



**JUNE 29, 2025**

## **SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES**

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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

#### 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 28, 2025

11:00 AM Francisca P. Garcia (D); Minerva Magadia (D)

4:00 PM Mathew Varkey (D); Amato & Natoli Family

### Sunday, June 29, 2025

#### Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

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

10:00 Mrs. Alicia Serra & Mr. Ramon Gonzalez (D);  
Richard A. Bettig (D)

11:00 Rev. Raymond Radzieta (D); Dimitri (D)

12:30 PM Bday David Anthony Roger; Sonia Salerni (D)

5:00 S & M Kondziolka (D); Anna Janus (D)

### Monday, June 30, 2025

7:30 AM A & P Wludyka (D); Celestina Mangroo (D)

12:00 PM Joseph Francis Goncalves (D);  
Fr. Lorenzo Laboy

5:30 M Kanownik (D); Judah Ness (D)

### Tuesday, July 1, 2025

7:30 AM Kuwantai Yeh; Thanksgiving to St. Andrew

12:00 PM Fabiola Suwanto; Emilio Pelonia & C. Amparado (D)

5:30 Healing Anibal Guerrero;  
Patrick & Elsie Carr and Family

### Wednesday, July 2, 2025

7:30 AM Arthur & Mary Bazzurro; J & J Kramaz (D)

12:00 PM James O'Neill (D); Marina & Agustin Cabling (D)

5:30 M Krocza (D); Intention of Fr. Toby

### Thursday, July 3, 2025

7:30 AM Natalie Yeh; Birthday Trevor Piccone

12:00 PM Carmen Maria Morales Rosado & All Deceased  
Family Members; Ania & Miss T. Cihanek

5:30 Birthday Maria Flaviana Lee;  
Maria Flaviana S. Lee

### Friday, July 4, 2025 | Independence Day

12:00 PM Robert Flynn (D); Alfred W. Murawski (D)

### This week's Bread and Sanctuary Lights:

Catherine Puangco

## The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings!

It appears that the “winds of war” are on the horizon for both the United States and its allies in the Middle East. I hope and pray that sanity and wise decision making take place right away. Our nation should have learned its lessons from a “regime change” in Iraq a generation ago. Jesus is the Prince of Peace and may peace be waged as soon as possible.

Tension in the Middle East are nothing new. Even after Jesus ascended into Heaven, the Apostles and followers of Jesus were subject to persecution, imprisonment and even being put to death. This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Two unique Jews who fully accepted Jesus and represented the early authority figures of the Catholic Church. They paid the price of discipleship with their lives.

The New Testament clearly shows Peter as the leader of the Apostles, chosen by Jesus to have a special relationship with him. How? Peter became the first Pope of the Roman Catholic Church. Whereas, Paul dramatically changed from being the Chief Persecutor of the early church to being its Chief Evangelist. How? Paul's experience of the risen Lord on the road to Damascus was the driving force that made him one of the most zealous, dynamic and courageous ambassadors of Christ the Church has ever had. The dying Christ was in him; the living Christ was his life. Both were martyred for the Church. St. Peter was crucified upside down. St. Paul was beheaded in Rome.

Both had a mission to serve Jesus Christ. In the Gospel passage from Matthew, Peter was commissioned by Jesus “And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.” In the second letter of Paul to Timothy, Paul preaches “The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it!”

I also hope and pray in the current situation in the Middle East, all warring factions might hear the message of peace and reconciliation!

Blessings on you all!

Father Brian

### **JUNE 30: REVIVAL OF THE LAUDATO SI COMMITTEE**

All parishioners and friends are invited to revive the Laudato Si Committee which is based on Pope Francis' encyclical “Laudato Si” which calls on the world to protect Holy Mother Earth from climate change and to protect our natural resources. This meeting begins at 5:30 pm in the Library of the St. Clare Room on Monday, June 30. All are invited. For more information, please contact Father Brian Jordan, OFM our pastor at [bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org) or leave a message at 212-736-8500 ext. 232.

### **JUNE 30: NEW LECTORS WORKSHOP**

All parishioners and friends who are interested in becoming a lector are invited to a special lector workshop on Monday, June 30 beginning at 6:30 pm in the St. Clare Room. No prior experience is necessary but a good, clear speaking voice is required. This workshop will take about two hours for preparation and a practicum of reading in public. For more information, please contact Father Brian Jordan, OFM, our pastor at [bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org](mailto:bjordan@stfrancisnyc.org) or leave a message at 212-736-8500 ext. 232.



## JULY 12: SUMMER PARISH PICNIC

The Convergence 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 Riverbank State Park - enter at 145th Street and Riverside Drive. Please bring your own delicious food, snacks, cold drinks and sweet treats for yourself or to share. Scan the QR code for more information and to RSVP.



## 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!

## WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

### In-Pew Collections

Sunday, June 22	\$4,613
June 16-20	\$1,773

### Online Collections

June 16-20	\$3,058.08
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