ones who have been married and divorced. I truly empathize with them — especially the children of divorced parents. I have been ministering among couples for over 41 years and I constantly ask couples not to hold onto long-term anger. Indira Gandhi once wrote: "You cannot shake hands with a clenched fist." I plead with couples to learn to forgive each other and to forgive themselves. William A. Ward wrote "Forgiveness is a funny thing. It warms the heart and eases the sting." The pain does not go away completely — it only lessens through time and meditation.

Please be good to yourselves!

Blessings to all,

**Father Brian** 





3-part series
Monday, October 6, 13 and 20
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





#### **FALL 2024 ADULT EDUCATION COURSES**

Our Fall 2024 courses are now open for registration at stfrancisnyc.org/courses. We are committed to bringing the faith to all who seek Christ. If the registration fee is a burden, email Fr. Brian Jordan, OFM at bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org for information on full or partial scholarships.

# MESSENGER OF PEACE CONCERT

You are invited to join us Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30pm in San Damiano Hall for Chiesa Nuova's MESSENGER OF PEACE. Hear 10 powerful stories of people whose lives were radically changed by Francis of Assisi, and see how his intense love for God, his simplicity and his example move people today. Narrated by Luca Tironzelli, with music performed by SATOR-



DUO (Paolo Castellani, violin, and Francesco Di Giandomenico, guitar.)

Tickets are \$25. You can find more information and buy tickets at https://stfrancisnyc.org/messenger-of-peace-concert

#### SATORDUO STRING CONCERT

Hear SatorDuo live at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi! Featuring Paolo Castellani (violin) and Francesco Di Giandomenico (guitar), SatorDuo has been described as "one of the most thrilling duos in Italy today" by Italian Cultural Institute of Chicago.

SatorDuo has traveled the world with music from Latin America, Italian film scores and classical composers. Direct from Perugia, Italy, SatorDuo has just completed a concert tour through China, and have performed in South America, the U.S. and throughout Europe and Russia.

Join us Friday, October 18 from 1pm-2:30pm to hear them live at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi. Tickets are \$25 each at stfrancisnyc.org/satorduo-live-concert

### **SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS**

Join us as we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1st. Masses will be celebrated at 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM.

# 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. 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.



### **MARATHON MASSES**

On Saturday evening, November 2, we will celebrating 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 any of these two special Masses. For more information, please contact Father Brian at bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org. He ran 21 NYC Marathons!



October and May are the months of Mary.

This Monday, October 7, we celebrate the Feast of The Rosary. On the same day, we observe the first anniversary of the horrific attack against our Jewish sisters and brothers in Israel, which resulted in multiple tragedies.

Let us pray the Rosary for Peace in all the troubled areas of the Middle East — Tel Aviv, Gaza, all of Israel and Lebanon.

Our Lady of Peace, pray for a ceasefire in the Middle East!

