PALM **SUNDAY** of the PASSION **OF THE LORD**

Hosanna!

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Blessed is he who

comes in the name

of the Lord!



Parish Office Hours - Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Fri. 8:00 AM-12:00 PM Phone 703-221-4044 Fax 703-221-3246 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

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.

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 703-221-3868

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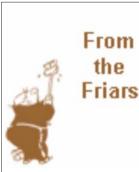
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When we gathered on Ash Wednesday several weeks ago we reflected on the beginning of the season of Lent and its meaning for us. We spoke of Lent as a season of sacrifice. At that time we had no idea just how much sacrifice would be asked of us.

With the advent of the

Coronavirus we now experience sacrifice like most of us have never seen before. As difficult as this experience has been and will be for us, our faith in the Lord can help us through this moment in our history. As we are reminded in the scriptures, Jesus is with us especially in the most difficult of times.

And so I encourage you to stay in touch with our Lord in prayer. As you pray please keep in your prayers your loved ones; your neighbors; and especially those who are suffering with this terrible virus.

As I shared with the staff here at St. Francis yesterday, we may not be able to properly celebrate Easter on Easter Sunday itself, but we will celebrate an Easter when the suffering of this present time has come to an end.

Please know we are working hard to stay in touch with you through electronic means. Please stay in touch with us by going to the parish website (<u>www.stfrncis.org</u>). We were able to set up live streaming and thus will stream a weekend Mass and the services for Holy Week. More information will be forthcoming.

Stay safe, stay healthy. May God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,

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

Confession Schedule for Lent

Confessions will be heard every Wednesday (March 4th—April 8th) during Lent from **7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.**

(No Confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday)

Please Pray For All those who are sick: Jane Wiedhahn; Denise Liss; Dale Hudson; Gary Ward; and Richard McClevey.

And for those recently deceased: Frank Ware (Husband of Debora Ware).

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

We are praying for YOU!!



As the current call for social distancing leaves many of us feeling anxious or alone, please know that your parish family is praying for each of you! The Friars, Parish Staff, and members of our newly forming Intercessory Prayer Team are praying for health and healing from all illness and anxiety for each of our parishioners. We would like to pray for your specific needs also! Please go to the Parish website (www.stfrncis.org) and click on the '*Prayer Request*' button with any specific prayer requests. As much as possible, let us try to keep our eyes focused on Jesus as He walks with us through this difficulty!



A Novena of Masses will be offered for all Mothers, living and deceased, and will begin on May 10th. <u>Spiritual</u> <u>Bouquet Cards</u> are available on the tables in the vestibule. Please drop the inside envelope in the Catch-All Slot in the vestibule or in the Parish Office <u>no later than Thursday</u>, <u>May 8th</u>.

CAR RAFFLE 2020

Exciting news...<u>the Car Raffle is</u> <u>still on!</u> We are only a few weeks away from the <u>April 21st deadline</u> to turn in all unsold and ticket stubs with payment. **One \$5.00**



ticket offers a more generous venture than purchasing a vehicle on our own and each purchaser has a chance to win five cars plus \$20,000 in cash drawings! This makes "selling" at work or to family and friends more like an opportunity—just show them the ticket—it will sell itself! Please visit our website (<u>www.stfrncis.org</u>) to view the five 2020 vehicles.

Any questions or need more tickets, please contact Chanel Marquis at 703-221-4044, ext. 222 or <u>cmarquis@stfrncis.org</u>.

Please take note—All tickets (used or unused and money) can be mailed back directly to <u>ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH</u>.; turned into the Parish Office; or the Catch-All Slot.

<u>St. Francis will STILL receive the normal proceeds from</u> <u>the Raffle.</u> This is our Parish's largest fundraiser and we thank you in advance for your support.

St. Francis House Corner



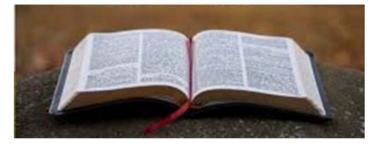
Thank you for the donations from our parishioners. The items of the month are appreciated very much by our clients. With your generosity, we will continue to serve those who are in need.

Item of the Month: Canned Tuna

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Canned Vegetables
- Pasta
- Hamburger Helper

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

A fresh perspective on the Sunday Readings HIS WORD TODAY By Rev. William J. Reilly



"The Lord God has given me a well trained tongue, that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them... The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced. I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame."

May the Word of God stir us to begin this Holy Week with a deep desire to grow closer to the Lord. The events we recall are not to be seen as a story of how great was Jesus' love for us then, but to seek and find Him and discover His unending love for us today.

The saving work of Jesus is taking place right now. As I begin this week, I look for His saving grace in life, my home, our world. We enter into this saving work as He entered the holy city. We unite ourselves to Him, as we sit at the last supper, weep in Gethsemane, walk to Calvary, and await the good news of the resurrection.

Holy week does not just happen; it calls me to live the drama of the paschal mystery with Him.

Boletín Semanal

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: Atún Enlatado

- Salsa para espaguetis
- Crema de maní y mermelada
- Vegetales enlatados
- Pasta
- Ayudante de Cocina (Hamburger Helper)

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

Counseling at St. Francis of Assisi



Family Services Fredericksburg - Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington Counseling Services Offered at St. Francis of Assisi Parish Every Tuesday.

Please call Catholic Charities' Intake Coordinator, Lee Ann Pompeii at 540-371-1124 with questions or to schedule an appointment. Cost is based on a sliding scale (income and dependents). Insurance accepted.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish and Catholic Charities are partnering to offer Catholic Charities Counselor **Peter Drabbant's** services to St. Francis of Assisi parishioners every <u>Tuesday between the hours of 10:00</u> <u>a.m. and 6:00 p.m. by appointment.</u>

Sessions will be conducted by phone until further notice due to COVID-19.

Peter, a native of Canada, is licensed as both a professional counselor (LPC) and a drug/alcohol counselor (CAADC / IC-RC). He is new to the region and to Catholic Charities for the Diocese of Arlington. Residing and providing therapy services in Michigan for 15 years, he ran a Catholic private practice for a few years and in 2006, joined a CMH (Community Mental Health) agency for 12 years providing individual therapy and crisis intervention for

both adults and youth; treating those affected with depression, anxiety, obsessive compulsive disorder and scrupulosity; trauma; anger; behavioral issues; substance use; and couple/marital issues. He has provided group therapy for



those with personality disorders (DBT), substance use disorders (IOP) and Anger Management groups.

Faith Formation Office

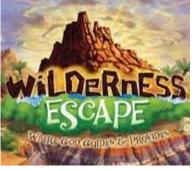
Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246 Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: <u>8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.</u> Friday: <u>Closed</u>

Religious Education for 2019-2020

(RE Classes <u>CANCELED</u> until further notice)

VBS is fast approaching and we are looking for a team

of parents to help! VBS will be held June 15th -19th for children age 4- 6th grade. Several months are necessary to plan and coordinate. We have an easy to follow kit with a director's guide and tons of support!! In addition to coordinator(s), we will need adults as group leaders, music, craft,



games, snack, decorating, bible story, registration.

If you can help coordinate or in any other capacity please fill out a volunteer form. Volunteer forms are available in the back of the church, website and RE Office. Caravan with Moses and find out what it was like for the Israelites traveling to the promise land! **Please contact Marianne Hayes** <u>recoor@stfrncis.org</u> for more information.

St. Francis High School Youth Ministry is called <u>**REAL**</u>! <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 <u>**REAL**</u> is all about!



Until further notice, all in-person <u>**REAL</u>** Youth Ministry events are suspended.</u>

Follow us on Facebook

AND Text "sfacym" to 81010 to receive text message updates.

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

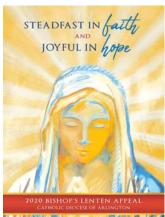
Votive Candles Envelopes are provided for candle money. Please place them in the boxes located on the wall (next to the candles) in the church.



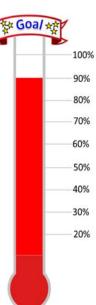
2020 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Steadfast in Faith and Joyful in Hope

Currently our parish has reached <u>90%</u> of our goal for the Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). We are very grateful to those who have already supported this year's appeal.

We know that there are families who have not yet made a pledge to the BLA and we are



asking for support from every parish household.



There are BLA envelopes in the vestibule of the church that you may fill out and place in the Catch-All slot or bring to the Parish Office or you may go to our parish website (<u>www.stfrncis.org</u>), which will take you to the diocesan website, to make a one-time donation or a pledge that can be paid throughout the year.

The BLA funds many programs, services and ministries that serve people in need and furthers the Gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Let us join together to do the Lord's work—works that touch the lives and souls of thousands of people. Please reflect on your blessings and consider joining in support of the BLA. Every pledge is important! Thank you!

BROTHER JUNIPER



APRIL 5, 2020

St. Francis of Assisi
Electronic Church Giving Program
Did you know

You can make your offertory gift work harder than every to support St. Francis of Assisi Parish!

Your offering is conveniently deposited directly to the church's account via:

- You checking or savings account, or
- Your credit card (VISA or Mastercard ONLY)

Here's how to join . . .

1. Use this form to indicate the amount you want to contribute each month from your account to the church.

Indicate amount here and keep for your records: \$_____ Twice a month __Once a month

- 2. Be sure to sign your name and indicate the date.
- 3. Return the completed enrollment form with a voided check or credit card information to the church office.

Note Current Enrollees: If you wish to change your transfer from a bank account to a credit card, please complete the form below with all the information requested, but indicate "Current Enrollee" at the bottom of the form.

A record of each gift will appear on your monthly bank or credit card statement. You may increase, decrease or suspend your giving at any time by notifying the church. All transfers originating as ACH transactions from members' accounts comply with U.S. law.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 18825 Fuller Heights Rd., Triangle, VA 22172 <u>Please complete all three steps!</u>

YES! I'd like to support St. Francis of Assisi through the Electronic Church Giving Program!

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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.

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 <u>barbaras@stfrncis.org</u>.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH TRIANGLE, VIRGINIA

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SATURDAY, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM	April 4—Lenten Weekday Sacrament of Reconciliation Tom Ryan, Sr. †Cy Kelly †Mary and †Michael Brough
SUNDAY, 7:30 AM	April 5—Palm Sunday †Carol Freeman †Alice Tippit †Kevin Ryan Herrmann
9:00 AM	Ronnie Hall †John and †Mary Misyak
10:45 AM	+Dwayne E. Gonsorcik +Sue Eckhardt +Brian Berta
12:15 PM	 †Lorraine Hagan Seubert †Harry Logel People of the Parish Our Nation's Leaders and Members of the Medical Community
1:30 PM 5:30 PM	Misa en español †Jane Wilson †Michael Creegan †James and †Gertrude Creegan
MONDAY, 8:45 AM	April 6—Monday of Holy Week †Cecilia Zink Our Nation's Leaders and Members of the Medical Community
TUESDAY, 8:45 AM	Medical Community April 7—Tuesday of Holy Week Gretchen May Our Nation's Leaders and Members of the Medical Community
WEDNESDAY, 8:45 AM	April 8—Wednesday of Holy Week †Merritt Causey †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Kathryn Gonsorcik
THURSDAY, 8:45 AM 9:00 AM	April 9—Holy Thursday NO MASS Morning Prayer
7:30 PM 7:30 PM FRIDAY,	La Cena del Señor en el Gimnasio April 10—Good Friday
8:45 AM 9:00 AM 3:00 PM 7:30 PM	NO MASS Morning Prayer Liturgy of Good Friday Musical Meditation on the
7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross Liturgy of Good Friday en español el Gimnasio
SATURDAY, 9:00 AM 8:30 PM	April 11—Holy Saturday Morning Prayer/Blessing of Easter Food Easter Vigil †Eileen Bolen †James and †Rose Edozie People of the Parish

Mass Intentions on Sunday, April 12, 2019

8:30 PM 7:30 AM	Easter Vigil †Normand Richard Marquis †Gregory Edward Sanderson †John A. Shookster
9:00 AM	 †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Alice Tippit †Bob and Paul Walker
9:00 AM	(Gym)
10:45 AM	+Harry Ravert
	†Stephan Hien T. Vu †Joseph Duc T. Vu
10:45 AM	(Gym)
12:15 PM	+Donald Widener
	†Thomas V. Vitale
	†George Beck
12:15 PM	(Gym)
1:30 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	NO MASS

Readings for the Week of April 5, 2020

Monday Tuesday	Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11 Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38									
Wednesday	Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-25									
Thursday	Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;									
-	Revelation 1:5-8; Luke 4:16-21;									
	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14;									
	1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15									
Friday	Isaiah 52:13—53:12;									
	Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9;									
	John 18:1—19:42									
Saturday	Genesis 1:1—2:2 or Genesis 1:1, 26-31a;									
	Genesis 22:1-18 or									
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	Exodus 14:15—15:1;									
	Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18;									
	Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11;									
	Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6;									
	Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4;									
	Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28;									
	Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, Romans 6:3-11;									
	Matthew 28:1-10									
Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4 or									
	1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9 or									
	Matthew 28:1-10 or Luke 24:13-35									



The Lion's Club has 2 donation drop boxes located on the window sill in the vestibule. Please consider donating your used eyeglasses to the Lion's Club. Your unwanted glasses will help someone see better. Thank you for always being so generous.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK We would like to thank Kristin Burns, Century 21 Redwood Realty for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

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