

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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"YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE. WE HAVE COME TO BELIEVE AND ARE CONVINCED THAT YOU ARE THE HOLY ONE OF GOD."

JOHN 6:68-69



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, AUGUST 24, 2024

4:30pm - Agnes Pascuzzi♥, Susan Wegener♥

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024

8:00am - St. Francis Parishioners

10:00am - George Johnson P

12:00pm - Ronald McCusker 한, Rosemary Hall 한, Bill Donlon 한, Maryanne Donlon 한, Ints. of the DeStefano Family 5:00pm - Primo & Benito Somorostro 한,

Youth of St. Francis

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024 8:30am - Msgr. John Dreasen⊕

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024 8:30am - Josephine Mielcarz₽

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2024 8:30am - Lorraine Fanelli⊅

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024 8:30am - Josephine Mielcarz♥

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2024 8:30am - Baby Anthony Carlo Kaminsky♥

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2024
4:30pm - Ints. of Linda & Brian Wilson♥

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, AUGUST 24, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - Mary Schlaikjer Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo, Nicole O'Brien, William O'Brien

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

 8:00am - Lector - Gawaine Esteibar
 Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave, Erin O'Hea, Carol O'Hea
 10:00am - Lector - Henry Bokuniewicz
 Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne, Louise Mordarski, Michael Mordarski

12:00pm - Lector - Paul Papa Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo, Thomas Buckley, Kathleen Dyckes

5:00pm - Lector - Michael Kitakis Eucharistic Ministers - Laurel Waite, Diane Young

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - William O'Brien **Eucharistic Ministers -** Deacon Jean Cantave, Frances Takach, Donna Tanzi

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00am - Lector - Rosemarie Esteibar Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne, Phil DeDora, Marjorie Wong 10:00am - Lector - Peter Dowd

Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon Allan Longo, Louise Mordarski, Michael Mordarski

12:00pm - Lector - Neil Coscio Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave, Thomas Buckley, Kathleen Dyckes

5:00pm - Lector - Volvick Osse Eucharistic Ministers - Catherine Kitakis, Laurel Waite

THE RECTORY: will be closed on **SEPTEMBER 2ND** (LABOR DAY) After that it will return to regular hours 9AM - 3PM (9AM - 12PM ON FRI.).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 2PM - 3:30PM, Call Rectory for private confessions

BULLETIN REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, many people turn away and leave Jesus because His teaching is "hard". Being a disciple of Christ is about being faithful to His teachings and turning from sin. With God's help, we can live a good, faithful life. And when we slip, we can always run to God's mercy in Confession.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP PILLAR OF PRAYER

To be the best versions of ourselves, to be the best Christians we can be, we need to have a solid prayer life. If prayer is not something you do on a daily basis, or if your prayer life is lacking, take time this week to start building that pillar in your life.

THE PASTOR'S DESK A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PETER

Saint Francis Parish suffered a robbery over last weekend – this time, the perpetrator stayed for much longer. At the time, in our church the police were called and quickly assessed that this was the same person who broke in here about two years ago. There is some small comfort in that this crime does not mean that our neighborhood is declining, but rather is an indication that local people do not have a fear of being on the premises. Our security committee will look into the event, assess our problem, and make practical suggestions, while supervising the installation of new locks and keys.

Please pray that accurate reporting and assessment will lead to swift action and an arrest. Pray also on the chance for this young perpetrator to regret his experience of this way of life, and the grace to turn it around.

Let us pray for him and ask that God's merciful love envelops him.





St. Vincent de Paul Society



August 25th: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks "Do you also want to leave?" We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of his love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to hear the cries of the poor by assisting families by providing them food, utilities, rent and other bills. God Bless You!

*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

SERENITY CINEMA PRESENTS JESUS REVOLUTION Featuring Jonathan Roumie from The CHOSEN



In the 1970s, Greg Laurie and a sea of young people descend on sunny Southern California to redefine truth through all means of liberation. Inadvertently, Laurie meets a charismatic street preacher (Jonathan Roumie playing Lonnie Frisbee) and a pastor (Kelsey Grammar playing Pastor Chuck Smith) who open the doors to a church to a stream of wandering youth. What unfolds is a counterculture movement that becomes the greatest spiritual awakening in American history. Based on a true story, the film urges us to love people as Jesus loves them. It encourages us to carry the Gospel to those who look and act different. It reminds us that the Good News can unify our broken, stone-casting culture—but only if we follow Christ's example.

Join us for Faith, Film, and Finger Foods on Saturday, August 24th @ 6:30pm in the Lower Level.

All are welcome! Running Time 2:00. Theatrical Release 2023. For more Information: Lisa Marie Johnson: 605-681-0017 / lisamariejohnson126@gmail.com

our community

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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COFFEE HOUSE



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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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our ministries



You're Invited

Join us

To honor and celebrate Fr. Peter Kaczmarek with a special dinner gala at the Larkfield, on his retirement from St. Francis of Assisi Church.

Join friends, family, and our fellow parishioners as we give thanks for Fr. Peter's pastoral leadership, relive the memories, and look towards the future with faith.

The Event

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2024

Time: 6:00pm - 10:30pm

Place: Larkfield

507 Larkfield Rd. East Northport, NY 11731

For More Information

Visit *frpeterretirementgala.eventbrite.com* or call Noreen Brittenham at 631-470-9620. Make Checks Payable to Spirit of Huntington Art Center, 2 Melville Road, Huntington Station, NY 11746. *Checks can be mailed to this address.*

Peace and All Good!



"Well done, good and faithful servant..."

- Matthew 25:23



Tickets \$90 per person *Fixed Price

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Our Mother Queen of Peace – Betania XIII

INVITES YOU TO SPEND THE EVENING CELEBRATING OUR BLESSED MOTHER'S BIRTHDAY

Sunday, September 8th, 2024



St. Francis of Assisi Church 29 Clay Pitts Road Greenlawn, NY 11740

MAIN CELEBRANT: Father Peter Kaczmarek

CONCELEBRANT: Father Joseph Habila Deacon Michael

7 pm Rosary 7:30 pm Holy Mass Music: Al Barbarino



Our guest speaker will be Deacon Michael Chirichella - He will be witnessing the miracle he received from Saint Sharbel. You will be able to venerate a first class relic and receive a blessing with his holy oil.



Deacon Michael Chirichella is from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. He has a strong devotion to the Lebanese miracle worker Saint Sharbel. He is also a cancer survivor, and ministers to people with cancer through conversations, and phone calls. Deacon and his brother Father Vincent Chirichella have a monthly healing Mass in honor of Saint Sharbel at Saint Joseph Church in Astoria, NY. He also has a podcast with his brother called "The brothers in Faith."

Refreshments to follow in honor of the Nativity of Mary and farewell to our Pastor, Father Peter.

For further information please contact: Dolores 516-903-6630 or Anne 631-339-2217

life & social ministries

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, September 15 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm



Let's Outnumber Hunger! For details, please contact Leslie Kulewicz at lesliekulewicz@hotmail.com.



PB&JGANG



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Our Faith in Action Plan

Embracing Dramatic Missionary Growth.

GET INVOLVED!



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Aug 18th - Dennis Smith

\$600 Monthly Winner Aug 25th - 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!"

Become an Altar Server

We invite girls and boys in the 4th. grade and up to become Altar Servers here at St. Francis of Assisi Parish!

Parents— If your child is interested, please fill out the form, which you will find at the entrances of the church. You may put it in the Offertory Basket, or drop it off at the Rectory.





The New Booster Club is getting ready to start! September 2, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

Each ticket remains in play for the entire year! Tickets are \$50 each, and you may purchase as many as you wish. Letters with tickets enclosed have been sent out to all parishioners. Additional tickets can be purchased throughout the year at the Rectory. Tickets may be purchased on behalf of others – they make great gifts! Each month, weekly drawings will be held for \$60 each Last week of each month has a drawing for \$600! The December drawing will have a monthly prize of \$1,200! Winners will be posted in the bulletin. Monthly winners will be announced from the lectern on Sunday.

WEEKLY EXCITEMENT! WEEKLY BLESSINGS! First Drawing is Tuesday, September 3rd in the Rectory!



You Can Help Heal Your Marriage Retrouvaille Weekend

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse?

The Retrouvaille Program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationships, primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages and help couples reconnect. Presenters are not trained marriages counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the next retreat weekend that begins on Friday, September 13, please visit our website www.helpourmarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

Location for the September 2024 Retreat – Friday, September 13 through Sunday, September 15, 2024: *Immaculate Conception Seminary, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743*



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