The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention

SUNDAY, January 29 – The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 A.M. For the People of St. Francis
9:30 A.M. Joseph Salamone
11:00 A.M. Frank Mancuso
12:30 P.M. Rino Del Carro
Giuseppe Carlino

MONDAY, January 30 – Weekday
9:00 A.M. Rosemarie Emanuel

TUESDAY, January 31– Saint John Bosco
9:00 A.M. Rosanna Giocoli

WEDNESDAY, February 1– Weekday
9:00 A.M. William Le Done

THURSDAY, February 2—Presentation of the Lord
9:00 A.M. Ema Voigt

FRIDAY, February 3 – Saint Blaise
9:00 A.M. Becky Holmes

SATURDAY, February 4– Weekday
9:00 A.M. Purgatorial Society
The McHale Family
Jeffrey Cu
Frank DiDonato
John McCann Sr.
John McCann Jr.
Margaret McCarthy
John McCarthy
Living & Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
5:00 P.M. For the People of St. Francis

SUNDAY, February 5 - The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 A.M. All the Souls in Purgatory
9:30 A.M. Marie Salamone
11:00 A.M. Vincenzo Gentile
12:30 P.M. Rino Del Carro
Giacinta Ciancio
Lidia Perrone

Today's Readings

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13
1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Matthew 5:1-12a

Readings for the Week

MONDAY: Hebrews 11:32-40
Mark 5:1-20

TUESDAY: Hebrews 12:1-4
Mark 5:21-43

WEDNESDAY: Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15
Mark 6:1-6

THURSDAY: Malachi 3:1-4
Hebrews 2:14-18
Luke 2:22-40

FRIDAY: Hebrews 13:1-8
Mark 3:14-29

SATURDAY: Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21
Mark 6:.30-34

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 58:7-10
1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear Parishioners,

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches the Beatitudes. We discover that they are a description of what it takes to attain our ultimate goal, eternity in the kingdom of heaven. To become part of the kingdom and all that is attached to it, we have this set of instructions for living here on earth, with the express purpose of helping us to attain that goal. Let us look at the instruction given to us by Jesus.

We have to be poor in spirit: in other words, give up our attachment to the things of the world and adapt our way of living to follow what Jesus would have us do. We will face some disappointments, we will mourn, and we will hunger and thirst for heaven. We have to want this goal to the point that nothing else is important. Yet, we continue to live in this world, in this society, and we cannot hide from what goes on around us. Once we come to *believe* in the heavenly goal, we are willing to work for it.

When we stop looking at the difficult part of each Beatitude and look at the promise instead, then we are not so overwhelmed. Just visualize spending eternity with those people whom we have loved in this life, imagine no worries, no anxiety, no time schedules, no meetings, no competition for attention, just ***peace ,***peace in a way which we are not fully capable of comprehending here on earth. It is only in heaven that we will truly *rejoice and be glad!*

All God's Blessings,
Msgr. Maresca

THE BEATITUDES

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.
Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." -Mthw 5:3-10

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Congratulations
Msgr. Ralph J. Maresca

On the 45th Anniversary
Of Your Ordination to the Priesthood
on February 4th, 2023

From Fr. Peter, the Deacons, Staff and Parishioners of

St. Francis of Assisi, R.C. Church
Astoria, New York 11105

Tuesday, January 31, 2023
The Feast of
Saint John Bosco

John Bosco's theory of education could well be used in today's schools. It was a preventive system, rejecting corporal punishment and placing students in surroundings removed from the likelihood of committing sin. He advocated frequent reception of the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion. He combined catechetical training and fatherly guidance, seeking to unite the spiritual life with one's work, study and play. Encouraged during his youth in Turin to become a priest so he could work with young boys, John was ordained in 1841. His service to young people started when he met a poor orphan in Turin, and instructed him in preparation for receiving Holy Communion. He then gathered young apprentices and taught them catechism. After serving as chaplain in a hospice for working girls, Don Bosco opened the Oratory of St. Francis de Sales for boys. Several wealthy and powerful patrons contributed money, enabling him to provide two workshops for the boys, shoemaking and tailoring. By 1856, the institution had grown to 150 boys and had added a printing press for publication of religious and catechetical pamphlets. John's interest in vocational education and publishing justify him as patron of young apprentices and Catholic publishers. John's preaching fame spread and by 1850 he had trained his own helpers because of difficulties in retaining young priests. In 1854, he and his followers informally banded together, inspired by Saint Francis de Sales. With Pope Pius IX's encouragement, John gathered 17 men and founded the Salesians in 1859. Their activity concentrated on education and mission work. Later, he organized a group of Salesian Sisters to assist girls.

John Bosco educated the whole person—body and soul united. He believed that Christ's love and our faith in that love should pervade everything we do—work, study, play. For John Bosco, being a Christian was a full-time effort, not a once-a-week, Mass-on-Sunday experience.

Friday, February 3, 2023
The Feast of
Saint Blaise

We know more about the devotion to Saint Blaise by Christians around the world than we know about the saint himself. His feast is observed as a holy day in some Eastern Churches. In 1222, the Council of Oxford prohibited servile labor in England on Blaise's feast day. The Germans and Slavs hold him in special honor, and for decades many United States Catholics have sought the annual Saint Blaise blessing for their throats.

We know that Bishop Blaise was martyred in his episcopal city of Sebastea, Armenia, in 316. The legendary *Acts of St. Blaise* were written 400 years later. According to them Blaise was a good bishop, working hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people. Although the Edict of Toleration (311), granting freedom of worship in the Roman Empire, was already five years old, persecution still raged in Armenia. Blaise was apparently forced to flee to the back country. There he lived as a hermit in solitude and prayer, but he made friends with the wild animals. One day a group of hunters seeking wild animals for the amphitheater stumbled upon Blaise's cave. They were first surprised and then frightened. The bishop was kneeling in prayer surrounded by patiently waiting wolves, lions and bears. The legend has it that as the hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command the child was able to cough up the bone.

Agricolaus, governor of Cappadocia, tried to persuade Blaise to sacrifice to pagan idols. The first time Blaise refused, he was beaten. The next time he was suspended from a tree and his flesh torn with iron combs or rakes. Finally, he was beheaded.

Blaise is seen as one more example of the power those have who give themselves entirely to Jesus. With faith we can follow the lead of the Church in asking for Blaise's protection.

Thursday, February 2, 2023
The Presentation of
The Lord

At the end of the fourth century, a woman named Etheria made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Her journal, discovered in 1887, gives an unprecedented glimpse of liturgical life there. Among the celebrations she describes is the Epiphany, the observance of Christ's birth, and the gala procession in honor of his Presentation in the Temple 40 days later. Under the Mosaic Law, a woman was ritually "unclean" for 40 days after childbirth, when she was to present herself to the priests and offer sacrifice—her "purification." Contact with anyone who had brushed against mystery—birth or death—excluded a person from Jewish worship. This feast emphasizes Jesus' first appearance in the Temple more than Mary's purification. The observance spread throughout the Western Church in the fifth and sixth centuries. Because the Church in the West celebrated Jesus' birth on December 25, the Presentation was moved to February 2, 40 days after Christmas.

At the beginning of the eighth century, Pope Sergius inaugurated a candlelight procession; at the end of the same century the blessing and distribution of candles which continues to this day became part of the celebration, giving the feast its popular name: Candlemas.

In Luke's account, Jesus was welcomed in the temple by two elderly people, Simeon and the widow Anna. They embody Israel in their patient expectation; they acknowledge the infant Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah. Early references to the Roman feast dub it the feast of Saint Simeon, the old man who burst into a song of joy which the Church still sings at day's end.

Lord Jesus, as an infant You were brought to the temple by Your parents out of religious duty. Help all parents to take their duties to God seriously, to inculcate their faith in the next generation by their words and by their actions, so that the faith will be handed on where the faith is first learned—in the family and in the home.

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

John Ross, Steven Joyce, Judy Hanley-Brickner, John Wrenn, Augustin Cisneros, Thomas Leiter, 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, Samantha O'Sullivan, Marilyn Miller, John Carmody, Rosario Duran, Vivian Papa, Joel Steinmann, Anna Governali, Tim Graham, Antonio Postiglione, Mario Tamburello, Christopher Araimo, Charles Principato, Jim Kreitler, Humberto Cordova, John Schakir, Margaret Culhane, Benedicto Randazzo, Angelo Niakas, Peter Lopez, & Fr. 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.

Friday, February 3 is the Feast of Saint Blaise.

The Blessing of the Throats will take place after the 9:00AM Mass.

Saturday, February 4, 2023, the 9:00am Mass will be an anointing Mass. All those who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick are asked to participate in this Mass. All are invited to join us in prayer as we remember to pray for all those who are in need of God's healing power.

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 you 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.

Pray
for Vocations

The Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time January 29, 2023

"You are the body of Christ and individually members of it "

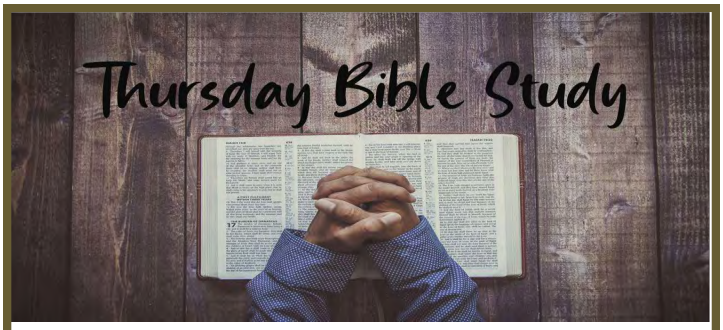
Consider a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life.

Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454
or
email:vocations@diobrook.org

FOCUS:

From a beatitude perspective, discipleship is worth the cost, and suffering will not have the last word.

Jesus gives us a different point of view on suffering and discipleship through the beatitudes. Suffering will not have the last word; rather, those who suffer will be blessed. Discipleship is not without cost, but it will be rewarded. With a beatitude perspective, we are reassured and inspired to press onward with rejoicing rather than fear.



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCRIPTURE STUDY

"When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

The Scripture Study group will take a brief winter recess and wil resume again on February 9, 2023. Join us on Thursday, February 9th, at 7:20-8:50 in the St. Joseph room of the rectory. This week's study will be on the Book of Isaiah, Chapters 5-11. Come join us in the new year.

The Gospel readings and study will be conducted using the Little Rock Scripture Study program. Study booklets will be provided.

If you are interested in joining the study group or would like further information, please contact us through our email at sfascripturestudy@gmail.com or call the rectory at **(718) 728-7801.** Please be sure to leave your name and contact information.

Grow in Knowledge and Love of Scripture.

All Are Welcome!

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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place before the 9:00AM Mass. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 8:00AM each morning, Monday through Saturday, giving parishioners an opportunity for private prayer before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. At 8:30AM the rosary will be prayed by parishioners before the Blessed Sacrament. At 8:50AM the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed. Jesus calls us to perseverance in prayer. "Pray without ceasing." "Watch and pray." Eucharistic adoration helps us discover the Real Presence of Christ.

What a wonderful way to begin our day praying before the Blessed Sacrament in silence or praying the Holy Rosary.

Please make every effort to take advantage of this time with the Lord. We are living in challenging times and we all need the Lord to strengthen our faith and give us the courage to live each day.

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.

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	**$3,824.00**
2nd Collection-Churches in Need	***$605.00***

School parents must use church envelopes.

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.

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION OFFICE EST.1884

Next weekend, February 4th and 5th the second collection will be for Black and Indian Home Missions

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Thank you for your continued generosity.

2023 Mass Book

The 2023 Mass Book is now open.

All Announced Masses are $15.00
Purgatorial Mass Cards are $30.00
Memorials (Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Sanctuary Lamp and Altar Candles) are $60.00 each
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Msgr. Maresca

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With Much Thanks and Many Blessings,
Jim Shea
Associated Vincentian Charities Car Program Coordinator

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS WEEK

January 29—February 4

Sunday, January 29
11:00AM—Catholic School week Opening Mass
NO Children's Liturgy, CCD or Confirmation Class

Monday, January 30
12:00-3:30PM-Golden Age
3:00-3:45PM Children's Choir
7:00PM Adult Choir

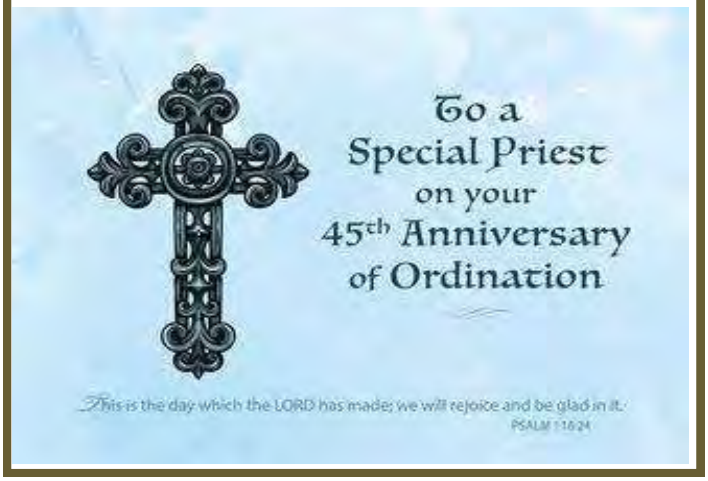
Tuesday, January 31
6:30PM—AA Meeting

Wednesday, February 1

Thursday, February 2
10-11:30AM-Legion of Mary—SFR
6:00PM—I.A.C.A.
7:20-8:50PM—Scripture Study

Friday, February 3
Blessing of the Throats after the 9:00AM Mass
11:00AM-CSW Closing Mass

Saturday, February 4
11:00AM—45th Anniversary Mass of Msgr. Maresca's Ordination to the Priesthood



NEXT WEEK

February 5—February11

Sunday, February 5
9:30AM-Pre-Communion Mass
10:40-12 Noon CCD
2:00PM-Confirmation

Monday, February 6
12:00-3:30PM-Golden Age
3:00-3:45PM Children's Choir
7:00PM Adult Choir

Tuesday, February 7
6:30PM—AA Meeting

Wednesday, February 8
7:00PM—Baptism Class

Thursday, February 9
10-11:30AM-Legion of Mary—SFR
6:00PM—I.A.C.A.
7:20-8:50PM—Scripture Study

Friday, February 10

Saturday, February 11

FEBRUSRY 2023
LECTOR ASSIGNMENTS

	THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
	FEBRUARY 4-5	FEBRUARY 11-12	FEBRUARY 18-19	FEBRUARY 25-26
Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Edward Kubina	Dolores Ratkowski	Debbi Skinner	Dolores Ratkowski
Sunday 8:00 A.M.	Andrew Soltesz	Andrew Soltesz	Andrew Soltesz	Robert Laucella
Sunday 9:30 A.M.	Josephine Corso	Patrick O'Toole	Marta O'Toole	Maria Brooks
Sunday 11:00 A.M.	Jane Di Donato	Jane Di Donato	Jane Di Donato	Carol Hickey
Sunday 12:30 P.M.	*Anna Maria Tenaglia*	Eterna Bruno	Jackie Machia	Anna Maria Del Carro

***** REMINDER *****
Once you are scheduled, if you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make every effort to call and get a replacement. Thank you

With Gratitude to Almighty God

The honor of your presence is requested

At a Mass of Thanksgiving

Celebrating the

45th Anniversary of Ordination

to

The Holy Priesthood

of

Reverend Monsignor

Ralph J. Maresca

Saturday, February 4, 2023
Eleven o'clock in the morning

St. Francis of Assisi R. C. Church
21st Avenue and 45th Street
Astoria, New York 11105

Lunch Will Follow in Msgr. Campbell Hall

RSVP to Marybeth by January 27th

By calling (718) 728-7801 or email at

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Catholic Schools
Faith. Excellence. Service.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy Celebrates Catholic Schools Week
January 29th – February 3rd 2023

The National theme for Catholic Schools Week is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service." Catholic schools have a specific purpose: to inspire students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society with the leaven of the gospel and by example of faith. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and soul. Finally, service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help people not only be witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning.

The CSW logo emphasizes that the Catholic school, like the Catholic Church, is not a building or an institution, but it is the people. We here at SFACA have long considered our community, a family. Working together we are SFACA Family Strong! As the people of God, we strive to bring about the Kingdom of God to Earth and raise up the next generation to do the same. The image of teachers and students forming the foundation of the school shows that they are active people of faith who serve others and God. **When you are in school this week visit the main office and stop by our SFACA Family Tribute bulletin board.**

Our own SFACA theme for Catholic Schools Week is **The Wonderful Things You Will Be.** This week, we will focus on using our imagination to harness our potential, to grow and develop new ideas and follow our dreams. We encourage our students to make a difference in the world one act of kindness at a time, "Anything you want to, do it. Want to change the world? There's nothing to it." Come in and see all the wonderful things our students are involved in. We look forward to celebrating and sharing our school and students with you.

Sunday, January 29

We begin Catholic Schools Week with Sunday Mass bringing together members of the parish and school communities. SFACA benefits all year long from the religious guidance, prayers, and support our parish provides. **Please attend our CSW Opening Liturgy at 11:00 a.m. as we honor our Distinguished Graduate, Mr. Steven Simicich, Class of 1992.** The second collection at Mass today will be used to enhance academic programs in our school. Please be as generous as your means allow. Students who join us today at Mass, in their school uniform, will enjoy a special dress down day just for them. **Immediately following the 11:00 a.m. mass, please join us at our school's Open House from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Visit our Foundation for Life display in Msgr. Maresca Center which focuses on developing our A,B,C's... Academics, Beliefs and Character. Light refreshments will be available in Msgr. Maresca Center.**

Monday, January 30

A central aspect of Catholic Education is learning the importance of service to others. When students take part in service activities – both local and beyond – they demonstrate the values and faith they gain through their Catholic education and learn how to make the world a better place.

For our service project this year, SFACA will make a donation to St. Jude's Children Hospital. The mission of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is to advance cures, and means of prevention, for pediatric catastrophic diseases through research and treatment. Consistent with the vision of their founder Danny Thomas, no child is denied treatment based on race, religion or a family's ability to pay. At St. Jude's they help today's patient become tomorrow's survivors. **Please support this noteworthy cause which will continue for the entire week.** See specific details on our St. Jude Flyer. **Join us today for an Open House for all grades from 8:30 – 9:00 am.**

Tuesday, January 31

Today is National Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools. We pray for the continued success of Catholic Schools across our nation. In a special way we pray for our own Catholic School as we strive to prepare students to appreciate the value of service to others. Please support our fund raising efforts this week as we continue to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Also today, come and see our Middle School students shine! **Grades 6, 7, and 8 will share their Living Wax Museum creations in Msgr. Campbell Hall. Students in grades K-8 will visit the exhibit in the morning and we invite families to join us from 1:45- 2:30 p.m. There will also be an Open House for NEW FAMILIES today from 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. for all grades.**

Wednesday, February 1

Today, Student Appreciation Day, Catholic schools prepare children to succeed by using their God-given talents to the fullest extent throughout their lives. CSW offers an opportunity for students to explore the many life paths that enable them to use their talents well. **We welcome Mrs. Joan McMaster, Deputy Superintendent, Diocese of Brooklyn, to join us at a special school wide assembly at 10:00 a.m. highlighting our multi-talented student body. We invite all our families to attend.**

To encourage our students to dream big and reach their full potential, at 1:45 p.m. we will be hosting our second Career Day Assembly. Parents from grades 3, 4, and 5 will be presenting information about their career choices to our K-8 students. All are invited to attend. **Today students will be treated to a Burger King lunch and may dress down in RED in support of St. Jude Children's Hospital. Please remember to send in your donation.**

Thursday, February 2

Today, we encourage our students to shine by participating in meaningful activities planned by their teachers. **Please join us in Msgr. Campbell Hall at 10:00 a.m. for our Poetry Presentation. Grades 1-5 will be presenting poems based on our mental workplace ....our imagination. All are invited to attend. There will also be an Open House for NEW FAMILIES today from 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. for all grades.**

Friday, February 3

Today, we celebrate our teachers who are the backbone of Catholic Schools. On this day, schools honor teachers, as well as staff, who support the school in its all important work. We thank God for our talented and dedicated faculty and staff. **Please join us today at the 11:00 a.m. Mass as we pray for our faculty and staff, and the growth and prosperity of our school. We also pray, in a special way, for Msgr. Maresca as he celebrates 45 years of priesthood. For the Feast of St. Blaise students' will receive a general blessing of the throats. Dismissal, for grades K-8, will be at 12:30 p.m and dismissal for 3K and PreK will be at 1:00.** We thank the many parents, grandparents, alumni, parishioners, and Academy Board Members who provide volunteer service. We are all so grateful for each one of you.

Catholic Schools
Faith. Excellence. Service.

New student registration for the 2022 - 23 school year is
Tuesday, February 7th and Thursday, February 9th 9:30 - 10:30am and 1:00 - 2:00pm
or call the office for an appointment

REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Necessary documents include: Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, and current Immunization Record. A copy of the student's current report card, June 2022 report card, and most recent NYS Test scores and standardized test scores, IEP or IESP are also required, if applicable.

REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED

$275.00 non-refundable registration fee for the first child and $125.00 for each additional child.
This fee includes application processing, Home Academy dues, and student insurance.
This fee is payable by check or money order to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy.
Cash cannot be accepted.

Registration for St. Francis of Assisi Free 3K For All Full Day Program
Children must be born in 2020 and turn 3 years old by 12/31/2023
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NYC DOE WEBSITE: MySchools.nyc.
You will receive an email from NYC when the portal is open for registration.

Registration for St. Francis of Assisi Free Pre-K For All Full Day Program
Children must be born in 2019 and turn 4 years old by 12/31/2023
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NYC DOE WEBSITE: MySchools.nyc.
You will receive an email from NYC when the portal is open for registration.

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Women's Brunch Retreat

American Martyrs Church~Bayside
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Sullivan Hall*(Accessible)**

Saturday, February 11, 2023

9:45am—12 Noon

Theme: Ordinary is Wonderful

Wonderful Reflection and Music by Alverlis

****Donation Basket that day.**

RSVP to Sister Ave Clark, O.P.
(718) 428-2471

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125th Anniversary

Sunday, February 12, 2023

St. Francis of Assisi Church
21-17 45th Street
Astoria, NY 11105

Mass of Thanksgiving at 12:30 PM

Dinner at 2:00 PM
Msgr. Campbell Hall (lower church)

Music | 50/50 Raffle | $75 per Person

RSVP January 27, 2023

For more information contact Boris Musich, 718-683-1051 or John Ketcham, 347-306-2366.

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THANK YOU

2022 Tax Contribution Statements

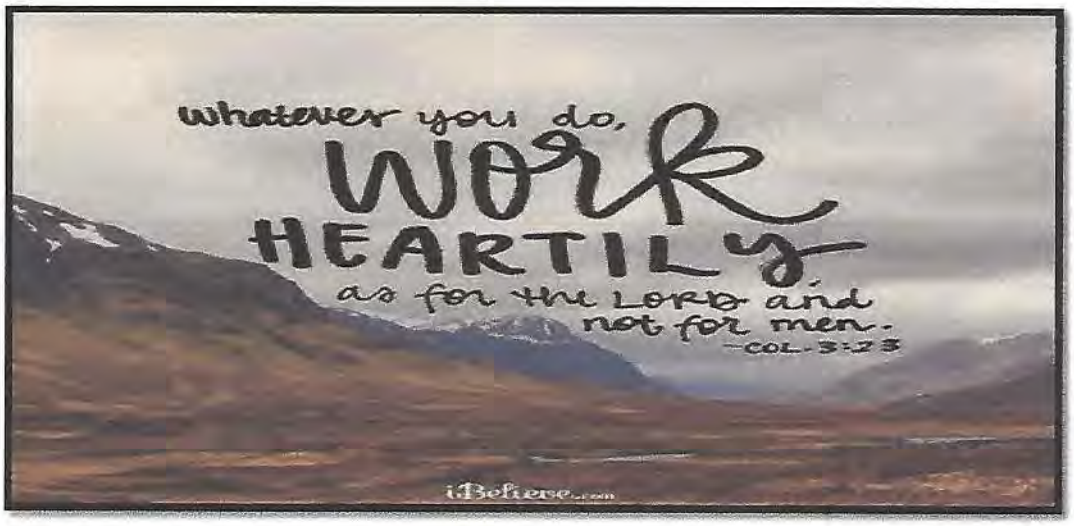
All parishioners who would like to receive a copy of their 2022 Tax Contribution Statement should complete the form below.

The forms can be returned by dropping them in the contribution basket during Mass or they can be dropped in the box on the front door of the rectory. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

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