

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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HE SUMMONED THE CROWD AGAIN AND SAID TO THEM, "HEAR ME, ALL OF YOU, AND UNDERSTAND. NOTHING THAT ENTERS ONE FROM OUTSIDE CAN DEFILE THAT PERSON; BUT THE THINGS THAT COME OUT FROM WITHIN ARE WHAT DEFILE."

MARK 7:14-15

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 • TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 31, 2024

4:30pm - Ints. of Linda & Brian Wilson †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

8:00am - St. Francis Parishioners

10:00am - Agnes DeMarco †

12:00pm - Frank D'Amato †,
John & Constance D'Amato †,
Rosemary Hall †

5:00pm - Youth of St. Francis

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2024

8:30am - Edward Thompson †

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

8:30am - Josephine Mielcarz †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024

8:30am - Ints. of the Bartumioli Fam †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2024

8:30am - Frank Lobasso †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

8:30am - Josephine Mielcarz †

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024

12:30pm - First Saturday Mass

4:30pm - For the sick of the parish

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 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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - Donna Tanzi

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,
Emilia Caravousanos, Lisa Love

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am - Lector - Gawaine Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,
Catherine Armstrong, Rosemarie Esteibar

10:00am - Lector - Henry Bokuniewicz

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,
Peter Dowd, Karen Murphy

12:00pm - Lector - Ellen Lobasso

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,
Thomas Buckley, Kathleen Dyckes

5:00pm - Lector - Michael Kitakis

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, Jesus calls us to not only honor the Lord with our lips, but with our hearts as well.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP PILLAR OF FORMATION

Are you honoring the Lord with your whole being? Do you find yourself going through the motions in your spiritual life? Let this week be the week that you start to build up your spiritual life. Go to confession, read Scripture, and be intentional in your giving.

THE PASTOR'S DESK

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PETER

Our bulletin publisher, on the occasion of me announcing my retirement from the pastorate at St Francis, asked me to write a short autobiography. I was willing enough to comply, but was I surprised by the many unusual thoughts and emotions! Some were comforting, others unsettling. Strange, but I can't complain; I have received four extensions of my terms; "mandatory" retirement is supposed to be at 75 years of age. In October I will be 80 years old, yet the awareness that I am finishing my last assignment is still not really welcome. Some parishioners broke into tears when they got the news – I responded with my own right on the spot! More on related topics next week.

- Fr. Peter



St. Francis of Assisi Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER 2024



Monday, Sept. 2

Labor Day

Parish offices are closed

Friday, Sept. 6

First Friday Devotions

9:00am, following
8:30am Mass

Saturday, Sept. 7

First Saturday Devotions

11:00am, Mass 12 noon

Sunday, Sept. 8

Special Betania XIII

Rosary and Mass, 7:00pm

Monday, Sept. 9

Religious Ed

Classes Begin

Saturday, Sept. 14

Divine Will Day of Recollection

8:30am – 3:00pm

Sunday, Sept. 15

Hospitality Sunday, hosted by Starfish

Coffee House
after 8:00am &
10:00am Masses

Saturday, Sept. 21

St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk

Heckscher State Park

SAVE THE DATE – Thursday, Sept. 26

Gala for Fr. Peter • 6:00pm at The Larkfield
See page in the bulletin and website for details!

St. Vincent de Paul Society



September 1st: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The gospel today hits home closer than we may think.

What traditions do we blindly cling to? Perhaps it is enough for us just to go to Mass on Sunday? Do we keep the letter of the law and miss entirely the spirit of the law. Interior righteousness means a heart turned to God. Purity of heart is expressed in righteous living: self - giving for the sake of others.

As you give your gift to the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, in your heart you also will find the good news of God's love.

**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

Our Mother Queen of Peace – Betania XIII

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

Sunday, September 8th, 2024

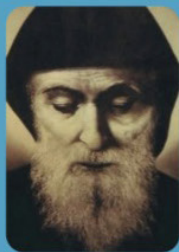


St. Francis of Assisi Church
29 Clay Pitts Road
Greenlawn, NY 11740

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.



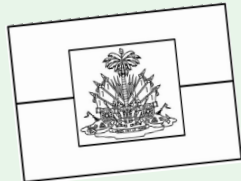
Deacon Michael Chirichella is from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. He has a strong devotion to the Lebanese miracle worker Saint Sharbel. He is also a cancer survivor, and ministers to people with cancer through conversations, and phone calls. Deacon and his brother Father 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

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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STARFISH YOUNG ADULT COFFEE HOUSE

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BETANIA XIII

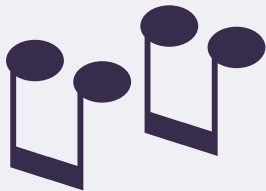
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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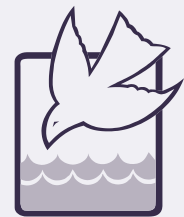


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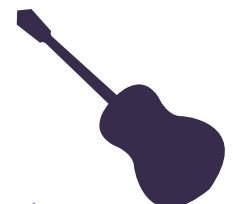


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40 HOURS

A D O R A T I O N

The Forty Hours Devotion is a period of prayer for forty hours before the Lord truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

**Sunday, September 29,
5PM Mass thru**

Tuesday, October 1, 3PM

Followed with: Procession, Liturgy of
the Word, Reposition & Benediction

SIGN UP FOR
AN HOUR
OR MORE.

BY THE HOUR
SIGN UP SHEETS
IN CHURCH
FRONT LOBBY.

(3 People are needed
for each Hour.)

**Saint Francis of Assisi Church Sanctuary
29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn, NY**

Father Peter's Retirement Gala

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

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Tickets

\$90 per person

**Fixed Price*

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.

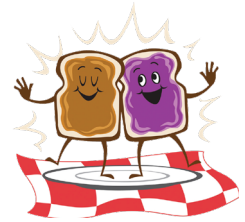


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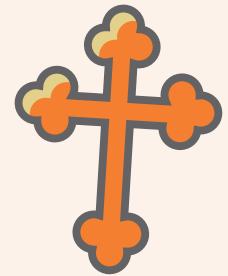


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Our Faith in Action Plan

Embracing Dramatic
Missionary Growth.

GET INVOLVED!

★ ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI ★
BOOSTER CLUB
★ August Winners of 2024 ★

\$60 Weekly Winners

Aug. 4th - Rich McClorey

Aug 11th - Steven Hearl

Aug 18th - Dennis Smith

\$600 Monthly Winner

Aug 25th - Fran Segur

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!”

15TH ANNUAL PARISH BOOSTER CLUB
★ FOR 2024 – 2025 ★

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!

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.



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 marriage 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*

16TH ANNUAL
FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK



EVERY step makes a DIFFERENCE!
2024

**Saturday
September 21, 2024**

**Heckscher State Park
East Islip, NY**

Come and join us for a day filled with family fun, fresh air, and refreshments while helping our neighbors in need.

REGISTER AT:

SCAN



OR GO TO:
svdpli.org/walk



5K Walk
(As you're able)




Please Remember in Prayer

Frances Assara
Alexandria Bardunias
Anthony C.
Michael Callahan
Maryanne Carletto
Linda Connors
Tony Cruz
Bridget Groeger
Bob Kiley

Christopher Klemfuss
Annette Livoti
Hedwig Maranchuck
Robert Mecca
Francis Neary
Marie Waite
John Walters
Frank Ward
Rachel Vadala

To have someone added to the "Remember in Prayer" list, please contact the Rectory. Beginning this month, names on the list will remain in the bulletin for one month.

To continue prayers for an extended period of time, please call and request an extension:
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SUNDAY COLLECTION – 2024

Total Donations for the Week Ending in Aug. 31/Sept. 1: **\$7,433.00**
Donations in the Pew and Mail-in for Week Ending in August 4: **\$835.00**



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