



*You are my inheritance, oh Lord!*  
— *Ps. 16*

**NOVEMBER 17, 2024**  
**THIRTY-THIRD 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 16, 2024

11:00 AM Frank & Amelia Bettua; Josephine Moran (D)

4:00 PM Lia Lizarda (D); Rita La Grenade (D)

## Sunday, November 17, 2024

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

9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community

11:00 The Earth and for All of Us That We May Become Better Stewards of God's Creation; John Foster (D)

12:30 PM Members Of Renew Group; Nkem Stanley Mbamelu Family

5:00 Jose & Libradra Dollosa (D); Hal Harkala (D)

## Monday, November 18, 2024

7:30 AM Mary & Arthur Bazzurro; Kevin Noaski

12:00 PM Maximo & Dominga Luna (D); Annabelle Skoglund

5:30 Alexis Morales; John & Maura Zoeller

## Tuesday, November 19, 2024

7:30 AM Cornelia Melendez; Eileen Goggin & Family

12:00 PM Mercedes F. Lim (D); Carmela & Joseph Dimech (D)

5:30 Danilo Bernardo (D); Intention of Maureen O'Brien

## Wednesday, November 20, 2024

7:30 AM Karen Noaski; Genevieve Irizarry (D)

12:00 PM Jonnie W. Ruzhatz (D); Edward John Irizarry (D)

5:30 Ann Grant (D); John Williams (D)

## Thursday, November 21, 2024

7:30 AM Leonida G. Soresca (D); Serhiy Orinchay (D)

12:00 PM Healing Ximena Pradas; Manuel Romeo & Zacarias Brindis (D)

5:30 Healing Myrta Vargas; Georgette Carafagno (D)

## Friday, November 22, 2024

7:30 AM Emilda Garces; Benjamin P. Asuncion (D)

12:00 PM Eileen Ireland (D); Agaton Adriatico (D)

5:30 Agnes Flores; Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

**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.

## Parish Staff

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## The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings! Our bulletin needs to be sent to the printer by Monday afternoons. I have two messages this weekend:

1. In light of the recent presidential elections and other elected offices, I fully realize a wide range of feeling and reactions have occurred in our nation, including among our wonderful parishioners. We cannot control the outcomes of elections. However, we can control how we personally react to them. As Catholic Christians, we are called to be better, not bitter. Many feel sadness, others might feel joy. Part of our Catholic Social teaching is to emphasize the common good in society, and at the same time, try to find common ground among different viewpoints. Let us hope and pray that we can work together.
2. Last weekend, I shared a financial report about our parish's financial health. Presently, we are doing well. However, there are grave concerns about the future of the parish. I really want to find a viable solution for each concern. I need your help. If anyone in our parish is trained and experienced in fundraising, grant-writing, investment planning, or any development committee experience, please contact me at [bjordan@stfranciscnyc.org](mailto:bjordan@stfranciscnyc.org) and send me your resume as soon as possible. Part of the Synod process is to get parishioners and friends involved in the financial health of the parish. Also, please keep our parish in mind when thinking about your will or estate planning. Thank you kindly!

Blessings to all,

Father Brian

## 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.



christmas carols with the choir  
featuring: THE EMPIRE CITY MEN'S CHORUS

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.



## 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.



# LAUDATO SI

## ENVIRONMENTAL MINISTRY



### Part of God's Plan-et

We are all a part of God's plan, and climate change is not a partisan issue — it is a human and moral issue. The effects of the climate crisis are devastating no matter who you are or where you live. Storms will cross party lines and reach across divides. As Catholics, we have a unique opportunity to unite around our history of teaching on creation, ecology, and the most vulnerable.

On November 6th, the Catholic Climate Covenant and the Laudato Si Movement issued a joint statement on the results of the recent election. Read the statement here and understand the position for yourself. [www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Trump-statement.pdf](http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Trump-statement.pdf)

"We pray that the Trump Administration, in consultation with both scientific experts and faith-based communities, will find pathways to promote environmental sustainability and secure justice for future generations." — *from the statement*

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](mailto:stfrancislaudatosi@gmail.com)

The next Laudato Si meeting will be Thursday, November 21 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the 1st Floor Conference Room of the St. Francis House. All are welcome.

### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Advent is coming soon! Find out more about our seasonal traditions, including Soup and Scripture, Carols with the Choir, Christmas flower donations, the full Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass schedule, and more at [stfrancisnyc.org/advent-and-christmas](http://stfrancisnyc.org/advent-and-christmas)

### SAVE THE DATE — WINTER PARISH RETREAT

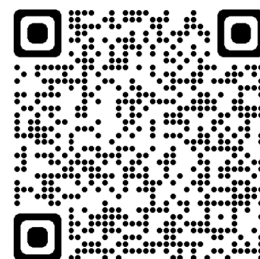
Our Adult Education with the support of Converge Ministry will be holding our Wappingers Falls winter retreat January 31-February 2, 2025. The retreat is open to all church ministers, volunteers, parishioners and friends.

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!

### A PERPETUAL PRAYER OPPORTUNITY

We invite you to remember or pray for a loved one 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. You can use this QR code for more information.



The soup is on!  
Come encounter God through the Word this Advent. Join us as we break bread, drink soup, and open the Sunday Advent Gospels.

Our Advent Soup and Scripture will be held Monday evenings, November 25, December 2, December 9, and December 16. Join us for one, two, three or all four reflections. All are welcome!

This is a free event, but since soup is being served, we are asking for free will donations to offset the costs of the meal. Please register below to let us know that you are coming. You can RSVP using this QR code, or at [stfrancisnyc.org/advent-soup-and-scripture](http://stfrancisnyc.org/advent-soup-and-scripture)

