

St. Francis of Assisi **Catholic Church**

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Pastor: Father Rogelio Abadano
Deacon Peter Coleman

*Christ is
risen,
creator of
all; he has
shown
pity on all
people.*

May 04, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter





St. Francis Mass Schedule

Saturday | 5 pm

Sunday | 8 am

No Mass the 1st Sunday of the month

Wednesday | 1 pm

St. Mary Mass Schedule

Sunday | 10 am English

12:30 pm Spanish

Wednesday | 10 am

1st, 2nd, & 5th Friday | 10 am English

3rd & 4th Friday | 7pm Spanish

3rd Friday | 7pm Healing Blessing & Anointing

Reconciliation

St. Francis: *Saturday | 4:30 - 4:50 P.M*
Or By Appointment

St. Mary: *Sunday | 9:30 - 9:50 am*
11:45 am - 12:20 pm
Or By Appointment

Holy Hour/Adoration Schedule

St. Francis: *1st Wednesday | After 1:00 pm Mass*

St. Mary: *1st Friday | 10:30 - 11:30 am*
2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday | 7:00 - 8:00 pm
1st Sunday | After 12:30 pm Mass

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday: *11am-3 pm*

Wednesday: *1:30-3:30 pm*

Friday: *11am-3 pm*

Stay Connected

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Website - *http://www.stfrancisamherst.org*

Facebook - *stfrancis/amherst/va*

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*

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

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

Sunday's Readings

*Sunday, May 04
Third Sunday of Easter*

I. Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

II. Revelation 5:11-14

Responsorial Psalm: 30

Gospel: John 21:1-19



Mass Intentions

Saturday May 03rd:
Repose of the Soul of
James Steller.

Requested by Sandra
Harvey.

Sunday May 25th: **Repose**
of the Soul of Bill
Chesney.

Requested by
Maureen Chesney

Prayers for Parishioners

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

MAY

- 03** Family Dinner
- 04** No Sunday Mass
- 08** Adoration and Benediction: CANCELLED
- 17** Wine & Cheese

Parish Announcements

- Our next **Family Dinner** date is **Saturday, May 3rd**, following Mass. It will be held in the pavilion. The hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.
- **Men's Group!** After a successful start during Lent, the Men's Group will continue to meet on Saturday's. Come join other men of the parish for an hour on Saturday mornings at 8am. As a group, we will review the readings for Sunday and share our reflections on the texts. Early birds for coffee and doughnuts at 7:30 are encouraged. For additional information please contact Frank Watkins at fwatkins55@gmail.com or cell: (301) 922-4331.
- **Annual Spring Yard Clean-up / Mulching:**
Thursday May 22 (Rain Date Friday May 23) at 9:00am.

Note: Jim Clarke will have a tractor with a front loader available to move mulch to targeted Areas.

Bring: Pitch Forks, Rakes

Please contact Jim Clarke @ (434) 841-8477 if you are interested in participating. Looking forward to seeing you at our annual SF Spring Clean-up!

Refreshments: Karen Clarke will provide coffee and light pastries.

Events

Announcements

- Join the **Little Saints Club**, beginning **May 3rd** at Saint Francis, from **4:15-4:45 pm** before every Saturday family Mass/dinner to learn about a new Saint, make crafts, read books, and more! In the month of May, the club will talk about our Holy Mother Mary. Contact Stephanie Gerber (804) 399 - 8998 or Reagan Woody (540) 460 - 2443 for more information.
- **Bishop's Lenten Appeal: Sharing His Love with Others:** The Annual Bishop's Appeal is part of our Lenten traditions. On the table in the narthex, you will find brochures and envelopes for making a donation as well as QR codes to scan and make direct donations on the secure diocesan website. Please consider making a donation! St. Francis has been blessed by the Bishop's Appeal on multiple occasions, including grant monies for our food boxes through the Fuel and Hunger fund and support for our new HVAC system through the Diocesan Missions fund. And a portion of your donation comes back directly to our parish as part of our operating budget!
- We would also like to extend our gratitude to Ms. Raquel for stepping in for Ms. Jennifer during her maternity leave. Now that Ms. Jennifer has returned, office hours will resume to normal. **Thank you!**

Bulletin Info

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



Upcoming May Birthdays

- Larry Lamanna 1
- John Onestinghel 3
- Jane West 6
- Julia Cope 11
- Sandra Horwege 23
- Teresa Golden 29

Parish Giving

Collections Report FY 2024-25

February

Weekly totals	\$ 3,494.26
E- giving	\$ 2,906.49
Christmas	\$ 2198.00
Parish Partnership	\$ 155.00
Annual Budget	
YTD Budget	
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)	

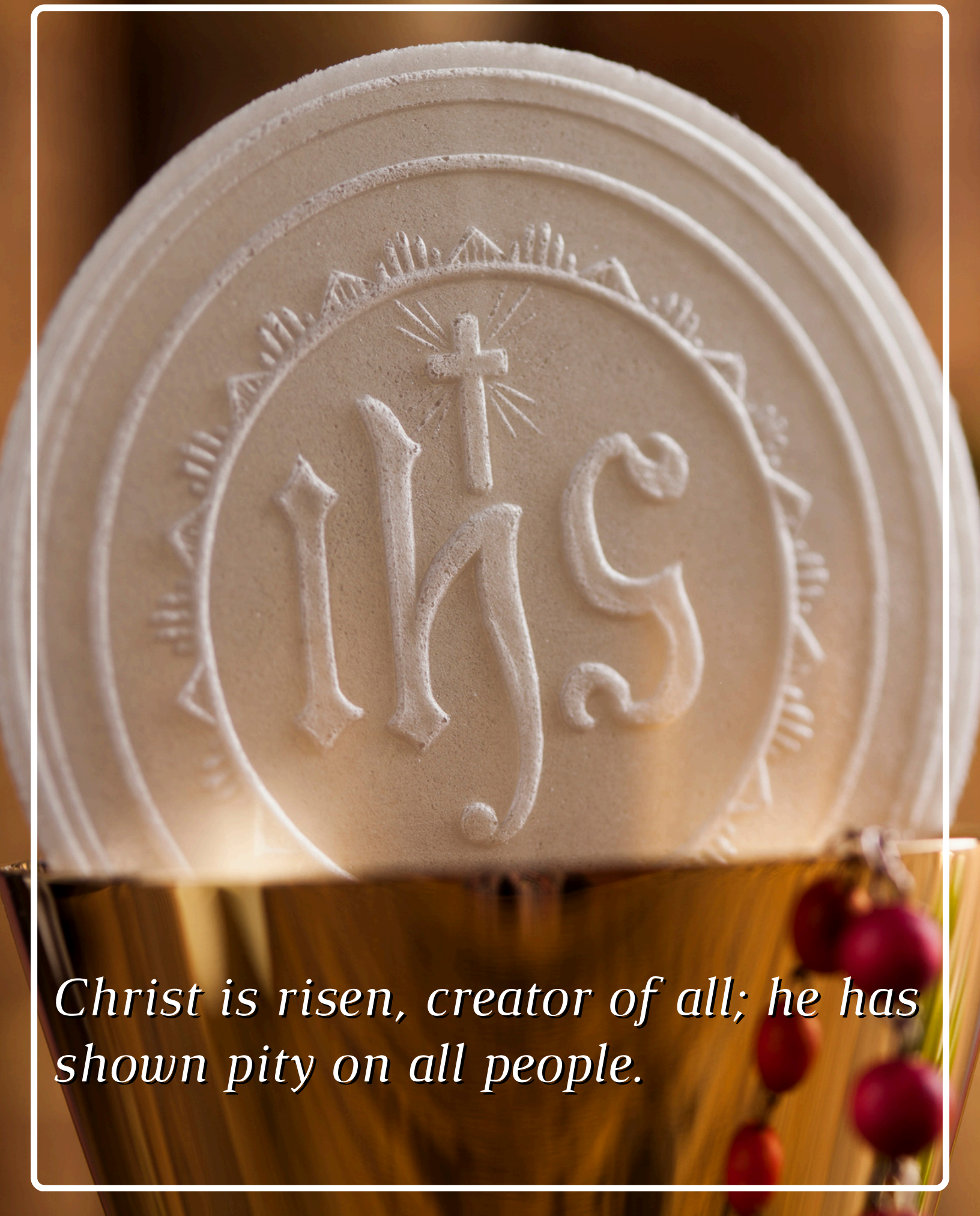
Fiscal Year to Date

\$ 43,331.97
\$ 12,356.63
\$ 70,000.00
\$ 46,666.68
\$ 9,021.92



Supporting our Parish

Support our parish with online recurring giving or a one-time gift! Simply click here: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stfran> or text the word 'Give' to 434-577-8700. You can also call **Donor Support** at 866-930-4774 option 6.



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