



JANUARY 18, 2026 | SECOND 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 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.

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, January 17, 2026

11:00 AM Martha Fernandez (D); Anniv. Carmen Parondo (D)

4:00 PM Priscila B. Liwanag (D); Louis De Bernardo (D)

Sunday, January 18, 2025

8:00 AM Members Franciscan Mass League; Thomas King (D)

10:00 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

11:00 Araceli & Salvador Ante (D);

Family of Kyungsuk Eun & Eunsung Jimenez (L)

12:30 PM William's Medical School; Trummy James Osborne Young (D)

5:00 Manolito Francisco (D); KT Yeh & Family

Monday, January 19, 2026 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

12:00 PM Thanksgiving And Fast Recovery Lino Estacio (L)

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

7:30 AM Francis Canavan (D); Virginia Huang (D)

12:00 PM Marijan Kustera (D);
Franciscan Handmaids of Mary Living & Deceased

5:30 Ackim Stroude (L)

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

7:30 AM Lisa Mabasa Safe Travel

12:00 PM Raymond & Alister McDonald;
Franciscan Handmaids of Mary Living & Deceased
5:30 Angel Tapia (D)

Thursday, January 22, 2026

7:30 AM Alfred & Eva Bazzurro; Mark Miranda (L)

12:00 PM Healing Blaz Nenadovic
5:30 Gloria A. Ynayan (D)

This week's Bread and Wine and Sanctuary Lights:

Catherine Puangco

The following names were not included in previous bulletins at time of printing submission:

Thanksgiving Marie Moiseau (L)

Leonardo & Juliana Uy (D)

Lomibao Deogracias Austria Family (D)

Sean Patrick O'Sullivan (D)

SPECIAL NOTE ON DATED ANNOUNCED MASS CARDS

The price of a Dated Announced Mass is now \$20.

The Pastor's Corner

Dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings!

This weekend marks the Federal holiday celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. King became the first African American who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 for his courageous witness for civil rights.



Dr. King emanates the meaning of today's response from Psalm 40 "Here I am Lord, I come to do your will." Dr. King's last witness as a servant leader was on the day of his untimely murder in April 1968. He was preaching in solidarity for sanitation workers who wanted to unionize in Memphis, Tenn.

This week also marks the Week for Christian Unity in which Christians from all denominations are called to gather in an ecumenical spirit to highlight our similarities rather than our differences. We all rejoice in the verse from today's first reading from Isaiah "The Lord said to me, You are my servant."

This Wednesday, January 21 at the 12 noon Mass, we invite all parishioners and friends to join us we celebrate the Week for Christian Unity Week. Immediately after the 12 noon Mass will be a special guest speaker. He is the Reverend Terence Melvin, a Baptist minister and the Secretary Treasurer of the New York State AFL-CIO. Rev. Melvin will preach about workers' rights and the dignity of the human person from an ecumenical perspective.

Rev. Melvin will challenge us to strengthen our ecumenical bonds as Christians. He will epitomize the words of Dr. King's 1967 Christmas sermon "If we are to have peace on earth, our loyalties must become ecumenical rather than sectional. Our loyalties must transcend race, our class and our nation; and this means we must develop a world perspective."

Please join us in the Workers' Chapel on Wednesday, January 21 at the 12 noon Mass!

Blessings to all,

Father Brian Jordan, OFM
Pastor

JANUARY 19: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, there is one Mass at 12 noon, there will be no confessions, and the parish office will be closed.

UPPER CHURCH CLOSURE DURING WEEKDAYS

The Upper Church is now closed on weekdays (Monday through Friday) until further notice due to important renovations.

JANUARY 24: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Please join us for an adult education seminar entitled "Catholic Social Teaching." This seminar will focus on the seven primary points of Catholic Social Teaching. The presenters for this seminar are Father Brian Jordan, OFM, our pastor and Professor Ronald Schramm of Columbia University and also the chairperson of the Social Concerns Committee of the parish. The seminar will be held on Saturday afternoon, January 24 from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm in the St. Francis Room. The seminar is free and all parishioners and friends are welcome to participate. Light refreshments will be served.



JANUARY CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

January 21: Workers' Mass at 12 noon, Upper Church

On the third Wednesday of each month, we gather to remember workers who lost their lives on the job in the past month and to hold their families in prayer. This January, during the week of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the Mass invites reflection on the dignity of work and the ongoing call to justice. Immediately after the Mass will be a special guest speaker. He is the Reverend Terence Melvin, a Baptist minister and the Secretary Treasurer of the New York State AFL-CIO.

January 30: February 1: Annual Parish Winter Retreat

Step away from the busy-ness of life and find renewal in God's presence. Join us for our parish retreat—a time to rest, reflect, and reconnect in faith. This retreat is a chance for parishioners to escape the city for a couple of days to connect with one another and reconnect with God. There will be time to pray, hear talks, discuss the faith, and enjoy quiet time on the beautiful property of the Mt. Alvernia Franciscan Retreat Center in Wappingers Falls, NY. Join us to spend time with other parishioners to pray, reflect, and reconnect with God and each other. Scan the QR code for more information, registration fee, and to register.



WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

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Sunday, January 11:

First Collection \$5,019.00

Second Collection - Catholic University \$ 829.00

January 5-9 \$1,976.00

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