

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention

SUNDAY, June 26 –Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. Erundina Calvo
9:30 A.M. Anna Cambareri
11:00 A.M. For the People of St. Francis
12:30 P.M. Natale Palazzolo
Joseph Argenzio
Concetta Giagliardo
Paul Bolognese
Rino Del Carro

MONDAY, June 27 – Weekday
9:00 A.M. Michael Bartolo

TUESDAY, June 28—Saint Irenaeus
9:00 A.M. Anna Cinquemani

WEDNESDAY, June 29 – Saints Peter and Paul
9:00 A.M. Estelle Breslow

THURSDAY, June 30 - Weekday
9:00 A.M. Donald Breslow

FRIDAY, July 1 – Weekday
9:00 A.M. Jack Chiparo

SATURDAY, July 2 – Weekday
9:00 A.M. Purgatorial Society
Marie Montana
John Marchessalla
Jose Mendez

5:00 P.M. John Kos

SUNDAY, July 3 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. For the People of St. Francis
9:30 A.M. Deceased Members of the Silletti Family
11:00 A.M. Mark Martin O'Neill
12:30 P.M. Rino Del Carro
Giovanni Veneziano



Today's Readings

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1 Kings 19:3b, 19-21
Galatians 5:1, 13-18
Luke 9:51-62

Readings for the Week

MONDAY: Amos 2:6-10, 13-16
Matthew 8:18-22

TUESDAY: Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12
Matthew 8:23-27

WEDNESDAY: Acts 12:1-11
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19

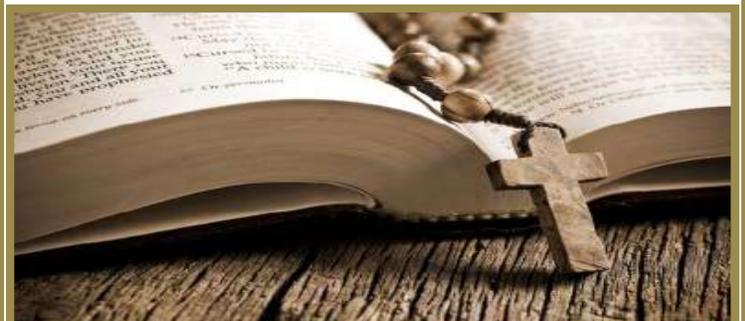
THURSDAY: Amos 7:10-17
Matthew 9:1-8

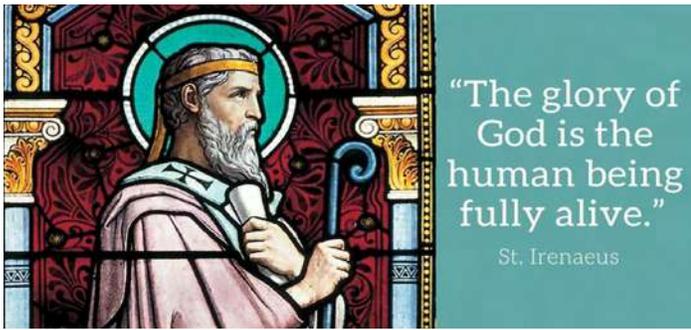
FRIDAY: Amos 8:4-6, 9-12
Matthew 9:9-13

SATURDAY: Amos 9:11-15
Matthew 9:14-17

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Isaiah 66:10-14c
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-12, 17-20





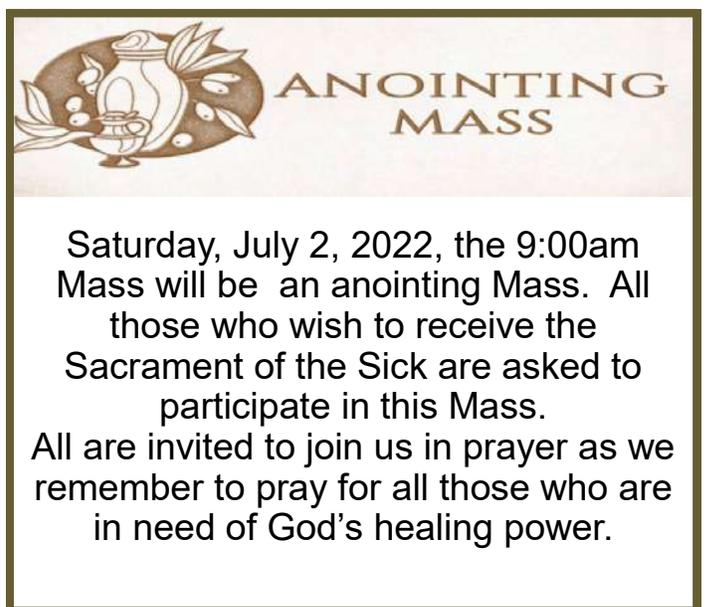
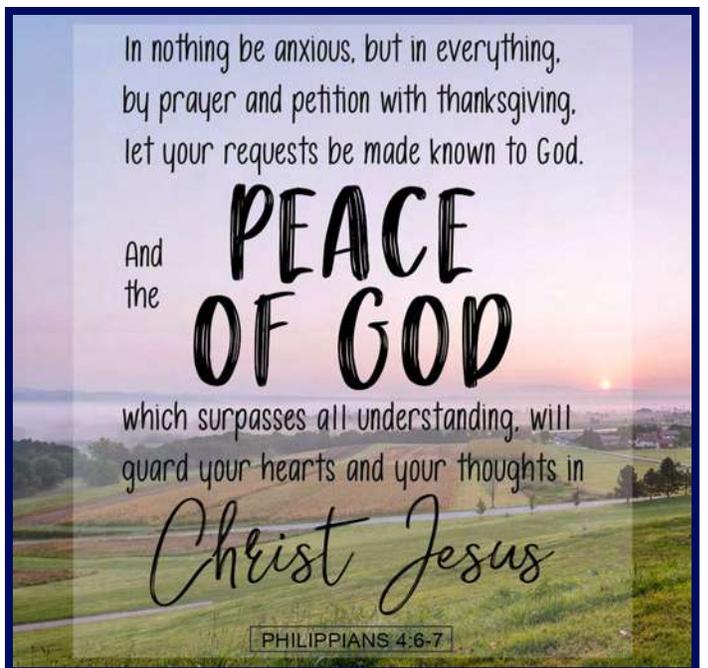
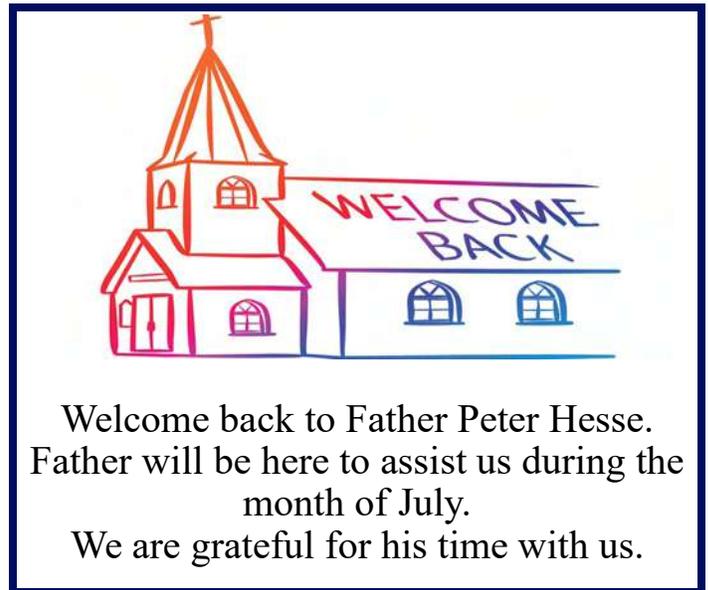
Tuesday, June 28, 2022
The Feast of
Saint Irenaeus

The Church is fortunate that Irenaeus was involved in many of its controversies in the second century. He was a student, well trained no doubt, with great patience in investigating, tremendously protective of apostolic teaching, but prompted more by a desire to win over his opponents than to prove them in error.

As bishop of Lyons he was especially concerned with the Gnostics, who took their name from the Greek word for “knowledge.” Claiming access to secret knowledge imparted by Jesus to only a few disciples, their teaching was attracting and confusing many Christians. After thoroughly investigating the various Gnostic sects and their “secret,” Irenaeus showed to what logical conclusions their tenets led. These he contrasted with the teaching of the apostles and the text of Holy Scripture, giving us, in five books, a system of theology of great importance to subsequent times. Moreover, his work, widely used and translated into Latin and Armenian, gradually ended the influence of the Gnostics.

The circumstances and details about his death, like those of his birth and early life in Asia Minor, are not at all clear. However in 2022, Pope Francis named Saint Irenaeus a Doctor of the Church.

A deep and genuine concern for other people will remind us that the discovery of truth is not to be a victory for some and a defeat for others. Unless all can claim a share in that victory, truth itself will continue to be rejected by the losers, because it will be regarded as inseparable from the yoke of defeat. And so, confrontation, controversy and the like might yield to a genuine united search for God’s truth and how it can best be served.





Wednesday, June 29, 2022
The Feast of
Saints Peter and Paul

On June 29 the Church celebrates the feast day of Saints Peter & Paul. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of an already lengthy tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Saint Peter and Saint Paul on the same day. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there.

Peter, who was named Simon, was a fisherman of Galilee and was introduced to the Lord Jesus by his brother Andrew, also a fisherman. Jesus gave him the name Cephas (Petrus in Latin), which means 'Rock,' because he was to become the rock upon which Christ would build His Church. Peter was a bold follower of the Lord. He was the first to recognize that Jesus was "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and eagerly pledged his fidelity until death. In his boldness, he also made many mistakes, however, such as losing faith when walking on water with Christ and betraying the Lord on the night of His passion. Yet despite his human weaknesses, Peter was chosen to shepherd God's flock. The Acts of the Apostles illustrates his role as head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith. St. Peter spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and eventually being martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

St. Paul was the Apostle of the Gentiles. His letters are included in the writings of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church. Before receiving the name Paul, he was Saul, a Jewish pharisee who zealously persecuted Christians in Jerusalem. Scripture records that Saul was present at the martyrdom of St. Stephen. Saul's conversion took place as he was on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christian community there. As he was traveling along the road, he was suddenly surrounded by a great light from heaven. He was blinded and fell off his horse. He then heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He answered: "Who are you, Lord?" Christ said: "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting." Saul continued to Damascus, where he was baptized and his sight was restored. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world. Paul was imprisoned and taken to Rome, where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls.

Remember in your prayers all those in our parish who are sick, that they may find health and comfort:



Steven Joyce, Ana Balint, John Wrenn, Rose Williams, Augustin Cisneros, James Nunez, Vincent Wytak, Carol Ross, Jeffrey Hyans, Marie LoVolpe, Jessica St. Preux, Al Ciani, Alesha Moses, Nancy McCaffrey, Christopher Wojtalik, Theresa Pacheco, William Goss, Luke Pacheco, Vincenza Papa, Jim Schneggenburger, Anthony Criscuolo, John Ross, Samantha O'Sullivan, Marilyn Miller, John Carmody, Rosario Duran, Vivian Papa, Joel Steinmann, Anna Governali, Antonio Postiglione, Mario Tamburello, Christopher Araimo, Charles Principato, Jim Kreitler, Humberto Cordova, John Schakir, Margaret Culhane, Benedicto Randazzo, Angelo Niakas, Peter Lopez and Father Emilio Salerno.

Also remember in your prayers all the deceased of the Parish. Please remember to continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, diaconate, and married life.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

After receiving Holy Communion, please remember this is a special time with the Lord. Do not be stopping to say hello or wave to people in the pews. Return to your seat in silence and use this special time for prayer and thanksgiving. Reflect that you have received the Body and Blood of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Jesus is with you. Please observe a prayerful silence.

Also, remember that after you have received Holy Communion, step aside and place the host in your mouth. Do Not walk back to the pew with the host in your hand. Again as you are on line to receive Holy Communion, it is a time to think about who you are receiving and thanking Jesus for this wonderful gift of Himself in the Eucharist.



Please be mindful that there are people who come to church early in order to pray. Please show respect by observing silence.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament has concluded for the summer.

We will resume Adoration in September.



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“As for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.”

Consider a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life.

Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454

Parish Mission Statement

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is a Catholic community that is centered in Jesus, gathers in worship and witnesses the Gospel message. The parish values and welcomes each person's gift of time, talent and treasure. As a faith-filled community, we are committed to minister to the spiritual, educational and material needs of all people.

FOCUS:

Jesus makes clear that there is an urgency in leaving the things of the world behind to follow Him.

Jesus calls each of us to give up the things of the world, to repent of our sins and to follow Him no matter the cost. He does not violate our freedom, however; He allows us to choose whether we will stay where we are or follow the way of the cross, which ultimately leads to everlasting life.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Weekly Offering

Thank you for your continued generosity of giving each week. Your weekly offering helps us pay our monthly bills.

Sunday Collection 6/18-6/19 \$4,187.00

School parents must use church envelopes.



St. Francis of Assisi Class of 1973

We are planning a 50th reunion for the spring/summer of 2023. We are trying to round up contact information for all alumni of the Class of '73.

Fellow '73 alumni—please forward your contact information to

John Byrnes—byrno7156@gmail.com

or

John Ruehl—ruehl247@gmail.com



Next weekend, July 2nd and 3rd, the second collection will be for air conditioning to keep our church cool in the summer months.

Please be as generous as your means allow.

Thank you for your support.



Please **DO NOT** leave your unwanted religious mail or religious magazines on the radiators in the vestibule of Church.

Thank you for your cooperation.



We do not collect used appliances, clothing or other things you do not want and are getting rid of them. Please **DO NOT** leave them on the front steps of the rectory.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter



THANK YOU to all who have contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal. As of Tuesday, June 14th, we have pledged \$29,118 and have paid \$20,128. Our goal is \$41,679.

Thank you for your generosity and support in helping us reach our goal. If you are unable to donate at this time I ask for your prayers for the success of the appeal in our parish.



Summer Rectory Office Hours - 2022

Summer Rectory office hours will begin Monday, June 27th and conclude on Monday September 4th. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 5th.

Summer Hours:

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| Monday—Thursday | 9:00am to 12 Noon * 1:00pm to 5:00pm |
| Friday | 9:00am to 12 Noon * 1:00pm to 3:00pm |
| Lunch Hour | 12:00 Noon to 1:00pm |
| Saturday | 9:00am to 2:00pm |
| Sundays and Holidays | Closed |



Summer Weekly Collections

As the nice weather provides us with weekend opportunities to get away, please remember the importance of your weekly offerings. While the summer months bring a dip in our Mass attendance and weekly offerings, it is important that we try to meet our normal operating expenses. Those expenses do not change with the summer season.

Please consider submitting your summer envelopes before you leave for vacation. Those monies help us pay our summer bills and keep our budget balanced. As you know our fiscal year ends August 31, 2022, so it is important we maintain a balanced budget. I appreciate your cooperation in this matter. As always, thank you for your understanding, your generosity and your spirit of sacrificial giving.

Have a peaceful, prayerful, enjoyable and safe summer!



When going on vacation and you need to know the nearest Catholic Church, www.masstimes.org Will assist you.

SUMMER WEATHER

As the warm weather approaches, we are blessed to have air conditioning in our church to keep us cool. Unfortunately, it is not easy to please everyone. Some say it is too cool, others say it is not cool enough. A suggestion that you bring a sweater might help to solve the situation if you feel the cold. Also, if it is sunny, you may want to sit on the schoolyard side of church where it is usually warmer from the sun's rays coming through the windows. THANK YOU.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS WEEK

June 26—July 2

Sunday, June 26

1:30PM Baptism

4:00PM St. Anthony Abate Mass

Monday, June 27

Tuesday, June 28

6:30PM—AA Meeting

Wednesday, June 29

Thursday, June 30

10:00-11:30AM Legion of Mary

Friday, July 1

Saturday, July 2

9:00am Anointing Mass

Welcome to Our Church

If you wish to register as a parishioner of St. Francis of Assisi Church, please stop by the Rectory Office during regular business hours. There you can pick up a census card which can be filled out at that time or returned by mail or in the Sunday Collection Basket. You can even download the census card on line. Just check our website at:

stfrancisofassisiastoria.org

You will then begin to receive weekly offering envelopes.

NEXT WEEK

July 3—July 9

Sunday, July 3

Monday, July 4

Rectory Office Closed

Tuesday, July 5

6:30PM—AA Meeting

Wednesday, July 6

Thursday, July 7

10:00-11:30AM Legion of Mary

Friday, July 8

Saturday, July 9

Ensuring the Future of Your Church

Saint Francis of Assisi Parish relies on your goodness and generosity to ensure that the ministry of Jesus continues here in Astoria. A charitable bequest is an excellent way to create a lasting memorial. Many of our parishioners use their wills or living trusts to make their most generous gifts. Please remember us when you create yours.



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