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so ask the master of the harvest
to send out laborers for his harvest.

Luke 10:2

Church of
Saint Francis of Assisi

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July 7, 2019

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church of Saint Francis of Assisi
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The Church of St. Francis of Assisi in Midtown Manhattan is a parish in the Archdiocese of New York and an urban ministry center staffed by the Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province and their partners in ministry.

Inspired by our faith in Jesus Christ, and rooted in the charism of St. Francis of Assisi, we actively WELCOME all people.



We WORSHIP God through prayerful and inspiring liturgies, the celebration of the sacraments, and the devotional life of the Church. We WITNESS to our faith by ministering to everyone, especially those who are poor, alienated or oppressed.

Our Weekly Schedule

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Evening Vigil Masses

4:00, 5:15 PM (Organ & Cantor)

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM (Organ & Cantor), 9:15 AM (Korean),
9:30 AM (Organ & Cantor; Lower Church),
11:00 AM (Organ & Choir); 12:30 PM (Organ & Cantor),
5:00 & 6:15 PM (Contemporary Ensemble)

Weekday Masses

7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 11:30 AM; 12:30, 4:30, 5:30 PM

Saturday Morning Masses

8:00, 11:00 AM

First Friday Filipino Community Mass

6:15 PM (Lower Church)

Holidays

Consult the weekly bulletin and the posted notices for federal and other holidays.

On the cover:

The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way ... Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"

Luke 10:1-2, 10-11

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

Monday - Friday 7:30 - 8:30 AM; 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM; 4:00 - 5:30 PM

Saturday 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM; 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 - 9:30 AM; 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Devotions

Monday

Devotions in Honor of St. Monica after 8:30 AM, 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses

Tuesday

Devotions in Honor of St. Anthony after all Masses starting at 7:45 AM

Wednesday

Devotions in Honor of St. Jude after 8:30 AM, 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses

Thursday

Devotions in Honor of Our Lady of Lourdes for the Sick after 8:30 AM, 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses

Friday

Devotions in Honor of the Sacred Heart after 12:30 & 5:30 PM Masses
Lenten Season: Stations of the Cross
Easter Season: Stations of the Resurrection

Saturday

The Rosary after the 11:00 AM Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday-Friday: 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM (Lower Church)

The Pastor's Corner



"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Often, we are asked to pray for vocations to the priesthood and/or religious life based on this passage from today's Gospel, and we should pray.

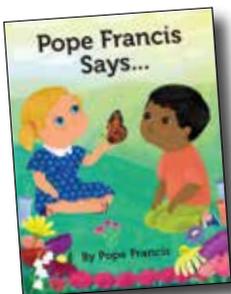
Remember, though, that Jesus "appointed seventy two others." He realized that the work to be done was going to take many people to accomplish this. In today's world we know that indeed, there is much work to be done. Many haven't heard the good news of the Gospel or many do not understand what it means, or many may not be ready to allow this message to touch their hearts. Priests and religious need to do their share of accomplishing this, but the task cannot be done without you – lay women and lay men living out the values of the Gospel and setting a good example for others. People may, at times, ask you why you believe in God or even, why you still are active in the church. Your answer has a great value. When it comes from the heart, it is important. You may feel inadequate to answer specific questions, but your heart-felt response means much.

From the insert in a recent bulletin, there was a flyer about the St. Francis Church 175 Anniversary Commemorative Book. We would like to invite you to participate in this book by placing an ad, offering congratulations, remembering deceased loved ones, and a section for pets. These come in different sizes and any photos should be high resolution. A free copy of the book will be given to anyone purchasing space, or you may pre-order a copy using the ad in today's bulletin. We want to celebrate this monumental anniversary. Questions: check the flyer.

Fr. Andrew
Fr. Andrew Reitz, O.F.M.

Book Review: *Pope Francis Says...*

Believe it or not, this is a children's book. It is beautifully written and illustrated with child-friendly drawings on each page. There is a short saying from Pope Francis on each page and the drawing illustrates the saying. When you open the book, there is a drawing of Pope Francis saying "When I look at a child like you, I feel hope in my heart." On the opposite page is a mirror with the saying underneath it "Every child is our hope for the future." It is a board book that can take much use and abuse. It is available in the lobby of the Parish House.



National Black & Indian Mission Collection

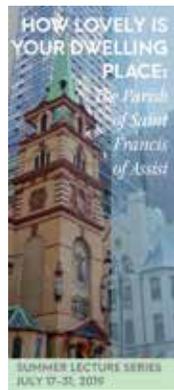
Next week, our parish will take up the 135th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska



Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Please be generous in our second collection next weekend, July 13-14.

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place: St. Francis of Assisi Parish at 175

As part of our parish's year-long jubilee celebration, the St. Francis Adult Education Center is offering a three-week summer program that will look at our parish's past and present through several lenses: the biblical, the historical, the theological and the artistic. St. Francis of Assisi Parish offers a case study in what it means to be the Catholic Church in America and an oasis of spirituality in the secular city.



Week One: Biblical Perspectives

Fr. William Beaudin, O.F.M.
Wednesday and Thursday: July 17 & 18

Week Two: Historical Perspectives

Fr. Dominic Monti, O.F.M.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday:
July 23, 24 & 25

Week Three: Theological and Artistic Perspectives

Joseph Nuzzi & Fr. Timothy Shreenan, O.F.M.
Tuesday and Wednesday: July 30 & 31

Brochures are available at the entrances of the church. You may also register online at stfrancisnyc.org.

Help Sponsor 'Sundae Sunday'

We'd like to invite our parishioners to help sponsor our Sundae Sundays this summer. For more information, please email Edward Trochimczuk at etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org or call him at 212-736-8500 Ext. 361.



THE UGNAYAN FILIPINO MINISTRY PRESENTS

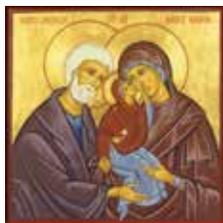
PIYESTANG PINOY

ANNUAL FILIPINO FIESTA EXPERIENCE
Celebrating the Culture & Cuisine
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SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2019
1:00-5:00 PM • SAN DAMIANO HALL

Tickets are \$20 each and are available at the reception desk in the lobby of the St. Francis Parish House as well as online at stfrancisnyc.org. They will also be available at the door. For more information contact filipinoministry@stfrancisnyc.org, or Princess (347-850-3558) or Carla (718-503-4637). Proceeds will benefit the Church of St. Francis of Assisi and its ministries.

Days of Prayer for Parents & Grandparents



We will hold a Week of Prayer dedicated to Parents and Grandparents in honor of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary, and grandparents of Jesus. Special prayers will be said after the **11:30 AM and 4:30 PM Masses Monday to Friday, July 22-26**. Envelopes will be available on which you may write the names of parents and grandparents whom you would like to have remembered on these days.

175th Anniversary Raffle

\$1,000 First Prize \$500 Second Prize

\$250 Third Prize

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

On sale at the reception desk in the lobby of St. Francis House

Drawing will be held at the Gala on September 20

You do not have to be present to win

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time: *False Humility?*

There seems to be a lot of rejoicing in today's readings. Isaiah talks about rejoicing with Jerusalem. The Gospel shows the disciples rejoicing when they came back from visiting towns to tell about the Kingdom. St. Paul is happy to be suffering for Christ. So what is the reason for such joy?

The readings make clear that it is not a result of our efforts. Isaiah writes that "the Lord's power shall be known to his servants" (Isaiah 66:14). Jesus tells his disciples not to rejoice that they cast out demons, but "because your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20). In other words, we are to rejoice over all the Lord has done for us, not what we have done for him.

Does that sound like false humility? No; when we do anything for others, we can honestly say that God does the real work. Knowing that frees us from expecting everyone to be happy, everything we do for others to be successful. Instead of being discouraged when we seem to fail, we can trust that God's plan is working in ways we just can't see.

St. Paul has a similar theme in the second reading. You would think he would be proud of all the converts he made, or the people he cured. He boasts only about his suffering because that is how he is most like Jesus. He sees all of his accomplishments as the work of God. All three readings remind us that what changes our lives and changes the world is not how hard we work, or how holy we are; what really makes the difference is how much God loves us. That is the real reason to rejoice.

J. S. Paluch Co.

Tom Schmidt

Gaudete et Exsultate:

Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis

Chapter 4: Signs of Holiness in Today's World

Prayer of supplication is an expression of a heart that trusts in God and realizes that of itself it can do nothing. The life of God's faithful people is marked by constant supplication born of faith-filled love and great confidence. Let us not downplay prayer of petition which so often calms our hearts and helps us persevere in hope. Prayer of intercession has particular value, for it is an act of trust in God, at the same time, an expression of love for our neighbor.



Intercessory prayer is an expression of our fraternal concern for others, since we are able to embrace their lives, their deepest troubles and their loftiest dreams. Of those who commit themselves generously to intercessory prayer we can apply the words of Scripture, "This is a man who loves the brethren and prays much for the people."

STAND UP, IMMIGRANTS! BUILD THE NETWORK

A Network of Information, Support & Protection of Immigrants



Are you without immigration status?

Here's a possible solution!

STAND UP! is a campaign to protect the rights and welfare of immigrants, especially the undocumented. It is confidential, dependable and secure. For more information, contact us at standupimmigrants@gmail.com or 212-736-8500, Ext. 305.

INMIGRANTES, LEVÁNTENSE CONSTRUYAMOS LA RED

La Red de Información, Apoyo y Protección de Inmigrantes

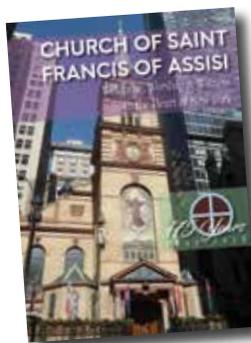


¿Está sin estatus de inmigración?

¡Aquí hay una solución posible!

¡LEVANTENSE! es una campaña para proteger los derechos y el bienestar de los inmigrantes, especialmente los indocumentados. La campaña es confidencial, confiable y seguro. Para más información, contáctenos a standupimmigrants@gmail.com o 212-736-8500, Ext. 305.

Reserve Your Copy of Our 175th Anniversary Commemorative Journal!



You can be part of our parish's anniversary celebration by becoming a sponsor for our beautiful commemorative journal which will capture the highlights of the past 175 years!

Full-page, half-page and quarter-page ads are available, as well as memorial and donor inscriptions. Just go to our website: <https://stfrancisnyc.org/journal175>

for more information.

You can also reserve your copy of this limited edition keepsake. Just fill out the form below and return it with your payment.

Order Form for *Church of Saint Francis of Assisi: Welcome, Worship & Witness in the Heart of New York*. Price: \$15 each (\$20 by mail).

Make checks payable to: Church of St. Francis of Assisi.

Please print:

Name _____

Address _____

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Return this form to Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Anniversary Book,
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Mass Intentions for the Week

The Bread & Wine for Masses this week have been given for the intentions of Joseph, Marie & Thomas Powers, Jr., and in memory of Thomas Powers, Sr. from Victorina Powers; and in memory of Guillerma Carlos from Adelaida Carlos.

The Sanctuary Lights have been given for the healing of Cristy Kho; and for the intentions of the Umayam Family from Benjamin Umayam.

Saturday, July 6, 2019

8:00 AM Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
11:00 Jorge Calderon (d.)
4:00 PM Kathleen Harris
5:15 Providencia Castro

Sunday, July 7, 2018

8:00 AM Ted Zywicki (d.)
9:15 Intentions of the Korean Community
9:30 Franciscan Mass League
11:00 James & Dorothy Yost (d.)
12:30 PM Henry & Agnes Yost (d.)
5:00 Thanksgiving to St. Jude
6:15 Richard & Sybil Habib

Monday, July 8, 2019

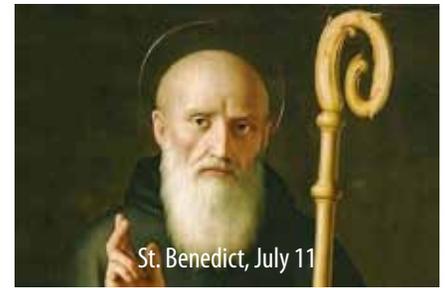
7:00 Matthew
7:45 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
8:30 Ricardo B. Caturay (d.)
11:30 Alicia Castaneda P. (d.)
12:30 PM Hugh A. Canavan (d.)
4:30 Eric A. Rivera (d.)
5:30 Eugene Mauro (d.)

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

7:00 Matthew
7:45 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
8:30 Joa Kim
11:30 Cruz Barretto Molina (d.)
12:30 PM Cruz Barretto Molina (d.)
4:30 Anthony Logatto (d.)
5:30 Jonathan Butler

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

7:00 AM Matthew
7:45 Thanks. to Sts. Jude & Anthony
8:30 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
11:30 Patria T. Carreon (d.)
12:30 PM Nora Smith
4:30 Susana L. Mirasol (d.)
5:30 Fredericque Francisque, thanksgiving



Thursday, July 11, 2019

7:00 Matthew
7:45 Leticia Jamili (d.)
8:30 Margaret & Daniel Kelly (d.)
11:30 Alicia Castaneda P. (d.)
12:30 PM The Sick
4:30 Giuseppe D'Alessandro (d.)
5:30 Michael Fogarty

Friday, July 12, 2019

7:00 Matthew
7:45 Maria Jesus (d.)
8:30 Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
11:30 Margaret & Daniel Kelly (d.)
12:30 PM Max Hau
4:30 Yeck Family (d.)
5:30 Camille Yeck (d.)



Saint Francis of Assisi Parish Directory

ST. FRANCIS HOUSE: 135 W. 31st Street • SAN DAMIANO HALL: 127 W. 31st Street
ST. FRANCIS ADULT EDUCATION CENTER: 139 W. 31st Street

Adult Education

A variety of courses in Scripture, church history, spirituality, personal growth, and other topics are offered at noon and in the evenings in the Fall and Spring months. Special brochures with course offerings are published prior to the start of each term and are available at the church entrances. Fr. William Beaudin, O.F.M., Director; 212-736-8500, Ext. 311.

Franciscan Bread for the Poor

The St. Francis Breadline provides food for hungry people every morning of the year at 7:00 AM. Franciscans Deliver brings groceries to area shut-ins on a weekly basis. For more information, go to www.stfrancisbreadline.org.

Counseling Center

Counseling services are available on a short- or long-term basis by appointment only. Sliding scale fee structure. Call 212-736-8500, Ext. 290 for information or to make an appointment.

Saint Francis Bereavement Ministry

While grief is a very private experience, people who have lost loved ones can benefit from the witness and support of others who have lost someone special in their lives. The St. Francis Bereavement Ministry offers an opportunity for the bereaved to connect with others who grieve, and to seek a path of healing as they come to terms with their loss. Call Fr. Brian Smail, O.F.M. at 212-736-8500, Ext. 204 to inquire.



Immigration Assistance

The Migrant Center at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi provides assistance to all immigrants regardless of status. If anyone needs assistance or has concerns about immigration matters, please contact the Migrant Center at 212-736-8500, Ext. 305/377 or email migrantcenter@stfrancisnyc.org.

Korean Ministry

The Korean Community worships in Korean every Sunday at 9:15 AM. A Mass for young adults is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 6:00 PM in the lower church. Fr. Michael Kim, O.F.M.; 212-736-8500, Ext. 384.

LGBT Outreach

Our LGBT ministry is very active in our community. The ministry provides various spiritual, social, and educational events from September through June. For more information, please visit the website to sign up for our mailing list. For more information, contact Meredith Augustin, liaison for the LGBT ministry, at 212-736-8500, Ext. 327.

Mass Cards & Perpetual Enrollments

Available at the Reception Desk in the lobby of St. Francis House. Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM; Saturday: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM; Sunday: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

Music Ministry

To become involved in our liturgical music ministry, please call Meredith Augustin, Director of Music Ministries, at 212-736-8500, Ext. 327.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA is the process by which people can question, search, and inquire into the Catholic faith. The RCIA is for any unbaptized adult who is new to the Catholic faith or any unbaptized child usually over the age of 7. The RCIA is also for any adult or child over the age of 7 who was baptized in another Christian tradition and for baptized Catholic adults seeking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Joseph Nuzzi at 212-736-8500, Ext. 365.

RENEW! Younger Retiree Program

Catholic retirees, age 55 and over, participate in spiritual, cultural, social, and service activities in the New York Metropolitan Area. For information, please contact RENEW at 212-736-8500, Ext. 389.

Secular Franciscans

Lay men and women who strive to follow the Gospel way of life according to the ideals of St. Francis. For information please see our website <http://www.stfrancisnyc.org/secularfranciscans.htm>.

St. Francis on Facebook

St. Francis Church is on Facebook! Join the group "St. Francis of Assisi NYC" on Facebook to see who else is a member, be informed of news and events and keep in touch with what's going on in your parish community. Stay connected the way you like to stay connected. Join the group today and invite your friends.

Self-Help Groups

St. Francis Church hosts numerous self-help groups, including Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Sex Addicts Anonymous, Survivors of Incest Anonymous, and others. Please consult the Self-Help and Support Groups brochure for times and locations of the meetings.

Spiritual Direction

Spiritual Direction as a means of spiritual growth and faith development is provided by the Center Staff. Contact Fr. Joseph Cavoto, O.F.M. at 212-736-8500 for more information.

Ugnayan Filipino Ministry

A home away from home for newly arrived Filipino immigrants. Our ministry sponsors the Sacred Heart devotion during the 6:15 PM First Friday Mass with fellowship afterwards. We conduct Lectio Divina every Third Friday of the month. The ministry also welcomes interested individuals to join their music ministry. Rehearsals are on two consecutive Thursdays before the First Friday. Email: flipinoministry@stfrancisnyc.org.

Volunteers

St. Francis Church invites individuals to give freely of their time and expertise in order to make a difference. Our volunteers participate in liturgical ministries as well as other forms of service to the church and the community. Edward Trochimczuk, Director of Volunteers. Email: etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org.

Young Adult Ministry

This is a ministry of, by, and for Catholic men and women in their 20's and 30's. At St. Francis we believe that ministering to young adults begins by creating an environment where people feel welcome, especially by worshipping God together in a way that feeds the spirit. For more information please email: youngadults@stfrancisnyc.org.



Is God calling you to be a Franciscan Friar?

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