

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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"WHOEVER WISHES TO COME AFTER ME MUST DENY HIMSELF, TAKE UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME."

MARK 8:34B

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 • TWENTY-FOURTH 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, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

4:30pm - For the sick of the parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

8:00am - St. Francis Parishioners

10:00am - For the sick of the parish,
Peter Belz†

12:00pm - Dina Champagne†,
Fr. Ubald†

5:00pm - Youth of St. Francis

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

8:30am - Albert Fanelli†

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

8:30am - Ints. of Isabel & Steve Hearl

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

8:30am - Carol Chesire†

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

8:30am - Mundi Herron†

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

8:30am - John Schwier†

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

4:30pm - Angela Kulewicz†
Peggy Dissler†

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, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - Mary Schlaikjer

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,
Lois Greaux, Frances Takach

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am - Lector - Rosemarie Esteibar

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,
Phil DeDora, Gawaine Esteibar

10:00am - Lector - Andrej Brchnel

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

12:00pm - Lector - Neil Coscio

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,
Thomas Buckley, Mary Ann Farmer

5:00pm - Lector - Volvick Osse

Eucharistic Ministers - Catherine Kitakis, Laurel Waite

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

4:30pm - Lector - Mary Lemp

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,
Gabriel Horvath, Donna Tanzi

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am - Lector - Patrice Gibbs

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jim Byrne,
Clare Intemann, Marjorie Wong

10:00am - Lector - Peter Dowd

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Jean Cantave,
Andrej Brchnel, Louise Mordarski

12:00pm - Lector - Ellen Lobasso

Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Allan Longo,
Nancy Christensen, Mary Ann Farmer

5:00pm - Lector - Diane Young

Eucharistic Ministers - Catherine Kitakis, Laurel Waite

THE RECTORY

OPEN 9AM - 3PM (9AM - 12PM ON FRI).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 2PM - 3:30PM,

Call Rectory for private confessions

BULLETIN REFLECTION

"So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

LIVING STEWARDSHIP PILLAR OF SERVICE

As we hear in the second reading today, show others your faith through your works.

THE PASTOR'S DESK

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PETER

Believe me, I never thought retiring would be so hard. Of course, I will not miss the “Daily Grind” – the leaks, locks, and ledgers, the necessary distractions from the “Real” pastoral portion of our work! But I will miss YOU!

Fifteen years ago, I returned to St. Francis at 65 years of age, well beyond the best years for remembering names and faces. Still, it was like coming home because I had already been here before. Going forward I will be residing locally in Huntington Station, so I know that I will see you from time to time. Our meetings will always be a joy. “Movin’ on” is a universal experience for all, and being a priest and being a pastor are no exceptions. Please pray for me, that this Lord guides me to the path of service that he calls me to. Also, please come to the Gala, and the special hospitality being arranged after all Masses on Oct 5th and 6th and planned for me. I know that for some, the gala ticket will be an obstacle, but I would love to see you all.

Since a new Pastor will be serving you next month, it will be a bit different. We see the wider church currently responding to very different circumstances. My leaving is on another level, as the larger Catholic church begins together to face a common future and continues to spread the Gospel and message of Christ’s Love and Promises.

Friday September 27 is the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. All are invited to the 8:30am Mass, followed by hospitality in the lower church sponsored by the volunteers of our St. Vincent de Paul Society.



St. Francis of Assisi Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER 2024



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

PB & J Gang

6:00-8:30pm, lower church

Monday, Sept. 16

Card Players Group

7:00pm lower church

Friday, Sept. 20

All Night Vigil

9:00pm-5:30am, Masses at 10:00pm and 5:00am

Saturday, Sept. 21

Haitian Mass

6:30pm

St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk

Heckscher State Park

Serenity Cinema: “Father Stu”

6:30pm, lower church

Thursday, Sept. 26

Gala for Fr. Peter

the Larkfield, 6:00pm East Northport

SAVE THE DATE – Wednesday, Nov. 6
Blood Drive with the Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent de Paul Society



September 15th: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

In today’s Gospel, even the child in Elizabeth’s womb leaps with joy at the approach of Mary, the “lowly servant,” who by accepting God’s plan for her became blessed for all generations.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

**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

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*

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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COMMUNITY



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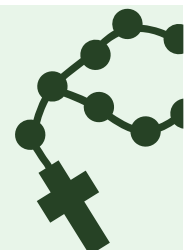


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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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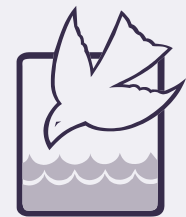


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Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays and Fridays • 9:00am – 5:00pm

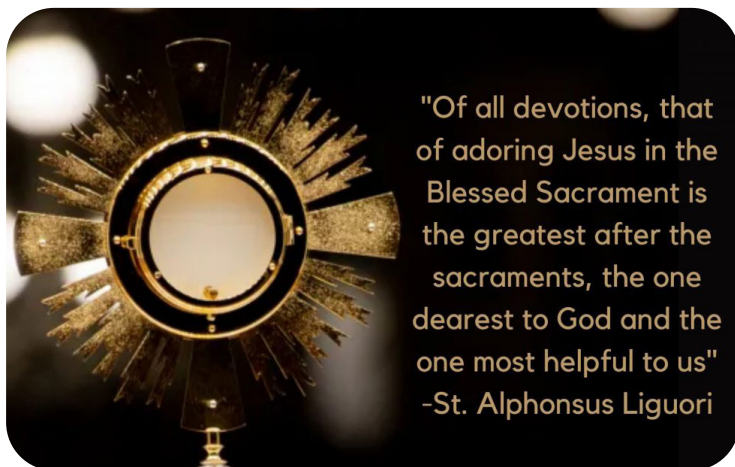
Thursdays • 9:00am – 8:00pm

Ongoing every week

Today's Meditation

"The most powerful thing we can do on this earth with our time is to spend it in Eucharistic adoration. Nothing can do more to change the world, to bring about peace, to convert hearts, to make reparation for the many evils committed. Spending time in prayer may seem, on the outside, to be a passive thing; however, it is anything but! Our world is in desperate need of hope, of renewal, of a 'turning back' to the things of God. By visiting Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we take up the best weapon for the battles of our age and contribute to the healing of our culture. Cultivating a Eucharistic life of adoration also bears tremendous fruit in our own hearts and lives. We cannot spend time in the rays of His Eucharistic Presence without receiving His grace, His love, His mercy, His peace. As we gaze upon Him Face to face, we are transformed little by little into a closer reflection of His divine image."

-Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, p. 37-38



"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us"
-St. Alphonsus Liguori

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, 1PM

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

SIGN UP FOR
AN HOUR
OR MORE.

■
HOUR TO HOUR
SIGN UP SHEETS
IN CHURCH
FRONT LOBBY.

■
(3 People are needed
each Hour.)

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

16TH ANNUAL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK



EVERY step makes
a DIFFERENCE!
2024

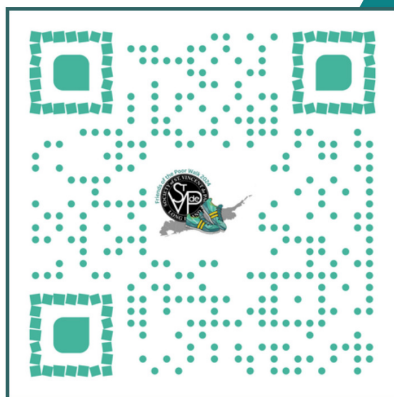
**Saturday
September 21, 2024**

**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)



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.

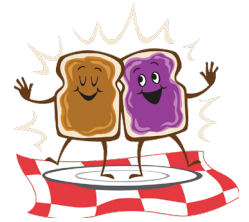


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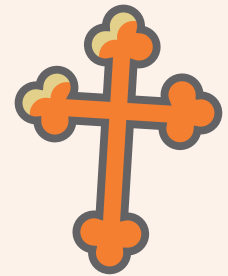


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Our Faith in Action Plan

Embracing Dramatic
Missionary Growth.

GET INVOLVED!

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

\$60 Weekly Winners

Sept. 2nd - Janet Nelson

Sept. 9th - Karen Howard

Sept. 16th - TBA

Sept. 23rd - TBA

\$600 Monthly Winner



Sept. 30th - 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.



PB & J GANG



Back for More!

The Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang meets this **Sunday September 15 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm**. In August the group made **826 sandwiches** – pretty impressive for a summer turnout! All were dropped off to grateful local soup kitchens. PB & J delivers on its commitment faithfully to help those in our community experiencing food insecurity. You can help families stretch their resources and meet a real need to so many who are struggling. Preparing and helping make sandwiches is a good way to fulfill community service hours or just to gather with friends for a great cause. Newcomers are always welcome! Please bring what you can – Peanut Butter, Jelly, Bread, fold-over bags... nothing goes to waste!

You are also welcome to make sandwiches in your own home, and drop them off at the lower church. Please contact either Leslie Kulewicz at 631-754-2132 or Ivonne Porpora at 917-520-7525. Let's Outnumber Hunger!

SERENITY CINEMA PRESENTS
Father Stu
 Featuring Mark Wahlberg
 and Mel Gibson



Saturday September 21st
 @6:30pm – Lower Level

Join us for Faith, Film, and Finger Foods on Saturday, September 21st @6:30pm in the Lower Level. All are welcome! Running Time 2:00. Theatrical Release HOLY WEEK 2022. This is the FAMILY VERSION, For more Information: Lisa Marie Johnson: 605-681-0017 / lisamariejohnson126@gmail.com

Appreciation

With a grateful heart, on behalf of the Pastor and the parishioners of Saints Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church Lafiyen Sara Kwara, Nigeria, I wish to seize this golden opportunity to convey my unalloyed appreciation to the Pastor, the good and wonderful people of St Francis of Assisi Church, for giving me the chance to appeal for funds to build a church. It was so wonderful celebrating the Holy Eucharist with you and I felt welcomed. Your donations are well received, and your generosity is highly appreciated. We will remain ever grateful for the show of love from you. Thank you so much and God bless you all.

*~ Fr Joseph Habila, St Matthew RC Church,
35 North Service Road, Dix Hills, NY 11746*



Please Remember in Prayer

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

Christopher Klemfuss
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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: \$7,611.00

Donations in the Pew and Mail-in for Week Ending in Sept. 1: \$450.00

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