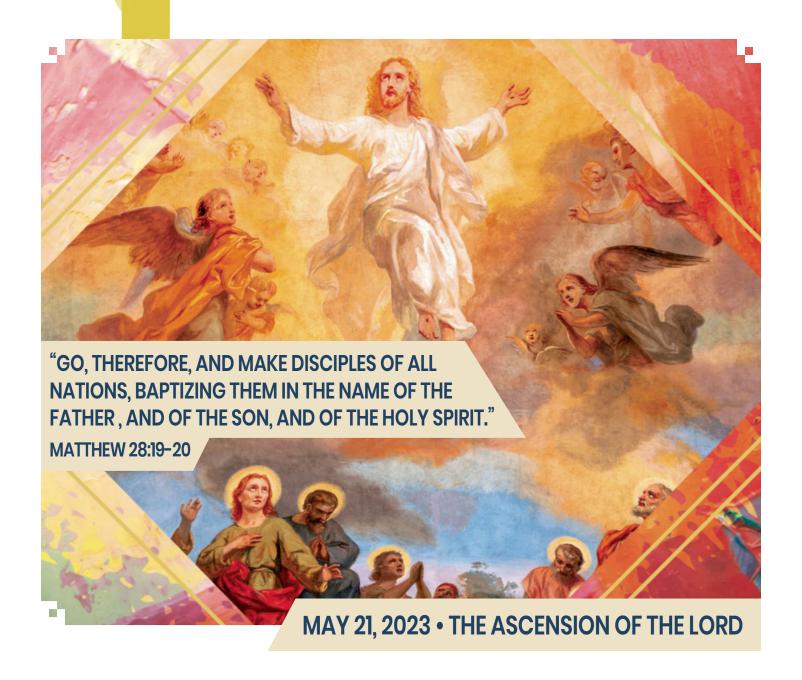


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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

4:30pm - All those enrolled in Mother's Day Novena

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023

8:00am - St. Francis Parishioners

10:00am - Elena Meringola។, Charles Titone។, Frank Gallo។. Robert Cancellieri។

12:00pm - Michael Russo, Alex Romanelli, John Proscia, Charles Porto, Sr.,

Ints. of Anthony Cantone, Anthony Cantone

5:00pm - Hermenegildo Cabreros, Sr.♥, Ints. of Claudia Gitzen

MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023

8:30am - Patricia Klein학

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023

8:30am - Frank E. & Josephine Neary₽

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023

8:30am - Ints. of Rich & Marge Capitelli&

THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023

8:30am - Bob Laket

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023

8:30am - Eileen Moriarity មិ

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023

4:30pm - Walter Dutch Schulz, Jr.♥, Bob Campion♥ Int. of James Noel Butron

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- 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 at 8:00am in the church

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

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LECTOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

4:30pm - Lector - Mary Lemp

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,

Thomas Lemp, Frances Takach

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 -

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:00am - Lector - Rosemarie Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,

Catherine Armstrong, Gawaine Esteibar

10:00am - Lector - Andrej Brchnel

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,

Peter Dowd, Lorraine Longo

12:00pm - Lector - Kathleen Dyckes

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,

Thomas Buckley, Teresa Iaquinto

5:00pm - Lector - Michael Kitakis

Eucharistic Ministers - Laurel Waite, Catherine Kitakis

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023

4:30pm - Lector - Carol Ann Gallo Russo

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,

Nicole O'Brien, William O'Brien

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023 -

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00am - Lector - Patrice Gibbs

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,

Phil DeDora, Clare Internann

10:00am - Lector - Michael Mordarski

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,

Charles Giardino, Karen Murphy

12:00pm - Lector - Paul Papa

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,

Nancy Christensen, Lorraine Longo

5:00pm - Lector - Albert Porpora

Eucharistic Ministers - Laurel Waite, Diane Young

THE RECTORY: Will be closed on MEMORIAL DAY (MAY 29TH), After that it will be open at regular hours 9AM - 3PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 2PM - 3:30PM,

Call Rectory for private confessions

BULLETIN REFLECTION

When we recall the Ascension of the Lord, which we celebrated this past Thursday, always remember that Jesus is always with us—He did not abandon us.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP PILLAR OF HOSPITALITY

As the weather grows nicer, find new ways to be hospitable and at service to your neighbor. Perhaps invite an elderly neighbor over for tea, or volunteer to cut their grass and tidy up their lawn.

THE PASTOR'S DESK A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PETER

The Original Novena

Many Catholics love Novenas; some have been very popular. The largest one in Brooklyn in the 1940's and 50's was in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux. Many parishes still feature a "Miraculous Medal Novena"; St. Boniface Church in Elmont (Home to Fr. Pat and myself) used to have a very well attended one! Now that we have a little bit of local history, the meaning of the word must be clarified. The word "Novena" itself refers to a chain of nine links, for example, nine days or weeks. So nine days of prayer before the Ascension of our Lord into heaven and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost fit the bill and serve as a template for all other Novenas.



The strong request of Jesus was that the whole group which saw Him Risen would remain in Prayer until they were "clothed with power on high"; that is, they received the Holy Spirit with his gifts. We can make this Novena privately. Choose a time and a place, in your home or in church at a quiet time. Then thank God for all his blessings so far in your life. Then explicitly pray for the gifts of the spirit, beginning with a sense of Pentecost joy and confidence in God! Claim your inheritance as a child of God and as a member of Christ's body – the Church – with all the style and power that flows out from the imparting of the Holy Spirit.

St. Francis of Assisi Upcoming Events May 2023



Saturday, May 20 Haitian Mass 6:30pm

Sunday, May 21

Hospitality Sunday hosted by Knights of Columbus

Sunday, May 21 PB&J Gang 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Monday, May 22 Card Players Group

> 7:00-9:30pm, lower church

Friday, May 26 Serenity Cinema "Rosary for the World" 7:00pm

Sunday, May 28
Pontocost Sunday

Pentecost Sunday Monday, May 29

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church

Monday, May 29 Memorial Day

10-9:30pm, Parish offices closed

Saturday June 3: 9:00am – 12noon: Final Day for Training for Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors at St. Paul the Apostle in Brookville, NY. For details, please contact the Rectory, or Patrick Brennan at (631) 757–8775.

St. Vincent de Paul Society



May 21st: The Ascension of the Lord

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.

*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

BOX CITY Save the Date



St. Francis YM is hosting Box City @ St Francis of Assisi. Check in: Saturday, June 3rd, 2023 7:30pm (lower church) Ends: Sunday, June 4th, 2023 7:00am

Sleep one night in a box and help raise awareness of the many homeless that sleep in a box every night. Box City is a homeless experience learning event that helps to promote awareness of what life is like for many of our homeless neighbors. Participants will engage in group activities and sleep outdoors in their own box and sleeping bag.

Items needed:

- Bring your own box or boxes. You can bring items to decorate your box (tape, markers, etc.)
- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Blanket
- Dress in layers because this is an outdoor event.
- \$10 donation towards future projects
- Please donate an item for the Breakfast Run (more info on our website)
- * This is a Teen Event* RSVP by Thursday June 2nd, 2023

Text: (917)520-7525

Contact us Peace, St. Francis YM Team Ivonne Vega-Porpora

Youth Minister



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.





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New York State Catholics to Hold October Eucharistic Congress

The eight Catholic dioceses of New York State are sponsoring an historic statewide Eucharistic Congress,

which will be held at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville, New York from October 20-22, 2023.



NYS Eucharistic

To register and find out more, visit nyseucharisticcongress.org.

The Eucharistic Congress is taking place as part of a national effort of the Catholic Church to reinvigorate devotion to the Eucharist on a national level. This National Eucharistic Revival, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, aims to restore understanding and fidelity to the great mystery of Jesus really and truly present in the Eucharist and to encourage all Catholics to make the Eucharist the source and summit of their faith.

The bishops of New York State have launched an easy to use website,

https://nyseucharisticcongress.org/, to provide comprehensive information about the Eucharistic Congress and allow people to register.

Bishop Edward Scharfenberger, Bishop of the Diocese of Albany and one of the chairs of the New York State Eucharistic Congress, said, "We look forward to welcoming upwards of 10,000 people to the Eucharistic Congress, who want to draw closer to Jesus and share

in this historic three day event. Our Congress will feature Mass on Saturday celebrated by Cardinal Timothy Dolan of New York, great speakers, opportunities for prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, and time to socialize. It will be a wonderful time to renew our faith in Jesus, and share that faith with others."

The location of the Eucharistic Congress, the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs, is the site of the 17th century martyrdoms of Jesuit missionaries Saints Isaac Jogues, Rene Goupil and Jean Lalande and of the birth of the first native American saint, St. Kateri Tekakwitha. Jogues is famous for his love for the Mass and Tekakwitha for her love for Eucharistic adoration.

The Shrine's Coliseum, built in 1931 in response to the canonization of martyred Jesuit missionaries, is the largest Church building in the United States, holding 10,000.

The Congress' website will be updated regularly to provide information on the complete schedule of events, the speakers who will captivate and inspire the crowd, religious services that will take place, and nearby places to stay. It will also allow individuals, families, groups and parishes to register as well as give them the opportunity to volunteer during this historic three-day event.

For more information and to participate with our parish, please contact Fr. Peter at the Rectory, or Michael Lobasso at (631)486-2155.

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> Deadline: Wednesday June 14 Call the Rectory at 631-757-7435

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PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY GANG

This ministry gathers together on the third Sunday of each month 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, May 21 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Let's Outnumber Hunger! For details, please contact Leslie Kulewicz at lesliekulewicz@hotmail.com.





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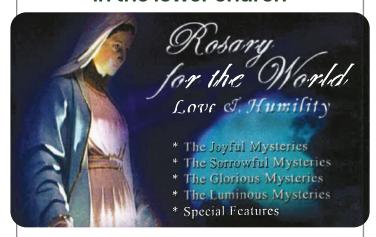
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Friday, May 26, 2023 @ 7:00pm in the lower church



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EXAMPLE 2 PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY GANG

The PB & J Gang made 596 sandwiches at our last meeting April 16! Heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make them, and to all who donated supplies.

Our next PB & J gathering is Sunday May 21, 6:30pm - 8:00pm at St Francis in the lower church. Looking forward to seeing you and/or your sandwiches then! Whether it's with the group, or if you make them at home and drop them off, each sandwich finds its way to a person in need.

Just a reminder: there is no PB & J meeting in June, as the third Sunday of the month is Father's Day. But we will be back in action for the summer – hunger doesn't take a vacation! Mark your calendars for July 16 and August 20 for our meetings.

Thanks for helping us outnumber hunger!

Leslie and Ivonne.



Kiaralis Amaya, Kathleen Stevens Ashbaugh, Helen Brchnel, Shirley Brown, Sophia Capobianco, Debbie Carson, Carol Cheshire, Sharon Chillemi, Joe Clines, Kaylee Elizabeth Collins, Linda Connors, Nicholas D'Amora, Miranda D'Angelo, John Dougherty, Peggy Evans, Helen Gillen Flanders, Carole Giordano, Joseph & Cynthia Giordano, Daniel Goodman, Bridget Connors Groeger, Hans Kaemmlein, Christopher Klemfuss, Chelsea & James Leblanc, Karen Leibold, Janice Lewis, Leo Marcotte, Hedwig Maranchuck, Debbie Mascioli, Michael McGloin, Theresa McQuade, Robert Mecca, Chad Morris, Esmeralda Mosone, Margaret Murray, Dorothy Ott, Maria Parisa, Maryann Plump, Veronica Porter, Frank Prisinzano, Milton Ruiz, Arlene Russo, Viviana Trapani, Theresa Villani, Jeffrey Wheeler, Karen Winterlich, John Zammillo

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