



**NOVEMBER 9, 2025**

## **THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA**

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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 Franciscan Friars of 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.

Rosary Group

#### Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM; 12:00 PM, 5:30 PM; Saturday 11:00 AM

**Rosary Group:** Every second Wednesday, 6:30 pm Clare Room

**Holy Hour:** Every third Thursday, after 5:30 pm Mass

### 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-Friday: 8:15 am - 5:15 pm (Lower Church)

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, November 8, 2025

11:00 AM Rose & Frank Canavan; Thanksgiving To St Anthony of Padua

4:00 PM Josefina Edrosolan (D); Gwenclolyne Gail Jonik (D)

### Sunday, November 9, 2025

8:00 AM Members Franciscan Mass League;

Thanksgiving To St Anthony of Padua

10:00 Birthday Carlito Chua Sr. (D)

11:00 Celestin Lawson; Special Intention To N O L L S

12:30 PM Virginia Kingsman (D); Birthday of Giovannie Mamaril (D)

5:00 Violeta Quinola Servania (D)

### Monday, November 10, 2025

7:30 AM Maria Soeberti Roselia Moncherie & Our Lady of Lourdes

12:00 PM Birthday Lourdes L. Sievert (D);

Thanksgiving to St Anthony of Padua

5:30 Paul Robert Anthony Sr., & St. Michael;

Manhattan Employment Services

### Tuesday, November 11, 2025 | Veterans Day

12:00 PM Katherine Miranda; Gerry Tengco (D)

### Wednesday, November 12, 2025

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Thanksgiving to St Anthony of Padua

12:00 PM Esperanza Carreon

5:30 Anna & Lino Carradi (D)

### Thursday, November 13, 2025

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Thanksgiving to St Anthony of Padua

12:00 PM Healing Denis & Rosemary Saloman; Healing Myrta Vargas

### Friday, November 14, 2025

7:30 AM Katherine Miranda; Reynaldo Reyes (D)

12:00 PM Birthday Carol Emsworth; Krystina Murillo (D)

5:30 Thanksgiving to St Anthony of Padua

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

Catherine Puangco

Due to our bulletin print schedule, we were unable to include the following names for intentions in last week's bulletin:

Charles & Marie Hoofatt & Deceased Family; Veronica Hoofatt & Deceased Family; Thanksgiving to St Anthony of Padua; Deceased Members Of The Lynam Family; Marie Morgigno (D); Clarissa Lagat (D); Doris E. Landre (D)

# The Pastor's Corner

Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings!

This weekend's Masses are meant to celebrate the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. We will refer to a church building in a different way. Today's second reading is from the 1st Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians has a great opening verse about church building. "Brothers and sisters: YOU are God's building!"



WE the People of God are the CHURCH not just a brick and mortar building with stain glass windows. A few years ago, the late Pope Francis began the worldwide process of a Synod of Dialogue from the Vatican to the local parish in each nation. Pope Leo XIV has continued this Synodal process. In the past year, a Synod Committee has emerged in our wonderful parish. This Synod Committee is led by Ron Schramm, a full professor of business at Columbia University. The Committee is divided into three subcommittees: 1) Liturgy and Spiritual Life led by Paul Beetle along with Ellen Fishman, Pedro Tavarez and Samantha Romero. 2) Evangelization and Education led by Dario Corradini along with Sandy Boys. 3) Social Concerns led by Ron Schramm along with Eileen Leonard and Father Brian.

Each subcommittee chairperson will be reaching out to other devoted and committed parishioners to join these three committees to enhance the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. We truly believe that we have the foundation to build up lay leadership in our parish from our parishioners and not just lay employees. There are many talented and gifted people in this iconic parish!

The Synod Committee agreed on a theme for our upcoming Advent season that begins on Saturday November 29 and goes until Christmas Eve December 24. The theme is "OUR LIVING HOPE." This pertains to the Jubilee Year of Hope instituted by the late Pope Francis for the calendar year 2025 until January 6, 2026. The theme is both communal and ongoing. To promote the importance of our Advent season, we have invited Professor Nathalie Imperatori-Lee of the Department of Theology at Fordham University to give an Advent Day of Reflection on Saturday December 6 from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. She will deliver a 20-25 minute talk entitled "OUR LIVING HOPE" followed by a lively discussion. The Advent Day of Reflection will take place in San Damiano Hall. All parishioners and friends are cordially invited.

Sisters and brothers, our parish is following the road for a synodal church. We will abide by that inspirational verse from today's second reading "Brothers and sisters: YOU are God's building!"

Blessings to all,

Father Brian

## PASTORAL NOTES FOR NOVEMBER

**1. Tuesday, November 11 is a Federal holiday. The office is closed and there will be no confessions. There will be only one Mass at 12 noon in the Lower Church.**

2. At the end of all **Masses of November 15 and 16**, a member of our local Secular Franciscan groups will offer a brief reflection to recruit new members of the **Secular Franciscan Order**. All those interested are asked to speak to these SFO members.

3. At the end of all **Masses of November 22 and 23**, a member from our **Laudato Si Committee** will emphasize the importance of a letter writing campaign to our local elected Congresspeople and US Senators to increase the budget for the US Department of Agriculture. Sadly, the new Federal administration has severely cut the budget of the US Department of Agriculture while vastly increasing the budget of the US Department of Defense. For example, the average taxpayer is paying \$15,000.00 a year in taxes for the US Department of Defense while the same taxpayer is paying just one cent for the US Department of Agriculture. These are misplaced priorities! A bowl of rice is far more important than paying for another bomb!

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

On Saturday, November 1, we welcomed participants of the 2025 NYC Marathon and their supporters before the big race. We congratulate them all. The race truly embodies the true spirit of our parish community and the City. Photo on the left is Fr. Brian Jordan with race participants at the 4:30 pm Mass and on the right is Fr. Jim Bernard with the race participants at the 5:15 pm Mass. Photos courtesy of Fr. Jim Bernard.



### NOV. 10: LAUDATO SI MEETING

The Laudato Si committee will be holding their monthly meeting on **Monday, November 10 from 5:30 – 6:30 pm** in the Clare Room. We encourage anyone interested in joining or learning about the ministry to attend.



### NOV. 16: FRIENDSGIVING

The Converge at St. Francis Parish Life Ministry is delighted to host this year's parish Friendsgiving—an afternoon of celebration, community, food, and gratitude. **All Parishioners and Friends are warmly welcome!** Scan the QR code to register.



### NOTICE ABOUT UPCOMING NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS

**November 11 - Veterans Day:** The office is closed and there will be no confessions. There will be only one Mass at 12 noon in the Lower Church.

**November 27 & 28:** The office will be closed and there will be no confessions for Thanksgiving and the day after the holiday. There will be one Mass at 9 am on Thanksgiving Day.

### WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

#### In-Pew Collections

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| Sunday, October 26 | \$5,860.00 |
| October 27-31      | \$2,090.00 |

#### Online Collections

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| October 20-26 | \$2,767.00 |
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### MAKE YOUR GIFT TO THE PARISH

Our parish relies on the support of our parishioners and community members to sustain and grow our programs, ministries, and community. You can make a one-time donation or set-up a recurring donation by scanning the QR code to the donation page.



We thank you for your continued support and generosity!