

# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Domine, fac me servum pacis tuae

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

## Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Sign-up only

Sunday Sign-up only

## Reconciliation

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

Sunday 8:00am - 8:30am

Or by appointment

*Sunday, December 20, 2020*  
*The Fourth Sunday of Advent*



*And behold, you will conceive in your  
womb and bear a son, and you shall  
call his name Jesus.*  
*Luke 1:31*

## WELCOME

**Father Cory Catron, Pastor**  
**Deacon Lee Levenson, Deacon**

### **Administrative Assistant:**

Chris Gailey

wk: 336-246-9151

### **Pastoral Council:**

Joanne Kuszaj—Chairperson

336-982-3054

### **Finance Council:**

Rick LaBonte - Chairperson

336-877-2300

### **Choir Director:**

Randy Revis

336-384-2835

### **Faith Formation:**

Isabel Spencer (Coordinator)

336-877-0883

### **Home Bound Ministers:**

*Brings the Eucharist to the Homebound*

Please call the church office

336-246-9151

### **Parish Commissions & Committees**

#### **Commission Chairperson:**

*Liturgy/Worship*—Vickie Herman

336-877-5656

*Parish Life*—

**Volunteer Needed**

*Community Life*—Diane LaBonte

336-877-2300

*Prison Ministry* —

Knights of Columbus

*Ecumenism*-- Bernadette Zimmerman

336-846-4518

*Building/Facilities*—Mike Gailey

336-338-2488

#### **Prayer Chain (prayer request):**

Chairperson—Mary Rodgers

336-877-5399

#### **Vicariate Hispanic Ministry Coordinator:**

Sergio Lopez

336-529-3748

#### **Baptism Prep Class, Spanish:**

Jose Juan Robles

336-977-4612

For anointing of the sick, receiving the Eucharist while home-bound/in the hospital, hearing of your confession, or special prayers and/or visit from Father please call the church office.

**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.

**Weekend Masses:** Due to the regulations of limited seating we are requiring that attendees to the Sunday Masses sign up prior to attending. Attendance will be limited to the current requirements of social distancing. To sign up for Mass please contact **Joanne at 336-982-3054 or [jkuszaj@gmail.com](mailto:jkuszaj@gmail.com)**. Attendees are asked to wear a mask. Those not able to attend Mass are granted a dispensation.

**Live Streaming the 9:00am Sunday Mass on the Parish YouTube Channel.** You can find the channel by searching YouTube for "St. Francis of Assisi, Jefferson, NC". The Live Stream will begin approximately 1 minute before Mass. You do not need a Google or YouTube account to simply watch the video. At the conclusion of the Live Stream, the video will be archived and available on the parish YouTube channel within 12- 24 hours.

**Weekday Masses:** In accordance with CDC guidelines and direction of Bishop Jugis attendance is limited to within social distancing recommendations in the worship area.

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

### Weekly Calendar

#### **Sunday, December 20**

10:00am - Decorating of Church

#### **Monday, December 21**

10:00am - Decorating of Church

#### **Tuesday, December 22**

8:00pm - Spanish Choir Practice

#### **Wednesday, December 23**

OFFICE CLOSED

#### **Thursday, December 24**

OFFICE CLOSED

6:30pm - Carols

7:00pm - Christmas Eve Mass, English

10:30pm - Christmas Eve Mass, Spanish, followed by Rocking Baby Jesus

#### **Friday, December 25**

OFFICE CLOSED

9:00am—Christmas Mass, English

### Ministry Schedule

#### **Christmas Eve Mass, Thursday, December 24, 7:00pm**

Lector: \*Carolyn A. \*\*Wayne C.

Greeter: Kathy L.

Usher: : Rick L., Jim L.

#### **Christmas Day Mass, Friday, December 25, 9:00am**

Lector: \*Kryn H. \*\*Kryn H.

Greeter: : Joanna M.

Usher: : Luis de la C.

#### **Saturday Mass, December 26, 4:30pm**

Lector: \*Wayne C. \*\*Carolyn A.

Greeter: Martha E.

Usher: : Jim L.

#### **Sunday, December 27, 9:00am**

Lector: \*Joanne K. \*\*Kryn H.

Greeter: : Rick L.

Usher: : Rick L.

#### **New Year's Day / Mary, Mother of God Mass, Friday, January 1, 9:00am**

Lector: \*Kryn H. \*\*Carolyn A.

Greeter: : Anne B.

Usher: : Rick L.

#### **Altar Linens for December**

December 18: Evelyn R.

December 25: Kryn H.



### Mass Schedule and Readings

#### **Monday, December 21, No Mass**

Scripture: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a, Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21, Lk 1:39-45

#### **Tuesday, December 22, 12:00pm**

Scripture: 1 Sm 1:24-28, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Lk 1:46-56

#### **Wednesday, December 23, 12:00pm**

Scripture: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24, Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14, Lk 1:57-66

#### **Thursday, December 24, 7:00pm (Sign up only)**

**Mass Intention: St. Francis of Assisi Parish Family at all Christmas Masses**

Scripture: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29, Lk 1:67-79

#### **Spanish Mass, December 24, 10:30pm (Sign-up Only)**

#### **Friday, December 25, 9:00am (Sign up only)**

Scripture: Is 52:7-10, Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6, Heb 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

#### **Saturday, December 26, 4:30pm (Sign up only)**

**Mass Intention: Marianne Russell**

Scripture: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17, Mt 10:17-22

#### **Spanish Mass, December 26, 7:30pm (Sign-up only)**

#### **Sunday, December 27, 9:00am (Sign-up only)**

**Mass Intention: Parish Community**

Scripture: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3, Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9, Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19, Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40

**Inclement Weather Policy:** In the event of severe weather it is advised that common sense prevail. If the weather and road conditions are dangerous to travel please stay home. Closure of the office and cancellation announcements of Mass are set up to be announced on Ray's Weather.com and WSOC. Please note that WSOC does not allow messages to be typed in, but instead are limited to generic options to choose from when posting weather notices. Due to this WSOC will only be used for weather notifications when cancellation of all activities—functions and Mass—are necessary. ***The advice throughout is safety first and to not travel if conditions are hazardous.***



#### **Christmas Office Hours**

The church office will be closed Wednesday, December 23rd through Monday, December 28th to celebrate Christmas. Father Cory and the staff would like to wish you all a Safe, Merry and Blessed

Christmas.

### Financial Figures

Offertory December 13:	\$	4,887.00
Offertory received this month:	\$	8,825.00
Offertory needed in December:	\$	21,940.00
Retirement Fund for Religious:	\$	1,143.00
Building Fund <b>December 13:</b>	\$	1,430.00
Building Fund received this month:	\$	1,880.00
Loan Payment needed each month:	\$	5,203.00
Building Debt (as of November 5, 2020):		
Total owed	\$	409,685.00

### The 2020 Diocesan Support Appeal

Our Fair Share:	\$	18,937.00
Amount Given:	\$	13,992.03
Amount Pledged:	\$	740.00
Amount Needed:	\$	4,204.97
Number of Donors:		48

**Parishioners are strongly encouraged to mail in their offertory 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.**

**Christmas decorations for the sanctuary:** If you would like to make a donation in "honor of" or "memory of" your loved ones, please pick up an envelope on the table in the Church entryway. Please place the envelopes in the white box located on the wall in the fellowship hall by **Sunday, December 20th** as the names will be placed in the bulletin for Christmas. Thank you.



### Decoraciones Navideñas para el Santuario

Si desea hacer una donación en "honor de" o "memoria de" sus seres queridos, por favor recoja un sobre en la mesa en la entrada a la Iglesia. Por favor, coloque los sobres en la caja blanca ubicada en la pared en la sala de becas para el **domingo 20 de diciembre**, ya que los nombres se colocarán en el boletín para Navidad. Gracias.



**Parishioners, Family Members and Friends in need of Special Prayer:** Lynn Marie Gregor, Marilyn Reihle, Kevin Gouge, Patrick Fulker-son, Logan Tyler Hollars, Refugio Calvillo, Penny Hession, TC Huntsinger, Felicitas Bugarin Santos, Lynn Miller, Jane Faber, Meaghen Price, Paul Hughes, Arjean Miller, Ron Carriero, Peggy Bieber, Martha Esser, Carol Phillips, Andy Stuhrenberg, John Moran, Peggy Schaffer, Frank Turnmire, Kristina Hoekstra. May God bless you!

### Holiday Mass & Event Schedule

#### December 24th — Christmas Eve

6:30pm - Carols  
7:00pm - Christmas Eve Mass, English  
10:30pm - Christmas Eve Mass, Spanish, followed by Rocking Baby Jesus



#### December 25th — Christmas

9:00am—Christmas Mass, English

#### December 31st —New Year's Eve. Vigil for Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

10:30pm – Holy Hour  
11:30pm – Benediction  
12:00am/Midnight – Mass

#### January 1st—New Year's Day, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9:00am – Mass  
9:30am – Adoration

### 15th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte January 8, 2021

The day will begin with a Mass for the Unborn at 9:00am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 6828 Old Reid Rd. Charlotte, NC 28210. At 11:00am we will start to gather at the parking lot across the street from the Diocese of Charlotte Pastoral Center at 1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC. At 12:00pm we will march to Trade and Tryon where Fr. Noah Carter, Pastor of Holy Cross Catholic Church will preach. After the prolife testimonies we will pray the Most Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please join others to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details at [www.marchforlifecharlotte.org](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.org).

**Walk For Life**



**Scam Emails/Textx:** Recently, someone pretending to be Fr. Cory had sent text messages and emails to parishioners asking for help. Fr. Cory will never ask for gift cards or for money from any of you by sending you a text message or email. If there is something important that Father needs to talk to you about, it will be done in person or on the phone. If you have any questions, please call Chris in the church office.

**Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís**  
**Cuarto Domingo de Adviento**  
**Diciembre 20, 2020**



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**Ministerio Diocesano Hispano:** Sergio López, 336-529-3748  
**Email:** stfrancis@skybest.com

Horario de la oficina: De Lunes a Jueves 10:00am—5:00pm y Viernes 10:00am - 1:00pm  
Misas de fin de semana: Contacto Isabel López, 336-620-3557.  
Horarios de misa entre semana: Martes y Miércoles 12:00pm, Viernes 9:00am  
Confesiones: Sábado 6:30pm - 7:15pm

**Lecturas Bíblicas de diciembre 21 - 27, 2020**

Lunes: El Cantar de los Cantares 2:8-14 o Sofonías 3:14-18a, Salmo 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21, Lucas 1:39-45  
Martes: 1 Samuel 1:24-28, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Lucas 1:46-56  
Miércoles: Malaquías 3:1-4, 23-24, Salmo 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 y 14, Lucas 1:57-66  
Jueves: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Salmo 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 y 29, Lucas 1:67-79  
Viernes: Isaías 52:7-10, Salmo 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6, Hebreos 1:1-6, Juan 1:1-18 o Juan 1:1-5, 9-14  
Sábado: Hechos 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Salmo 31:3cd-4, 6 y 8ab, 16bc y 17, Mateo 10:17-22  
Domingo: Eclesiástico 3:2-6, 12-14 o Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3, Salmo 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 o Salmo 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9, Colosenses 3:12-21 o Colosenses 3:12-17 o Hebreos 11:8, 11-12, 17-19, Lucas 2:22-40 o Lucas 2:22, 39-40

**Horario de Misa de Día Festivo**

**24 Diciembre — Víspera de Navidad**  
6:30pm - Villancicos, Ingles  
7:00pm – Misa Víspera de Navidad en Ingles  
10:30pm — Misa Víspera de Navidad en Español



**25 Diciembre — Navidad**  
9:00am—Misa de Navidad en Ingles

**31 Diciembre - Vigilia por la Solemnidad de María, la Madre de Dios**  
10:30pm – hora Santa  
11:30pm – Bendición  
12:00am/Medianoche – Misa

**1 Enero—Año Nuevo, Solemnidad de María, la Madre de Dios**  
9:00am—Misa  
9:30am - Adoración

**Figuras del Ofertorio**

Ofertorio diciembre 13: \$ 4,887.00

**Horario de la Oficina de Navidad**

La oficina de la iglesia permanecerá cerrada del Miércoles 23 de diciembre al lunes 28 de diciembre para celebrar la Navidad. El Padre Cory y el personal les desea a todos una Navidad segura, feliz y bendita.



**15th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte**  
**8 de enero de 2021**

El día comenzará con una misa para los no nacidos a las 9:00 am en la Iglesia Católica de San Vicente de Paul en 6828 Old Reid Rd. Charlotte, NC 28210. A las 11:00 am comenzaremos a reunirnos en el estacionamiento al otro lado de la calle desde el Centro Pastoral Diócesis de Charlotte en 1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC. A las 12:00 pm marcharemos a Comercio y Tryon, donde predicará el P. Noah Carter, Pastor de la Santa Cruz de la Iglesia Católica. Después de los testimonios prolife rezaremos el Santísimo Rosario y el Chaplet de la Divina Misericordia. Por favor, únase a otros para marchar y orar por el fin del aborto y salvar las vidas de los bebés!

Consulte los detalles de la programación en [www.marchforlifecharlotte.org](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.org).