

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

San Francisco de Asís Iglesia Católica

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Office Hours: Monday - Tuesday: 10am - 3pm
Wednesday: 3pm - 6pm; Thursday: 11am-3pm
Friday: 9am -12pm

Mass Schedule / Horario de las Misas

Saturday/sábado Vigil: 4:30pm (English); 7:00pm (Spanish)
Sunday/domingo 10:00am (English); 12:00pm (Spanish)

Weekday Mass / Misa Diaria

12 noon - Tuesday through Friday (English)
7:45pm - Wednesday (Spanish)

Sacraments / Sacramentos

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Sacramento de la Reconciliación

Thursday / jueves: 7 - 8pm;
Thursday during Advent/Lent 6 - 8pm
Jueves durante Adviento/Cuaresma 6 - 8pm
Friday/Viernes 11:00 - 11:40am, 12:45pm

Saturday/sábado 3 - 4pm or by appointment / o con cita.

Baptisms/Marriages // Bautismos/Matrimonios

Contact the church office at least six months in advance.

Blessings of Thanks! / Muchas Gracias!

Offertory Collection Received / Colecta de Ofertorio
10/27/2024 \$5,594.10

Weekly Offertory Budgeted Needed

Ofertorio Presupuestado Necesitado Semanalmente
October \$6,000.00

YTD Received / Recibido \$104,498.51
YTD Needed / Necesitado \$106,000.00
(Fiscal Year/Año Fiscal: 7/1/24 to 06/30/25)

Priests' Retirement Fund / Fondo para la Jubilación de Sacerdotes: Assessment / Meta: \$9,770.00
Received / Recibido: \$4,170.00

Fresh flowers are provided each week by:
GREER-MCELVEEN
Funeral Home (Delicate Touch Florist)

PARISH COUNCIL Freddie Rivero, Chair 828-493-1765

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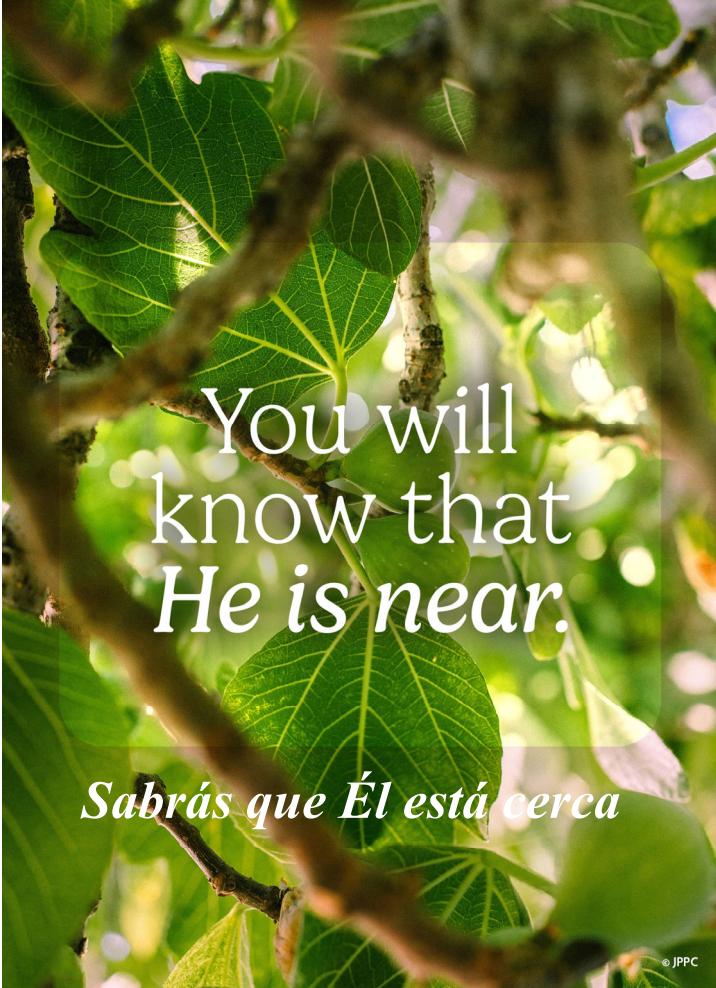
Devotions / Devociones

Adoration / Adoración

Thursday / jueves: 8am - 8pm
Friday / viernes: 11am - 11:45am

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration / Adoración Perpetua
P. Alfonso Gámez - 704-269-8537 & axgomez@redoc.org

Prayer Requests - Regina Spika, 828-874-1077 or
rrspika143@aol.com



This Week at St. Francis of Assisi Mass, Intentions and Activities

Monday/lunes - 11/18

- No Mass/No Misa

Tuesday/martes - 11/19

- **12pm - Mass/Misa**, English
Intention: +Steven Fekete, Sr.

Wednesday/miércoles - 11/20

- **12pm - Mass/Misa**, English
Intention: For the Intentions of the Parishioners
- 5:50pm - Faith Formation //Formación de fe
- 7pm - Benediction Faith Formation
- **7:30pm -Misa**, Español
Intención: +José Cruz Morales Barajas

Thursday/jueves - 11/21 *The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

- 8am - 8pm - Adoration
- **12pm - Mass/Misa**, English
Intention: +Steven Fekete, Sr.
- 5:30pm - Parish Thanksgiving Dinner

Friday/viernes 11/22 *Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr*

- 11am - Holy Hour
(Fr. Alfonso hears confessions during the Holy Hour)
- **12pm - Mass/Misa**, English
Intention: Alondra Alejo Nava (Birthday)
+Richard R. Pickett
- 12:45pm - Sacrament of Reconciliation/
Reconciliación
- 6pm - Emaus meeting, Room A - Men
- 7pm - Youth Group meeting

Saturday/sábado - 11/23

- 3pm - Sacrament of Reconciliation /Reconciliación
- **4:30pm - Mass** - English
Intention: For the Intentions of the Parishioners
- **7pm - Misa**, Español
Intención: +Luis Fernando Rodriguez

Sunday/domingo - 11/24 *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

- **10am - Mass** - English
Intention: +Marieta Mask
- **12pm - Misa** - Español
Intención: Maria Guadalupe Torres and Torres
Diaz family

Today's Gospel and Reflection

Mark 13:24-32 The Son of Man will appear from heaven in power and glory. He will "gather his elect from the four winds."

As is customary, the texts chosen for the final Sundays in Ordinary Time point toward the second coming of the Lord when the final harvest will take place. For many, these texts can incite fear or insecurity; in fact, we have witnessed religious groups and movements that, along with astrologists, have set dates for this time. The biblical texts, however, do not pretend to be either horoscopes or warnings of the future. The word of God awakens the faith of believers and invites them to recognize that the path to the future, where the Lord will embrace us forever, is in the present; as today's psalm proclaims, it is the Lord who shows us "the path to life." Those who live in the Lord always have nothing to fear; his life is ours from our baptism and confirmation.

From Liturgy.com

Evangelio y Reflexión de Hoy

Marcos 13:24-32 El Hijo del Hombre aparecerá del cielo con poder y gloria. Él "recogerá a sus escogidos de los cuatro vientos".

Como es costumbre, los textos elegidos para los últimos domingos del Tiempo Ordinario apuntan hacia la segunda venida del Señor, cuando tendrá lugar la cosecha final. Para muchos, estos textos pueden incitar al miedo o a la inseguridad; De hecho, hemos sido testigos de grupos y movimientos religiosos que, junto con los astrólogos, han fijado fechas para este tiempo. Los textos bíblicos, sin embargo, no pretenden ser ni horóscopos ni advertencias del futuro. La Palabra de Dios despierta la fe de los creyentes y los invita a reconocer que el camino hacia el futuro, donde el Señor nos abrazará para siempre, está en el presente; como proclama el salmo de hoy, es el Señor quien nos muestra "el camino de la vida". Los que viven en el Señor siempre no tienen nada que temer; Su vida es nuestra desde nuestro bautismo y confirmación. *De Liturgy.com*

Second Collection: November 23-24
Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Thank you for your generosity!

Segunda Colección: 23 y 24 de noviembre
Campaña Católica para el Desarrollo Humano
¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Upcoming Events / Próximos Eventos

- 11/21** - Parish Thanksgiving Potluck,/Convivio parroquial de Acción de Gracias, 5:30pm
- 11/28** - Thanksgiving Mass /Misa de Acción de Gracias, 9am
- 12/2-12/4** - Parish Mission, English
- 12/9** - Mass/Misa, 7pm, Bilingual - The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary / La Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María

The Corporal Works of Mercy

In this season of giving, let us consider the Corporal Works of Mercy. They "are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their bodily needs". They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life.

The seven Corporal Works of Mercy are listed below:

- Feed the Hungry - Research, identify and contribute financially to organizations that serve the hungry.
- Give Drink to the Thirsty - We should support the efforts of those working towards greater accessibility of clean water.
- Shelter the Homeless - Christ encourages us to go out and meet those without homes, affirming their worth and helping them seek a resolution to the challenges they face.
- Visit the Sick - Those who are sick are often forgotten or avoided. In spite of their illness, these individuals still have much to offer to those who take the time to visit and comfort them.
- Visit the Prisoners - People in prison are still people, made in the image and likeness of God. No matter what someone has done, they deserve the opportunity to hear the Word of God and find the Truth of the message of Christ.
- Bury the Dead - Funerals give us the opportunity to grieve and show others support during difficult times
- Give Alms to the Poor - Donate money to organizations that have the ability to provide support and services for those in need.

From usccb.org

Christmas Joy Parish Ministry

St. Francis will be partnering with Grandview Villas again this year to bring joy to their residents this Christmas! We are in need of 22 sponsors to support these residents. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish to work within our community. For more information or if you are interested in providing some Christmas Joy this season, please contact Christi Krehling at 828-773-7755 or by email at christi.krehling@gmail.com.

Las Obras de Misericordia Corporales

En esta temporada de dar, consideremos las Obras de Misericordia Corporales. "Son acciones caritativas con las que ayudamos a nuestro prójimo en sus necesidades corporales". Responden a las necesidades básicas de la humanidad.

Las siete Obras de Misericordia Corporales son las siguientes:

- Alimentar a los hambrientos - Investigar, identificar y contribuir financieramente a organizaciones que sirven a los hambrientos.
- Dar de beber a los sedientos - Debemos apoyar los esfuerzos de aquellos que trabajan para lograr una mayor accesibilidad al agua limpia.
- Albergar a las personas sin hogar - Cristo nos anima a salir y encontrarnos con los que no tienen hogar, afirmando su valía y ayudándoles a buscar una solución a los desafíos que enfrentan.
- Visitar a los enfermos - Aquellos que están enfermos a menudo son olvidados o evitados. A pesar de su enfermedad, estas personas todavía tienen mucho que ofrecer a aquellos que se toman el tiempo para visitarlas y consolarlas.
- Visita a los prisioneros - Las personas en prisión siguen siendo personas, hechas a imagen y semejanza de Dios. No importa lo que alguien haya hecho, ellos merecen la oportunidad de escuchar la Palabra de Dios y encontrar la Verdad del mensaje de Cristo.
- Enterrar a los muertos - Los funerales nos dan la oportunidad de llorar y mostrar apoyo a los demás durante los momentos difíciles
- Dar limosna a los pobres - Donar dinero a organizaciones que tengan la capacidad de proporcionar apoyo y servicios a los necesitados.

De usccb.org

Ministerio Parroquial Alegría navideña

La parroquia se asociará con Grandview Villas nuevamente este año para llevar alegría a sus residentes esta Navidad! Necesitamos 22 patrocinadores para apoyar a estos residentes. Esta es una maravillosa oportunidad para que nuestra parroquia trabaje en nuestra comunidad. Para obtener más información o si está interesado en brindar un poco de alegría navideña en esta temporada, comuníquese con Christi Krehling al 828-773-7755 o por correo electrónico a christi.krehling@gmail.com.

Let the King of Glory Enter

Advent Parish Mission with Fr. Mark Cherry— December 2-4

Lift up your heads, O gates; rise up, you ancient portals, that the King of glory may enter. Psalm 24:7

Monday, December 2, 2024

- 7:00pm - Welcome
7:05pm - Praise & Worship
7:30pm - Teaching, **The Freedom and Joy of Repentance**
8:10pm - Adoration

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

- 7:00pm - Praise & Worship
7:25pm - Teaching, **A New Creation in Christ**
8:05pm - Adoration during Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

- 7:00pm - Mass: Homily, **The Mass: Heaven Comes to Earth**
8:30pm - Prayers for Healing after Mass

All are welcome! There is no cost to attend the Parish Mission; however a Free-will offering will be taken to support the Mission.

