




JUNE 15, 2025 | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Statue of the Holy Trinity. March 10, 2013. Almudena Cathedral. Madrid, Spain.

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.

Welcome  *Witness*
Worship

OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

4:00 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 5:00 PM livestreamed Masses. Special events will also be livestreamed.

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM; 12:00 PM, 5:30 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: Our Lady of Lourdes, after the 7:30 am and 5:30 pm Masses; The Sacrament of Anointing, after the 12pm Mass

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)

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, June 14, 2025

11:00 AM Thomas & Edith Castellana; Birthday Nicole Spadavecchia

4:00 PM Elena Winzel (D); Albert & Venera Costabile (D)

Sunday, June 15, 2025 | The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM Members Franciscan Mass League;

Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)

10:00 Alfonso Mejia (D); Armando Ruffin Montalvo (D)

11:00 Mary & Arthur Bazzurro; Jose Medina (D)

12:30 PM Tagumpay Torres (D);

Thanksgiving Newborn Livia Laroche

5:00 Jack & Rita Castellano; Birthday Jermaine Davis

Monday, June 16, 2025

7:30 AM Thanksgiving Shiela & Kevin; Yvonne Diaz (D)

12:00 PM Janette Buenaflor Salanatin (D);

Healing Narace Seenath

5:30 Birthday Rita Olac; Jun & Helen Banaria & Family

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

7:30 AM Angela Suwanto; Climaco Anita & Luis Tamayo (D)

12:00 PM Thanksgiving to St. Anthony;

Healing Maeve Emma Smith

5:30 Jean Castellana; Thomas Brennan (D)

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

7:30 AM Nicholas & Elena Daconta; Alexis Morales

12:00 PM Thanksgiving to Sts Jude & Jack;

Kelly Anne Gorham

5:30 John Gorham; John Battaglia

Thursday, June 19, 2025 | Juneteenth

12:00 PM Rose & Paul Berardi; Thomas Reilly (D)

Friday, June 20, 2025

7:30 AM Infant of Prague; Rev. Richard Conlon

12:00 PM Geraldine L. Sievert Thanksgiving; Jaime Cariaso (D)

5:30 Healing Jose Berrios & Ian Kuper; John Mairead Fox

This week's Bread and Wine and Sanctuary Lights:

Catherine Puangco

The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings!

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity. As we reflect on the central mystery of our Christian faith, we recognize God, our Creator (Father); God, our Redeemer (Son) and God, our Sustainer (Holy Spirit.)

We begin and end the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with the sign of the Cross which includes all Three Persons of the Holy Trinity.

The first reading from the Book of Proverbs indicates the power of God the Creator "I beside him as his craftsman." God the Father crafted the beauty of Creation in which you and I are part of. The second reading from Paul's Letter from the Romans emphasizes the importance of God the Redeemer—Jesus Christ "we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith." Jesus redeems us through his death and resurrection. Finally, in today's Gospel passage from John, we hear of God the Sustainer—the Holy Spirit "But when he comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will guide you to all truth." The Holy Spirit sustains us to fulfill the mission of the Catholic Church.

This weekend, we also celebrate Father's Day. After all the Masses, we will bless all fathers and father figures in the sanctuary. Each person will receive a special St. Joseph the Worker prayer card. We will also remember all deceased fathers and father figures through a special intercession and a passage from the Eucharistic prayer. God bless our beloved parents!

Blessings to all,
Father Brian Jordan, OFM
Pastor

EXPLANATION OF JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth was declared a Federal holiday on June 19, 2021. The Archdiocese of New York has made it a holiday for all diocesan employees. Our parish offices will be closed that day but our three Masses and three shifts of confession will be celebrated this June 19, 2025. Why? We would like to explain the importance of Juneteenth.

Juneteenth is a combination of words from "June" and "nineteenth" referring to June 19, 1865 when the Union Army gave the final enforcement of the Emancipation Proclamation in Texas at the end of the Civil War. Slavery came to an end in various areas of the United States at different times. How? In January, 1965, Congress finally proposed the Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution for national abolition of slavery. By June, 1865, almost all enslaved were freed by the victorious Union Army.

Juneteenth celebrations are not new. Early celebrations date back to 1866 in Texas with church-centered community celebrations. These Juneteenth celebrations spread across the South among newly freed slaves and their descendants. By 1979, every state and the District of Colombia has formally recognized the holiday in some way. Please remember that these celebrations of being freed from merciless and sinful slavery began in local Christian churches and by the civic group, the Freedmen's Bureau.

President Joseph Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act into law on June 19, 2021. Juneteenth became the first new federal holiday since Martin Luther King Jr. Day was adopted in 1983.

Our parish abides by Catholic Social Teaching which promotes the dignity of the human person. On June 19, at all our Masses, we will explain the importance of Juneteenth as part of our national heritage. Let freedom ring for all the People of God!



JULY 12: SUMMER PARISH PICNIC

The Converge ministry invites you to celebrate summer at the Summer Parish Picnic for a joyful day of community, connection, and fun for all ages! The picnic will take place on Saturday, July 12 starting at 12:30 pm at Riverside Park - 145th Street. Please bring your own delicious food, snacks, cold drinks and sweet treats for yourself or to share. Scan the QR code for more information.



PARISH BOOK SALE

Attention Shoppers! It's time to expand your library of spiritual reading! The Church's gift shop is having a summer sale on a large selection of its inventory of books. Books included in this sale are only \$1 each and there is no limit on how many can be purchased at this price. This summer grow deeper in love of God and the Church. Pick up some books today!



OUTREACH AT ST. FRANCIS FRIENDS OF THE POOR

On June 3rd, Fr. Jim Bernard, OFM, together with members of the St. Benedict the Moor Secular Franciscan fraternity and other outreach volunteers distributed hygiene and household supplies to 80 residents of St. Francis Friends of the Poor's Residence III.

WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

In-Person Collections

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| Sunday, June 8 | \$4,200 |
| June 2-6 | \$1,832 |

Online Collections

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| June 2-8 | \$3,914 |
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