



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 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: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Responsorial Psalm: 18

Second: Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

Parishioner Prayers for:

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

ST. FRANCIS NEWS AND NOTES...

November

- 1** Solemnity of All Saints Day – 5 pm Mass
- 2** Family Dinner after our 5pm Mass
- 3** No Mass
- 6** Adoration and Benediction after our 1 pm Mass
- 13** PPC meeting – 2 pm
- 13** Advent and Christmas Worship committee meeting – 3:30 pm
- 14** Adoration and Benediction – 6 pm
- 16** Wine and Cheese after 5 pm Mass
- 24** Pancake breakfast after 8 am Mass
- 27** No Daily Mass
- 28** Thanksgiving Day Mass – 1 pm

Mass Intentions: Wednesday November 6th. Repose of the Soul of Lee and Clara Fendlay.
Requested by Norma Heinemann.

Thanksgiving Food Boxes! As we head into November, it is time to provide support to 12 families with students at Central Elementary School. A sample of the chosen contents of food boxes to be given for the Thanksgiving Holiday break is in the Narthex. Either select to purchase 12 of a given item or make a monetary donation using one of the envelopes provided. Please return purchased items by Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Boxes are packed on Nov. 24th and delivered to the school Monday morning, Nov. 25th. Thank you for your generosity.

To all St. Francis' ministers that have an announcement be in the bulletin, please give your announcement on or before Wednesday.

Thank you for your generosity! Your kind donations enabled us to contribute \$1939.31 to support the dioceses of Southwest Virginia, Charlotte, and Knoxville effected by the effects of Hurricane Helene.

Collections Report FY 2024-25

November Birthdays	September	Fiscal Year to Date
Tom Simonetti 2	Weekly totals \$ 7,347.00	\$ 19,029.60
Rebecca Grey 2	Parish Partnership \$ 253.00	
Regina Rice 8	Retired Religious \$ 466.00	
Marilyn Gilbert 11	Annual Budget	\$ 70,000.00
Garold Cockerham 21	YTD Budget	\$ 17,499.99
Gail Curtin 24	YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 1529.61
Elizabeth Douthat 28		
John McFadden 29		
Sharon Simonetti 30		

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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 2nd 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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