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EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 5:30 PM

Sunday - 7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:45 AM; 12:15 PM; 5:30 PM

@ 10:45 AM—Family Liturgy

1:30 PM - Español

Monday - Friday - 8:45 AM

BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required of all parents who have not attended a class within the last three years prior to the celebration of baptism. Please call the parish office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00—5:00 PM and by appointment
 (English and Spanish)

MARRIAGE

Arrangements are made with the parish office.

VISITS TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Inform the office when someone needs a visit from a Communion Minister or one of the Friars.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

To register in the parish, please fill out a registration form found in the vestibule, at the parish office, or on the Parish website, and return it to the office.

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From the Friars




As was announced recently at the weekend Masses, the administration of Holy Name Province (Franciscan Friars) recently completed a year long process of evaluating the ministries currently staffed by the friars. As a result of that process, the administration has decided to withdraw from 10 currently staffed ministries of the Province, including 8 parishes.

I am pleased to announce that The Province will continue to staff our parish, St. Francis of Assisi, Triangle.

This process was undertaken for two reasons, the declining number of friars available for ministry, and as a preparation for the eventual merge of the 6 U.S. Franciscan O.F.M. Provinces into one U.S. Province. This merge is expected to take place in 2023.

Sincerely,

Fr. John O'Connor, O.F.M.



The weekend of February 1st-2nd the memorial of St. Blaise, *blessing of throats will be conferred after all the Masses.* The custom began in the 16th century, although Blaise lived in the fourth century. He was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia who, according to legend, saved the life of a boy who was choking on a fish bone. He is now the patron saint of all who have diseases of the throat. Please join us and receive a blessing of your throat as a sign of God's care for his people.

St. Francis of Assisi Elementary, Middle, and Preschool will host an open house for new prospective families on **Sunday, February 2nd at 1:00 pm.** Please plan to join us for a tour of our facility and to meet our wonderful teachers. For admission questions, please contact **Liz Orille** at **703-221-3868** or orillee.sfas@gmail.com.



Applications for Stephen Ministry should be returned by January 31st. It is not too late to find out more about this awesome ministry. Brochures are in the back of the church or please email **Kathy Walker** at kwalker@stfrncis.org to get more information. You will not be sorry!!

End of Year Statements: Parishioners will be provided with a statement of their donations for 2019. Statements will be mailed by the end of January. It is not necessary to request a statement.



St. Francis' Cub Scout Pack 1385 and Boy Scout Troop 138 will be holding their 7th annual **Undie Sunday** to collect [men's and/or women's underwear \(new-still in the unopened packages please\)](#). Boxes will be located in

the vestibule for your generous contributions of these items (underwear, thermals, t-shirts, socks, etc.) on **Scout Sunday, February 9, 2020**. These clothing items will be delivered to those in need at the Bill Mehr Drop-In Shelter.



A Scout is reverent. Please come celebrate **Scout Sunday on February 9, 2020 during the 10:45 a.m. Family Liturgy Mass.** As our Scout Sunday is a celebration of all Scouts (American Heritage Girls, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Ventures, Explorers). For more information, please email, cmarquis@stfrncis.org.



At **St. Francis of Assisi Parish** we are committed to finding the resources to support our ministries and organizations. We are grateful for your continued support of the Parish. Please consider the opportunity and advantages of electronic giving. Forms are available in the vestibule of the Church.

If you have any questions regarding electronic giving, please contact **Barbara Stouffer**, at the Parish Office at **703-221-4044, ext. 232** or e-mail barbaras@stfrncis.org.

There is a book located in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel next to the Tabernacle for you to write your own prayers of petition. During the *Prayer of the Faithful* during weekend liturgies, an intercession will call to mind those prayers in a general way. In this manner, the public prayer of the church is bound to the many prayers of the faithful who live in the body of Christ!



Votive Candles
Envelopes are provided for candle money. **Please place them in the boxes located on the wall (next to the candles) in the church.**



St. Francis House Corner

Thank you for the donations from our parishioners. The items of the month are appreciated very much by our clients. With your generosity, we will continue to serve those who are in need.



Item of the Month: Toilet Paper

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Cereal
- Mac and Cheese

For more information, please call **Francia** at **703-221-6344**. Thank you for your continuing support!

St. Francis of Assisi's Anti-Human Trafficking Committee (AHTC) in collaboration with the Secular Franciscan Fraternity is inviting you to **SAVE THE DATE, Sunday, February 9, 2020, for a Fair-Trade Sale.**

Fair Trade Gift Available for your Sweetheart!



Larry's Coffee—Coffee artists on a mission.

Larry's combines coffee excellence with a belief that business can be a force for good. Based in Raleigh's Five Points neighborhood, Larry's occupies a cluster of three buildings with a roastery in the center, incorporating solar water-heated floors, rainwater-driven restrooms and a massive passive-solar clear story. All Larry's Coffee is Organic, Fair Trade and Shade-Grown, (including the fully recyclable k-cups the company recently launched).

<https://larryscoffee.com/>

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<https://www.serrv.org/product/divine-chocolate/>

Monk's Bread—<https://monksbread.com/>

Monks' Bread and Monks' Specialty Bakery are works of the Trappist monks of The Abbey of the Genesee in Western New York. Manual work is an integral part of Trappist life. Each monastic community must support itself by the work of its hands. The bakery supports the monastery's primary mission, which is to pray for the world.

Boletín Semanal

Charlas Bautismales—Las próximas charlas bautismales en español serán el **viernes, febrero 14, 2020**. Las charlas bautismales Son a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón del Hermano Juniper (Br. Juniper Room). Para más información por favor llamar a la Señora Salguero al **703-221-6344**.

Despensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francisco—Gracias a las donaciones de todos nuestros feligreses el Artículo del mes ha sido bien recibido por nuestros clientes. Con sus donaciones podremos continuar ayudando a los más necesitados.

Artículo del mes: Papel Higiénico

- Salsa para espaguetis
- Crema de mani y mermelada
- Cereal
- Macarrones con queso

Muchas gracias por sus donaciones. Para más información Contactar a la **Señora Salguero** al **703-221-6344**.

Formas en la Iglesia: Les pedimos por favor no dejar a sus niños jugar o escribir en las formas que se encuentran en las mesas de la iglesia. Estos son documentos con información muy importante. Muchas gracias por su colaboración.

OVERNIGHT SHELTER—Winter is here, and it is a very rough season for the homeless. Our parish is committed to providing dinner every Saturday, at 7:00 p.m. for our brothers and sisters at the Overnight Shelter. At this moment we are in dire need of your help! Sign-up sheets, directions, and more information are on the table in the vestibule of the church. For more information, please contact **Francia Salguero** at francias@stfrancis.org or **571-572-5862**.



Thank You **Christmas Giving**—St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners and volunteers truly embody the spirit of giving during the Christmas season. Every year we try our best to provide the best assistance we can to those in need. With the help of all of our parishioners and different organizations and volunteers especially: Knights of Columbus, R.E. Program and students, St. Francis of Assisi School and students, Pi Lambda Lambda Chapter Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Senior Group, St. Francis Craft Ministry, and my returning group of volunteers that help sort and prepare the gift bags. **We were able to help provide: gifts for 293 families over 550 children from Dumfries, and Triangle Elementary School, provided 132 bags for the Seniors of St. Francis House and the Envoy Nursing home in Woodbridge, 58 Christmas baskets for clients in Dumfries, Triangle, and Quantico, and donations for the Migration and Refugee services worth over \$1000.00, \$870 for Mary's Shelter, \$715.00 for Birthright, and \$870 for Project Rachel and Gabriel.** On behalf of St. Francis of Assisi Parish and St. Francis House we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Without your monetary donations and time none of this would be possible. **Happy New Year!**

Faith Formation Office

Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Friday: Closed

Religious Education for 2019-2020

Jan. 26	Sunday RE Session
30	Thursday RE Session
Feb. 2	Sunday RE Session
6	Thursday RE Session
9	Sunday RE Session
13	NO RE—Presidents' Day Holiday
16	NO RE—Presidents' Day Holiday
20	Thursday RE Session
23	Sunday RE Session
27	Thursday RE Session
Mar. 1	Sunday RE Session

St. Francis High School Youth Ministry is called **REAL!** **REAL** stands for Respect, Engage, Accept, Live! **REAL** is open to all High School teens. It is a place to connect your life and your faith, to share, support and have fun with other teens who are trying to live out God's call in their everyday lives. Please come see what **REAL** is all about!



Sunday, January 26th
6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
St. Catherine Room

REAL Time (Youth Group)
All Teens Grades 9-12

Sunday, February 2nd
Super Bowl Sunday
NO REAL ACTIVITIES

Sunday, February 9th
6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
St. Catherine Room
REAL Time (Youth Group)
All Teens Grades 9-12

Questions? Please contact Brandon Jubar at bjubar@stfrncis.org.

Are You New to the Parish??? Welcome!!

Registration forms are available on the tables in the vestibule, from the Parish Office or from the parish website www.stfrncis.org.

Baptismal Preparation Class

Our next class will be held on **Sunday, February 9, 2020** from **1:30 p.m.—2:30 p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room. **Please call the Parish Office to register at 703-221-4044.**



Coloring Contest for Children Grades K-4
St. Patrick

Apostle of Ireland
AD C.389-461

Legend has it that St. Patrick used the little **green shamrock** to teach about the Trinity. Just as there are three leaves that form one plant, the Three Persons of the Trinity are one God.

The Fr. Mychael Judge O.F.M. Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians invites all area **K through 4th grade** students at Sacred Heart, Holy Family, and St. Francis Parishes to enter the St. Patrick Coloring Contest.

Three winners will be chosen from one combined Parish grade group (Schools and RE's). The **ONE** Grand winner will be awarded **\$25**. Each of the 16 winners will receive a T-Shirt and their winning entry Framed.



CONTEST RULES

- Entries must be completed with **WAX CRAYON ONLY**
- Entries must be returned to **St. Francis of Assisi School or Parish Office**
- Entries are due by **Monday, February 17th**
- One entry per student
- Entry Forms can be found at www.stfrncis.org
- Winners will be announced prior to St. Patrick's Day
- Student must sign entry that no adult helped

St. Francis of Assisi School is participating in Many Gifts, One Nation: A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools in association with Catholic Schools Week.



Many Gifts, One Nation
A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools

Give back to your local Catholic school!
January 28 - 29, 2020

www.NCEA.org/csw/manygifts

This is a 24-hour online giving event that allows donors like you to directly support our school. Your generosity will be made at the same time a national community of thousands are saying thank you to Catholic schools. Your gift will be put toward the area of greatest need in our school community. **The donor page will open at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 and close at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 29, 2020.** So please make your donation during this time. Please use the following link to access our donor page and feel free to share it with family and friends:

<https://factsmgtadmin.com/give/appeal/ZHZbPw3>

We thank you so much for your continued support of our school.



Volunteers Needed to Coordinate

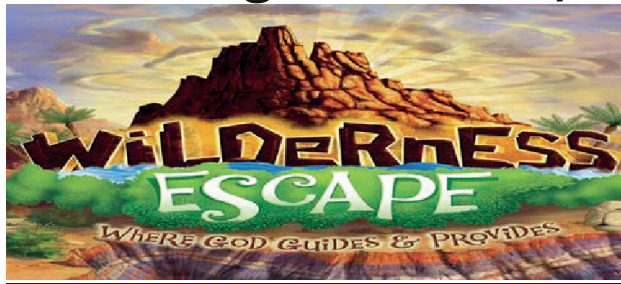
Vacation Bible School

VBS will be held June 15-19, 2020

Our theme is

Wilderness Escape!

Where God guides and provides!



If interested in joining the VBS Coordinating team,
please contact: Marianne Hayes, DRE

recoor@stfrncis.org 703-221-3127

VBS Coordinating Team

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	January 25—Conversion of St. Paul Sacrament of Reconciliation †Cy Kelly †Matilda Merritt †Robert Laychak
SUNDAY, 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:45 AM 12:15 PM 1:30 PM 5:30 PM	January 26—3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time †Alice Tippit People of the Parish †Judy Fowler †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Parris Phelps †Elizabeth Bennett †Eleanore Lindsay †Rose Pilla †Lewis Pilla †Brendan White †Fabiana Casupang †Loretta Frankowski Misa en español †Jane Wilson †Loretta Frankowski
MONDAY, 8:45 AM	January 27—Weekday †Robert McIntosh †Armando Andaya
TUESDAY, 8:45 AM	January 28—St. Thomas Aquinas †Brian R. Lamb †Helen O'Connor †Greg Romanias
WEDNESDAY, 8:45 AM	January 29—Weekday †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Kathryn Gonsorcik †Charles Cassidy
THURSDAY, 8:45 AM	January 30—Weekday †Rosemary Sevola
FRIDAY, 8:45 AM	January 31—St. John Bosco †Kevin Ryan Herrmann †Bernard Moran, Jr. †Thomas G. Lenhard
SATURDAY, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	February 1—Weekday Sacrament of Reconciliation †Jane Wilson †Laurence O'Brien †Loretta Garzke
Mass Intentions on Sunday, February 2, 2020	
7:30 AM	†Carol Freeman †Alice Tippit †Judy Fowler
9:00 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
10:45 AM	†Miriam Longo
12:15 PM	†Donald Widener †James Allan †Judy Ryerse
1:30 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	People of the Parish †Jane Wilson

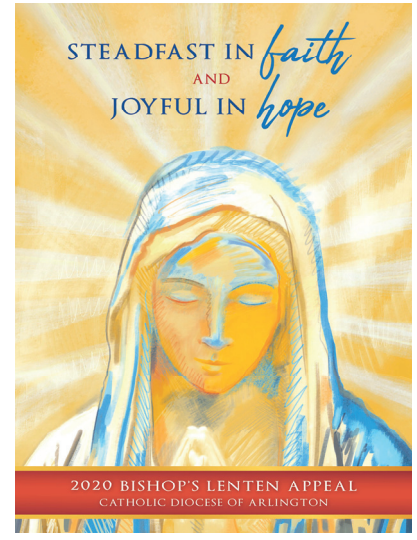
Readings for the Week of January 26, 2020

Monday	2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30
Tuesday	2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mark 3:31-35
Wednesday	2 Samuel 7:4-17; Mark 4:1-20
Thursday	2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25
Friday	2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4:26-34
Saturday	2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41
Sunday	Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40 or Luke 2:22-32

We are in need of an interpreter for a deaf member of our parish. If someone has this skill, please contact the Parish Office at 703-221-4044.



2020 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL BEGINS!



In January, the mailing for the 2020 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) will be sent to all registered diocesan households. The theme for the 2020 BLA is "Steadfast in Faith and Joyful in Hope." After reflecting upon the blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serves thousands of people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to furthering the Lord's work in our diocese.'

Please Pray For All those who are sick:
Ellen Orlando; Barbara Borthwick;
Sue Long; and Gary Ward.

And for those recently deceased: Samantha Alvarez.

Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way: James O'Shaunessey; S. Defibaugh; James O'Sullivan; Drew; and Leo N. Company.

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Gospel Today

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time / Matthew 4:12-23

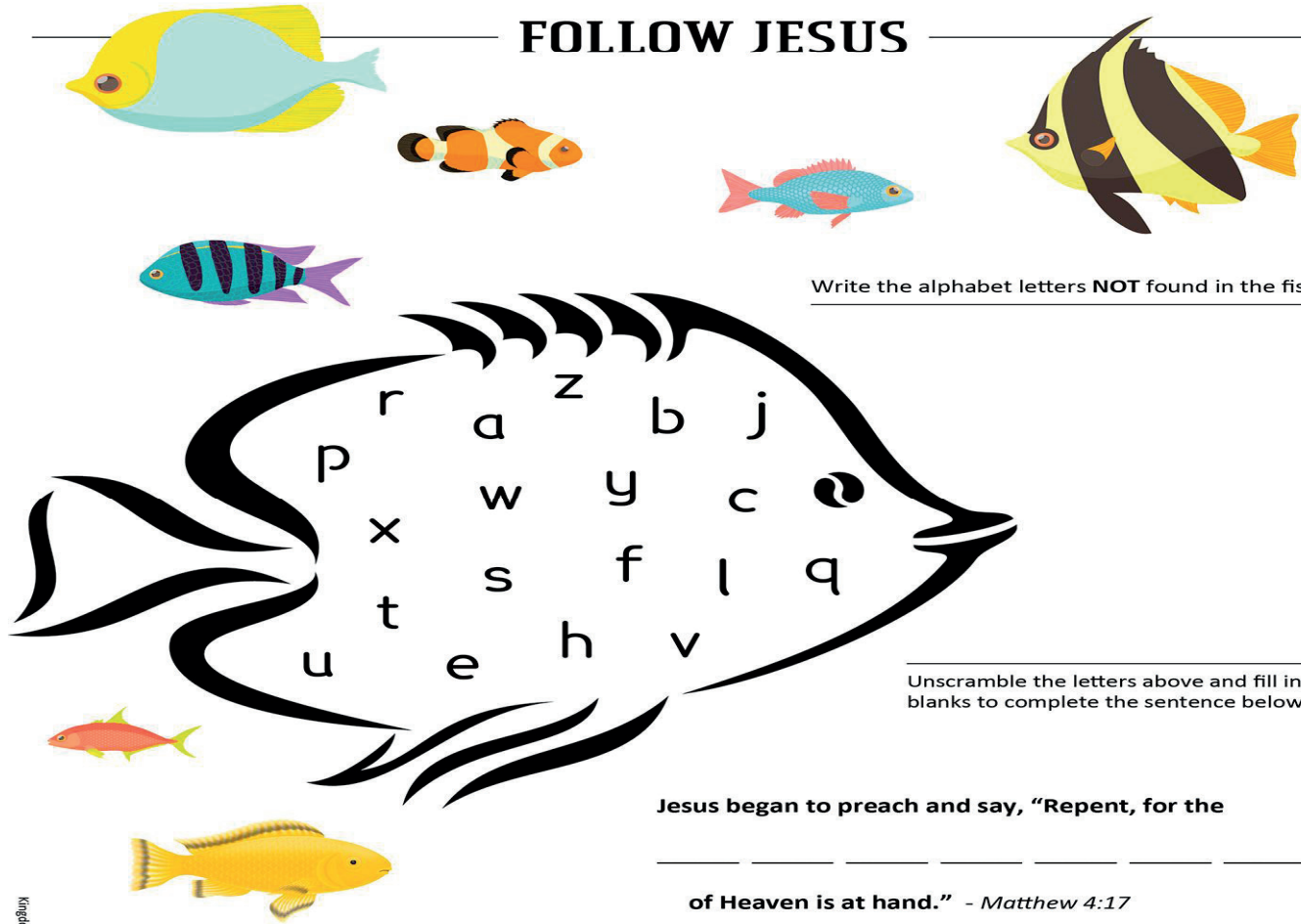
In today's Gospel, Jesus chose His first disciples at the Sea of Galilee. Brothers Simon Peter and Andrew were the first to be greeted by Jesus, followed by James and John. At once they left their boat and nets to become fishers of men and women with Jesus, as He began His ministry.

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Brothers James and John left their father Zebedee, their boat and nets, and followed Jesus.

As fishers of men and women, they would now help Jesus gather the people and preach the Good News.

FOLLOW JESUS



Write the alphabet letters **NOT** found in the fish.

Unscramble the letters above and fill in the blanks to complete the sentence below.

Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the

_____ of Heaven is at hand." - Matthew 4:17

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