



Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís

Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Diciembre 10, 2023

Pastor: Padre Cory Catron, 336-246-9151

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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 diciembre 11 - 17, 2023

Lunes: Isaías 35:1-10, Salmo 85:9ab y 10, 11-12, 13-14, Lucas 5:17-26

Martes: Zacarías 2:14-17 o Apocalipsis 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab, Judit 13:18bcde, 19, Lucas 1:26-38 o Lucas 1:39-47

Miércoles: Isaías 40:25-31, Salmo 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 y 10, Mateo 11:28-30

Jueves: Isaías 41:13-20, Salmo 145:1 y 9, 10-11, 12-13ab, Mateo 11:11-15

Viernes: Isaías 48:17-19, Salmo 1:1-2, 3, 4 y 6, Mateo 11:16-19

Sábado: Sirac 48:1-4, 9-11, Salmo 80:2ac y 3b, 15-16, 18-19, Mateo 17:9a, 10-13

Domingo: Isaías 61:1-2A, 10-11, Lucas 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54, 1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-24, Juan 1:6-8, 19-28

Figuras del Ofertorio

Ofertorio 3 de diciembre: \$ 3,604.00

El Fondo de Rectoría recibió: \$ 1,792.00

Meta hipotecaria necesaria cada mes: \$ 4,442.07

Deuda de la rectoría (al 1 de diciembre de 2023): \$ 425,300.99

Horario de la misa de Navidad y Día Santo

12 de diciembre - Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

12:00pm - Misa en inglés

6:00pm - Misa seguida de procesión, en español

24 de diciembre — Nochebuena

4:00pm - Misa de Nochebuena, inglés

8:00pm - Misa de Nochebuena, español

25 de diciembre - Día de Navidad

9:00am - Misa de Navidad, inglés

1 de enero - María, Madre de Dios

12:00am - Misa en inglés (precedida de la Hora Santa que comienza a las 10:30pm, 31 de diciembre)

12:00pm - Misa



Decoraciones navideñas para el santuario: Durante la temporada de Adviento, la parroquia ofrece sobres para que los feligreses donen dinero para flores para decorar la iglesia. Si desea hacer una donación en "honor de" o "memoria de" sus seres queridos, por favor recoja un sobre en la mesa de la entrada de la Iglesia. Se pide que los sobres completados se devuelvan en la canasta del ofertorio o en el buzón blanco de la oficina ubicado en la planta baja antes del **domingo 17 de diciembre**, ya que los nombres se colocarán en el boletín el fin de semana de Navidad. Gracias.

Decoraremos la iglesia para Navidad el domingo 24 de diciembre a las 9:00 a.m. Venga y ayude a que nuestra iglesia luzca hermosa mientras celebramos el nacimiento de Nuestro Señor.



Calendarios de 2024

En el vestíbulo se encuentran los calendarios del próximo año.

Estos calendarios están en inglés y español y contienen la ubicación y la información de contacto de San Francisco de Asís, así como los horarios de la misa, la confesión y la adoración. Se invita a cada familia a llevar un calendario.



Oferta de trabajo -- Gerente de Instalaciones:

Las solicitudes y las descripciones de trabajo están disponibles en la Oficina de la Iglesia. Breve descripción: El Gerente de Instalaciones coordina y supervisa todos los aspectos de la propiedad (incluido el cementerio), la conservación y el mantenimiento del edificio. Otras tareas incluirían trabajos de limpieza y reparación ligera. Este puesto es a tiempo parcial a 20 horas semanales. Comuníquese con la Oficina de la Iglesia de San Francisco de Asís al stfrancis@skybest.com, 336-246-9151 si está interesado. Las solicitudes y las descripciones de los puestos de trabajo están disponibles a petición de la oficina. **La fecha límite para la presentación de solicitudes es el viernes 15 de diciembre.**



Evento de recaudación de fondos de diciembre:

venta de galletas y pasteles

Venga al evento de venta de galletas y pasteles el 16 de diciembre de 2:00 p.m. a 5:00 p.m. Habrá una gran selección de galletas navideñas caseras inspiradas en recetas tradicionales de Italia, Alemania, Polonia y más. Habrá tartas especiales a la venta, como flan de chocolate tradicional y pan dulce mexicano. Los refrigerios disponibles serán ponche navideño y chocolate caliente mexicano. ¡Habrá una aparición de un invitado especial del Polo Norte! Feligreses, necesitamos su ayuda incluso si no pueden hornear o asistir. Tome algunos de los volantes disponibles y distribúyalos entre sus vecinos y amigos. Si puede contribuir con galletas o pasteles, comuníquese con la Oficina, Joanne, al jkuszej@gmail.com o llame al 336-982-3054.



Tenga en cuenta que la oficina de la iglesia cierra el lunes 11 de diciembre.

Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos

Las comunidades religiosas son financieramente responsables del apoyo y cuidado de todos los miembros. Los ingresos, las ganancias y los gastos se administran por separado de las estructuras parroquiales y diocesanas de la Iglesia Católica. El apoyo del Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos, la segunda colecta de este fin de semana, ayuda a las comunidades religiosas a cuidar a los miembros mayores mientras continúan con importantes ministerios para el Pueblo de Dios. Cualquier regalo para esta colección es muy apreciado.



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Winter 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, December 10, 2023 The Second Sunday of Advent



As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way;"
Mark 1:2



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 cancellations are sent out to those on the contact list. To be added please contact the office by email.

An Online Giving option is available on the St. Francis of Assisi website. Donors can go to <http://stfrancisofassisi-jefferson.org/> and click on the **Online Giving** tile located at the bottom 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 wk: 336-246-9151, ext 2

Finance & Office Assistant:

Tifani Grusky 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, December 10

8:00am - 8:30am - Confessions
 8:35am - Lauds
 9:00am - Mass, English
 10:00am - Baptismal Prep Class, Spanish
 8:00pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Monday, December 11

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8:00pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Tuesday, December 12

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 12:00pm - Mass
 4:45pm - Adoration
 6:00pm - Mass with procession, Spanish

Wednesday, December 13

9:00am - Lauds
 9:30am - Book Discussion Group
 12:00pm - Mass

Thursday, December 14

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

Friday, December 15

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

Saturday, December 16

11:00am - Cookie Walk prep
 2:00pm - Cookie Walk
 3:30pm-4:15pm - Confessions
 4:30pm - Mass, English
 6:15pm-7:00pm - Confessions
 7:00pm - Vespers
 7:30pm - Mass, Spanish

Sunday, December 17

8:00am - 8:30am - Confessions
 8:35am - Lauds
 9:00am - Mass, English

Holy Day & Christmas Mass Schedule

Our Lady of Guadalupe - Tuesday, December 12

12:00pm - Mass, English
 6:00pm - Mass followed by Procession, Spanish

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24

4:00pm - Mass, English 8:00pm - Mass, Spanish

Christmas Day - Monday, December 25

9:00am - Mass, English



Mary, Mother of God - Monday, January 1

12:00am - Mass, English (preceded by Holy Hour beginning at 10:30pm, December 31)
 12:00pm - Mass



We will decorate the church for Christmas

on Sunday, December 24, at 9:00am. Please come and help make our church look beautiful as we celebrate the birth of Our Lord.

Mass Schedule and Readings

Monday, December 11, No Mass

Scripture: Is 35:1-10, Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14, Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 12, 12:00pm

Scripture: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab, Judith 13:18bcde, 19, Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Spanish Mass, December 12, 6:00pm

Wednesday, December 13, 12:00pm

Mass Intention: Augustine Vendetti+

Scripture: Is 40:25-31, Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10, Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 14, No Mass

Scripture: Is 41:13-20, Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab, Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 15, 9:00am

Mass Intention: Priests of the Charlotte Diocese

Scripture: Is 48:17-19, Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6, Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 16, 4:30pm

Mass Intention: Mary & Frank McHugh+

Scripture: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11, Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19, Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Spanish Mass, December 16, 7:30pm

Mass Intention: Parish Community

Sunday, December 17, 9:00am

Mass Intention: Stephanie Quinn

Scripture: Is 61:1-2A, 10-11, Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54, 1 Thes 5:16-24, Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, December 16, 2023, 4:30pm

Greeter: Mary R.

Lector: *John E. **Charles G.

Ushers: Michael & Tifani G.

Sunday Mass, December 17, 2023, 9:00am

Greeter: Debbie P.

Lector: *Denise B. **Evelyn R.

Ushers: Richard B. & Otto F.

Altar Linens:

December 15, 29: Evelyn R. December 6, 22: Lila W.

Please note: The church office is closed on Monday, December 11.

2024 Calendars

Located in the vestibule are calendars for the upcoming year. These calendars are in English and Spanish and contain location and contact information for St. Francis of Assisi, as well as times for Mass, Confession and Adoration. Each family is welcome to take a calendar.



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, Misty Pownell, Michael Showfety, Helen Robichaud, Art Long. May God bless you!

Financial Figures

Offertory December 3: \$ 3,604.00
 Offertory received this month: \$ 3,604.00
 Offertory needed in December: \$ 25,200.00

Rectory Fund December 3: \$ 1,792.00
 Rectory Fund received this month: \$ 1,792.00
 Mortgage goal needed each month: \$ 4,442.07

Rectory debt (as of December 1, 2023): \$ 425,300.99

Upcoming Second Collections

Priests Retirement: December 17
 Rectory Fund: December 24 & 31

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.

The 2023 Priests Retirement Appeal

Our Fair Share: \$ 7,192.00
 Amount Given: \$ 5,213.00
 Amount Needed: \$ 1,729.00

Job Opening -- Facilities Manager: Applications and

Job Descriptions are available from the Church Office. *Brief description:* The Facilities Manager coordinates and oversees all aspects of property (including the cemetery), building upkeep and maintenance. Other duties would include janitorial and light repair work. This position is part-time at 20 hours/week. Please contact the St. Francis of Assisi Church Office at stfrancis@skybest.com, 336-246-9151 if interested. Applications and Job Descriptions are available upon request from the office. **Deadline for submission of applications is Friday, December 15th.**

Christmas decorations for the sanctuary:

Envelopes for parishioners to donate money for flowers to decorate the church are now available. 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. Completed envelopes can be returned either in the offertory basket or the white office mailbox located downstairs by **Sunday, December 17th** as the names will be placed in the bulletin the following weekend. Thank you.

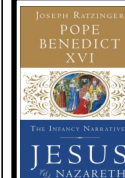


Thanksgiving Dinner

Thirty-eight parishioners and families enjoyed a delicious traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you to the volunteers who helped prepare the meal and serve. Volunteers included Joe & Joann Cox, Marsha Findlay, Marianne Deni, Jackie Handal, Tom & Donna O'Donnell, Jim & Joanne Kuszaj, Michael & Laura England, Tifani Grusky.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Religious communities are financially responsible for the support and care of all members. Income, earnings, and expenses are managed separately from the parish and diocesan structures of the Catholic Church. Support from the **Retirement Fund for Religious, the second collection this weekend**, helps religious communities care for senior members while continuing important ministries to the People of God. Any gift towards this collection is greatly appreciated.



Book Discussion Group
Jesus of Nazareth: The Infancy Narratives by Pope Benedict XVI

Read the book the first week of December and the group will meet for discussion on December 13. The morning begins with Lauds at 9:00am with discussion following at 9:30am. Refreshments will be available.

December Fundraising Event: Cookie & Cake Sale

Come to the Cookie & Cake sale event on December 16 from 2:00pm -5:00pm. There will be a great selection of homemade Christmas cookies inspired from traditional recipes from Italy, Germany, Poland & more. Specialty cakes will be available for sale including traditional chocolate flan and Mexican sweet bread. Refreshments available will be Christmas punch and Mexican Hot Chocolate. An appearance from a special guest from the North Pole will occur! Parishioners, we need your help even if you cannot bake or attend. Please take some of the fliers available and distribute to your neighbors and friends. If you are able to contribute cookies or cakes, please contact the Office, Joanne at jkuszaj@gmail.com or call 336-982-3054.



Upcoming Pro-Life Events

18th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte!
Friday, January 12, 2024

This annual event brings together the faithful to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! All are invited to join in this important and worthy cause. Schedule details are available at www.marchforlifeforcharlotte.com

National March for Life Pilgrimage

The Office of Family Life invites adults and families to participate in a March for Life Pilgrimage, January 18-20, 2024. Join the Pro-Life Generation! The pilgrimage includes a charter bus to and from Washington, D.C., daily Mass, Life Fest with the Sisters of Life, March for Life & Rally, JP II Shrine tour and some meals! Register at charlottediocese.org/event/national-march-for-life or email FamilyLife@rcdoc.org.

