

**Thanksgiving Eucharist**



There will be a Thanksgiving Eucharist on **Thursday, November 22nd at 8:45 a.m., in the Church.** *Please bring your Thanksgiving food baskets and place them on the steps of the sanctuary.* During this special Liturgy of thankfulness, the food to be eaten around our family table will be blessed, as will our lives of Christian living and witness! Haced un buen dia de accion de Gracias!

**Thanksgiving 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament!**



Attention all athletes ages 8 and up who can dribble and shoot a basketball! Come participate in the Sixth Annual Thanksgiving 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament! **It will start at 9 AM on Saturday, November 24, 2018 in the Parish Center Gym.** Each team of up to four players will be guaranteed at least three games. **It costs \$50 to sponsor a team**, and all proceeds will be donated to St. Francis of Assisi School. We have raised over \$2,000 since our first tournament in 2013!

To register or if you would like further information, please contact **Dr. Ken Dunn** at [dunnkd@comcast.net](mailto:dunnkd@comcast.net); phone 540-657-9006.



The Lion's Club has **2 donation drop boxes located on the window sill in the vestibule.** Please consider donating your used eyeglasses to the Lion's Club. Your unwanted glasses will help someone see better. Thank you for always being so generous.



Please tear-off and return. Envelopes are provided and located in the vestibule of the church.

**2018 St. Francis Parish Appeal**

Parishioner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes, I/we will make a one time gift (enclosed amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

OR

- Yes, I/we will make an annual pledge in the amount of:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$500    \_\_\_\_\_ \$750    \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000    \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,500    Other Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Bless A Child This Christmas*

**UN-TRIM-A-TREE**



St. Francis of Assisi parish has supported the **Un-Trim-A-Tree Program for more than 16 years**, providing assistance for families in need in Dumfries, Triangle, and Quantico. This year St. Francis of Assisi will also be providing gifts for a number of refugee families sponsored by Catholic Charities and the Bill Mehr Homeless Shelter. To assist you in the process we have some answers to your frequently asked questions (FAQ'S) below:

**What do I do with the tag?** Take it home, shop for the gift and return the tag taped to the present by the request date.

**Do Not Wrap the present**

**What is the tag for?** **The tag is very important** as it indicates the individual information, what the individual wants and also the way the gifts are sorted and distributed.

**When you get the tag home, copy the information down or take a picture** to ensure that if you lose the tag you still have the pertinent information like: name, sex, age, code, and wish.

**Where do I drop the Present?** On November 17th, St. Francis of Assisi will place a Christmas Angel Giving Tree on display in the vestibule of the church; gifts may be placed under the tree. They are removed daily.

**Presents must be returned by Sunday, December 2nd.**  
**(NO Exceptions)**

**Can I give additional items than those requests on the tag?** Yes, we always welcome and make good use of additional presents.

**If you have questions about the Un-trim-A-Tree Program?** Please contact **Francia Salguero** 703-221-6344 or 571-572-5862 [calisa3@verizon.net](mailto:calisa3@verizon.net). Thank you very much for your continuing support of this program.



## St. Francis House Corner

Thanks to the donations from all of our parishioners, the items of the month have been very much appreciated by our clients. With your generosity we

will continue to serve those that are in need.

### Items of the Month: Toilet Paper/Paper Towels

- Hamburger Helper
- Spaghetti, Pasta, etc.
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Fruit
- Peanut Butter and Jelly

**For more information, please call Francia at 703-221-6344. Thank you for your continuing support!**

Many thanks to all of our parishioners who have responded so generously to our requests for breakfast items at the Bill Mehr Shelter. *With the help of our parishioners we provided 1,520 breakfasts for the Spring and Summer seasons. As of Saturday, November 3rd, our responsibilities have shifted to supplying dinner on Saturday evenings to the Overnight Shelter. Directions and sign-up sheets are located on the table directly below the bulletin board in the vestibule of the Church. For more information, please call Francia at 571-572-5862.*



### Mission 2019

**Join St. Francis Parishioners in June 2019 on a journey to our Sister Parishes in Lima, Peru. Departs Saturday, June 22nd Returns Monday, July 1st**



- Applications and **deposit of \$100** now being accepted. The final date for receipt of applications is **January 31, 2019**.
- Fee includes airfare, lodging, most meals and local transportation.
- Full payment (**\$1,750**) is due by **January 31, 2019**
- Applications are available on line at (<http://www.stfrncis.org/sister-parish-in-peru/>) and next to the Sister Parish section of the church bulletin board.

#### Questions? Please call:

Sharon or Terry Danner at 703-680-0860

[terrydanner@verizon.net](mailto:terrydanner@verizon.net)

or

Chuck O'Hern at 910-795-6203

[Charles.ohern@usmc.mil](mailto:Charles.ohern@usmc.mil)

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank  
**Todos Super Market**  
for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

## Boletín Semanal

**Charlas Bautismales**—Las próximas charlas bautismales en español serán el **viernes, diciembre 14**. Las charlas bautismales Son a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón del Hermano Juniper (Br. Juniper Room). Para más información por favor llamar a la Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344.

### Despensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francisco

Gracias a las donaciones de todos nuestros feligreses el Artículo del mes ha sido bien recibido por nuestros clientes. Con sus donaciones podremos continuar ayudando a los más necesitados.

### Artículo del mes: Papel Higiénico/Papel Toalla

- Ayudantes de Hamburguesa (Hamburger Helper)
- Espagueti, Pasta, etc.
- Tuna Enlatada
- Fruta Enlatada
- Mantequilla de Mani
- Mermelada

Muchas gracias por sus donaciones. Para más información Contactar a la **Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344**.

Muchas gracias a todos nuestros feligreses que han respondido tan generosamente a nuestras peticiones para desayunar en el Albergue de Bill Mehr. Con la ayuda de nuestros feligreses proporcionamos 1,520 desayunos para la primavera y el verano. A partir del sábado 3 de noviembre, nuestras responsabilidades cambiará a suministrar la cena del sábado por la noche al Albergue de la noche Las direcciones y las hojas de inscripción se encuentran en la tabla directamente debajo del tablón de anuncios en el vestíbulo. **Para más información, por favor llame a Francia al 571-572-5862.**

### Mass Intentions on Sunday, November 25, 2018

7:30 AM	All Souls Novena †Alice Tippit †Michael Wesley
9:00 AM	†Flor Rodriguez †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Bob and †Paul Walker
10:45 AM	†Mark Alan Howard Donna Ruth Barton Leroy Cecil Barton
12:15 PM	†Clara Kennedy †George Wishy †Salvador Robledo
1:30 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	†Juanito Alb People of the Parish

Please join us for our **First Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service** being held on **Tuesday, November 20th** at **St. Francis of Assisi Parish** at **7:00 p.m.** with a *Reception immediately following the Service*. The following Communities will be participating: Congregation Ner Shalom; Dar Alnoor Islamic Community Center; Masroor Mosque; St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; and St. Francis of Assisi.





**Faith Formation Office**

Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246  
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: **8:00 am—2:00 pm**  
Friday: **Closed**

**Religious Education for 2018-2019**

- Nov. 18 Sunday RE Session
- 22 **NO RE—Happy Thanksgiving**
- 25 **NO RE—Thanksgiving Day Weekend**
- 29 Thursday RE Session
- Dec. 2 Sunday RE Session

If you would like your child to participate in the **Children's Christmas Pageant on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm, before the 4PM Mass in the Church**, please return your completed form to the Religious Education Office or in the Catch-All slot located in the vestibule of the Church (please label envelope 'RE-Christmas Pageant Registration'). Children that are 4 years of age and up are eligible if they are not in the Christmas Choir. **The Deadline for forms is November 25th. No late registrations will be accepted.** Forms are available at [www.stfrncis.org](http://www.stfrncis.org) under the RE page. Rehearsals are mandatory. **For more information, please call the RE Office at 703-221-3127 or email [recoor@stfrncis.org](mailto:recoor@stfrncis.org).**



**Religious Education** is in need of Catechists for the 8:45AM Sunday Session because two additional classes needed to be added to that session. Also, substitutes are needed for all sessions. Please contact **Marianne Hayes** in the Religious Education Office at [recoor@stfrncis.org](mailto:recoor@stfrncis.org) or 703-221-3127, ext. 236, if you can help.

**Please Pray For** All those who are sick: Doug Bond; The Fafs Family; S. Jamorski; D. Mitchell; Mary Ashburn; Christina Lehmeier; Laurie Coligan; Kathy Miracco; Aaron Childs; and Herb Harmon.

**And for those recently deceased:** Deja A. Cheek (husband of Emelita Cheek); Michael Wesley (son of Patrick and Linda Wesley; and Joseph Mele (husband of Ileana Mele).

**Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way:** Thomas S. Hong; Matthew Byron; Tyler Jones; Drew; Leo N. Company; S. Defibaugh; Brianna French; James Moore; Kyle McVay; Kyle Traylor; Marc Gendron; and Darryl Saungweme.

**Baptismal Preparation Class**

Our next class will be held on **Sunday, December 9, 2018 from 1:30 p.m.—2:30 p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room. **Please call the Parish Office to register at 703-221-4044.**



**Save the date!! Discovering Christ will be presented at St. Francis of Assisi in January 2019!!** Participants in this 7-week series will meet on Thursday evenings **beginning January 3<sup>rd</sup> and continuing through February 14<sup>th</sup>** to enjoy dinner and fellowship, listen to a dynamic teaching and join in a small group discussion about the meaning of life in Jesus Christ. There will be a retreat day on **Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**. *The cost for registration for this event is \$25 per person and all meals are included.* **For more information, please contact Sheila Noble at 703-221-3127, ext. 238 or [snoble@stfrncis.org](mailto:snoble@stfrncis.org).**

**The 55+ Ministry is planning to join the Museum of the Bible Tour**, organized by *Bluebird Tours*, on **Friday, January 11, 2019**. There will also be a tour of Lincoln Cottage included. The bus departs Woodbridge at 9:00 a.m. and is expected to return at 5:15 p.m. **The cost is \$65 per person and lunch is on your own.** To reserve your space on the bus, **please contact Bluebird Tours at 703-339-0333.**



St. Francis High School Youth Ministry is called **REAL!** **REAL** stands for Respect, Engage, Accept, Live! **REAL** is open to all High School teens. It is a place to connect your life and your faith, to share, support and have fun with other teens who are trying to live out God's call in their everyday lives. Please come see what **REAL** is all about!



**Sunday, November 18th**  
6:30 PM—8:30 PM  
St. Catherine Room  
**REAL Leadership**  
Leadership Team ONLY



**Sunday, November 25th**  
Thanksgiving Weekend  
**NO REAL ACTIVITIES**

**Sunday, December 2nd**  
6:30 PM—8:30 PM  
St. Catherine Room  
**REAL Time (Youth Group)**  
All Teens Grades 9-12

**Questions? Please contact Brandon Jubar at [bjubar@stfrncis.org](mailto:bjubar@stfrncis.org).**



*Lector Workbooks for the new year are available for pick up on the bookshelf in the sacristy.*



## Mass Intentions

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	<b>November 17—St. Elizabeth of Hungary</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation All Souls Novena †Evangelista and †Loretta Foglietta †Cy Kelly
<b>SUNDAY,</b>  7:30 AM  9:00 AM  10:45 AM  12:15 PM  1:30 PM 5:30 PM	<b>November 18—33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> †Arlene Paris People of the Parish †Alice Tippit †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Francis J. Nowaczyk, Sr. †John J. Jordan, Jr. †Madeline Wilson In Thanksgiving †Karis McBride †Clara Kennedy †Georgette Keener †Phyllis Ponce Misa en español †Margarite Alb †Joseph DeLash All Souls Novena
<b>MONDAY,</b> 8:45 AM	<b>November 19—Weekday</b> All Souls Novena †Terrence Martins
<b>TUESDAY,</b> 8:45 AM	<b>November 20—Weekday</b> All Souls †Terrence Martins
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b>  8:45 AM	<b>November 21—Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Kathryn Gonsorcik All Souls
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 8:45 AM	<b>November 22—Thanksgiving Day</b> †Bernie Yvon †Harry Ravert All Souls
<b>FRIDAY,</b> 8:45 AM	<b>November 23—Weekday</b> All Souls Novena
<b>SATURDAY,</b> 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	<b>November 24—St. Andrew Dung-Lac</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation †Dr. Clifford Buckley †Clyde Richardson †Bryan Richardson

**Please Note: The Mass Intention book for 2019**

will open on **Friday, December 14, 2018.**

To schedule a Mass you may come in or call the office. We also have envelopes located on the tables in the vestibule. Just drop the envelope in the catch-all slot. **We will be taking 3 intentions per Mass.**

### Readings for the Week of November 18, 2018

<b>Monday</b>	Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Luke 18:35-43
<b>Tuesday</b>	Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22; Luke 19:1-10
<b>Wednesday</b>	Revelation 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28
<b>Thursday</b>	Revelation 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44 Sirach 50:22-24; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Luke 17:11-19
<b>Friday</b>	Revelation 10:8-11; Luke 19:45-48
<b>Saturday</b>	Revelation 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40
<b>Sunday</b>	Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33b-37



### Fallen Heroes interred at Quantico National Cemetery

The Quantico Wreath Project, conducted annually by the **SGT MAC FOUNDATION**, will be supported again in 2018 by the **Knights of Columbus with assistance from the Columbiettes**. Fundraising at St. Francis of Assisi Parish will take place during the weekends of **November 17th-18th, and 24th-25th**. On Saturday, **December 1st, volunteers will place wreaths on the graves at Quantico National Cemetery**. All of the wreaths used to decorate the graves of our fallen heroes are purchased with donated funds (**\$10 for each wreath**). Each year we have been able to raise more money and decorate more graves. **Last year we decorated 11,400 graves and this year we hope to be able to decorate the 14,500**. Representatives from the Knights and the Columbiettes will accept donations at a table on the center circle after each Mass on the fundraising weekends. Checks will be accepted and should be made payable to the **SGT MAC FOUNDATION**.

Mark Your Calendars for the  
Annual  
Festival of Praise!

**December 14th at 7:30 p.m.**

Enjoy a wonderful evening of Christmas Praise presented by the combined choirs and instrumentalists of the St. Francis Music Ministry, full of music that will stir your heart and leave you feeling joyful!



### Roses of Castile Gala 2019

Come join your host and founder, Fr. Magat at the 4th Annual Roses of Castile Gala to benefit the Guadalupe Free Clinic of Colonial Beach, now in its 14th year of service. The gala will be held on **February 9, 2019 from 5:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m. (11921 Chanceford Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22192)**.

Price of ticket includes and open bar, buffet dinner, silent and live auction along with dancing to live music provided by King Teddy. Tickets are available through January 16, 2019 and can be purchased at:

[Eventbrite.com/RosesofCastileGala](https://www.eventbrite.com/RosesofCastileGala). Questions? Please contact **Marguerite Thompson at 540-226-0949 or [gfcgala@gmail.com](mailto:gfcgala@gmail.com)**.