



*“Amen, I say to
you, this poor widow
put in more
than all the other
contributors to the
treasury.”*

— the Gospel of Mark

NOVEMBER 10, 2024

THIRTY-SECOND 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

Welcome  *Witness*
Worship

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 Masses

4:00, 5:15 PM

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM, 9:15 AM (Korean), 10:00 AM (en español),
11:00 AM, 12:30 PM, 5:00 PM

Please join us for our Sunday 11:00 AM or 5:00PM livestreamed Masses. Special events will also be livestreamed.

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:00 PM; Saturday 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)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 9, 2024

11:00 AM Jody Durham; Priscila Manalili (D)

4:00 PM Ackim Stroude; Amani Stroude

Sunday, November 10, 2024

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

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community

11:00 Poor Souls; Lourdes Sievert (D)

12:30 PM Michel Sader Silho (D); Jude Phillip Birthday (D)

5:00 Thanksgiving Manhattan Employment Services, Inc.; Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart Of Jesus

Monday, November 11, 2024

7:30 AM Birthday Daisy Pigasiou; Leliosa Mesias Inocian (D)

12:00 PM Katherine Miranda; Birthday Fe Bautista

5:30 Dennis & Margaret Sullivan (D); Thanksgiving Sts. Claire & Jude

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Esperanza J. Carreon

12:00 PM Carmen Ibarra; Virginia Bulong

5:30 Thanksgiving Sts. Claire & Jude; Healing Diana Vidaic

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Stella Kasprzak (D)

12:00 PM Albert & Venera Costabile (D); Lawrence & Teresa Costa (D)

5:30 Dina A. Buenaventura (D); Poor Souls

Thursday, November 14, 2024

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Family Bellot (D)

12:00 PM Thomas & Joan Gilbride (D); Michael Padua (D)

5:30 Thomas & Joan Gilbride (D); Anthony Spartanous (D)

Friday, November 15, 2024

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Mary & Arthur Bazzurro

12:00 PM Birthday Maritess Jacela; Thanksgiving Agripina Enrile & Friends

5:30 Louise & Jude Phillip (D); Neal & Osrox Fabella (D)

This week's Bread and Wine: Catherine Puangco

This week's 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.

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The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings! At the end of all Masses this weekend, I will provide a parish financial report. We just completed the annual fiscal year report and sent it to the Archdiocese. As the new pastor, I believe all parishioners and friends should be aware of our financial health. How we spend money is a theological statement. How we raise money is a spiritual development in itself. You have a right to know what is going on with our financial health.

In the meantime, I ask all parishioners and friends to consider the following two requests:

1. I ask all parishioners and friends to register in our parish if you have not already. We are a stronger, more vibrant parish when there are more registered parishioners. We will have registration forms available after all Masses and at the front desk in the lobby of the parish office.
2. I humbly request that those who are planning their estate or preparing their will, to please include the Church of St. Francis of Assisi in your will or estate planning. We have been grateful recipients of generous, thoughtful gifts in the past. Our parish heavily depends on your outstanding generosity!

Today's passage from the Gospel of Mark refers to the generous spirit of the widow with the two cents. After you listen to the financial report, you will realize that our parish needs more than "two cents," but will benefit from your generous spirit.

Blessings upon you all.

Father Brian



THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 28th is Thanksgiving. On Thanksgiving and the following day, Friday, November 29th, we will have one Mass at noon. There are no confessions on Thanksgiving Day or the Friday after Thanksgiving Day.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Advent is coming soon! Find out more about our Advent events, including Soup and Scripture, Carols with the Choir, the full Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass schedule, and more at stfrancisnyc.org/advent-and-christmas-2024



FRIENDSGIVING AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Our Friendsgiving is a classic pot-luck dinner where everyone brings something to share. It is hosted by the LGBT+ and Convergence Ministries, who will provide the Turkey and the Ham. We ask everyone coming to sign up to bring either a side dish or dessert to share (for approximately 8-10 people).

Pre-Registration is required for this event. Registration closes TOMORROW, 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

If life is busy or you aren't adept around the kitchen, don't let that stop you from joining us. When you register, you can contribute \$25 towards the turkey and ham instead. This is also a BYOB event. . . feel free to bring your beverage of choice!

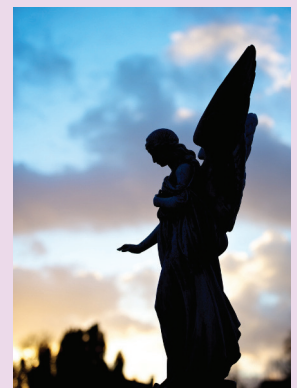
Friendsgiving at St. Francis of Assisi will be held Sunday, November 17 from 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM in San Damiano Hall. Join us!

ALL SOULS MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our annual All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance will be Wednesday, November 13th at 6:30 PM. The Mass will be held in the Upper Church.

You can submit the names of those you would like remembered at this Mass at stfrancisnyc.org/allsouls.

You must submit names here by tomorrow, Monday 11th. All names will be placed in the sanctuary. You can also bring a photo or memento of someone you have lost, which will be placed in the sanctuary during the Mass.



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ENVIRONMENTAL MINISTRY



What in the World?

Take the COP29 prayer challenge. Every day from November 11-21, pray for all participants at COP29.

COP stands for Conference of Parties, and this is the 29th year they're meeting. This year it's in Baku, Azerbaijan, a nation highly invested in fossil fuels (not that the U.S. is better). The Conference is the United Nations entity charged with supporting the global response to the threat of climate change. There are currently 198 "parties." Imagine trying to get anything done.

Pray that all involved remain determined, encouraged, and inspired — that their eyes, ears, and hearts remain open to change for the good of creation.

"Cooperation is our only viable solution to this global climate crisis." — *Simon Stiell, Executive Secretary, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change*

If you have something you'd like to share, or if you'd like more information about the Circle, please email us at stfrancislaudatosi@gmail.com.



SAVE THE DATE — WINTER PARISH RETREAT

Our Adult Education with the support of Converge Ministry will be holding our Wappingers Falls winter retreat January 31-February 2, 2025. The retreat is open to all church ministers, volunteers, parishioners and friends.

Joseph Nuzzi, our former Director of Evangelization, will be joining us as retreat master. More information will be coming soon, including registration details and costs. Mark your calendars!

Church of St. Francis of Assisi Worker's Chapel

Dedication Wednesday November 13



Please join us Wednesday, November 13th at 12pm for a special dedication Mass for our Workers Chapel.

City and state labor leaders and elected officials will be among our special guests, including:

- Gary LaBarbera, President of the Building and Construction Trades Council of Greater New York and of the New York State Building and Construction Trades Council
- Vincent Alvarez, President, New York City Central Labor Council
- Governor Kathy Hochul
- New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli
- Other elected officials to be announced

CAROLS WITH THE CHOIR

Join us on Sunday, December 1, at 3pm for a special afternoon as we welcome the season with song and joy! This year, we're delighted to host our annual Carols with the Choir earlier than usual, offering the perfect opportunity to step into the Advent and Christmas season together.

Featuring not only our talented music ministry, but also a guest performance from the renowned Empire City Men's Chorus, this promises to be an inspiring afternoon filled with cherished carols, stunning harmonies, and the warmth of our community.

Bring family, friends, and neighbors as we celebrate the Light of the World with song. Don't miss the chance to gather early and joyfully this holiday season. We can't wait to see you there!

This event is free and open to the public. A Free Will donation will be taken up at the event.



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