

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30pm English, 7:30pm Spanish

Sunday: 9:00am English

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 5:40pm - 6:10pm

Friday: 9:40am - 10:20am

Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:15pm & 6:15pm - 7:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am - 8:30am

*Sunday, January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Psalms 95:1



For anointing of the sick, receiving the Eucharist while homebound/in the hospital, hearing of your confession, or special prayers and/or visit from Father, please contact the church office. For pastoral emergencies after business hours, please use the Emergency Line, 336-246-9151, ext 7.

St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery: Plots are available for purchase during office hours. Payment in full is required at purchase. Prices are: \$750/per full size plot; \$250/per urn size plot.



Flocknote is another way of getting information out to the parish. Weekly emails, schedule changes or cancelations are sent out to those on the contact list. To be added please contact the office by email.



Would you rather give online? Visit the St. Francis of Assisi website at <http://stfrancisofassisi-jefferson.org/> and click on the **Online Giving** tile located in the middle of the home page. For a one-time donation you do not need to use the Sign Up or Log In buttons located in the upper right hand corner of the screen. For recurring donations folks are asked to create an account and sign up.

WELCOME Father Cory Catron, Pastor

Administrative Assistant:

Chris Gailey 336-246-9151, ext 2

Finance Assistant:

Herb Maddock 336-246-9151, ext 4

Buildings/Facilities:

Mike Gailey 336-338-2488

Pastoral Council:

Joanne Kuszaj — Chairperson 336-982-3054

Finance Council:

Rick LaBonte — Chairperson 336-877-2300

Faith Formation:

Joanne Kuszaj — Coordinator 336-982-3054

Home Bound Ministers:

Brings the Eucharist to the Homebound
Linda Sheridan 336-977-6893

Parish Commissions & Committees

Commission Chairperson:

Liturgy/Worship — Vickie Herman 336-877-5656

Parish Life — Elizabeth Jones 407-341-7909

Community Life — Janine Boudreau 980-228-0406

Prison Ministry — Knights of Columbus

Ecumenism — Carolyn Andreucci 336-877-9038

Prayer Chain (prayer request):

Mary Rodgers — Chairperson 336-877-5399

Vicariate Hispanic Ministry Coordinator:

Aleksandra Banasik 336-428-6909

Baptism Prep Class, Spanish:

Jose Juan Robles 336-977-4612

Bulletin Deadline:

Items for the bulletin must be submitted to the Church Office before 12:00pm on Wednesday.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 28

8:00am - Confessions
8:35am - Lauds
9:00am - Mass, English
5:00pm - Faith Formation Classes

Tuesday, January 30

12:00pm - Mass
5:30pm - Adoration
6:15pm - Vespers
6:45pm - Mass, Spanish

Wednesday, January 31

12:00pm - Mass

Thursday, February 1

9:00am - Cleaning of Church
8:00pm - Spanish Choir Practice

Friday, February 2

9:00am - Mass followed by Adoration
9:40am - Confessions
10:20am - Terce with Benediction
7:00pm - Young Adults for Christ Meeting

Saturday, February 3

8:30am - Rosary
9:00am - Mass, English
3:30pm - Confessions
4:30pm - Mass, English
5:30pm-7:00pm - Social Send Off
6:15pm-7:00pm - Confessions
7:00pm - Vespers
7:30pm - Mass, Spanish
8:30pm - Feast for the Rosca de los Reyes

Sunday, February 4

8:00am - Confessions
8:35am - Lauds
9:00am - Mass, English
5:00pm - Faith Formation Classes



Join Parishioners on February 3 after the 4:30pm Mass at a Social to show our gratitude to Chris Gailey, Administrative Assistant, Mike Gailey, Buildings/Facilities, & Tifani Grusky, Finance Assistant for their work & dedication to St. Francis Parish and wish them well as they leave their positions and go on to other adventures. Refreshments and finger foods will be served.



We joyfully announce that on January 13 **Jerry White** was received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. May we pray for God's continued blessings to be upon Jerry as he lives his Catholic faith.

Mass Schedule and Readings

Monday, January 29, No Mass

Scripture: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 30, 12:00pm

Scripture: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30--19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Spanish Mass, January 30, 6:45pm

Wednesday, January 31, 12:00pm

Mass Intention: Larry Carnahan+

Scripture: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 1, No Mass

Scripture: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-3

Friday, February 2, 9:00am

Mass Intention: Chet Ratasky+

Scripture: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18, 7-8, 10; Lk 2:22-40

Saturday, February 3, 4:30pm

Mass Intention: Parish Community

Scripture: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Spanish Mass, February 3, 7:30pm

Sunday, February 4, 9:00am

Mass Intention: Codi Kimball+

Scripture: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, February 3, 2024, 4:30pm

Greeter: Mary R.
Lector: *John E. **Michelle F.
Ushers: Michael & Tifani G.

Sunday, February 4, 2024, 9:00am

Greeter: Debbie P.
Lector: *Brenda D. **Evelyn R.
Ushers: Tom & Susan L.

Altar Linens:

January 26: Evelyn R.



Parishioners, Family Members and Friends in

need of Special Prayer: Lynn Marie Gregor, Patrick Fulkerson, Refugio Calvillo, Patrick & Peggy Bieber, Martha Esser, Carol Phillips, Renae Fountain, Jacob McFadden, Michael Showfety, Art Long. May God bless you!

Access to the church during the week

Those wishing to come and pray in the worship area during office hours and outside of Mass times are asked to please enter the building through the office wing door. This lets the office staff know of who may be in the building while they are in the office. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Financial Figures

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| Offertory January 21: | \$ 1,350.00 |
| Offertory received this month: | \$ 7,040.00 |
| Offertory needed in January: | \$ 18,300.00 |
| Rectory Fund January 21: | \$ 0.00 |
| Rectory Fund received this month: | \$ 2,118.00 |
| Mortgage goal needed each month: | \$ 4,442.07 |
| Rectory debt (as of December 12, 2024): | \$ 405,300.99 |

Upcoming Second Collections

Rectory Fund: Feb 4 & Feb 11

Parishioners are strongly encouraged to mail in their offertory or use the online giving option located on the church website as bills still need to be paid.

*Checks can be mailed to the following address:
P.O. Box 634, Jefferson, NC 28640
Your support is greatly appreciated.*



Feast of the Presentation of the Lord -

Candlemas - This coming Friday, February 2nd, we will celebrate Candlemas, also known as the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus and the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin

Mary. The blessing and distribution of candles that occurs at the Mass dates from at least the 7th century. Just as the Birthday of the Lord acquired the characteristic name in English of the "Christ Mass", this feast was called "Candle Mass". Mass will be at 9:00am on Friday and we will process in with lit candles.



The Feast of St. Blaise

Saturday, February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise. Blessing of the Throats will be after the 9am First Saturday Mass and after all weekend Masses on February 3rd and 4th.

Next St. Francis Table fundraising activity in February

On February 9 we will host a Mardi Gras celebration featuring Fr. Cory's special Gumbo. The event will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 4:00pm -7:00pm. Eat-In & Take Away will be available. Tickets will cost \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door. Children under 10 eat free with a paying adult, Eat In only. The menu will include: Traditional New Orleans style Gumbo (Andouille sausage, shrimp and chicken), rice, bread, cornbread, dessert and a beverage. We encourage parishioners to bring your neighbors and friends. Families are encouraged to attend for a fun, festive evening of good food, music and more. See the flier in the bulletin for more details. There are three ways to purchase tickets: fill out the form available at the Church entrance, scan the QR code on the flier, or follow the link on the flier. Money raised will support Parish needs.



Faith Formation



Classes begin on Sunday, January 28, from 5:00pm-6:30pm. First Communion and Confirmation Preparation classes will continue in preparation for the reception of these sacraments in the Spring. Confirmation class will be taught by Fr. Cory. An email was sent to all parents through Flocknotes on January 23 with information for the classes. If you have questions, please send to Joanne Kuszaj at jkuszaj@gmail.com or call 336-982-3054.

Calling all Catholic Men! Join other men from the Diocese of Charlotte and surrounding area for a day of faith a fellowship at the **14th Annual Catholic Men's Conference of the Carolinas** at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Charlotte on February 10. The conference features Bishop Rafael Zarama (Diocese of Raleigh) as Celebrant and a lineup of engaging speakers including Jesse Romero, keynote speaker.



For more information and to purchase tickets, visit: www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org or scan the QR code.



Stewardship Committee

There is a need for more parishioners and varied voices to be involved in the Stewardship Committee. This group does not just focus on Fundraising activities but also has a focus on building a strong Parish Community based on our Catholic Faith helping parishioners grow in their faith. If you are interested in being part of this group, please send an email to stfrancis@skybest.com or call the Office.

Thank you!

Thank you to all parishioners and community members who supported our Tamale Sale on January 13. Thank you to parishioners who brought orders in from neighbors and friends. A big thank you and appreciation goes to Prudencio Trinidad and his family and helpers who made 634 Tamales. All Tamales were sold. We had pre-orders for 300 and the rest sold to walk-ins. The total amount donated to the Parish funds was \$1,140.



The worship area is a gum and food free zone! Before entering the church worship space, please dispose of any food, candy or gum. Trash receptacles are conveniently located in the vestibule and down-

stairs entrance way to dispose of these items prior to entering the church. Remember we are to fast one hour before Communion (chewing gum and candy included). Please be courteous and help keep our beautiful church clean. Thank you!



Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís

Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Enero 28, 2024

Pastor: Padre Cory Catron, 336-246-9151

Ministerio Diocesano Hispano: Aleksandra Banasik, 336-428-6909

Email: stfrancis@skybest.com

Horario de la oficina: Por favor, llame al teléfono

Horarios de misa entre semana: Martes 12:00pm y 6:45pm, Miércoles 12:00pm, Viernes 9:00am

Confesiones: Martes 5:40pm - 6:10pm, Sábado 6:15pm - 7:00pm

Lecturas Bíblicas de enero 29 - febrero 4, 2024

Lunes: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Sal 3:2-7; Mc 5:1-20

Martes: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30--19:3; Sal 86:1-6; Mc 5:21-43

Miércoles: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Sal 32:1-2, 5-7; Mc 6:1-6

Jueves: 1 Re 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Cr 29:10-12; Mc 6:7-3

Viernes: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18, 7-8, 10; Lc 2:22-40

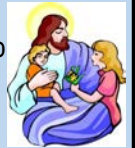
Sábado: 1 Re 3:4-13; Sal 119:9-14; Mc 6:30-34

Domingo: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Sal 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mc 1:29-39

Intenciones de la Misa: Como católicos, creemos firmemente en los beneficios y el poder de la oración. Una forma muy amorosa de orar por un ser querido es programar una misa por sus intenciones. Para programar una misa, comuníquese con la oficina de la iglesia al stfrancis@skybest.com o al 336-467-0211, o visítenos durante el horario comercial. La solicitud normal de estipendio es de \$10.

Formación en la fe

Las clases comienzan el domingo 28 de enero de 17:00 a 18:30 horas. Las clases de preparación para la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación continuarán en preparación para la recepción de estos sacramentos en la primavera. La clase de confirmación será impartida por el P. Cory. Se envió un correo electrónico a todos los padres a través de Flocknotes el 23 de enero con información para las clases. Si tiene preguntas, envíelas a Joanne Kuszaj a jkuszej@gmail.com o llame al 336-982-3054.



Figuras del Ofertorio

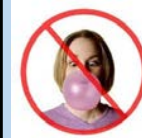
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| Ofertorio 14 de enero: | \$ | 1,350.00 |
| El Fondo de Rectoría recibió: | \$ | 0.00 |
| Meta hipotecaria necesaria cada mes: | \$ | 4,442.07 |
| Deuda de la rectoría (al 12 de diciembre de 2023): | \$ | 405,300.99 |

Próxima recaudación de fondos en la Mesa de San Francisco actividad en febrero

El 9 de febrero organizaremos un Mardi Gras celebración protagonizada por el P. Gumbo especial de Cory. El evento se llevará a cabo en el Salón de Confraternidades de 16:00 a 19:00 horas. Eat-In & Take Away lo hará estar disponible. Las entradas costarán \$13 anticipadas y \$15 en puerta. Los niños menores de 10 años comen gratis con un adulto que paga, solo Eat In. El menú incluirá: Gumbo tradicional al estilo de Nueva Orleans (salchicha Andouille, camarones y pollo), arroz, pan, pan de maíz, postre y una bebida. Alentamos a los feligreses a traer a sus vecinos y amigos. Se anima a las familias a asistir para disfrutar de una velada festiva y divertida con buena comida, música y más. Consulte el folleto en el boletín para obtener más detalles. Hay tres formas de comprar boletos: complete el formulario disponible en la entrada de la Iglesia, escanee el código QR en el volante o siga el enlace en el volante. El dinero recaudado apoyará las necesidades de la parroquia.



Gracias Gracias a todos los feligreses y miembros de la comunidad que apoyaron nuestra venta de tamales el 13 de enero. Gracias a los feligreses que trajeron pedidos de vecinos y amigos. Un gran agradecimiento y aprecio para Prudencio Trinidad, su familia y sus ayudantes que hicieron 634 Tamales. Se vendieron todos los tamales. Hicimos pedidos anticipados de 300 y el resto se vendió sin cita previa. La cantidad total donada a los fondos parroquiales fue de \$1,140.



¡El mascar chicle crea una situación muy pega-josa bajo los asientos de la iglesia, las mesas y las sillas! Ya se ha encontrado chicle bajo las sillas. Como debemos de ayunar una hora antes de la Comunión (incluye el mascar chicle) se les pide que dispongan de su chicle antes de entrar al área de alabanza y del edificio de la iglesia.



Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor -

Candelaria - El próximo Viernes, 2 de febrero, celebraremos la Candelaria, también conocida como la Fiesta de la Presentación de Nuestro Señor Jesús y la Fiesta de la Purificación de la Santísima Virgen María. La bendición y distribución de velas que ocurre en la Misa por lo menos desde el siglo VII. Así como el cumpleaños del Señor adquirió el nombre característico en inglés de la "Misa de Cristo", esta fiesta se llamó "Misa de la vela". La misa será a las 9:00 a.m. del Viernes y procesaremos con velas encendidas.



Fiesta de San Blas

El sábado 3 de febrero es la fiesta de San Blas. La Bendición de las Gargantas será después de la Misa del Primer Sábado a las 9 am y todas las Misas del fin de semana el 3 y 4 de febrero.