

**Masses: SATURDAY** 4:30pm • **SUNDAY** 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5pm • **MON – FRI** 8:30am

# St. Francis of Assisi

*“Let me sow your love”*

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JESUS SAID TO HER, “I AM HE,  
THE ONE SPEAKING WITH YOU.”

JOHN 4:24-26

MARCH 12, 2023 • THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



## OUR MISSION

St. Francis of Assisi is a Roman Catholic Church steeped in history, yet forward thinking, creating a positive impact on our community while bringing brothers and sisters in Christ together to be the hands and feet of Jesus. In the true Franciscan way, we sow the seeds of the future in the good soil of tradition.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

4:30pm - For peace in Ukraine, Anthony Damato†, Jamie Damato†, Daniel Damato†

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

8:00am - St. Francis Parishioners

10:00am - Diana Angulo†, Winston Churchill†, Ints. of Maria Christina Gaynor

12:00pm - Mary & William Puka†, Fr. William Santeliz†, Sophie & Frank Perz†

5:00pm - Youth of St. Francis

### MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023

8:30am - Elsie & Salvatore J. Levanti†

### TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

8:30am - Olivia & Bayard Cutting†

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

8:30am - Angela Kulewicz†

### THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023

8:30am - Charles Porto, Sr.†

### FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023

8:30am - Barbara Reader†

## DEVOTIONAL LIFE - HOLY HOURS

### HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

- Mondays: 12:30pm - 1:30pm

### SACRED HEART HOLY HOUR

- Wednesdays: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**PATRIOTIC HOLY HOUR** - Fridays: 2:00pm - 3:00pm

**ADORATION** - Mondays & Fridays: 9:00am - 5:00pm

**ROSARY** - Daily on Zoom at 8:00am

**HAITIAN MASS** - Every 3rd Saturday at 6:30pm

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## LECTOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

4:30pm - Lector - Mary Lemp

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo, Emilia Caravousanos, Thomas Lemp

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023 -

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00am - Lector - Gawaine Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave, Catherine Armstrong, Rosemarie Esteibar

10:00am - Lector - Henry Bokuniewicz

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo, Lorraine Longo, Karen Murphy

12:00pm - Lector - Ellen Lobasso

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne, Mary Ann Farmer, Teresa Iaquinto

5:00pm - Lector - Volvick Osse

Eucharistic Ministers - Catherine Kitakis, Diane Young

### SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

4:30pm - Lector - Donna Tanzi

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne, Marie Ingrid Dejoie, Lisa Love

### SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023 -

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00am - Lector - Rosemarie Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo, Gawaine Esteibar, Lorraine Longo

10:00am - Lector - Peter Dowd

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne, Andrej Brchnel, Charles Giardino

12:00pm - Lector - Neil Coscio

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave, Mary Ann Farmer, Teresa Iaquinto

5:00pm - Lector - Albert Porpora

Eucharistic Ministers - Catherine Kitakis, Laurel Waite

**THE RECTORY** office will be open at regular hours **9AM - 3PM**. Masks must be worn in the office.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday **2PM - 3:30PM**

Call Rectory for private confessions

## BULLETIN REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well.

## LIVING STEWARDSHIP PILLAR OF FORMATION

As stewards of the Faith, let us listen to the words we hear at Mass and let them burn within us so that we may go out into our lives and spread God's word to all we meet.

# THE PASTOR'S DESK

## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PETER

"When you fast...."; in the ancient world and of course in Jewish culture of the time it seems that fasting was a very common way to prepare for the great feasts! So, it's "when" and not "if"!

So, Jesus encourages us to purify our motives. We must find little ways to work some self-denial into the picture without drawing attention to ourselves. "When you pray..." the same idea is applied. The whole point of prayer is to come into God's presence. This goal is compromised when we are overly concerned about what impression we are making and not focused on the things of God. Ultimately it is God alone who counts.

Our goal is to learn how to trust God in good times and times of pain and struggle. We need to open our minds and hearts to him and all his ways. Jesus assures, "and your father who sees in secret... will repay you." This is certainly appropriate Gospel for Lent, a chance to get back on track in this special time before Easter.



### St. Francis of Assisi Upcoming Events

## March 2023



**Saturday, March 11**  
**St. Patrick's Day**  
**Dinner Dance**

7:00pm, lower church  
Reservations required

**Friday, March 17**  
**Overnight Adoration**  
9:00pm – 5:30am

**Saturday, March 18**  
**Haitian Mass**  
6:30pm

**Sunday, March 19**  
**Hospitality Sunday**  
hosted by Religious Ed

**Sunday, March 19**  
**PB & J Gang**  
6:30pm – 8:00pm

**Monday, March 20**  
**Feast of St. Joseph**

**Monday, March 20**  
**First Day of Spring**

For more details, visit our website at  
[stfrancisgreenlawn.com](http://stfrancisgreenlawn.com)

## St. Vincent de Paul Society



### March 12: Third Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work."

Through your almsgiving you are doing the will of the Father and finishing the work of Jesus. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

*\*Checks made payable to Society of St. Vincent de Paul and dropped in the collection baskets will help us serve our neighbors in need throughout the Greenlawn area.*

St. Francis of Assisi Conference: 631.651.2655



# The Stations of the Cross

## *A Special Eagle Scout Project*



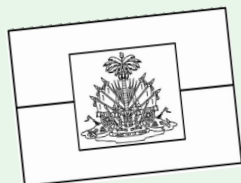
James J. Gribbin III of Troop 382 chose for his Eagle Scout Project a special installation for our parish, an outdoor set of the **14 Stations of the Cross**. With assistance from parish Trustee Paul Sepp and Fr. Peter, James set up the project from start to finish. He coordinated the selection, ordering, and receipt of the icons for the stations, including the materials for the installation.

James also handled the advertising of the project, speaking at the Masses to explain about his plans, and to appeal for donations to finance the project. He had help, not only from his family, troop members, friends, Mr. Sepp and Fr. Peter, but from many generous parishioners who donated the funding in record time, many in memory of others. The 14 stations are now complete, and everyone is invited to visit this wonderful addition to our grounds, particularly during Lent and Holy Week.

**Thank you James for this lasting devotion to our parish.**

## STARFISH COFFEE HOUSE

We have heard a lot from this ministry lately! The members of the Coffee House gather on a regular basis to share faith and talk about issues of the day. Geared towards adults from 18 to 40, the group is open to new members, and has a schedule of activities related to relevant issues today. Meetings are in person and on Zoom. Make Coffee an Instrument of Your Peace! For more information contact [onestarfishthrower@gmail.com](mailto:onestarfishthrower@gmail.com).



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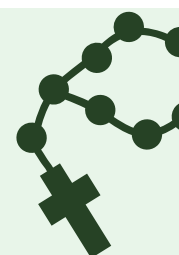


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Learning about our faith sets all children on a path towards a lifelong relationship with God. Religious Ed prepares students for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation, and helps them develop an understanding of themselves and others. The program promotes spiritual, moral, social and cultural development so important today, and families as well as children are invited to participate fully in deepening their faith. For more information, or to register a student, please visit the parish website, or contact Anita Modelewski at [\(631\)754-6436](tel:6317546436).



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# Join Us for a Lenten Mission

**“Time Away with Fr. Justin” Saturday March 18, 2023**



**Please welcome Fr. Justin  
Cinnante, O. Carm. to St. Francis!**

Fr. Justin is a member of the Carmelite Order in residence at Transfiguration Parish in Tarrytown, New York. He is the school chaplain of Iona Preparatory in New Rochelle, New York, and has much to share with us.

Fr. Justin brings us a beautiful message of our Father's love for all His children and His plans for a glorious future. Fr. Justin will make a presentation at 3:00pm in the church, and will then celebrate the 4:30 Mass and deliver the homily. Please join us for the schedule of events below.

## **SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023**

**3:00pm** – Presentation by Fr. Justin Cinnante, O.Carm.

**4:30pm** – Parish Mass celebrated by Fr. Justin

**6:00pm** – Light Refreshments

**7:00pm** – Evening Program with Fr. Justin

**8:30pm** – Preaching  
– Eucharistic Adoration  
– Prayers for Healing

# Double Blessing – Lenten Mission

Michael Grogan, Michael Grogan Ministries



Michael Grogan of Michael Grogan Ministries will be with us at St. Francis on Sunday, March 19 and Monday, March 20. You may recall Michael from prior visits to St. Francis, and his work with the homeless population in Kensington, Philadelphia. Many of our members of Starfish Coffee House have paid a visit to Michael's mission over the past few years.

Michael will present the triumphant story of God's victory over all sources of evil, and challenges to our integrity as sons and daughters of the Father. Michael will make the rounds of the Sunday Masses, and give a presentation Sunday afternoon, and continue with us on Monday, March 20. Please join us for some of the events scheduled below:

## Sunday, March 19, 2023

- 3:00pm – Presentation by Michael Grogan
- 5:00pm – Parish Mass
- 6:15pm – Light Refreshments
- 7:00pm – Evening Program with Michael Grogan
- 9:00pm – Preaching
  - Prayers for Healing

## Monday, March 20, 2023

- 7:30pm – Evening Program and Presentation with Michael Grogan
  - Eucharistic Adoration
  - Praise and Healing Prayers



## PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY GANG

This ministry gathers together on the third Sunday of each month via Zoom, to make as many peanut butter & jelly sandwiches as possible to hand out to people in our community experiencing food insecurity. Different groups have participated together – sports teams, parish ministries, students for community service – all are welcome to help, as they are always trying for a new record! Please consider pitching in to make sandwiches with new friends in this worthy ministry. The next meeting is **Sunday, March 19** from **6:30pm** to **8:00pm**. Let's Outnumber Hunger! For details, please contact Leslie Kulewicz at [lesliekulewicz@hotmail.com](mailto:lesliekulewicz@hotmail.com).

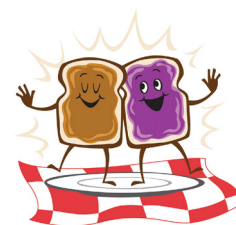


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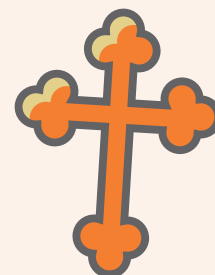


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## Our Faith in Action Plan

Embracing Dramatic  
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**GET INVOLVED!**

★ ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI ★  
**BOOSTER CLUB**  
 March Winners of 2023

**\$60 Weekly winners**

★ Mar. 6th - Drew Lockwood ★

Mar. 13th - TBA

Mar. 20th - TBA

**\$600 Monthly winner**

Mar. 27th - TBA

You can still join our Booster Club and support our parish. Return your tickets or purchase at the Rectory/online at our parish website. \$50 per ticket is in the running all year long!

**"GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER!"**

# CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

March 19, 2023



Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need.

Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

## St. Joseph's Day Celebration

You are invited to sing the praises of the Father of Saints, Protector of the Universal Church, and Protector of the Carmelite Order on Monday, March 20, 2023. Schedule:



- 8:00am** - Scriptural Rosary
- 8:30am** - Holy Mass, St. Francis Church
- 9:15am** - Breakfast, lower church
- 10:15am** - Rosary of St. Joseph
- 11:15 am** - Novena to St. Joseph
- 12noon** - Angelus; Litany; Supplications to St. Joseph
- 1:00pm** - Lunch
- 2:00pm** - Patriotic Rosary
- 3:00pm** - Mercy Chaplet
- 4:00pm** - Chaplet of St. Joseph

## PB & J Gang Rides Again!

From Leslie Kulewicz:

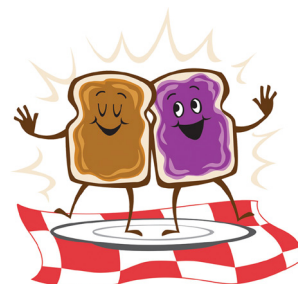
Hope everyone had a nice February break. We made a total of **555 PBJ Sandwiches** on **February 19!!**

Thank you to all who participated both in person and at home. We very much appreciate all your efforts! Thank you, too, for your contributions of creamy peanut butter, jelly, bread and sandwich bags.

Sandwiches were delivered to Mercy Soup Kitchen.

Our next PBJ Gang gathering will be next **Sunday, March 19, 6:30-8** in the lower church. Come join us - Making sandwiches at home works, too!

**Let's Outnumber Hunger!**





## Handicapped Encounter Christ

Volunteer Opportunity Available (for adults 18+)

Handicapped Encounter Christ is a ministry for adults with physical, mental, cognitive and/or sensory disabilities. HEC brings together the communities of disabled and enabled adults so they can all get to know our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the year, we have many different events and annually there is a three-day HEC retreat held each spring. We are always looking for participants to join this ministry — those that are disabled and those who are not — so that together we are one community learning from each other, enjoying the company of one another and establishing many beautiful friendships together as we all get to know our Lord.

**PLEASE join our HEC #39 (April 20 - 23, 2023) planning meeting: Monday, March 13 @ 7 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn.**

At the first meeting, there will be an HEC retreat overview and a review of the different jobs that need volunteers. Light refreshments will be served. Additional meetings will be Monday, April 3rd @ 7pm.

**All are welcome. Please join us. Any questions, call Diana @ 631-806-6213 or Bob @ 516-241-4122.**



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Kiaralis Amaya, Kathleen Stevens Ashbaugh, Helen Brchnel,  
Shirley Brown, Sophia Capobianco, Debbie Carson,  
Carol Cheshire, Sharon Chillemi, Joe Clines,  
Kaylee Elizabeth Collins, Linda Connors, Miranda D'Angelo,  
Dana Dapolito, John Dougherty, Peggy Evans,  
Helen Gillen Flanders, Carole Giordano,  
Joseph & Cynthia Giordano, Daniel Goodman,  
Bridget Connors Groeger, Hans Kaemmlin,  
Christopher Klemfuss, Karen Leibold, Janice Lewis,  
Leo Marcotte, Hedwig Maranchuck, Debbie Mascioli,  
Michael McGloin, Theresa McQuade, Robert Mecca,  
Chad Morris, Esmeralda Mosone,  
Thomas & Margaret Murray, Dorothy Ott, Maria Parisa,  
Veronica Porter, Frank Prisinzano, Milton Ruiz,  
Arlene Russo, Viviana Trapani, Theresa Villani,  
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Our prayer list is updated monthly in alphabetical order. Please **contact the Rectory** with any additions or changes.

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## SUNDAY COLLECTION – 2023

**Total Donations for the Week Ending in February 25/26: \$8,557.00**  
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