Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY,	**June 22**	**Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Corpus Christi**
8:00AM		Msgr. Stefan Geosits
9:30AM		Filomena Mincone
11:00AM		Mario Esposito
12:30PM		For the People of St. Francis Rino Del Carro Emilia Bertolo
MONDAY,	**June 23**	**Weekday**
9:00AM		Albert Romano
TUESDAY,	**June 24**	**Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist**
9:00AM		Giovanna Pronesti Sicari
WEDNESDAY,	**June 25**	**Weekday**
9:00AM		Filomena Mincone
THURSDAY,	**June 26**	**Weekday**
9:00AM		Erundina Calvo
FRIDAY,	**June 27**	**Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**
9:00AM		Michael Bartolo
SATURDAY,	**June 28**	**St. Irenaeus**
9:00AM		Purgatorial Society Natale Palazzolo Robert Checco Raisa Lucila Puesan Mendez
5:00PM Vigil		For the People of St. Francis
SUNDAY,	**June 29**	**Solemnity of Saints Peter And Paul**
8:00AM		John Hengl
9:30AM		Filomena Mincone
11:00AM		Victoria Marino
12:30PM		Rino Del Carro Michael Reiter

Today's Readings

Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood Of Christ

Genesis 14:18-20
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Luke 9:11b-17

He welcomed them, and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed to be cured. The day was drawing to a close, and the twelve came to Him and said, "Send the crowd away, so that they may go into the surrounding villages and countryside, to lodge and get provisions; for we are here in a deserted place." But He said to them: "You give them something to eat." They said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish—unless we are to go and buy food for all these people." For there were about five thousand men. And He said to His disciples, "Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each." They did so and made them all sit down. And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed them, and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.

Readings for the Week

MONDAY:	Genesis 12:1-9 Matthew 7:1-5
TUESDAY:	Isaiah 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-66,80
WEDNESDAY:	Genesis 15:1-12.17-18 Matthew 7:15-20
THURSDAY:	Genesis 16:1-12,15-16 Matthew 7:21-29
FRIDAY:	Ezekiel 34:11-16 Romans 5:5b-11 Luke 15:3-7
SATURDAY:	Genesis 18:1-15 Matthew 8:5-17

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

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

From the Pastor's Desk:

"I believe!"

My Dear Parishioners,

Today we give special honor to the Body and Blood of Christ. It is Corpus Christi Sunday, a solemnity that encapsulates so many of our beliefs as Catholics. The Church directs us to focus primarily on two of these beliefs: the Real Presence of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist, and the Church as the body of Christ, continuing his work on earth.

The Real Presence is something that has always been a challenging teaching. Because He told them they must eat his body and drink his blood, some early disciples of Jesus abandoned the course. It repulsed some, and seemed impossible to others. But Jesus is God, and nothing is impossible for God (Lk 1:37). So, Jesus took bread and wine and changed them into his Body and Blood. The celebration of every Mass repeats this miracle through the words and actions of the priest at the Consecration.

Today, Jesus is our Pascal Lamb. His body was given and his blood was shed to save us. But we, too, must eat the Lamb. Today's second reading reminds us of this as we hear the words Jesus said at the Last Supper: *This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me. This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

Jesus offered himself for us, serving not only as the sacrifice, but also as the high priest. We see this foreshadowed in today's first reading, as Melchizedek, a high priest, offers bread and wine in thanksgiving to God for saving Abram and his people from destruction. In today's Gospel, we also hear how Jesus used bread to feed the five thousand.

Each time we receive Holy Communion we are given the opportunity to attest to our belief that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. Our ***AMEN*** in response to being given the host and wine, says, ***Yes, I believe this is the Body of Christ and Yes, I believe this is the Blood of Christ.***
We should NOT respond with words like, thank you, your welcome, God bless you. Our response is always ***AMEN!***

But, not only do we attest to the Real Presence, we are given the privilege of joining Jesus as he offers the perfect sacrifice of himself. Our *Catechism* tells us that we are unified with the divine action of salvation through the Eucharist. *All who eat the one broken bread, Christ, enter into communion with him and form but one body in him (CC 1329).*

So, today's solemnity is also about us, as the body of Christ. In honor of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, let us give special thanks to God for the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, under the appearance of bread and wine. Let us also give thanks for the unity he has granted us as members of the Mystical Body of Christ. Let us show our thankfulness by living today, and each day, in imitation of Jesus, loving one another and sharing with them the blessings of being part of Christ's body.

All God's Blessings,
Msgr. Maresca

PS This is my last column until September. I thank you for reading the column each week. I appreciate your comments regarding it. I hope and pray that you are being nourished in your spiritual life and living each day in the imitation of Christ.
Let us continue to pray for each other during the summer months.
Let us commend ourselves to the loving protection of the Mother of God.
Have a great summer!

The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood Of Jesus Christ

Corpus Christi
Sunday, June 22, 2025

What do Catholics believe about the Most Holy Eucharist?

Why do Catholics celebrate Corpus Christi?
The Catholic Church honors Christ's Presence in the Holy Eucharist with a special feast owing to St. Juliana of Liege, a 13th century Norbertine canoness from Belgium. When she was 16, she had a vision in which the Church was a full moon with a dark spot. The dark spot signified that the Church was missing a feast dedicated solely to the Body and Blood of Christ. She had this vision many times, but didn't think that she could do anything about it. After many years, she finally told her confessor, who told the Bishop. This eventually led to the Universal Feast of Corpus Christi.

Why is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi important?
The Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life" (Second Vatican Council, Lumen Gentium, no. 11). St. Francis of Assisi said, "In this world, I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood."

When did the Corpus Christi Procession begin?
This practice began in the 14th century, and it has been promoted by popes, councils, and saints as a wonderful way to show the supreme importance of the Eucharist and the love that we have for Him.

What does "Eucharist" mean literally?
The Catechism of the Catholic Church says that "it is called Eucharist because it is an action of thanksgiving to God. The Greek words 'eucharistein' and 'eulogein' recall the Jewish blessings that proclaim - especially during a meal - God's works: creation, redemption, and sanctification."

What happens when we receive Holy Communion?
In Holy Communion, by obeying Jesus' command to eat His Flesh and drink His Blood, the faithful are personally united with Jesus Himself. It is fitting that we don't receive just a mystical Jesus, a spiritual Jesus, much less a metaphorical or symbolic Jesus. Jesus took our human nature (body and soul) at the Incarnation. His Body was nailed to the Cross and His Blood poured out in His death, and on Easter, He rose with His Body and Soul. He continues to give us salvation and grace, immediately and directly through His Incarnate Sacred Body and Blood, just as He saved us, and just as He promised in John, Chapter 6.

What is Eucharistic Adoration?
Adoration is the act of adoring Our Lord, present in the Most Holy Eucharist. Often, parishes will have perpetual adoration or set times each month when the faithful can adore the Eucharist. People will frequently spend an hour with Jesus. This is known as a "Holy Hour". St. Therese of Lisieux said, "It is not to remain in a golden ciborium that He comes down each day from Heaven, but to find another Heaven, the Heaven of our soul in which He takes delight."

Why should we make a Holy Hour?
"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in adoration, in contemplation of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease." (CCC, 1380)

June is the Month of The Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

V. Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
V. Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
V. Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
V. Christ, hear us.
R. Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven, **have mercy on us.**
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father,

Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother,

Heart of Jesus, substantially united to the Word of God,

Heart of Jesus, of infinite Majesty,

Heart of Jesus, Sacred Temple of God,

Heart of Jesus, Tabernacle of the Most High,

Heart of Jesus, House of God and Gate of Heaven,

Heart of Jesus, burning furnace of charity,

Heart of Jesus, abode of justice and love,

Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love,

Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues,

Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise,

Heart of Jesus, king and center of all hearts,

Heart of Jesus, in whom are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge,

Heart of Jesus, in whom dwells the fullness of divinity,

Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father was well pleased,

Heart of Jesus, of whose fullness we have all received,

Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting hills,

Heart of Jesus, patient and most merciful,

Heart of Jesus, enriching all who invoke Thee,

Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness,

Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our sins,

Heart of Jesus, loaded down with opprobrium,

Heart of Jesus, bruised for our offenses,

Heart of Jesus, obedient to death,

Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,

Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation,

Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection,

Heart of Jesus, our peace and our reconciliation,

Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins,

Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who trust in Thee,

Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in Thee,

Heart of Jesus, delight of all the Saints,

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, O Lord.

V. Jesus, meek and humble of heart.
R. Make our hearts like to Thine.

Let us pray: Almighty and Eternal God, look upon the Heart of the Thy most beloved Son and upon the praises and satisfaction which He offers Thee in the name of sinners; and to those who implore Thy mercy, in Thy great goodness, grant forgiveness in the name of the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest with Thee forever and ever. Amen.

In 1899, Pope Leo XIII approved this Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for public use. This litany is actually a synthesis of several other litanies dating back to the 17th century.
Father Croiset composed a litany in 1691 from which 17 invocations were used by Venerable Anne Madeleine Remuzat when she composed her litany in 1718 at Marseille. She joined an additional 10 invocations to those of Father Croiset, for a total of 27 invocations. Six more invocations were added by the Sacred Congregation for Rites when it was approved for public use in 1899. This makes a total of 33 invocations, one for each year of life of our Lord Jesus Christ. A partial indulgence is attached to this litany.

Parish Prayer Intentions

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

Awyn Profit
Jack Orlando
Steven Joyce
Judy Hanley-Brickner
John Wrenn
Augustin Cisneros
James Nunez
Vincent Wytak
John & Carol Ross
Jeffrey Hyans
Marie LoVolpe
Jessica St. Preux
Al Ciani

Alesha Moses
Nancy McCaffrey
Christoper Wojtalik
Theresa Pacheco
William Goss
Luke Pacheco
Vincenza Papa
Jim Schneggenburger
Anthony Criscuolo
Samantha O'Sullivan
Marilyn Miller
Pat Gravino
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

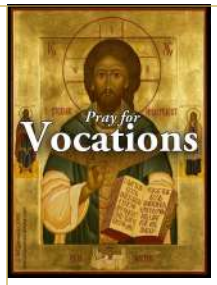
Benedicto Randazzo
Angelo Niakas
Peter Lopez
Rick Simonsen
Aubrey Madden
Madison Millett
Leonardo Di Marco
Michelle Yashita
The Polychronakis Family
Angel Garcia
Geraldine Catoggio
Assunta Di Benedetto

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

FOCUS:

Jesus makes a gift of himself to us.

On the feast of Corpus Christi, the second reading offers the earliest account of the institution of the Eucharist. Jesus tells his disciples that His body and blood are given for them and commands them to do *this in remembrance of Me*. Jesus provides more than a meal; He gives us His very self, broken for us on the cross. Every time Mass is offered, Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is re-presented and we are once again able to receive this gift of Himself.



Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ,, Corpus Christi

June 22, 2025

"You give them something to eat."

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

Morning Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has concluded for the year. It will resume on Tuesday, September 2.
Thank you.

Summertime

As the Summer is upon us, many go away or are out of town for the weekends. May I ask you to please continue your weekly offering. Your support is essential for the parish during the summer months. As you know, like yourselves, we still have our monthly bills to be paid. I appreciate your attention to this important matter. If you plan to go away for the summer, please hand in your envelopes before you leave. For your information our fiscal year ends August 31st, and the new fiscal year begins September 1st.
I want to wish each of you a restful and relaxing summer.
THANK YOU for all you do in supporting our parish.
Msgr. Maresca

Receiving Holy Communion

For those who have difficulty walking up the aisle to receive Holy Communion, may I suggest that you sit in the front row on either side to save yourself some steps. The priest, deacon, or minister will come down to you in the pew and give you Holy Communion.
However, if for some reason you need to sit towards the back of the Church, please let the usher know and they will inform the priest, deacon, or minister, and we will come back to you to give you Holy Communion when we finish those in line.
Thanks,
Msgr. Maresca

2025 Mass Book

The 2025 Mass Book is now open for the remainder of 2025.

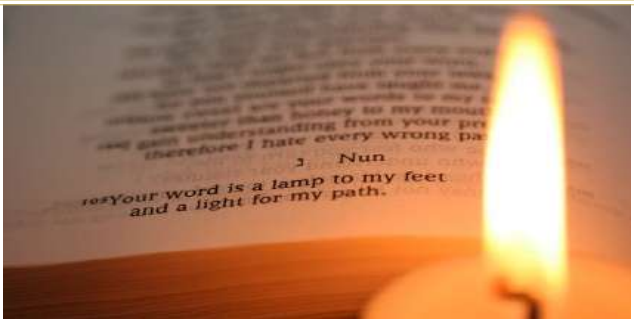
Beginning July 1, 2025, the 11:00AM Mass will have multiple intentions.

Masses are $20.00.

Purgatorial Mass Cards are $30.00.

Memorials (Altar Bread, Wine, Sanctuary Lamp, and Altar Candles) are $75.00.

Altar Flowers are $100.00.



St. Francis of Assisi Scripture Study

Dear SFA Friends and Family,

The Scripture Study Group has completed its study of "Life Eternal." This brings our scripture study to an end for the season. We look forward to you joining us in September as we begin a new study on the Gospels of Matthew.

Wishing our parish family & friends a restful and joyful summer season.

"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven." (Eccl 3:1)

Grow in Knowledge and Love of Scripture.

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 6/14-6/15 **$4,014**

School parents must use church envelopes.

Mass Attendance for June 14/15, 2025

5:00PM	**81**
8:00AM	**49**
9:30AM	**106**
11:00AM	**132**
12:30PM	**36**

Total: 404

Annual Catholic Appeal 2025

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

The Annual Catholic Appeal for 2025 has begun in our Diocese. Our goal this year has been lowered to **$37,511.** This year the theme is: **JUBILEE OF HOPE, RENEWAL OF FAITH, AND CHARITY.**

I ask you to prayerfully reflect on what you can contribute to help us reach our goal. The Annual Appeal allows Bishop Brennan to continue to carry out the mission of the Church here in Brooklyn and Queens. So far we have pledged **$24,959** towards our goal.

I am grateful to those who have contributed in the past and thank you for your generosity and support. If you have not contributed, I ask to make every effort to help us reach our goal.

I share with you the words of Jesus to his followers: "The measure you measure with will be measured back to you."

Thank you for all your effort.
God Bless,
Msgr. Maresca

Anyone interested in a part time cooking position, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 4:00pm to 7:00pm, please contact the Rectory at 718-728-7801.

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.

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS WEEK

June 22 - June 28

Sunday, June 22
Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
1:30PM Holy Hour - Church
Eucharistic Procession (Weather Permitting)

Monday, June 23

Tuesday, June 24
Last Day of School
9:00AM Last School Mass
6:30PM AA Meeting - Rectory Basement
7:00PM 2nd Festival Meeting - All are Welcome

Wednesday, June 25
6:00PM Support Group –The Redeemer Center
7:30PM-Bereavement Group-ZOOM

Thursday, June 26
10:00AM Legion of Mary

Friday, June 27

Saturday, June 28

NEXT WEEK

June 29 - July 5

Sunday, June 29
Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
4:00PM St. Anthony Abate Mass

Monday, June 30

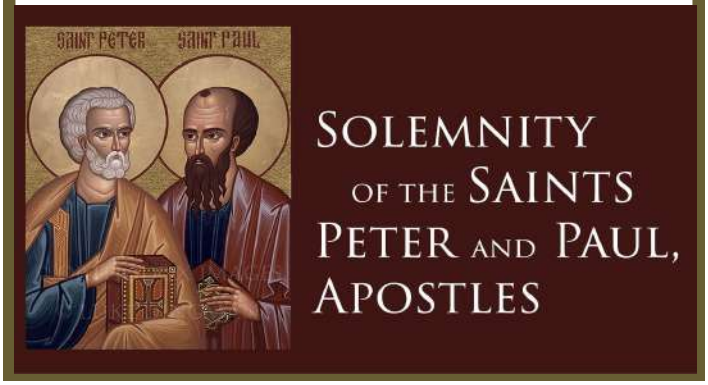
Tuesday, July 1
6:30PM AA Meeting—Rectory Basement

Wednesday, July 2
6:00PM Support Group –The Redeemer Center
7:30PM-Bereavement Group-ZOOM

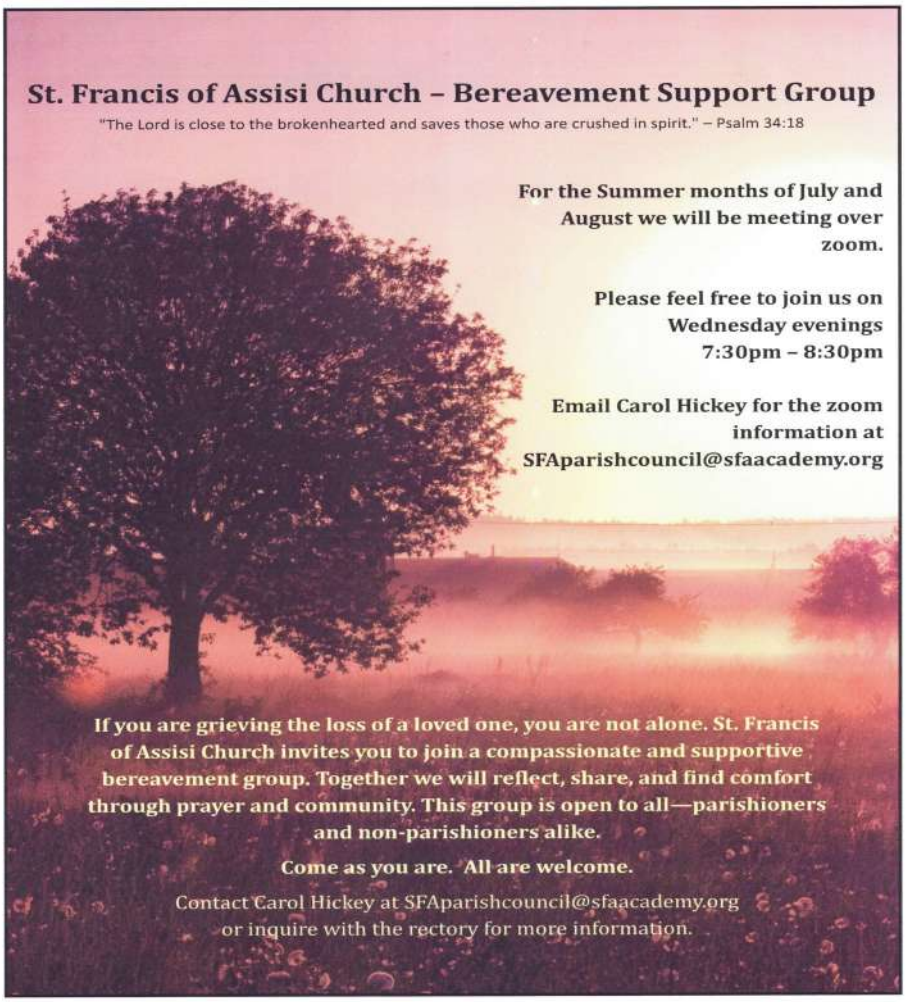
Thursday, July 3
Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle
10:00AM Legion of Mary

Friday, July 4
Independence Day
Rectory Office Closed

Saturday, July 5
9:00AM Anointing Mass



BEGINNING NEXT WEEK FOR THE SUNDAY, JULY 6TH MASSES



The Litany of Trust

From the belief that I have to earn Your love,
Deliver me Jesus.

From the fear that I am unlovable,

From the false security that I have what it takes,

From the fear that trusting You will leave me more destitute,

From all suspicion of Your words and promises,

From the rebellion of childlike dependency on You,

From refusals and reluctances in accepting Your will,

From anxiety about the future,

From resentment or excessive preoccupation from the past,

From restless self-seeking in the present moment,

From disbelief in Your love and presence,

From the fear of being asked to give more than I have,

From the belief that my life has no meaning or worth,

From the fear of what love demands,

From discouragement,

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That You are continually holding me, sustaining me, loving me,
Jesus, I trust in You.

That Your love goes deeper than my sins and failings, and transforms me,

That not knowing what tomorrow brings is an invitation to lean on You,

That You are with me in my suffering,

That my suffering, united to Your own, will bear fruit in this life and the next,

That You will not leave me orphan, that You are present in Your Church,

That Your plan is better than anything else,

That You always hear me, and in Your goodness always respond to me,

That You give me the grace to accept forgiveness and to forgive others,

That You give me all the strength I need for what is asked,

That my life is a gift,

That You will teach me to trust You,

That You are my Lord and my God,

That I am Your beloved one,

Amen.

Summer Church & Rectory Hours

Church Hours will begin on Monday, June 23rd:

Monday through Saturday: Church will open at 8am
Sunday: Church will open at 7:30am

Summer Rectory Hours will begin on Monday, June 23rd:

Monday through Thursday:
9:00AM to 12:00PM; 1:00PM to 5:00PM
NO EVENING HOURS

Friday:
9:00AM to 12:00PM; 1:00PM to 3:00PM
NO EVENING HOURS

Saturday:
9:00AM to 2:00PM

Sundays and Holidays: CLOSED

Get involved in our Fall Festival 2025 now!

Ways to get involved:

1) Come to our next planning meeting on Tuesday, June 24, at 7:00PM in the Rectory Basement!

2) Start thinking of how you might like to volunteer your time for it!

3) Start praying for a successful Fall Festival and for our Volunteers!

Saturday, September 27th, 2025

NYS Catholic Conference

Stop Physician-Assisted Suicide in New York

New York is on the brink of legalizing physician-assisted suicide. Bill A136 has already passed the Senate and Assembly. **The only thing standing in its way is Governor Hochul's veto – and she needs to hear from you.**

This bill would allow doctors to prescribe lethal medication with the sole purpose of ending a patient's life. It puts the most vulnerable among us – the elderly, people with disabilities, and those facing emotional or financial despair – at even greater risk. **Suicide is not healthcare.**

We must speak out to protect the dignity of every human life. Assisted suicide is a dangerous and deadly path – one we must not go down.

Take Action!

Contact the Governor's office now to oppose this deadly practice! Visit **bit.ly/veto-pas** or use the QR code.

The New York State Catholic Conference represents the Bishops of New York State in public policy matters.
www.nyscatholic.org • 518-434-6195 • info@nyscatholic.org

Religious Education Registration

Those who have not yet registered for Religious Education classes are kindly asked to fill out the Registration Form included in the Bulletin, or pick up a registration form from the Rectory and fill it out and return it as soon as possible.

For any questions, please contact Sr. Francesca via email or phone:
dre@sfaacademy.org 718-278-0259 ext. 121

Catechist Needed

We are currently in need of a Catechist for our 7th Grade Class.
If you are interested, please contact Sr. Francesca at
718-278-0259, ext. 121, or dre@sfaacademy.org

St. Francis of Assisi Office of Religious Education
REGISTRATION FORM – 2025-2026

Student Full Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Circle if Completed Baptism Communion

School Attending and Grade in September 2025

_____

Sacrament needed: [circle please] *Baptism Communion Confirmation*

Father's Name:

_____ Living/Deceased Religion: _____
(circle one)

Mother's Name:

_____ Living/Deceased Religion: _____
Include maiden name *(circle one)*

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____
(Cell, Home, Mother, Father) *(Cell, Home, Mother, Father)*

Email 1: _____ Email 2: _____
(Mother, Father) *(Mother, Father)*

Home Address _____
Street Town State Zip

EMERGENCY CONTACT: In case of emergency who should we contact other than Parent/s.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Contact Number: _____

Is there any additional information we should know? (family situations, medical conditions, allergies, special needs or accommodations, etc.) If "NO" please write "NONE".

_____

Language spoken at home: English ____ Spanish ____ Italian ____ Other _____

Are you registered in the Parish? _____ If yes, envelope number: _____

I am interested in volunteering as a catechist, hall monitor, office assistant, or class parent. Please contact me. ☐

Tuition for the 2025-2026 Year

Tuition for Grades 1-8: **1 child** $100 **2 children or more** $175

Additional Fees: Grade 2 First **Communion** Fee **$150.00** Grade 8 **Confirmation** Fee **$150.00**

Family Name: _____

Grades: _____

Information Date added: _____

Registration remains open all year. *If you have any financial questions or scheduling conflicts, please do not hesitate to call our office so we can discuss your situation and work together to find a solution.*

Office Use ONLY

Date: _____ Amount: _____ Form of Payment: _____

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Office notes _____

95th Anniversary Mass Program

We are offering you an opportunity to have your name, **In Thanksgiving**, or the name of a loved one, **In Memoriam**, printed in our **95th Anniversary Mass Program.**

The cost is $25 **per name**. Please PRINT the names clearly on the lines below and return to the rectory by September 2, 2025.

Please circle

_____ In Memoriam *In Thanksgiving*

_____ In Memoriam *In Thanksgiving*

_____ In Memoriam *In Thanksgiving*

_____ In Memoriam *In Thanksgiving*

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

Email _____

Return form in any collection basket or at the rectory.

Dear Parishioners,

As you know on Sunday, October 19, 2025, we will be celebrating the 95th Anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Our planning committee is hard at work to make this day an enjoyable experience for all.

Our day begins as we gather for the 9:30 Family Mass. During this special Liturgy we will have an unveiling of a statue of Mother Theresa. The statue of Mother Theresa will be hung on the wall opposite the Holy Family by the Baptismal Font. It will be mounted in the same manner as the Holy Family. It is a full body statue and is 36" in length. The total cost of the statue, along with the mounting, shipping and Memorial Plaque is $ 15,000. Opportunities to memorialize the statue will be available. A plaque of donor's names will be placed next to the statue. Donations to memorialize the statue begin at $500.

If you would like to donate kindly stop by the rectory and speak to **Tara.**