



## **ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano**

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 8, 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:** Isaiah 35:4-7a    **Responsorial Psalm:** 146

**Second:** James 2:1-5                      **Gospel:** Mark 7:31-37

### **Parishioner Prayers for:**

David Swift, Maria Infante Brabo, Sandy Brown, Jerry Sanita

## ST. FRANCIS NEWS AND NOTES...

### September

- 1** Mass at 8 am
- 4** Adoration and Benediction after our 1 pm Mass
- 7** Family Dinner after our 5 pm Mass
- 8** No Mass
- 12** Adoration and Benediction – 6 pm
- 19** Tour of the Church – St. Mary’s – 6:30 pm
- 21** Church Rummage Sale – 8 am to 1 pm
- 21** Wine and Cheese Social after 5 pm Mass

Explore Catholicism continues with a Tour of the Church at St Mary's on **Thursday, September 19th at 6:30**. We will examine all things hidden in plain sight: church architecture, the sacristy, and the liturgy and sacraments. PLEASE JOIN US!!!

We are still looking for people to assist in the preparation of the yard sale and the day of the sale to help. Please sign up at the sign up sheets on the narthex table.

**St. Francis is pleased to welcome Jennifer Mata as our Administrative Assistant. She will begin September 3. Her hours are Tuesday and Wednesday, 11-3 and Saturday 2-4 pm.**

**Mass intention:** Sat., Sept. 7: Repose of the soul of +Carolyn Lee Mellen. Req: Cindy Palladino

### September Birthdays

Lynne Watkins	1
Marti Sanita	2
Karen Clarke	4
Eileen Furlong	5
Lorri Girling	7
Peggy McFadden	9
Donna Baer	10
Jim Meade	13
Bill Meznarich	13
Claudia Szarnicki	17
Jackie Lamanna	21
Bruce Curtin	24
Deacon Peter	27
Donna Cockerham	28
Michael Baer	28
Stephanie Gerber	29

### Collections Report FY 2023-24

July	Fiscal Year to Date
Weekly totals	\$ 6,372.60
Parish Partnership	\$ 188.00
Annual Budget	\$ 70,000.00
YTD Budget	\$ 5,833.33
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 539.27

**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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month after 1 pm Mass and the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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