

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Francis of Assisi is a Roman Catholic church striving to be an instrument of peace and love through the sacramental life of Jesus Christ and service to others.

VISION STATEMENT

Through the grace of God, the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Francis of Assisi aspires to be a family-oriented and Christ-centered community.

CORE VALUES

- Spiritual devotion
 Devotion to the family unit and church family
 Charity work
- Respect for and promotion of human dignity Offering fellowship and help to our community in God's name

Pastor's Message

I extend a warm welcome to our parishioners and visitors. St. Francis of Assisi is where we work, pray and journey as one united family. Together we create an environment that is Christ-centered and full of spirit. May you always feel welcome and find your place in our parish.

Rev. Fr. Roger Abadano Pastor, St. Francis of Assisi

Readings

First: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 **Psalm:** 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a and 9a)

Second: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 **Gospel:** John 1:35-42

WE PRAY TO THE LORD... Claudia and Mildred Szarnicki, Sue and Tom Hunnicutt, Baby Daniel, Jane West, Malcolm Topfer, Jordan Greaves, Peggy Sexton, Jeff King **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

ST. FRANCIS NEWS AND NOTES...

January

20 Baptism of Josephine Rose Cochran

February

9 Spaghetti Dinner Time is almost here! The dinner will take place on Friday, February 9, 2024 from 11 am to 7 pm.

Volunteers are needed to make this event successful!

Please sign-up to help by donating desserts for the dinner or helping the day of the dinner with salad and dessert preparations in the morning, serving, clearing, kitchen help and local corporate delivery during the day, and finally, clean-up at the end of the day. Volunteer forms are on the table in the narthex.

11 am until 7 pm Adults: \$10 Children under 12: \$3.00 Menu: spaghetti with meat sauce or tomato sauce, salad, garlic bread, dessert & beverage.

Take out and corporate delivery available. Call the St. Francis Spaghetti Hot Line at: 946.2053 to place your order. The proceeds from this event provide assistance to the needy of Amherst County.

- We're missing a few Altar Server cross pendants so if you accidentally took one home, please return to the office. Thank you!
- Free poinsettias! Be sure to take one home!

Collections Report FY 2023-24

	December	Fiscal Year to Date	January Birthdays	
Weekly totals Immaculate Conception Christmas Parish Partnership Catholic Charities	\$ 5815.00 on \$301.00 \$1289.58 \$ 222.00 \$ 85.00	\$ 35,402.65	Isaac Cochran Callahan Cochran Stella Nagy Jim Clarke John Pelissier Pam Gouldthorpe	5 6 7 19
Annual Budget YTD Budget YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 67,900.00 \$ 33,949.98 \$ 1,452.67	Margaret Golightly Fiora Grey	30 31	

Mass Times: Wed., 1 pm and Sat., 5 pm & Sun. 8 am (except the 1st Sunday of the month)

Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament: 1st Wednesday of the month after 1 pm Mass

and the 2^{nd} Thursday of each month at 6 pm.

Reconciliation: Sat., 4:30 pm –4:50 pm & by appt.

Office Hours: Tues. 11:00-3 pm; Wed. 11:00-3:00 pm; Sat. 2:30-4:30 Office phone: 434.946.2053 Email: parish@stfrancisamherst.org

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