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EUCCHARIST

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)

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

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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& light refreshments
to learn the features and
benefits of giving online.

Online Giving – Let's go!

Have you wanted to give online but you haven't gotten around to it?
Have questions or would like to learn more about giving online?
Now is the time to move your donations to Online Giving!

We are offering hands on, in-person training in the
Br. Juniper room on the following dates & times:
Tuesday, January 23, 2024 from 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, January 23, 2024 from 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 24, 2024 from 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, January 24, 2024 from 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 28, 2024 from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

We hope to see you then!

CALLING ALL YOU IRISH LADIES By BIRTH OR MARRIAGE

The Fr. Mychal Judge, O.F.M. Ladies Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians wish to invite all Catholic women at least 16 years of age or older, Irish descent OR married to an Irish gentleman, to join their organization.

Once a part of this Irish Catholic Organization—all we would ask is for you to live our motto of:

"Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity"

We would enjoy meeting you and having you JOIN us. For more information or/and if you are eligible and interested in joining, please contact Collette White at collette4547@gmail.com.



The weekend of February 3rd-4th the memorial of St. Blaise, *blessing of throats will be conferred after all the Masses*. The custom began in the 16th century, although Blaise lived in the fourth century. He was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia who, according to legend, saved the life of a boy who was choking on a fish bone. He is now the patron saint of all who have diseases of the throat. Please join us and receive a blessing of your throat as a sign of God's care for his people.



Please note that the presider for each Mass will give the blessing to all assembled (NOT individually) by extending hands, without the crossed candles, over the people while saying the prayer of blessing.



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The Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers - The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected--the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative

TO LEARN MORE GO TO THE SFA VOICE MINISTRY WEB PAGE <https://stfrancis.org/voice/>



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Food Pantry Needs:

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, the St. Francis House pantry is well stocked at this time.

On behalf of St. Francis of Assisi Church and The St. Francis House Ministry I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year filled with joy, health, love, and prosperity.

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Items of the Month:
Personal Hygiene Care
(ex. Toothpaste,
Toothbrush, Body
Soap, Shampoo, and
Conditioner)

If you or your family find yourself in need, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Francis House is open:

- Tuesday 9:00 am until 12:00 pm
- Wednesday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm
- Thursday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm

Thank you for all that you do!

Meals for Prince William County Homeless Shelter

Dinners for the Shelter at The Ferlazzo Building

Winter is here, and it is a very rough season for the homeless. Our parish is committed to provide dinners for the homeless shelter. At this moment, we are in great need of dinners. If you would like to provide support for the homeless shelter, please scan the QR code below.

Sign up to
provide
breakfast for
the shelter



Don't have time, but want to help? It is okay!
You can donate the following items milk,
juice, fresh fruit, desserts, bags of green salad,
other deli salads. **Or donate gifts cards from
BJs, Costco, Sams, Food Lion or Walmart.**



Tithing Information

End of Year Statements: Due to the high cost of postage, we have decided that the end of year tax statements for 2023 will not be automatically sent to each parishioner. **We will provide a tax statement to any parishioner that requests one by contacting Chanel Marquis at cmarquis@stfrncis.org.**

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



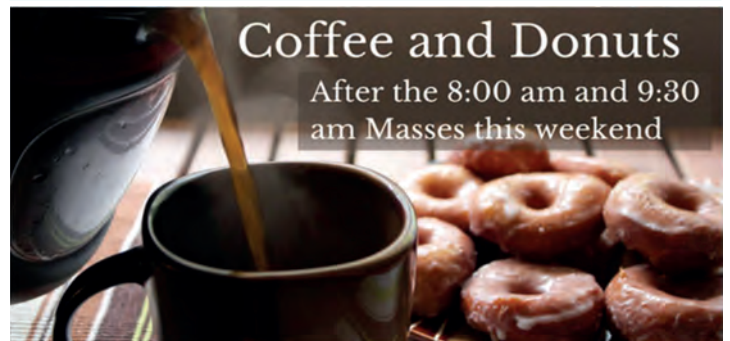
Registration for the 2023-2024 year is now closed, unless you are transferring in from another program. **Questions?** Please contact **Sheila Noble** at snoble@stfrncis.org.

Children's Faith Formation for 2023-2024

Jan.	21	Sunday CFF Session
	25	NO CFF (Thursday Session)
	28	NO CFF (Sunday Session)
Feb.	1	Thursday CFF Session
	4	Sunday CFF Session
	8	Thursday CFF Session
	11	Sunday CFF Session



The Music Ministry and Choirs are open to all parishioners who have the desire to sing and worship the Lord. The Ministry provides an avenue through which individuals may share their gifts and be an integral part of the worship. We have several different choirs. For more information, please visit: <https://stfrncis.org/music-ministry-choirs/>.



January 21, 2024 | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10 | 1 Cor 7:29-31 | Mk 1:14-20

Written by
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Sometimes I feel like I need a Jonah in my life: someone who will come along and shake things up; someone who will nudge me and say, *hey, you're doing it wrong!* No one wants to be criticized, but I know I need loving guidance to help me when I am not at my best. It's easy to get caught up in the swirl of life and neglect (even if unintentionally) what's important. Jonah was given the unpleasant task of pointing out to the people of Nineveh their failings. Unlike many communities who resisted God's words, by the end of the first day of Jonah's anticipated three-day trek across the city, "the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth." For all the evil they had done, and the rebellion they had demonstrated, the people there weren't irredeemable. They simply needed Jonah to point out how they had gone astray, and the grace of open ears and hearts to receive the message. Who has the Lord placed in our lives in the role of Jonah? How has he blessed us with the ability to receive, and repent where necessary?

PRAY Today's psalm (Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9) is a wonderful way to ask God for this favor. Make it part of your morning or evening prayer for the next week. "Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We don't seem to have obvious prophets like Jonah nowadays, but that doesn't mean God has left us without guides. We have the Church, Christ's body on earth, and the ever-present help of the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel, we hear how Jesus selected his first followers: men who would become the Twelve Apostles, anointed to spread his word and speak in his stead even after Jesus left the earth. We know that there were other followers: men, women and children who became his disciples; Jews and Gentiles who were baptized. We are part of that apostolic tradition, each one of us baptized into the common priesthood "exercised by the unfolding of baptismal grace – a life of faith, hope, and charity, a life according to the Spirit." (CCC 1547) The call to holiness can be hard to hear in the din of today's busy and secular world, but it is not impossible. We can pray for the grace to hear how God is asking each of us to live out his commands and proclaim the Good News to the world.



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Enrollment

We are currently accepting applications the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested in learning more about St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School, please join us for one of our upcoming "Open Houses" on January 20th, February 24th, or March 23rd. Please scan the QR code below for more information and to RSVP.



Join our team!

Catholic schools are an important teaching ministry of the Catholic Church. Become a part of the Catholic education tradition.

We welcome new applicants to apply for Spanish Teacher, Substitute Teachers, Extended Care Staff, and Lunchroom.





Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	January 20—Weekday Reconciliation Anne Marie White Bobby Molina †George E. Voultsides
SUNDAY, 8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM 5:30 PM	January 21—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time †Benedict Dichoso †James Connolly †Judi Ryerse †Dalton Guevara †Hellen O'Cannel †Marlene Carhart †Ofelia D. Casupang †Barbara Zicarelli †Gerardo Ponce †Angel Martinez People of the Parish
MONDAY, 8:45 AM	January 22—Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children †Alain Daniel Nall
TUESDAY, 8:45 AM	January 23—Weekday †David Schanuel
WEDNESDAY, 8:45 AM	January 24—St. Francis de Sales †Cyril Kelly
THURSDAY, 8:45 AM	January 25—Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle †Sean Toner
FRIDAY, 8:45 AM	January 26—Sts. Timothy and Titus †Walter Bronikowski Bronikowski Family Dunn Family
SATURDAY, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	January 27—Weekday Reconciliation †Tony O. Lopez †Alice Tippit †Marge Lipari

Mass Intentions on Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:00 AM	†Eileen Bolen
9:30 AM	†Cpt. Andrew Ross †Lydia Back
11:00 AM	†Armando Andaya
12:30 PM	†Aliro Cardenas
5:30 PM	People of the Parish

The lost and found drawers in the Church vestibule are overflowing. If you are missing keys, gloves, umbrellas, books, water bottles, baby toys/stuffed animals, etc., please check the drawers. **All items remaining at the end of February will be donated.**



Readings for the Week of January 21, 2024

Monday	2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30
Tuesday	2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mark 3:31-35
Wednesday	2 Samuel 7:4-17; Mark 4:1-20
Thursday	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18
Friday	2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Timothy 1:1-5; Mark 4:26-34
Saturday	2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41
Sunday	Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

Please Pray For

All those who are sick: Bill Saliski; Dolly Brunk; Sarah Morgan; Maria Suarez; Jean C. Tekverk; Joseph Keady; Jeff Dietze; Jonathan Hernandez Mata; Phyllis Mitchell; Kate Schell-Smith; Cecilia Fellner; Butch Asselin; Mary Kay Jones; Gaston Gianni; Mirian Yanet Segovia; Maira Pena; Larry Evans; Andrew Wagner; Jim Riordan; Randy Chapman; Kevin Sliwinski; Estrella Monzon; JJ Powell; Michelle Fornelli; Collin Callahan; Solange Wahl; Ricardo Sayson; Recaredo Monzon; Juliet Erasmo; Maureen Caddigan; S.J. Defibaugh; 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: Lydia Back (mother of David Back).

Votive Candles

Envelopes are provided for candle money. **Please place them in the boxes located on the wall (next to the candles) in the church.**



2024 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL (BLA) BEGINS!



The 2024 BLA mailing was recently sent to parishioners. The theme this year is shared with the theme of our Diocesan Jubilee: "Behold, I make all things new." After reflecting upon the blessings God has given you, please prayerfully consider a pledge. As we look forward to the celebration of the 50-year Golden Anniversary of our diocese, let us renew our commitment to the Lord and be inspired to share what we have received from Him. You make a gift at:

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Gospel Today
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 1:14-20

Jesus told the people to repent and believe the Good News and began to gather His first disciples.

"The time has come," he said.
"The Kingdom of God has come near.
Repent and believe the good news!"

MARK 1:15

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Jesus	P	A	N	D	R	E	W	T	S	R	I	F	J
Announces	T	C	R	H	E	R	S	I	M	O	N	I	O
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News	E	O	E	E	T	J	E	S	U	S	T	H	D
John	E	R	V	L	B	I	N	N	O	E	S	E	I
Galilee	A	P	E	O	P	L	E	T	N	C	I	R	S
Kingdom	G	M	I	U	B	R	N	S	O	N	V	M	C
God	F	O	L	L	O	W	R	M	A	U	N	E	I
Time	O	D	E	D	A	B	E	D	O	O	G	N	P
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