Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 14	*Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00AM	**Holy Name Mass**
9:30AM	**For the People of St. Francis Of Assisi**
11:00AM	**John Mondello (L)** **Assunta Di Benedetto** **Vincent Decrecenzo** **Elvira Ennesser**
Monday, June 15	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**Damiano & Giuseppia Di Gioia**
Tuesday, June 16	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**Marianna Di Vittorio**
Wednesday, June 17	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**Zora Wierman (L)**
Thursday, June 18	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**John Purich**
Friday, June 19	*St. Romuald, Abbot*
9:00AM	**The Hernandez Family**
Saturday, June 20	*The Blessed Virgin Mary*
9:00AM	**Purgatorial Society** **Victor A. Di Donato** **Frank T. Di Donato** **Mary Ethel McCann**
5:00PM	**Rose C. Di Virgilio**
Sunday, June 21	*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00AM	**For the People of St. Francis Of Assisi**
9:30AM	**Pawla Vella**
11:00AM	**Father's Day Novena** **Andrew & Concetta Gandolfo** **Giuseppe Carlino** **John Mondello (L)** **Assunta Di Benedetto**

Today's Readings

The Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Exodus 19:2-6a
Romans 5:6-11
Matthew 9:36—10:8

When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. Then Jesus summoned His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James, son of Alpheus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed Him. (Matthew 9:36—10:4)

Readings For The Week

Monday	***1 Kings 21:1-16*** ***Matthew 5:38-42***
Tuesday	***1 Kings 21:17-29*** ***Matthew 5:43-48***
Wednesday	***2 Kings 2:1,6-14*** ***Matthew 6:1-6,16-18***
Thursday	***Sirach 48:1-14*** ***Matthew 6:7-15***
Friday	***2 Kings 11:1-4,9-18,20*** ***Matthew 6:19-23***
Saturday	***2 Chronicles 24:17-25*** ***Matthew 6:24-34***

The Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 20:10-13
Romans 5:12-15
Matthew 10:26-33

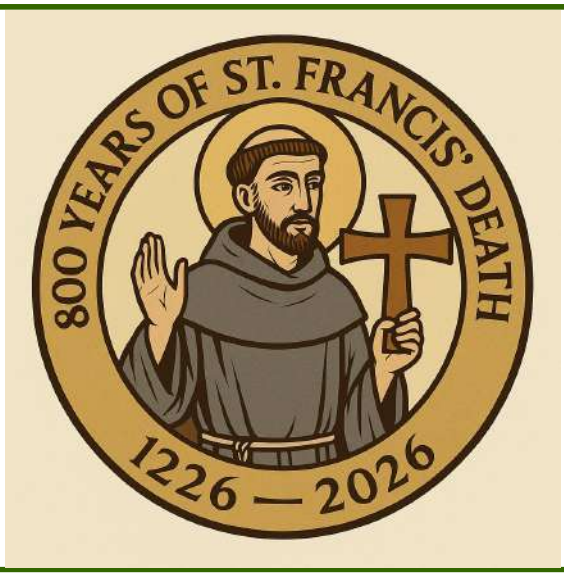
Remember in your prayers all those in our parish who are sick, that they may find health and comfort.

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.

Awyn Profit
Jack Orlando
Steven Joyce
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
Bob Bala
Anthony Fiorino
Joseph Klos
Jan Hengl
John Mondello
Joseph & Eunju Carbone



FOCUS:

Let us respond to God's love with generous hearts.

The theme of God's unending love for us, His people, runs through our readings today. St. Paul points out that Christ died for us *while we were still sinners*, and Jesus' *heart* was *moved with pity* when He saw the troubled crowd. Let us strive to imitate this great love by obeying Jesus' instruction in the Gospel: *Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.*

Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

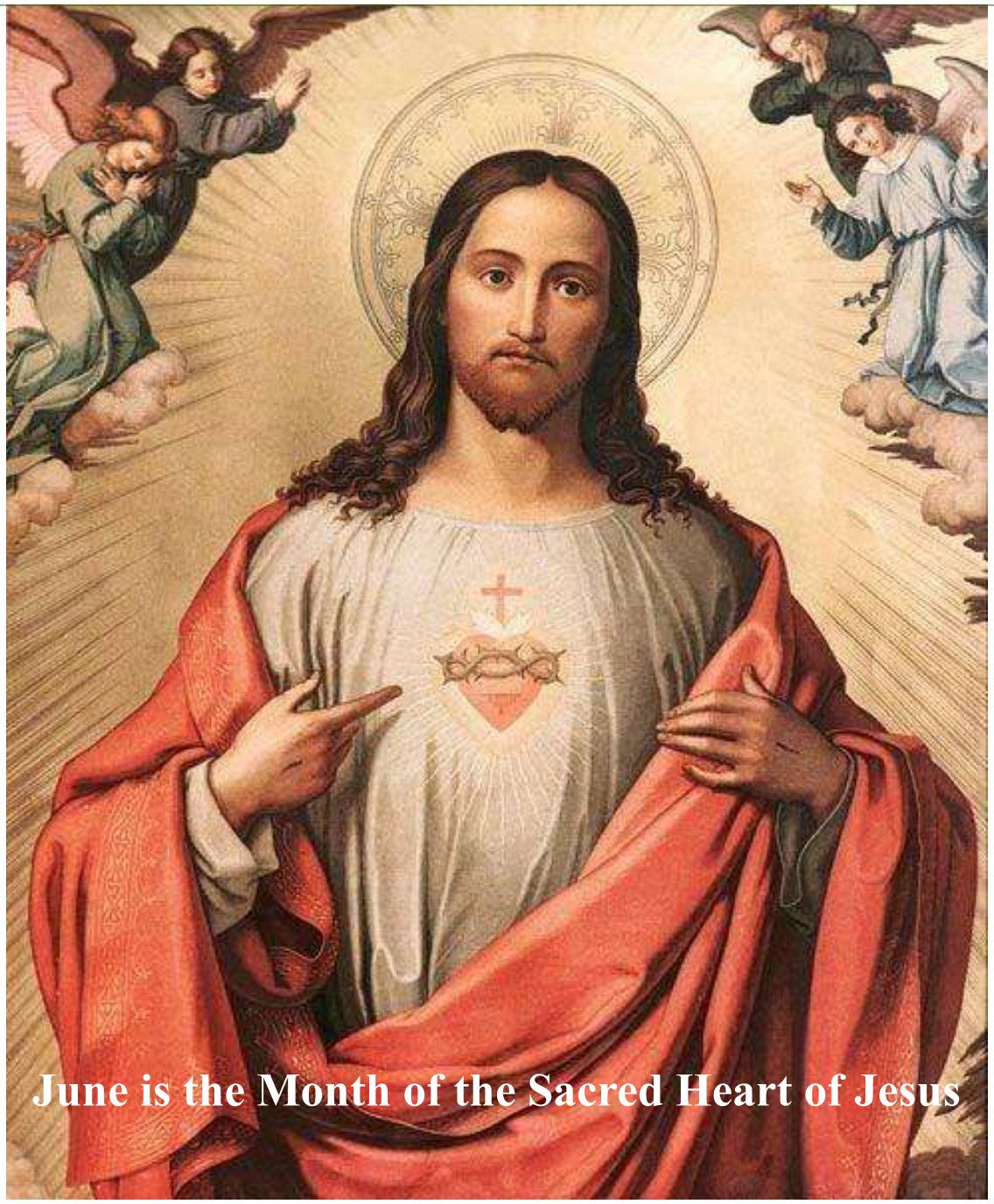
Prayer for the Special Year of St. Francis Provided by Pope Leo XIV

Saint Francis, our brother, you who eight hundred years ago went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace, intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognized true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano, teach us to seek in Him the source of all reconciliation that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding, give us the courage to build bridges where the world raises up boundaries.

In this time afflicted by conflict and division, intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers: unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ.
Amen.



O most Sacred Heart of Jesus: You know the longings of our hearts, and You desire that we enjoy friendship with You. From Your pierced side, You have poured out the wellspring of life, for which we thirst. You heart burns with a love for all people to return to a right relationship with You. We celebrate the abundant gifts You have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We make reparation for the offenses against You and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation. May our hearts be united to Yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness; may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired, and the wounds of our land be healed. May Your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all people to Your infinite love. O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask You to bless these United States of America. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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

Summer Church & Rectory Hours

Summer Church Hours will begin on Monday, June 8th:
Monday through Saturday: Church will open at 8:00AM
Sunday: Church will open at 7:30AM

Summer Rectory Office Hours will begin on Monday, June 22nd:
Monday through Thursday:
9:00AM to 12:00NOON; 1:00PM to 5:00PM
NO EVENING HOURS

Friday:
9:00AM to 3:00PM
NO EVENING HOURS

Saturday:
9:00AM to 2:00PM

Sundays and Holidays: CLOSED

Congratulations SFACA Class of 2026!

Back Row: *Arianna S., Sophie P., Matthew P., Stelios C., Giancarlo C., Declan H.* ***Middle Row:*** *Lucas P., Kate L., Vanessa B., Styliana V., Sophia C., Nikoletta V., Nicuale C.* ***Front Row:*** *Mrs. Theresa Kubina, Benjamin M., John M., Mia V., Raquel C., Sophia M., Giovanni T., Rylan N.* ***Front:*** *Mia N., Milania C. (Not pictured: Samantha A., Kylee M.)*

The parish community of **St. Francis of Assisi** proudly congratulates the graduating Class of 2026 of **St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy**. We celebrate your accomplishments and the many ways you have grown in faith, knowledge, service, and friendship during your years at SFACA.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the faculty and staff who have guided and supported these students throughout their journey. A special thank you goes to **Mrs. Theresa Kubina**, whose dedication, encouragement, and care have helped make this year a memorable and successful one for our graduates.

As you begin the next chapter of your educational journey, know that you carry with you the prayers and support of your school and parish family. We are proud of each and every one of you and wish you God's blessings and continued success in high school and beyond.

Congratulations, Class of 2026!

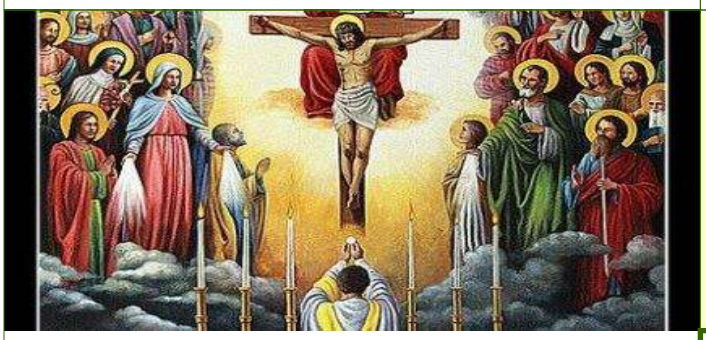
Monthly Baptisms:

Beginning next month, Monthly Baptisms which takes place on the last Sunday of each month will move to 12:30PM.

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



The June Lector & Minister Schedule
can be found by scanning this QR code, and then selecting the month you wish to view.

2026 Mass Book

The 2026 Mass Book is now open.

Masses:
Masses are $20.00.

The Purgatorial Society has an enrollment for one year:
Purgatorial Mass Cards are $30.00.

Memorials:
Altar Bread,
Wine,
Sanctuary Lamp,
or Altar Candles
are $75.00.

Altar Flowers are $100.

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Jesus shares His mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with His disciples. Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Matthew also uses the word apostle which means "one who is sent." Is the Lord inviting you to know Him better and spread His Father's Word?
Contact the Vocation Office at:

(718)-827-2454
vocations@diobrook.org

Diocese of Brooklyn Vocation Office

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.

June 6/7: **$4,548**

School Parents must use Church Envelopes.

Mass Attendance For June 6/7, 2026

5:00PM	**88**
8:00AM	**56**
9:30AM	**306**
11:00AM	**106**
	Total: 556

Juneteenth
Friday June 19, 2026

The School & Rectory Offices will be closed on Friday June 19, 2026 in observance of Juneteenth.

The Rectory Office will reopen on Saturday June 20, 2026 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM.

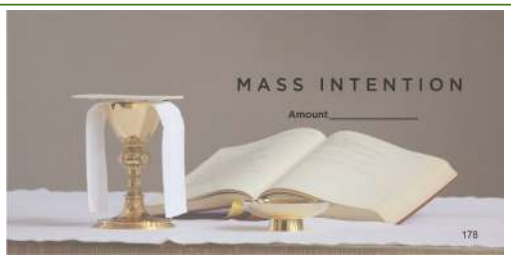
Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal for 2026 has begun in our Diocese. I first want to thank all those who supported the appeal last year. I appreciate your generosity.
This year our goal has been reduced to **$33,760.** The theme is: ***"One Church, Diverse Ministries. United Mission."*** So far we have **$29,772** pledged towards our goal.

I ask you to prayerful reflect on what you are able to contribute to support the appeal.
The monies contributed goes to Vocations, Care for retired priest, Faith Formation, Catholic Charities, Chaplaincies, Catholic Migration Services, and Catholic School Tuition Assistance.
Please make every effort to support this appeal and help us reach our goal.

I share 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



Father's Day Novena Masses

Father's Day Novena Masses begin on Sunday June 21, 2026. You may return your envelopes in any collection. These envelopes will remain on the Altar at all Masses during the week.

These Masses are celebrated to remember our Living and Deceased Fathers, Grandfathers, Step-Fathers, Uncles, Godfathers, and all those Men who have been a fatherly figure in our lives.

Additional envelopes may be found at the back of the Church.

Calendar of Events

This Week

June 14 - June 20

Sunday, June 14
8:00AM Holy Name Mass

Monday, June 15
12:00NOON Golden Age Last Meeting - MCH

Tuesday, June 16
6:30PM AA Meeting - Rectory Basement

Wednesday, June 17
3K Completion Ceremony - MCH
6:00PM ACA Support Group - St. Joseph Room
7:45PM Bereavement Group - St. Joseph Room

Thursday, June 18
PreK Completion Ceremony - MCH
10:00AM Legion of Mary - SFR
6:00PM IACA - SFR

Friday, June 19
Juneteenth
School & Rectory Office Closed

Saturday, June 20

St. Romuald, Founder of the Camaldoli Order, Friday June 19th.

Next Week

June 21 - June 27

Sunday, June 21
Father's Day

Monday, June 22
1/2 Day of School
Summer Rectory Office Hours Begin
10:00AM Kindergarten Graduation - MCH

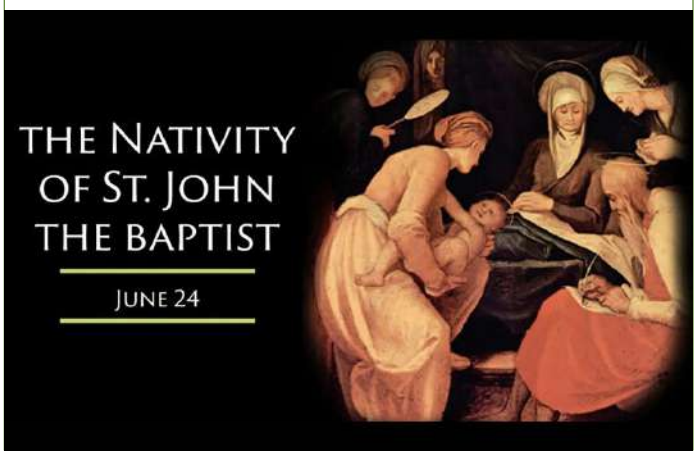
Tuesday, June 23
1/2 Day of School
6:30PM AA Meeting - Rectory Basement

Wednesday, June 24
Last Day of School
9:00AM Closing School Mass
6:00PM ACA Support Group - St. Joseph Room
7:45PM Bereavement Group - St. Joseph Room

Thursday, June 25
10:00AM Legion of Mary - SFR

Friday, June 26

Saturday, June 27



The Nativity of St. John the Baptist, Wednesday June 24th.

SFA WILDCATS CYO

Final Week of SFA Wildcats Soccer Scores
Good luck to our teams going to the Playoffs!

Friday 6/5

Bantam Boys beat St. A.'s 5-1

Saturday 6/6

PeeWee Girls lost to the Blue Knights 3-2

PeeWee Boys lost to St. Andrew's 5-3: Goals were scored by Leo Coats (1), Stefano LoGiudice (1), and Niko Gevrekis scored his first goal of the season! Thomas Randazzo and John Spero both played keeper and had many great saves, with great defense by Eddie Kubina, Matthew Mejia, and Amadeo Buja.

Bantam Boys Beat Blue Lightning 3-2.

Sunday 6/7

PeeWee Boys lost to RA 5-4: PeeWee Boys came back strong during this rematch against RA. It was a close game with a lot of intensity all around. Goals were scored by Daniel Mura (1), Leo Coats (1), and Francesco LoGiudice (2). Thomas Randazzo and Matthew Mejia both took turns at goalie.

Our CYO Teams celebrated together in a special Mass last Sunday, June 7th!

CELEBRATING

75TH Anniversary

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1951 — 2026

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11:00 AM

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SUNDAY JUNE 28 - 1pm

Join the 11am Celebratory Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church

Scan for Tickets

Religious Education Registration

Those who have not yet registered for Religious Education classes can do so Sunday at the School. Classes have begun but registration is open.

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

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Are you someone, or do you know someone who:

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...was baptized as a Catholic as a child but never received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion, or Confirmation?

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