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Bulletin for : Sunday, June 12, 2022 ~ Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Mass Schedule

Saturday

8:00 AM (English)

5:00 PM (Vigil, English)

7:00 PM (Vietnamese)

Sunday

6:45 AM (English)

8:30 AM (English)

10:30 AM (English) + Livestreaming

12:30 PM (Spanish)

5:00 PM (English)

Weekdays

6:30 AM (English)

12:10 PM (English)

Wednesdays & Thursdays

5:00 PM (Spanish)

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays: beginning at 8:30 AM
until 9:30 AM or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday thru Friday 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Anointing of the Sick

First Friday of the month immediately
following the 12:10 PM Mass.

The Mission of St. Francis of Assisi Parish is to provide a safe, welcoming environment of Catholic worship, evangelization & fellowship, living in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi.

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MOST HOLY TRINITY ... I BELIEVE

BY: FR. JOE LAWRENCE

The mystery of the most Holy Trinity is a basic doctrine of Faith in Christianity, understandable **not with our heads**, but with **our hearts**. It teaches us that there are three distinct Persons in one God, sharing the same Divine Nature, co-equal and co-eternal. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine which teaches that $1+1+1 = 1$ and not 3. But we believe in this Mystery because Jesus taught it clearly, the Evangelists recorded it, the Fathers of the Church tried to explain it, and the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian Faith.

All prayers in the Church **begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity** and **end glorifying the Trinity**. All Sacraments are **administered** (we are baptized, confirmed, anointed, our sins are forgiven, our marriage is blessed, and our Bishops, priests and deacons are ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity. When **Church bells** ring thrice daily, they **remind us to give glory to the Holy Trinity** for the Incarnation of Jesus and His Redemption of all of us. We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the Name of the Holy Trinity.

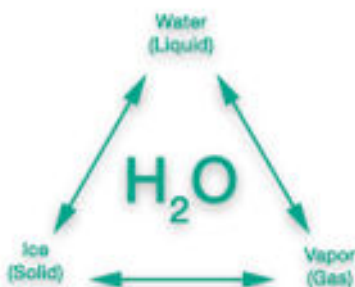
There is a very old and much-repeated story about St. Augustine, one of the intellectual giants of the Church. He was walking by the seashore one day, attempting to conceive of an intelligible explanation for the mystery of the Trinity. As he walked along, he saw a small boy on the beach, pouring seawater from a shell into a small hole in the sand. "What are you doing, my child?" asked Augustine. "I am emptying the sea into this hole," the boy answered with an innocent smile. "But that is impossible, my dear child," said Augustine. The boy stood up, looked straight into the eyes of Augustine, and replied, "What you are trying to do – comprehend the immensity of God with your small head – is even more impossible." Then he vanished. The child was an angel sent by God to teach Augustine a lesson.

St. Cyril, the teacher of the Slavs, tried to explain the Mystery of the Most Holy Trinity using sun as an example. He said, "God the Father is that **blazing sun**. God the Son is its **light** and God the Holy Spirit is its **heat** — but there is only one sun.

Later, Augustine wrote: "**You see the Trinity, if you see love.**" According to him, the Father is the **lover**, the Son is the **loved** one and the Holy Spirit is the personification of the very act of **loving**. This means that we can understand something of the Mystery of the Holy Trinity more readily with the believing heart than with our feeble mind.

In our families and in our communities let us be TRINITARIAN by being a **LOVER**, a **LOVED** AND a **LOVE**. Believe in **me**, my **God** and my **neighbor**. Like **water** (H₂O) for or body **Trinity** for our soul.

GLORY TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT .. AMEN



St. Francis Parish Ministries

Religious Education



**COMING
SOON!**

Registration for all sacramental classes will begin on July 12th. Don't miss out!

Church Volunteers



The Parish office is currently seeking volunteers with a heart for service, the ability to handle office responsibilities and are bilingual.



Feast of Corpus Christi

Sunday, June 19th

A special benediction will be said at the Saturday, June 18th 5:30 PM Mass and all Masses on Sunday, June 19th.

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever" - John 6:51

St. Francis Parish News & Announcements

June ~ Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on us and the whole world!



Eucharistic Adoration

Mary's Chapel is open after the 6:30 AM Mass weekdays until the benediction at 5PM. All our invited to spend some time in quite prayer with the Lord.

Anointing of the Sick

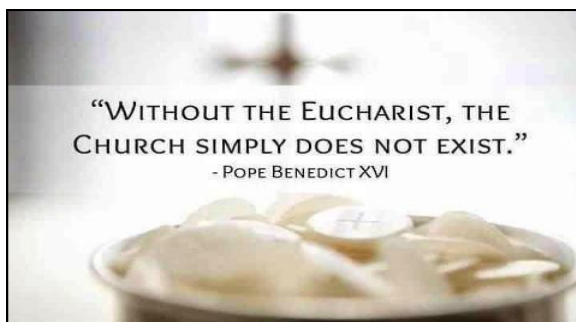
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH, FOLLOWING THE 12:10 PM MASS. UPCOMING ANOINTING WILL BE JULY 8TH.



Eucharistic Ministers

The second *Practicum* for 2023 certification will be on Monday, June 20th at 10:00 AM in the Youth Center meeting rooms. At least one training session must be attended each year to remain an active EM.

This is NOT for new Eucharistic Ministry training, only for current ministers.



Now Enrolling St. Francis Preschool



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the school office
(661)326-7955



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St. Francis Parish Church Announcements

Monday Night Dinners

Our ministry continues to serve the needy in our community with takeout dinners. In addition we provide a bag of groceries.

So with are pantry getting empty, we are in need of spaghetti sauce, cup of noodles, ramen, peanut butter, jelly, cans of fruit, canned meats, rice, breakfast cereals, takeout food containers and toilet paper.

Your continued support has been a blessing. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please call Pat Fraser, 661-330-6624.

Thank you and God bless.



Closed Fridays!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Daughters of The King
Thursdays @ 8:30 AM in the Parish Hall



NEXT GENERATION

ALL ARE WELCOME!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

6:00 PM in the Youth Center

Hoping to bring clarity on the Mass readings followed by Q&A.

Ministry Meeting

Date: Friday, June 17th

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Parish Hall

Ministry of the
Legion of Mary
Meets every Wednesday at
5PM in Conference Room B.



SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

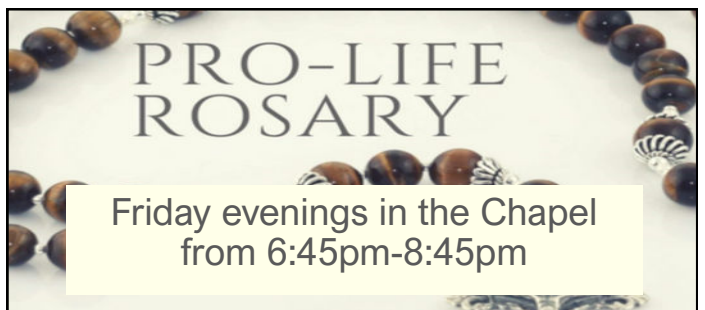
PLEASE COME JOIN US!
MEETINGS ARE HELD THE
2ND SATURDAY
OF THE MONTH.

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
CONFERENCE ROOM B.



PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Friday evenings in the Chapel
from 6:45pm-8:45pm



St. Francis Parish Ministries

Sanctuary Lamps

Prayers for the living loved ones, relatives, friends & pets of Elsa & Zsa & Prayers for the departed loved ones, relatives & friends of Elsa & Zsa.

Gerardo Getigan, Walt Widhalm, Michael France, Erica Palacios Castaneda, Eugenio Tortal, Isabelle Church & Family, Emiliano Aguinaldo, Lucia Rodriguez, Natividad A. Getigan



Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 5, 2022

6:45 am: Int. Deacon Scotty
8:30 am: + Tom Walsh
10:30 am: +Andrea Stricklen
12:30 pm: Int. Lucia Salgrado
5:00 pm: Int. Secular Franciscan

Monday, June 6, 2022

6:30 am: + Armando Rangel Villanueva
12:10 pm: +Deceased Lozano Family

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

6:30 am: All souls in Purgatory
12:10 pm: Int of Bill Nicols

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

6:30 am: + Beverly Camp
12:10 pm: + Mayie Maitia
5:00 pm: + Azuncion Munoz

Thursday, June 9, 2022

6:30 am: + Patricia Smith
12:10 pm Int. Rita Cushman
5:00 pm + Teresa Vazquez

Friday, June 10, 2022

6:30 am Int. All Souls
12:10 + Angel Jimenez Jr.

Saturday, June 11, 2022

8:00 am Int. Familia Ortiz
5:00 pm Int of Serban Debondt Families
7:30 pm + Chris & Paula

Marriage Banns For July

Jorge Villanueva and Vanessa Hernandez

And now these three remain:
faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is love.

Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flash will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, will reap the eternal life. Galatians 6:8

In memory of parishioners who have been given the gift of eternal life in the month of May with services through St. Francis:

Bob Aguilar, Olga Lydia Lopez, Jose Lopez Quirarte, Stephanie Murphy, Harvey Sparks, Ernestina Deniz Orozco, Margaret Long , Javier Gonzalez Perez, Tommy Fry, Ramon Gonzalez, Alice Fry, Antonio Moreno, Malissa Montano Mount, Caroline Que Lim, Juan Carlos Chavez-Padilla, Rosalina Garza, Jose Agapep, Arnulfo Sanchez Salcedo, Blanca Moniz Castaneda, Raymond Rodriquez, Joey Maya, Rosie Lomas Miller, Ruben Gonzalez, Carmen Esquer Chavez

Our funeral team wishes to accompany those who are grieving and to show the light of Jesus Christ risen to those whose hearts are broken. Our Parish embraces all who are mourning and gives direction for funeral services. We give thanks to God for the deceased's life and hold family and friends close in prayer as they travel through a most difficult time. Come Holy Spirit Come!

A special thank you to Deacon Hugo and Deacon Francis for all their hard work with our funeral ministry! Good luck with your new adventures and your new ministries, we will pray for you! And you will be greatly missed!

Last Month's Weekly Collections

April 24, 2022-
April 30, 2022

Total: \$12,407.00

May 1, 2022-
May 7, 2022

Total: \$15,294.00

May 8, 2022-
May 14, 2022

Total: \$12,420.00

May 15, 2022-
May 21, 2022

Total: \$13,032.00

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Those who seek the Lord
lack no good thing.

Psalm 34:10

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