

St. Francis of Assisi

"Let me sow your love"

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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 2, 2024

11:30am - Josephine & Michael Trotta ₽ 4:30pm - Jean Swailes &, Laura Germain &, Harold Johnston

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

8:00am - St. Francis Parishioners

10:00am - Georgine Givens , Susan Brzeski , Alex Pastushenko†

12:00pm - Giuseppe Buffalino♥, Mary & William Pukat Richard Bracken , Alex Opio

5:00pm - Youth of St. Francis

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024

8:30am - Carl Abramowitz &

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024

8:30am - Winifred Callejo ₽

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024

8:30am - Ints. of Stacey Weilandt

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024

8:30am - For the sick of the parish

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2024

8:30am - Ints. of DeStefano Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

4:30pm - James Cruise \$\dagger\$, Elaine Macedonio \$\dagger\$

DEVOTIONAL LIFE - HOLY HOURS

HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS - Mon.: 12:30pm - 1:30pm **SACRED HEART HOLY HOUR** - Wed.: 6:30pm - 7:30pm PATRIOTIC HOLY HOUR - Fridays: 2:00pm - 3:00pm

ADORATION - Thursdays: 9:00am - 8:00pm

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

ROSARY - Daily at 8:00am in the church

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

Deacon Jean Cantave: 631-896-3747

LECTOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - Donna Tanzi Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,

Emilia Caravousanos, Frances Takach

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00am - Lector - Gawaine Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,

Rosemarie Esteibar, Marjorie Wong

10:00am - Lector - Andrej Brchnel

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,

Peter Dowd, Charles Giardino

12:00pm - Lector - Neil Coscio

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,

Kathleen Dyckes, Lorraine Longo

5:00pm - Lector - Michael Kitakis

Eucharistic Ministers - Catherine Kitakis, Diane Young

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - Carol Ann Gallo Russo

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,

Lois Greaux, Gabriella Horvath

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00am - Lector - Rosemarie Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,

Gawaine Esteibar, Lorraine Longo

10:00am - Lector - Henry Bokuniewicz

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,

Louise Mordarski, Michael Mordarski

12:00pm - Lector - Paul Papa

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,

Thomas Buckley, Mary Ann Farmer

5:00pm - Lector - Volvick Osse

Eucharistic Ministers - Laurel Waite, Diane Young

THE RECTORY office will be open at regular hours 9AM - 3PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 2PM - 3:30PM

Call Rectory for private confessions

BULLETIN REFLECTION

Meditate on the words, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

LIVING STEWARDSHIP PILLAR OF FORMATION

When you enter church for Mass, are you conscious of the way you act and/or dress? This Lenten season, be sure to wear your Sunday best (and make that a habit even after Lent) and when you sit in your pew, pray before God — don't scroll through text messages on your phone.

THE PASTOR'S DESK A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PETER

Catholic Ministries Appeal

The good news is once again we met our goal for 2023 in donations to this vital collection. Soon the new campaign will begin for 2024, as will be mentioned at Masses this weekend. Knowing of your love of our fine parish and your loyalty to our Diocese, bishops, and priests, I know you will meet the challenge! This year our efforts will be a bit stronger, as our goal has been raised in this economy.

Such a request is understandable. So many of our vital donations go to good works to help families; for example, about 25% of this collection is allotted to Catholic Charities. Thank you for your response – please know you are always in my prayers.

By the way, may I ask how Lent is going this year? It's okay if you have to start again!





St. Francis of Assisi Upcoming Events

MARCH 2024



Friday, March 1
First Friday Devotions
9:00am

Saturday, March 2
First Saturday Devotions
11:00am

Wednesday, March 6 HEC Retreat Planning Mtg 7:00pm at St. Kilian's,

> Farmingdale Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross in the church, 7:30pm

Thursday, March 7

Soda Bread Contest Entries due at the Rectory

Friday, March 8

"Godspell Jr." play, Trinity Regional School 7:00pm

Saturday, March 9 St. Patrick's Dinner Dance

7:00pm lower church

Sunday, March 10

Daylight Saving Time Begins

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, March 9, 2024 St. Patrick's Dinner Dance

St. Vincent de Paul Society



March 3rd: Third Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel Jesus is asked "What sign can you show us?" Every day we can see signs of how God has visited us in the blessings of our lives. Let us be a sign of God's love by being a blessing to others.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can be a sign of God's love to the suffering and poor.

*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

IRISH SODA BREAD

CONTEST

Attention St. Francis Bakers...

Win a Prize!



Entries Must Be Delivered to Rectory by March 7 or When You Arrive at Dinner/Dance, March 9
Winners Will Be Announced at March 9
St. Patrick's Dinner/Dance

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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Contact Pat Brennan 631.757.8775 • pjb813@aol.com

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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.



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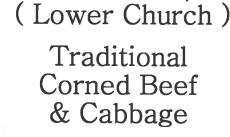


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PATRICK'S

DINNER/DANCE

March 9, 2024 /7-10 PM St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn



Tive RISH BAND

DANCERS









Available at Rectory during office hours and February 24-25 & March 2-3 after all Masses

Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

On the weekend of March 9th & 10th, St. Francis of Assisi Parish will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide?

- √ Free pregnancy test kits
- √ Free sonogram
- √ Maternity housing with eligibility requirements referrals
- √ Medical care referrals
- √ Material aid including car seats, cribs, clothing, diapers, and many other needed baby items
- √ Male advocates available to speak with fathers



We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation. (Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)

Please return the bottles on April 6th and 7th

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.

Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

Let us pray for the conversion of a mother's heart to give the gift of life to her preborn baby!

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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, March 17 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Let's Outnumber Hunger! For details, please contact Leslie Kulewicz at lesliekulewicz@hotmail.com.





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RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE





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Our Faith in Action Plan

Embracing Dramatic Missionary Growth.

GET INVOLVED!

♦ St. Francis of Assisi ▶ BOOSTER CIL **February Winners of 2024** \$60 Weekly Winners

Feb. 5th - Celeste Bartumioli Feb. 12th - The Roffi Boys Feb. 19th - Debbie Clemens

\$600 Monthly Winner

Feb. 25th - George Pozderac

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 10, 2024

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.



TRINITY REGIONAL SCHOOL IS PROUD TO PRESENT



On Friday, March 8th and Saturday, March 9th at 7 pm in the Trinity Regional Auditorium 1025 5th Avenue, East Northport Ticket cost is \$10.00.

Call Trinity Regional for tickets at 631-261-5130 or buy them at the door.



February 14 to March 24

Help Save Babies in Smithtown!

Spring Campaign 2024

Our 2024 spring campaign begins **Ash** Wednesday February 14th and runs through Palm Sunday March 24th.

Please sign up and be present for vigil hours. www.40daysforlife.com/Smithtown

Planned Parenthood

70 Maple Ave, Smithtown Prayer Vigil Hours 7am-7pm

As in the past, volunteers can sign up at the site listed above or at one of our participating churches or parishes.



COFFEE with JESUS

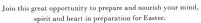
Lenten Series via Zoom

Join Bishop Andrzej

10:00 am on Friday mornings during Lent:

February 23, March 8 and March 22

Online Lenten Reflections on Scripture Readings, with the special emphasis on the Last Words of Jesus.







To register, please call Suzanne 516-744-6850 or email <u>westernvicariate@drvc.org</u>.

Once you are registered, you will be emailed the ZOOM information prior to each session of this Lenten series.



Kiaralis Amaya, Kathleen Stevens Ashbaugh, Hudson Walker Baker, Helen Brchnel, Shirley Brown, Sophia Capobianco, Jorge Luis Camacho-DeJesus, Shmyel Campson, Debbie Carson, Carol Cheshire, Sharon Chillemi, Joe Clines, Elizabeth Collins, Linda Connors, Madeline Crosby, The D'Amora Family, Miranda D'Angelo, John Dougherty, Alexander Dyar, Helen Gillen Flanders, Carole Giordano, Joseph & Cynthia Giordano, Daniel Goodman, Bridget Connors Groeger, Hans Kaemmlein, Christopher Klemfuss, Karen Leibold, Janice Lewis, Leo Marcotte, Hedwig Maranchuck, Debbie Mascioli, Michael McGloin, Theresa McQuade, Robert Mecca, John Mele, Chad Morris, Esmeralda Mosone, Margaret Murray, Dorothy Ott, Maria Parisa, Lynda Neary, Maryann Plump, Veronica Porter, George Pozderec, Frank Prisinzano, Fred Rice, Arlene Russo, Robert Schendorf, Viviana Trapani, Theresa Villani, Marie Waite, Jeffrey Wheeler, KarenWinterlich, John Zammillo

Our prayer list needs updating. Please **Call the Rectory** for any changes. Thank you. 631.757.7435 • stfrancisgreenlawn@gmail.com



SUNDAY COLLECTION - 2023

Total Donations Ending in Feb. 17/18: \$7,185.00 | Faith Direct in Feb.: \$8,879.00 | Donations in the Pew and Mail-in for Week Ending in February 18: \$742.00



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