Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Sept. 6	*23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00AM	**James & Flora O'Rear (L)**
9:30AM	**The People of St. Francis Of Assisi**
11:00AM	**John Mondello (L)**
	Assunta Di Benedetto
	Ahmar Sein
	Michael Finnerty
	Ernest Dimonte
	Frank T. Di Donato
	Victor A. Di Donato
	Joseph J. McCann
Monday, Sept. 7	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**Madeline Palazzolo**
Tuesday, Sept. 8	*The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
9:00AM	**Michele M. Chiaramonte**
Wednesday, Sept. 9	*St. Peter Claver, Priest*
9:00AM	**Rachel Vella**
Thursday, Sept. 10	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**Assunta Di Benedetto**
Friday, Sept. 11	*Weekday*
9:00AM	**Elizabeth Cseri**
Saturday, Sept. 12	*The Most Holy Name of Mary*
9:00AM	**Purgatorial Society**
	Rocco DeGrandis
	Angelo Rosa Sferrazza
5:00PM	**Domenic Borgia**
Sunday, Sept. 13	*24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00AM	**Holy Name Mass**
9:30AM	**Carmela Vella**
11:00AM	**For the People of St. Francis Of Assisi**
	Maria Caputo
	John Mondello (L)
	Assunta Di Benedetto
	Rachel Vella
	Carmela Imperatrice
	Francis Meaney
	Elizabeth Cseri
	Giovanna Licari

Today's Readings

The Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

Readings For The Week

Monday	***1 Corinthians 5:1-8***
	Luke 6:6-11
Tuesday	***Micah 5:1-4a***
	Matthew 1:1-16,18-23
Wednesday	***1 Corinthians 7:25-31***
	Luke 6:20-26
Thursday	***1 Corinthians 8:1b-7,11-13***
	Luke 6:27-38
Friday	***1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22b-27***
	Luke 6:39-42
Saturday	***1 Corinthians 10:14-22***
	Luke 6:43-49

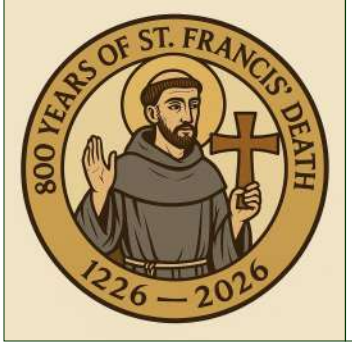
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Sirach 27:30—28:7
Romans 14:7-9
Matthew 18:21-35

FOCUS:

The one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

Jesus' words at the end of today's Gospel are some of the most reassuring in Scripture. He is present whenever God's people gather, as we do at every liturgy. When we gather in love and unity, we are fulfilling Paul's instruction in the second reading when he says: *Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another*.



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.

Parish Prayer Intentions

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

Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 6, 2026

"Where two or three are gathered in My name…" The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood?

Contact the Vocation Office at:

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

Diocese of Brooklyn Vocation Office

Eucharistic Adoration Resumes

Tuesday, September 8th, 2026

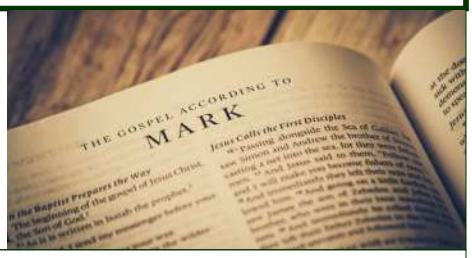
Monday-Saturday 8:00AM to 8:50AM

Eucharistic Adoration will resume Tuesday, September 8, 2026, Monday through Saturday, from 8:00AM to 8:50AM. As Pope St. John Paul II has said: "Christian life is expressed in the fulfilling of the greatest Commandment, that is to say, in the love of God and neighbor, and this love finds its source in the Blessed Sacrament ….Eucharistic worship is therefore precisely the expression of that love which is the authentic and deepest characteristic of the Christian vocation. This worship springs from the love and serves the love to which we are all called in Jesus Christ."

We encourage everyone to make an effort to spend time with our Lord. It is time well spent in prayer for your own intentions and also for our Parish Family.

St. Francis of Assisi

Scripture Study Group



The Gospel According To Mark

Dear SFA Friends and Family,
We are delighted to offer a new year of Scripture Study at SFA. All are invited - All are welcome!
"Mark shows Jesus to be not only a teacher of Wisdom but Wisdom itself. Jesus calls followers to an unconventional wisdom, a way of living, and a way of dying that he Himself exemplifies." (pg 10) "Mark does not show Jesus elevating the cross for its own sake but rather embracing it as a means to Transfiguation." (pg 14) (Collegeville Bible Commentary, Marie Noonan Sabin, Liturgical Press)

Join us on Thursday, September 10th from 7:20PM - 8:50PM in the St. Joseph Room of the Rectory. This week's study will be an Introduction to the Gospel of Mark.

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 the Rectory at (718) 728-7801.
Grow in Knowledge and Love of Scripture.

Banns Of Marriage

2nd Announcement

Thomas Scavetta
St. Francis of Assisi
Astoria, NY

Deanna Kerins
St. Francis of Assisi
Astoria, NY

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.

August 29/30:	**$3,011**
Second Collection for Earthquake Victims in Colombia:	**$1,124**

School Parents must use Church Envelopes.

Mass Attendance For August 29/30, 2026

5:00PM	**83**
8:00AM	**58**
9:30AM	**82**
11:00AM	**111**
	Total: 334

Second Collection
Next Sunday September 12/13, 2026
for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Education

The Second Collection next weekend, September 12th and 13th, is to support Catholic Education. Please be as generous as your means allow.

**Please Note: The Catholic University Envelope also dated for next Sunday September 13th will be collected the following Sunday, September 20th in the Second Collection.*

August's Monthly 50/50 Winners are:

1st Place: The Bromley Family
2nd Place: Dennis Avitabile
3rd Place: Mrs. John Kean

Congratulations to the Winners!

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 **$32,642** 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

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.

Calendar of Events

This Week

September 7 - September 13

Sunday, September 6

Monday, September 7
Labor Day - School & Rectory Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8
6:30PM AA Meeting - Rectory Basement

Wednesday, September 9
Classes Begin K-8: 1/2 Day
3K & PK Orientation Sessions
6:15PM ACA Support Group - SFR
7:00PM Baptism Class - Rectory
7:45PM Bereavement Group - SFR

Thursday, September 10
First Full Day K-8
10:00AM Legion of Mary - SFR
6:30PM IACA - SFR
7:20PM Scripture Study - StJoR

Friday, September 11

Saturday, September 12

Next Week

September 13 - September 19

Sunday, September 13
8:00AM Holy Name Mass

Monday, September 14
First Full Day 3K & PK
12:00NOON Golden Age - MCH
7:00PM Adult Choir - Church

Tuesday, September 15
6:30PM AA Meeting - Rectory Basement
7:00PM Fall Festival Meeting - Rectory Basement

Wednesday, September 16
6:15PM ACA Support Group - SFR
6:40PM General Meeting All Grades - MCH
7:45PM Bereavement Group - SFR

Thursday, September 17
10:00AM Legion of Mary - SFR
6:30PM IACA - SFR
7:20PM Scripture Study - StJoR

Friday, September 18
9:00AM Opening School Mass &
Student Council Installation
6:00PM Youth Group Meeting - MCH

Saturday, September 19

Parish Leaders: 2026/2027 Calendar Available for Pick-Up

All Society and Church Parish leaders may come and pick up a copy of the finalized Calendar for the new year at the Rectory Office.

We ask that if any changes, switches, or cancellations need to happen, ***they are communicated with Msgr. Maresca for approval before making the change.***
Only after approval please communicate the change with our Parish Secretary, Tara Webb, so we can adjust the Online Calendar

As a reminder, the printed Calendar is only a guide. For the most up-to-date information please visit our website where our Online Calendar may be found.
www.stfrancisofassisiastoria.org

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

REMINDERS

PLEASE keep the Church doors closed with the air conditioning on. Let's keep the cool air inside.

Also, when parking in the lot, please park in one spot only.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Labor Day
Monday,
September 7, 2026

In observance of Labor Day, the School & Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th.
The Rectory Office will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th from 9:00AM-12:00Noon; 1:00PM-9:00PM.

Save The Date!
Fall Festival:
Saturday, October 3, 2026

Next Fall Festival Meeting:
Tuesday September 15, 2026
7:00PM in the Rectory Basement
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Evening Rectory Office Hours Resume Beginning Tuesday, September 8th, 2026

Beginning Tuesday September 8th, the Rectory Office Hours will be:
Monday and Friday: 9:00AM—12NOON; 1:00PM—5:00PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 9:00AM—12NOON; 1:00PM—9:00PM
Saturday: 9:00AM—2:00PM
Closed Sundays and Holidays

	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5/6	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12/13	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19/20	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 26/27
Lectors				
Saturday 5:00PM	Debbi Skinner	Edward Kubina	Josephine Corso	Debbi Skinner
Sunday 8:00AM	Rob Laucella	Andrew Soltesz	Rob Laucella	Andrew Soltesz
Sunday 9:30AM	Maria Brooks	Sharon Costanza	Maria Brooks	Sharon Costanza
Sunday 11:00AM	Jane Di Donato	Carol Hickey	Jane Di Donato	Carol Hickey
Ministers				
Saturday 5:00PM	*****	*****	*****	*****
Sunday 8:00AM	*****	*****	*****	*****
Sunday 9:30AM	*****	*****	*****	*****
Sunday 11:00AM	*****	*****	*****	*****

SEPTEMBER 2026 LECTOR & MINISTER SCHEDULE

*PLEASE NOTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULE.

Growing in FAITH™

Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith. September 2026

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Msgr. Ralph J. Maresca V.F., Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Hildegard of Bingen

Born in 11th-century Germany to a noble family, St. Hildegard of Bingen experienced mystical visions from childhood, which she eventually embraced as a call to serve God and the Church. A Benedictine nun and later abbess, she became an influential spiritual leader, composer, writer, and scholar of the natural world. Popes, clergy, and political leaders sought her counsel. Recognized for the enduring depth of her theological writings, she is one of four women named Doctors of the Church.

Stay anchored in the storm

A change of seasons often brings new routines, shifting schedules, and unexpected demands. When plans change before lunch, an urgent project lands on your desk, or your to-do list grows faster than you can manage, pause. Remember that our lives, our future, our peace, and our hope rest securely in the hands of the One who calmed the storm.

"God is the friend of silence...The more we receive in silent prayer, the more we can give in our active life. We need silence to be able to touch souls. The essential thing is not what we say, but what God says to us and through us." – Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Living the Faith, sharing the Light

Jesus tells us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-15). These images show two aspects of living our faith: preserving the distinctiveness of our faith and making that faith visible in our actions. Both communicate God's love.

Keep the flavor: In the ancient world, salt preserved what was valuable and gave food its flavor. Jesus warns that salt can lose its distinctiveness. Our faith can, too, when distraction, compromise, or indifference weakens our relationship with Him. Prayer is not another obligation to complete. It is time invested in the relationship that gives everything else its meaning.

Light the lamp: Faith is meant to illuminate, offering direction, warmth, and hope. But like a lamp, faith needs fuel. Through the Mass and the sacraments, we are continually renewed in Christ and strengthened by His grace. Nourished by Him, we are called to carry His light beyond the church and into our homes, workplaces, parishes, and communities through lives of compassion, courage, and service.

Share your gifts: God gives each of us different strengths. It can be tempting to keep these gifts to ourselves, yet true humility isn't hiding our gifts but using them to glorify God and serve the Church.

Serve in mercy: The Works of Mercy make our faith concrete. When we are attentively present to those lonely ("hungry") for love, support our parish's charitable outreach, or choose goodness over retaliation, we reflect God's love in personal, immediate, and practical ways.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

Remember your first love: God calls us to live in His love, and to share it with others. Living in God's love is the secret to preserving the faith and living it well. Our starting and ending point is always God's love for us.

Why Do Catholics Do That? What is the Confiteor?

The Confiteor is a prayer of repentance we offer at the beginning of Mass to acknowledge our sins and ask for God's mercy. The word Confiteor means "I confess," reflecting the prayer's opening words: "I confess to almighty God." As we say "through my fault," we strike our breasts as a physical expression of sorrow and responsibility for our sins. This gesture reminds us that we worship God with both body and soul and helps prepare our hearts to participate more fully in the Eucharist.

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Look closely; God is at work

We often expect God to work through dramatic signs or unmistakable miracles. Yet His providence frequently unfolds quietly and gradually. Pope Leo points to Jesus' parables of the Kingdom (Matthew 13:24–43) as an answer to an enduring question: Where is God, and how is He at work?

God's providence is constant, even when hidden: When events do not unfold as we hoped, we can assume God is absent or inactive. Jesus' parables invite us to trust that He is always at work, especially when His purposes are not immediately visible.

God works through what is small and ordinary: "God favors smallness, a sign of his discreet love, by which he leaves us free to accept or reject him." For Pope Leo, wheat growing among weeds, yeast leavening dough, and a tiny mustard seed reveal a Kingdom that often advances quietly, patiently, and steadily.

We are called to imitate God: "God's way with us must also become the way in which we live." Building the Kingdom rarely requires extraordinary gestures. It begins with patience in difficulty, resisting rash judgment, fulfilling our responsibilities faithfully, and choosing love when it costs us. These ordinary acts become seeds through which God's Kingdom takes root and grows.

from Scripture — Matthew 21:28-32, The "yes" that matters

In this Gospel passage, Jesus tells of a father who asks his two sons to work in his vineyard. The first refuses but later repents and goes; the second readily agrees but fails to act. Jesus' point is clear: doing the Father's will matters more than merely professing obedience.

The parable challenges the religious complacency of the Pharisees, whose outward observance did not always reflect a heart open to God. By contrast, tax collectors and public sinners, though once far from God, responded to His mercy with repentance and conversion. Their former "no" became a genuine "yes," demonstrated not simply in words but in a changed way of life.

This distinction remains essential for Christian discipleship. Faith cannot be reduced to appearances, good intentions, or religious language. A sincere "yes" to God takes concrete form through obedience, charity, repentance, and fidelity to our responsibilities. The parable is therefore both a warning against empty profession and a message of profound hope: our past does not determine our future. Whenever we turn back to God, He receives us with the joy of the shepherd who recovers the lost sheep (Luke 15:4–7).

Feasts & Celebrations

September 4 – St. Rose of Viterbo (1251). Born to poor parents in Viterbo, Italy, Rose used her gift of preaching to catechize her village. Though very young, she also spoke out in support of the pope against the anti-papal Ghibellines. The Poor Clares refused to accept her but allowed her burial there. She died at age eighteen.

September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows. In Luke 2:35, Simeon predicted Mary's sufferings would be a sword piercing her soul. In her sorrow, Mary stood at the foot of the Cross, dignified and fearless while others ran away. Today, we can look to her to accompany us in our sufferings with the same steadfast love.

September 21 – St. Matthew the Evangelist (1st Century). Also known as Levi, he was a notorious tax collector (Mark 2:14). Working for the Romans would have made him unpopular but very rich. Yet St. Matthew left everything when Jesus called him. He wrote the Gospel according to Matthew, addressed to Jewish converts to Christianity.

September 26 – Saints Cosmas and Damian (c.303). These saints were Arab brothers who studied medicine in Syria and lived their Christian faith by treating people without charge. They were martyred for their faith. Even in heaven, they continued to care for the sick and poor, as healing miracles were attributed to their prayerful intercession.

Q & A — How can I go to Confession after a long time away?

The Church encourages regular Confession (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1458), but travel and changing routines can make good spiritual habits easy to neglect. If it has been a while, come home to Reconciliation. Like the father in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, God waits to welcome, forgive, and restore us.

Prepare your heart: An examination of conscience is more than listing failures. Consider where you have fallen short in loving God and your neighbor. Recognizing what sin has damaged helps begin the work of repair.

The priest will help: Feeling nervous is normal. The priest can guide you through the Sacrament, offer counsel, and help you receive God's mercy with confidence.

Penance begins healing: Penance helps repair the harm caused by our sin and directs us toward conversion and renewed faithfulness.

Grace offers a new beginning: Confession does more than forgive the past. Through absolution, we are reconciled with God and strengthened by grace to resist sin, grow in virtue, and begin again with greater freedom and hope.

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St. Francis of Assisi Scripture Study

"It is the Spirit that gives life, the flesh is of no avail.
The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life."
Jesus of Nazareth (Gospel of John 6:63)

This year 2026, is a "Special Franciscan Jubilee Year," as proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV. By which a visitor/pilgrim to a church named for St. Francis of Assisi, as is ours, will receive a Plenary Indulgence, after fulfilling the requirements of Confession, Communion and of Eucharistic adoration.

In the year 1200, a young man, Francis from Assisi Italy, answered the call of God to rebuild His church by choosing the life of Christ, and the Gospels as his guide. People began to follow him embracing his values of poverty, joy, simplicity, gratitude and love of all God's creatures and nature. His example continues to be worthy to be followed for all times by all generations.

In this Franciscan spirit, our Parish invites you to participate in the study of one of the four Gospels in the Bible. It is presented only once a year and follows the Little Rock Scripture study system. This study will include nine simple lessons that will provide a clear understanding of the Gospel for everyone, from beginner to the most advanced. It follows a personal reading at home. Then the ongoing group gathers each week for Prayer followed by sharing a period of question and answers, and a video summary presentation that expands the understanding of the lesson of the day. It is a casual environment that is welcoming to all.

The Gospel according to St. Mark

Starting: Thursday, September 10, 2026
When: Every Thursday night: 7:20 to 8:50 PM
Where: SFA Parish (lower level) - St. Joseph Room

For any question: Please call the SFA Rectory at (718) 728 7801

IACA
Italian American Catholic Action Meeting on Thursdays at 6:30PM in the Rectory Basement

Beginning Thursday, September 10th!

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary meets every Thursday at 10:00AM in the Rectory Basement. All are welcome!

The Legion of Mary is a prayer group consecrated to the Blessed Virgin, who is our Mother in the order of grace.

Members entrust themselves to Mary to sanctify souls and to better a troubled world, for she is a sure path to Christ.

In the words of Pope St. Pius X, we pray that Mary may, "Restore all things in Christ."

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS/ DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILIES

Reclaiming Ourselves: Feel, Talk & Trust in Astoria

Wednesdays 6:15PM - 7:30PM

Join us anytime.

All are welcome.

St. Francis of Assisi Church – Bereavement Support Group

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." – Psalm 34:18

Wednesday Evenings

7:45pm – 8:45pm

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

Please enter through
The basement back door.
(Accessible by the side gate. Follow the signs)

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, you are not alone. St. Francis of Assisi Church invites you to join a compassionate and supportive bereavement group. Together we will reflect, share, and find comfort through prayer and community. This group is open to all—parishioners and non-parishioners alike.

Come as you are. All are welcome.

Contact Carol Hickey at SFAparishcouncil@sfaacademy.org or inquire with the rectory for more information.

Adult Choir
Beginning Monday, September 14th!

Do you love to sing? Come and join us on Mondays at 7:00PM in the Church.

The Golden Age Club

Please note that the Golden Age Group meetings will resume Monday, September 14th, at 12:00NOON - 3:30PM. The meetings take place in Monsignor Campbell Hall which is in the Church Basement. The Entrance is on the 45th Street side of the Church.
If you are 55 years or older, why not join us? We play Bingo together and Refreshments are served at each meeting. Bring a friend & God bless!

A Candlelight "Memorial Of Music"

Saturday, September 12th, 2026

7:00 p.m.

McManus Memorial Park

81st St. & Ditmars Blvd.

A Candlelight "Memorial Of Music"

To Remember, Glorify and Celebrate
With Song and Prayer
The Thousands of Innocent Souls
Lost on September 11, 2001

- **Antioch Baptist Church Choir**
- **All Denomination Religious**

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Complimentary candles/wreaths courtesy of Gus Antonopoulos

UCCA Information: 917-742-6975

First Youth Group Meeting of the School Year!

When: Friday, September 18, 2026
Time: 6:00PM-7:30PM
Where: Monsignor Campbell Hall

Come join us for some fun, and make new friends! The Youth Group meets to do service projects, play games, and have snacks.
The Meeting is fully supervised by Mrs. Theresa Kubina..

Welcome, Sr. Domitilla!

Welcome to Sister Domitilla. She is a member of the Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer. Sister has been here during the summer to become familiar with our Religious Education program. We wish her well and look forward to working with her.

A New Year of Religious Education

Religious Education Registration

Those who have not yet registered for Religious Education classes can do so by using the Registration Form on the next page, or printing off the Registration Form online and bringing it to the Rectory Office. Registration is open for the 26/27 School Year.

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

OCIA
Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you someone, or do you know someone who:

...has expressed interest in becoming Catholic?

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

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) focuses on learning about the Church and teachings of the Faith to prepare individuals to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation during the Easter Season.

For more information, please contact Sr. Domitilla at:
718-278-0259, ext. 121, or dre@sfaacademy.org

St. Francis of Assisi Office of Religious Education

REGISTRATION FORM – 2026-2027

	Student Full Name	Date of Birth	Circle if Completed
1.	_____	[_____]	_____ Baptism Communion

2. School Attending and Grade in September 2026:

_____

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

Father's Name:

_____ Living/Deceased ***(Circle one)*** Religion: _____

Mother's Name:

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

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

Email 1: _____ Email 2: _____
(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 other accommodations) 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 2026-2027 Year

Registration Fee 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 _____