

# St. Francis of Assisi

## Catholic Church

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Pastor: Father Rogelio Abadano  
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*I am the  
living bread  
that came  
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heaven, says  
the Lord;  
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*-John 6:51*

June 22, 2025

The Solemnity of the Most  
Holy Body and Blood of  
Christ





## ***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*

*4th Friday | 7pm Spanish*

*4th 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*  
*Every Thursday at 6 pm*

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

## ***Parish Office Hours***

***Tuesday:*** *8am-12pm*

***Wednesday:*** *8am-12pm*

***Saturday:*** *2pm-4pm*

## ***Stay Connected***

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***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, June 22<sup>nd</sup>*

*The Solemnity of the Most Holy  
Body and Blood of Christ*

**I. Genesis 14:18-20**

**II. 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

**Responsorial Psalm: 110**

**Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17**



## **Mass Intentions**

**Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup>:**

Repose of the Soul of **Bill Chesney**.

Requested by

Maureen Chesney

**Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup> :**

Repose of the Soul of Rebecca Gerber.

Requested by Stephanie Gerber

**Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup> :**

Repose of the Soul of Delaney Neblett.

Requested by Stephanie Gerber.

## **Prayers for Parishioners**

*David Swift, Maria Infante Brabo, Sandy Brown, Jerry Sanita, Karen Baxter, Sharon Simonetti.*

## EVENTS

### JUNE

- 1** Mass 8 am
- 7** Family Dinner
- 8** No Mass
- 20** Movie and Skit at 6 pm
- 21** Wine and Cheese
- 29** Pancake Breakfast

### Parish Announcements

- Holy Hour/ Adoration of the blessed Sacrament will be held every Thursday at 6 pm. Please join us!
- Our Family Dinner will be held July 12<sup>th</sup>. We will not have Mass Sunday July 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be MASS on Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Please join us on 25 June 2025 from 0830-1000 for our summer tidy. We will pull weeds, trim the bushes, clear cut around the retaining wall and wash the columbarium. For questions, please call Emily Seawell 434-826-9307 or Stephanie Gerber- 804-399-8998.
- **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](mailto:fwatkins55@gmail.com) or cell: (301) 922-4331.
- The Social Commiittee is looking for two or more parishioners to help them with the Saturday Family Dinner and Sunday Breakfast set-up and clean up. This is a wonderful way to serve your parish family. Please see Peggy McFadden or Gail Curtin if interested. Thank you!

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# Announcements

- Thank you, parents and grandparents, for bringing your little saints to Saint Francis from 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm before the first Saturday mass. All children are welcome as we journey together to learn about the characteristics of Saints, who they were and then eventually dress up as our favorite Saint for all Saints Day. For questions, please contact Reagan Woody-540-460-2443 or Stephanie Gerber-804-399-8998.
- **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!
- Office hours will be changed on Tuesday and Wednesday to 8am- 12pm. We appreciate your patience as we adjust to these new hours. Saturday hours will remain from 2pm to 4pm. 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 June Birthdays*

- Caroline Furlong 7
- James Cockerham 7
- Cameron Grey 7
- Janet Hollingsworth 18
- Mary Hansen 24
- Heath Cockerham 24

## *Parish Giving*

### **Collections Report FY 2024-25**

	<b>May</b>	<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>
Weekly totals	\$ 3,330.00	\$ 54,973.97
E-giving	\$ 2,580.00	\$ 24,209.00
Parish Partnership	\$212.00	
Annual Budget		\$ 70,000.00
YTD Budget		\$ 64,166.67
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)		\$ 15,016.30



## *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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