All-powerful Father, Christ your Son became man for us and was presented in the temple. May he free our hearts from sin and bring us into your presence. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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Parish Office Hours - Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 AM-4:00 PM In a Sacramental Emergency-703-468-1180

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

Fri. 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Phone 703-221-4044

Fax 703-221-3246

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.

PARISH COUNCIL

Terry Danner (Chair) 703-680-0860 Maggie Eves (Vice Chair) 703-304-8058

PARISH SCHOOL

703-221-3868 Grades Pre-school—8th FAX 703-221-0700 Dr. Tricia Barber, Principal

tricia.barber@verizon.net

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FEBRUARY 2, 2020



REMINDER

Please remember to bring in your blessed palms from home and leave them in the baskets in the vestibule of the church by February 23rd. They will be burned and used for ashes on Ash Wednesday, February 26th. Thank you.

February 26th Ash Wednesday

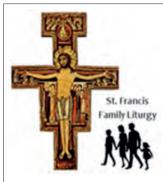


6:30 a.m.—	Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes
8:45 a.m.—	Mass with Distribution of Ashes
5:00 p.m.—	Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes
7:30 p.m.—	Mass with Distribution of Ashes
	La Misa con distribución de las cenizas

Ashes will only be distributed during the above listed services. Ashes will <u>NOT</u> be distributed in between services.

Fasting and abstinence are encouraged during Lent and reflect the season's penitential nature. In the U.S. all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence, that is, days on which no meat is to be consumed. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of fast, only one full meal during the day, as well as abstinence.

Fasting and abstinence are by no means the only types of penance. "Let us witness to our love and imitation of Christ by special solicitude for the sick, the poor, the underprivileged, the imprisoned, the bedridden, the discouraged, the lowly." (Tobit 12, Mt 6).



Families Celebrating Mass at the Family Liturgy

Each Sunday during the 10:45 a.m. Mass, we welcome all families, especially those with young children. Celebrated using the children's Lectionary, child/youth cantors, lectors, gift bearers, and ushers, this Mass focuses on the family staying together throughout the Mass

and helping our children find an early joy in ministry. Families share together in this ministry by volunteering their time during specific weekends of their choosing throughout the year, about 8 times per year. <u>The Family Liturgy</u> <u>Ministry needs 4 families</u>. What a wonderful way to get the whole family working together in ministry! All materials are provided for the families ahead of time. For more information, please contact **Colleen Wells at** <u>cwells@stfrncis.org</u> or 703-221-4044 x 231.



St. Francis' Cub Scout Pack 1385 and Boy Scout Troop 138 will be holding their 7th annual Undie Sunday to collect <u>men's</u> <u>and/or women's underwear (newstill in the unopened packages</u> 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, <u>cmarquis@stfrncis.org</u>.

Be Doers of The Word and not Hearers only!



Our community gathers to hear The Word and better understand God's love for us. Calling all who would like to be a proclaimer of The Word? New lector training will be conducted on **Saturday**, **March 21st from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Br. Juniper Room.** If you are interested before that, please contact **Pequitte Schwerin for individual training at <u>wislady@comcast.net</u> or please call 703-590-8492.**

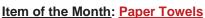
We have good days and we have bad days. But when the bad seem to loom larger, it is time to start a process of healing. If you want more one-to-one care, please email Kathy Walker at

kwalker@stfrncis.org to start the process of healing from the "bad days" with a Stephen Minister.



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.



- 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!



What is Fair Trade?

- Trade between companies in developed countries and producers in developing countries in which fair prices are paid to the producers.
- "Supporters believe that fair trade is making a significant positive impact in the world."

What does it mean to be Fair Trade?

"Fair Trade is a trading partnership, based on dialogue, transparency and respect, that seeks greater equity in international trade. It contributes to sustainable development by offering better trading conditions to, and securing the rights of, marginalized producers and workers—especially in the South.

What is the purpose of Fair Trade?

Fair Trade is an organized social movement and marketbased approach that aims to help producers in developing countries obtain better trading conditions and promote sustainability. The movement advocates the payment of a higher price to producers as well as social and environmental standards.

Does Fair Trade make a difference?

The difference that Fairtrade makes. Emerging evidence through impact assessments has found that Fairtrade can make a significant difference to farmers' and workers' lives.

Boletín Semanal

<u>Charlas Bautismales</u>—Las próximas charlas bautismales en español serán el <u>viernes, febrero 14, 2020</u>. 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 Toalla

- Salsa para espaguetis
- Crema de maní 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** <u>francias@stfrncis.org</u> or 571-572-5862.



All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. (Laudato Si', start of

Prayer for Our Earth). Please join the CARE FOR CREATION Ministry! Our next meeting will be on **Sunday**, **February 9th at 10:00 a.m. in the Br. Juniper Room.** All are welcome. Our activities are member-driven. If you have an idea for a project or event, we want to hear it! **For more information, contact Scott Deane, at** <u>vadeanes@vahoo.com</u> or Jim Bundy, at <u>jimbundy53@gmail.com</u>.

ADOPT-A-SPOT: Join us on Saturday, February 8th at 10:00 a.m. for 2 hours to pick up litter starting in the Parish Parking Lot, and traveling to the park next to us, through the woods, and back to the church property. All materials are provided. Everyone is welcome to help out. For more information, please contact Scott Deane at vadeanes@yahoo.com.

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

Feb.	2 6 9 13 16 20 23 27	Sunday RE Session Thursday RE Session Sunday RE Session NO RE—Presidents' Day Holiday NO RE—Presidents' Day Holiday Thursday RE Session Sunday RE Session Thursday RE Session
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8 Sunday RE Session

St. Francis High School Youth Ministry is called REAL! **<u>REAL</u>** stands for Respect, Engage, Accept, Live! <u>**REAL**</u> 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!



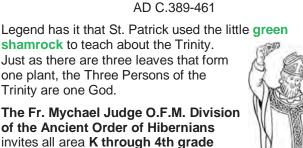
Baptismal Preparation Class

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.



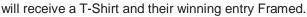
SPONSOR OF THE WEEK We would like to thank Planet Home Lending, Jean W. Allen for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin. ORDER

Coloring Contest for Children Grades K-4 St. Patrick Apostle of Ireland



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



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

Trinity are one God.

- 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



Monday Morning Bible Study

Please join us for a Bible Study exploring Christ's Passion, No Greater Love, by Ascension Press on Monday mornings from 9:30 a.m.— 11:00 a.m. beginning Monday, February 24, 2020 in the St. Catherine Room.

Please visit <u>www.stfrncis.org/resources</u> for the course description and to register for the study. Contact Sheila Noble (snoble@stfrncis.org) with any questions.

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.



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@John Paul the Great
Tuesday, Feb. 4th, 2020
4:00 - 8:30PM

THE STRENGTH OF THE WOLF COMES FROM THE PACK!

Scavenger Hunt · Games · Half-Time Shoot-Out

Tours start at 4:00PM Varsity Girls: 5:00PM Varsity Boys: 6:30PM

Contact us at admissions@jpthegreat.org or 703-445-0218

RSVP: www.jpthegreat.org/apps/pages/ middle_school_events



	Mass Intentíons
SATURDAY, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	February 1—Weekday Sacrament of Reconciliation †Jane Wilson †Laurence O'Brien †Loretta Garzke
SUNDAY, 7:30 AM	February 2—The Presentation of the Lord †Carol Freeman †Alice Tippit †Judy Fowler
9:00 AM 10:45 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Miriam Longo †Jose Diaz
12:15 PM	†Donald Widener †James Allan
1:30 PM 5:30 PM	†Judy Ryerse Misa en español People of the Parish †Jane Wilson
MONDAY,	February 3—St. Blaise
8:45 AM	†Wilma Jean Strati
TUESDAY, 8:45 AM	February 4—Weekday Gretchen May †Frank and †Ann Kovalchik †Anna Berios
WEDNESDAY, 8:45 AM	February 5—St. Agatha †Christine Geisel Lamb †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Katherine Gonsorcik
THURSDAY,	February 6—St. Paul Miki and Companions
8:45 AM	tAudrey A. Proscia
FRIDAY, 8:45 AM	February 7—Weekday †Kevin Ryan Herrmann
	†Ed Bowling
SATURDAY,	February 8—Weekday
4:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 PM	†Cy Kelly †John A. Shookster
	†Marcus Wilson
Mass Inte	entions on Sunday, February 9, 2020
7:30 AM	 †Alice Tippit Andrew Wagner †David Harrison Rawlins
9:00 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Andy Misenko
10:45 AM	†Steve Hudak Obdulio DeLeon People of the Parish †Loretta Napolitano
12:15 PM	†George Beck
1:30 PM	Misa en español

5:30 PM

+Jane Wilson

Readii	ngs for the Week of February 2, 2020
Monday	2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13;
-	Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday	2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3;
•	Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday	2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17; Mark 6:1-6
Thursday	1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12;
-	1 Chronicles 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a,
	12bcd; Mark 6:7-13
Friday	Sirach 47:2-11; Mark 6:14-29
Saturday	1 Kings 3:4-13; Mark 6:30-34
Sunday	Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5;
-	Matthew 5:13-16



Lenten Small Faith Groups Please join in the largest Adult Faith program of the year by hosting a few friends, family and/or neighbors into your home for an hour a week during Lent. Each year, hundreds of St. Francis of Assisi parishioners enrich their spiritual lives at this sacred time

by participating in small faith groups. The 4-10 person groups meet in Host homes, beginning the week of March 1st, as part of a five-week study. This year, we will consider and discuss the booklet, "Having Mercy" from The Pastoral Center Lectionary Series. Hosts are instrumental to the program's success, and it is easy to be a Host. All you need is an open heart to invite people you already know into your home for approximately an hour a week, on a day and time that best fits your schedule. Each registered Host receives a free guide book which contains every prayer, scripture passage, reflection and discussion question. There is no training required, and it is completely up to each Host as to who to invite and when to meet. To register as a Host, receive your free copy of the guide book and learn more about the program, please visit www.stfrncis.org/small-groups or please contact Sheila Noble (snoble@stfrncis.org) with any questions.

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.

Please Pray For All those who are sick:

Ann Grant; Imelda Pine; David Back; Laurie Coligan; Aaron Childs; Ellen Orlando; and Barbara Borthwick.

And for those recently deceased: Thomas Ashman.

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.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



The Presentation of the Lord / Luke 2:22-40

Mary and Joseph followed the law of Moses and presented Jesus in the temple to be consecrated to the Lord, forty days after His birth. At the temple they were greeted by Simeon and Anna, who spoke great things about Jesus.



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Simeon took Jesus in his arms and praised God ...

-Luke 2:28

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