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Saturday Vigil - 5:30 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM; 9:30 AM; 11:00 AM; 5:30 PM

12:30 PM - Español

Monday - Friday - 8:45 AM

BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required of all parents who have not attended a class within the last three years prior to the celebration of baptism. Please call the parish office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 PM—5:00 PM and by appointment (English)

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MARRIAGE

Arrangements are made with the parish office.

VISITS TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Inform the office when someone needs a visit from a Communion Minister or one of the Friars.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

To register in the parish, please fill out a registration form found in the vestibule, at the parish office, or on the Parish website, and return it to the office.

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The New and the Old

"Every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old." (Matthew 13:52). The new comes first, Jesus' interpretation of the Word and the Will of God.

Pope Francis recently responded to a question of a fellow Jesuit about the negative reaction of some US Catholics to his teaching: "The situation in the United States is not easy: There is a very strong, reactionary attitude. It is organized and shapes the way people belong, even emotionally...I want to remind these people that backwardism is useless, and it is necessary to understand that there is a correct evolution in the understanding of questions of faith and morals." The Pope in essence is paraphrasing Jesus' saying on the new and the old and ultimately calling us back to Jesus' new way.

We need to be clear that Pope Francis has not rejected the "old", he has not changed any doctrines of the Church. He continues to affirm the church's teaching on abortion and gender identity and other issues of faith and morals. What he has done is to remind us, as previous popes have done, that the teachings of the church on faith and morals extend to other areas such as ecology and climate change, racism, immigration, and other issues of peace and justice.

Pope Francis has suggested that our renewal as Christians and as a church begins by accepting a personal invitation from Jesus: "I invite all Christians...to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ...I ask all of you to do this unfaithfully each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her...whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms." (Apostolic Exhortation, "The Joy of the Gospel, #3). This invitation is the essence of Pope Francis' challenge to the church not only in the US but throughout the world. The challenge is the encounter Jesus each day so that we can truly be the Body of Christ and welcome all "with open arms."

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Jim Scullion, O.F.M.



PASTORAL COUNCIL

Call for Nominations

Will you consider serving our pastor and your fellow parishioners?

The Pastoral Council serves as a *collaborative and consultative body* to the Pastor as he carries out the mission, vision, and goals of the Parish

There are six seats open on the St. Francis Pastoral Council. Each position will serve a three-year term.

Candidates must be a registered parishioner, at least 18 years of age, and have received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation.

See the website for more information about the Pastoral Council's work and to complete a nomination form.

Nominations forms are due Monday, October 2 at 5pm.

Thank you in advance for nominating yourself, or asking someone you think would be a good candidate to nominate themselves.





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Item of the Month:
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- Wednesday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm
- Thursday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm

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We believe that helping our brothers and sisters in need is an essential part of who we are as a Franciscan parish. It is a ministry that has been active and serving those in need for more than 20 years! And we need your help!

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Or donate gifts cards from BJ's, Costco, Sams, Food Lion or Walmart.

Faith Formation Office

Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: **8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.**
Friday: **Closed**

Children's Faith Formation



Registration for the 2023-2024 year is now open!! We do have a couple of notable changes for 2023-2024. Please note that **registration fees will remain constant through August 1st, but will increase slightly after that date.** Additionally, we are **changing our program name from Religious Education (RE) to Children's Faith Formation (CFF).** This change will align our children's program name with the previously existing Adult Faith Formation heading, and more importantly seeks to emphasize the significance of the formation of your child(ren)'s faith and relationship with God. There are many wonderful things to learn about our Catholic faith, but an encounter and relationship with Jesus must be the foundational piece.

Please register by scanning the QR code and let us know if you have any questions. A couple of final important notes:

You must be registered with the parish before Children's Faith Formation registration can be completed.

You must complete all three parts of the Registration:

- 1) Children's Faith Formation Registration
- 2) Payment
- 3) Parental Knowledge and Consent

We hope you have a wonderful summer and are looking forward to greeting you again in the fall for a new year!!



Are You New to the Parish??? Welcome!!
Registration forms are available on the tables in the vestibule, from the Parish Office or from the parish website: www.stfrncis.org.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY



Each year, the Catholic Church in the United States designates the third Sunday in September as "Catechetical Sunday"—a day on which to celebrate and pray for the Church's mission to teach the Gospel to all people.

This year's the theme is "*Come to me all you who labor and are burdened.*" On this day, we especially thank and pray for our Parish Catechists for ministry to the community and our children. As you prepare to celebrate, pray for, and commission those engaged in formal parish catechetical ministry this year, we want to also remind parents of their indispensable and God given role to form their children in the faith. Catechetical Sunday is also a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church. Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you. Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son. We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sources:
Catechetical Sunday banner, Loyola Press

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FRANCIS-CAN'T**



VOLUNTEER



The Children's Faith Formation program is looking for a few more catechists to fill teaching slots in both our Sunday morning and Thursday evening sessions. All resources and training are provided, along with as much support from our team as you would like! Our benefits package is unmatched! There is nothing more rewarding than connecting with a group of young people as you all learn more about the Catholic faith and deepen your relationships with Jesus. Please consider reaching out to learn more about what is involved in becoming a catechist. We promise that you will NOT be disappointed! Please contact **Angelica Silva** (asilva@stfrncis.org) or **Sheila Noble** (snoble@stfrncis.org) for more information, we hope to hear from you soon!

OCTOBER AT THE PARISH

Transitus of St. Francis

Oct 3rd @ 7 pm | Church

Feast Day Mass

Oct 4th @ 8:45 am | Church

Blessing of the Animals

Oct 7th @ 12:00 pm | Campus

Solemnity of St. Francis

All Masses Oct 7th and 8th

FRANCIS FEST



Sunday Oct 8th - 1:30-4:00 pm
Rain or Shine



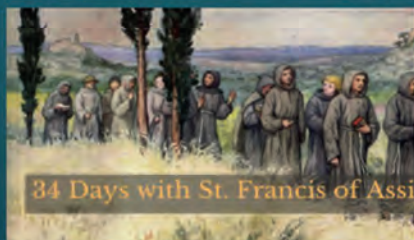
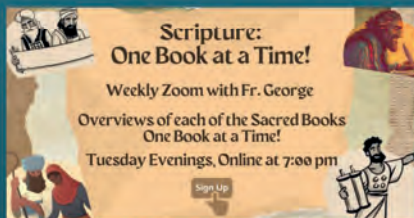
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Adult Faith Formation Programs

Everything you need to know: online!

Parish website main menu: Learn - Adult Faith



Mary, Explained
The Reformations
Christ Life
Friar Reflections
Friar Musings
Sunday Thoughts
How to Read the Bible
Writings of St Paul
The Gospels
The Gospel of John
The Chosen
Small Groups

...and a lot more!





Mass Intentions

SATURDAY,	September 16—Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian
4:00 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	†Margaret Teodosio †Edwin Rivera †Alice Tippit
SUNDAY,	September 17—24th Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	†Thomas Dibbley Butch Asselin †Ursula Herriquez Reyes
9:30 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Spencer and †Nieves Sagudan †Sean Parker
11:00 AM	People of the Parish †Rose Garrette †Michael Olds
12:30 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	Chris Maris †Elenita G. Malkemes
MONDAY,	September 18—Weekday
8:45 AM	†Eileen Bolen
TUESDAY,	September 19—Weekday
8:45 AM	†Malcom Kline
WEDNESDAY,	September 20—Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions
8:45 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Kathryn Gonsorcik
THURSDAY,	September 21—St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
8:45 AM	†Gladys Spring †Richard Freed
FRIDAY,	September 22—Weekday
8:45 AM	†Eileen Bolen
SATURDAY,	September 23—St. Pius of Pietrelcina
4:00 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	†Gladys Spring †Alice Tippit †Linda Cook
Mass Intentions on Sunday, September 24, 2023	
8:00 AM	†Thomas Dibbley †Jack Haneklau †Mark Haneklau
9:30 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Dr. Thomas Eshbach
11:00 AM	People of the Parish
12:30 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	†Gladys Spring †Jane Wilson John Maris

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Readings for the Week of September 17, 2023

Monday	1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10
Tuesday	1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 7:11-17
Wednesday	1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35
Thursday	Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13
Friday	1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3
Saturday	1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15
Sunday	Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a; Matthew 20:1-16a

Please Pray For

All those who are sick: Cecilia Feller; Butch Asseoin; Mary Kay Jones; Gaston Gianni; Deneen Laffman; Mirian Yanet Segovia; Cathy O'Connor; Maira Pena; Larry Evans; Andrew Wagner; Jim Riordan; Randy Chapman; Kevin Sliwinski; Paul Puletz; Estrella Monzon; JJ Powell; Michelle Fornelli; Collin Callahan; Solange Wahl; Ricardo Sayson; Recaredo Monzon; Juliet Erasmo; Maureen Caddigan; S.J. Defibaugh; Lisa Kraus-Lyle; Corazon N. Atienza; Eric Brown; Jan Bond; Delores Baytan; Tomas Bernardo; David Back; Chad Burns; Bill Myers; Sue Long; Gary Ward; and Ted Zamerski.

And for those recently deceased: Ileana Mele; and Dario Jimeno (husband of Marilu Jimeno)

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Coffee and Donuts

After the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses this weekend

KID'S KORNER

Gospel Today
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 18:21-35
Jesus says there should be no limit to the times we forgive, from our hearts, those who treat us unfairly.

Cycle A

JESUS REMINDS US TO BE FORGIVING

Think of someone you need to forgive.

What symbol would best show what you are feeling?

Love, peace, hugs & kisses or prayer; or are you just proud to be in America.

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