



JULY 13, 2025

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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.

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, July 12, 2025

11:00 AM Ana Marcela Ouano (D); Thanksgiving to St Anthony

4:00 PM Thanksgiving to St Anthony; Healing Providencia Gilbride

Sunday, July 13, 2025

8:00 AM Members Franciscan Mass League;

Elizabeth Carole Michels (D)

10:00 Healing Providencia Gilbride; Healing Myrta Vargas

11:00 Mrs Gisele & Mr Vitiello Volcy (D);

Birthday Remedios Asuncion (D)

12:30 PM Birthday Xavier Chance; Birthday Marie Volcy

5:00 Maria Lucia Tesser Gimenes;

Family Marques Righi & Tesser Gimenes

Monday, July 14, 2025

7:30 AM Healing Myrta Vargas; Poor Souls in Purgatory

12:00 PM Dyna Bijoux Tucker; Birthday Michael J. Quinn (D)

5:30 Elizabeth Flynn Fishman (D); Healing Evelyn Lacson

Tuesday, July 15, 2025 | Feast of St. Bonaventure

7:30 AM Healing Providencia Gilbride; Clarisa Lagat (D)

12:00 PM Frank Kelly (D); Marie Antoinette Nicolas & Family

5:30 Jane R. Janiak (D); Thanksgiving Marie Francois Altenor

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

7:30 AM Arthur & Mary Bazzurro; Birthday John Caulfield

12:00 PM Healing Providencia Gilbride; Healing Edith Perez Soto

5:30 Loida Diaz 85th Birthday; Patricia Mahabil

Thursday, July 17, 2025

7:30 AM 21 Wed. Anniv. Michael & Providencia Gilbride;

Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

12:00 PM Birthday Yuri Carranza; Sophia & Raymonde Vincent

5:30 Cynthia Caulfield (D); Richard Fortunat

Friday, July 18, 2025

7:30 AM Fr. Dominick Dellaparte; Frank McClean Jr. (D)

12:00 PM Healing Providencia Gilbride;

Sp Intention for Vergica Morel's Health

5:30 Jose Macario Laurel IV (D); Sales & Hernandez Families

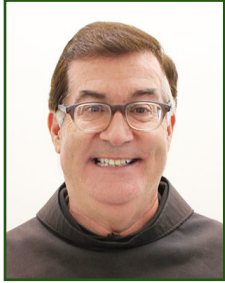
This week's Bread and Wine:

Catherine Puangco; In Memory of Procesa & Buenaventura Carlos

This week's Sanctuary Lights:

Catherine Puangco; In Memory of Procesa & Buenaventura Carlos

The Pastor's Corner



Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings!

Last Saturday afternoon, I was taking an express train from Brooklyn to go back to our parish near Penn Station. Along the way, a disturbed individual was harassing and threatening a frightened female passenger. Many of the passengers moved away to avoid responsibility to protect this frightened lady. Not one, not two but three Good Samaritans came to the rescue of this woman in fear. Myself, plus two street-smart female passengers instructed the disturbed person to stay away from the fearful woman and get off at the next stop. To no surprise, he backed away and got off at the next stop. The woman in fear thanked us profusely and yelled out loud "Where were the rest of you? I needed help!" Suffice to say, this scenario happens more often on city subways and buses than we care to admit. Yes, it is a risk to be a Good Samaritan, but it is a worthwhile risk.

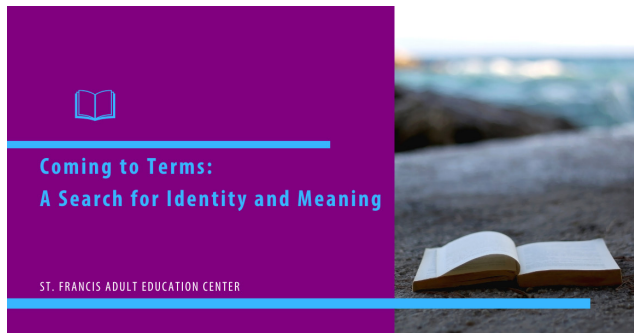
The readings this weekend invite us to live out the Gospel mandate to love God and to love our neighbor equally. In the first reading from the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses exhorts the people to obey God by following the commandments given at Mt. Sinai "when you return to the Lord, your God, with all your heart and all your soul." This based in the law of the Torah for Jews prescribed by Moses.

This Gospel passage from St. Luke emerges from a debate between Jesus and a scholar of the Torah. When he asks Jesus what must I do to inherit eternal life—Jesus asks him what is written in the law and the scholar cites directly from the Torah of the love of God and love of neighbor. However, the real question posed by the scholar to Jesus is the parable of the Good Samaritan when he asks "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus tells the parable of how a priest and a Levite initially avoided the beaten victim and went another way. What is remarkable is that a Samaritan who not a Jew or even from the local area, courageously showed compassion for the victim with his heart, hands and funds from his own pocket. When Jesus asked the scholar of the law who is the true neighbor, the scholar replied, "The one who treated him with mercy."

Sisters and brothers, this ancient parable is relevant now as it was over two thousand years ago. We live in a pluralistic city in a pluralistic country where the least likely of persons will demonstrate themselves as "The Good Samaritan" also known as "The Good Neighbor." Let us face our fears with faith when we truly love one another with compassion in both words and actions. The last words from this Gospel passage is an admonition from Jesus "Go and do likewise!"

Blessings to you all,

Father Brian



COMING TO TERMS: A SEARCH FOR IDENTITY AND MEANING

In this 5-week course we will consider three novels: *The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man* by James Weldon Johnson, a novel that deals with race, class and passing, *The Listener* by Taylor Caldwell, an episodic novel about strangers who come to tell their story to an ever attentive anonymous listener and *Mariette in Ecstasy* by Ron Hansen, the story of a young postulant whose spirituality and personality raise concern among some of the other nuns. The course is taking place on Thursdays online at 12:30 pm starting July 10 thru August 21. Fee is \$60. Visit our website or scan the QR code for more information and to register.



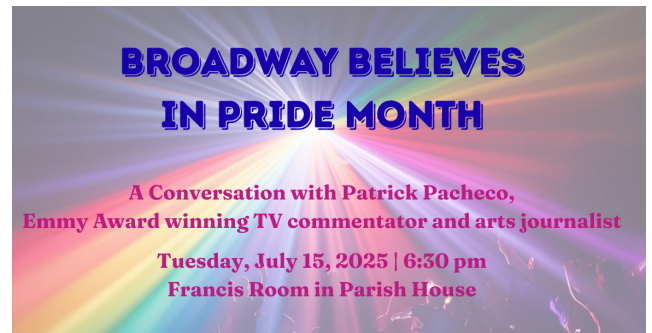
WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS	
In-Pew Collections	
Sunday, June 29	\$4,701.00
June 23-27	\$1,783.00
Sunday, July 6	\$1,380.00
June 30-July 4	\$5,626.00
Online Collections	
June 23-29	\$2,425.00
June 30-July 6	\$3,345.00

NOTES

We apologize that in last week's bulletin we did not include the following intentions:

Bread & Wine

Healing Francisco Carlos



JULY 15: BROADWAY BELIEVES IN PRIDE MONTH

Following up to our wonderful Pride Mass and reception last Saturday, we invite you to a new event. Patrick Pacheco, an Emmy Award winning writer, author, journalist and film producer will deliver an inspirational talk entitled "Broadway Believes in Pride Month." The focus of this talk will celebrate Pride Month with references and images from poignant Broadway plays that sensitively and insightfully treats the LGBTQ+ community in New York City.



Mr. Pacheco is a gifted speaker who will follow up his talk with a question and answer period. Afterwards, there will be an informal reception. This event will take place on Tuesday evening, July 15 at 6:30 pm in San Damiano Hall. For more information, please contact Father Brian at bjordan@stfranciscnyc.org or call him at 212-736-8500 extension 232. All

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