



**Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís**  
**Epifanía del Señor (Solemnidad)**  
**Enero 7, 2024**

**Pastor:** Padre Cory Catron, 336-246-9151

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

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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 enero 8 - 14 2024**

Lunes: Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7 o Isaías 55:1-11 o Hechos 10:34-38 o 1 Juan 5:1-9, Salmo 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 o Isaías 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6, Marcos 1:7-11  
 Martes: 1 Samuel 1:9-20, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Marcos 1:21-28  
 Miércoles: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20, Salmo 40:2 y 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, Marcos 1:29-39  
 Jueves: 1 Samuel 4:1-11, Salmo 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25, Marcos 1:40-45  
 Viernes: 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a, Salmo 89:16-17, 18-19, Marcos 2:1-12  
 Sábado: 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1, Salmo 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, Marcos 2:13-17  
 Domingo: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19, Salmo 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10, 1 Corintios 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Juan 1:35-42

**Figuras del Ofertorio**

Ofertorio 31 de diciembre:	\$ 2,138.00
María, Madre de Dios:	\$ 479.00
El Fondo de Rectoría recibió:	\$ 762.00
Meta hipotecaria necesaria cada mes:	\$ 4,442.07
Deuda de la rectoría (al 12 de diciembre de 2023):	\$ 405,300.99

**Este mes damos la bienvenida a los nuevos miembros del personal.**

*Herb Maddock* se incorpora como Asistente Financiero. El tiempo de Herb en la oficina es a tiempo parcial, dividido entre las iglesias de Jefferson y Sparta. *Susan Smith* comienza a capacitarse para el puesto de Asistente Administrativa esta semana. Susan trabajará a tiempo completo y asumirá el cargo por completo el 1 de febrero. *Peter Finegan* también comienza a entrenar esta semana, pero para el puesto de Gerente de Instalaciones. Peter trabajará a tiempo parcial y será el único contacto a partir del 1 de febrero para cualquier necesidad de instalaciones.

Muchas gracias a los miembros salientes del personal *Tifani Grusky* y *Mike* y *Chris Gailey* por todo el arduo trabajo y el tiempo dedicado a servir a la Familia Parroquial de San Francisco de Asís. Que Dios los bendiga en sus proyectos futuros.

**Política de inclemencias del tiempo:** En caso de mal tiempo, se recomienda que prevalezca el sentido común. Si el clima y las condiciones de la carretera son peligrosas para viajar, quédese en casa. El cierre de la oficina y los anuncios de cancelación de la Misa se anunciarán en [www.raysweather.com](http://www.raysweather.com), Flocknotes y WSOC. El consejo en todo momento es que la seguridad es lo primero y no viajar si las condiciones son peligrosas.



**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](mailto:stfrancis@skybest.com) o al 336-467-0211, o visítenos durante el horario comercial. La solicitud normal de estipendio es de \$10.

**Para registrarse en la parroquia:** Los formularios de registro parroquial se encuentran en una carpeta etiquetada en el soporte en el vestíbulo, así como en la oficina de la iglesia. El registro es un signo de la propia compromiso y responsabilidad con la parroquia y también proporciona un registro oficial de su membresía activa. Estar registrado permite participar en la formación en la fe, los programas parroquiales y los sacramentos.

**Feligreses actualmente registrados:** Si ha habido algún cambio reciente en su estado familiar, dirección, número de teléfono, o si se ha mudado o se mudará a, infórmeleselo a la oficina. Esto garantiza la precisión de la lista familiar y los registros disponibles. Puede pasar por la oficina durante el horario comercial o enviar un correo electrónico a [stfrancis@skybest.com](mailto:stfrancis@skybest.com) después del horario comercial. Gracias por su ayuda.

**Después de la misa** dominical de las 9:00am el 7 de enero, derribaremos los árboles y la vegetación del interior de la iglesia. Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar en este evento. Cualquier ayuda es muy apreciada.

**Venta de tamales el 13 de enero**  
 La Mesa de San Francisco tendrá una venta de tamales el 13 de enero de 17:30 a 18:30 y de 20:30 a 21:00 después de las misas de los sábados. Nuestro feligrés, Prudencio Trinidad estará haciendo tamales. Muchos de ustedes han probado sus deliciosos tamales en la Fiesta Mexicana. Los tamales se venderán a \$2 cada uno para pedidos anticipados, \$2.50 cada uno el 13 de enero. Un volante con un formulario de pedido está en los Boletines de este fin de semana. Los pedidos anticipados deben estar listos antes del 10 de enero. El pago puede ser en efectivo, cheque, crédito/débito. Por favor, informe a sus amigos y vecinos sobre la venta. Esta es una recaudación de fondos para la parroquia. Los formularios de pedido están disponibles en la entrada de la iglesia y se pueden completar y dejar en la canasta. Los pedidos pueden ser de cerdo o pollo o algo de cada uno. Es importante conocer los pedidos con anticipación para que Prudencio sepa cuántos hacer.



**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, January 7, 2024**  
**The Epiphany of the Lord**



*And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. Matthew 2:11*



**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 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 7**  
 8:00am - Confessions  
 8:35am - Lauds  
 9:00am - Mass, English  
 10:00am - Taking down of trees & greenery in church

**Tuesday, January 9**  
 12:00pm - Mass  
 5:30pm - Adoration  
 6:00pm - Knights of Columbus Council Meeting  
 6:15pm - Vespers  
 6:45pm - Mass, Spanish

**Wednesday, January 10**  
 12:00pm - Mass

**Thursday, January 11**  
 9:00am - Cleaning of Church  
 8:00pm - Spanish Choir Practice


**Friday, January 12**  
 9:00am - Mass followed by Adoration  
 9:40am - Confessions  
 10:20am - Terce with Benediction  
 7:00pm - Young Adults for Christ Meeting

**Saturday, January 13**  
 3:30pm - Confessions  
 4:30pm - Mass, English  
 5:30pm - Tamale Sale, Take Out Only  
 6:15pm-7:00pm - Confessions  
 7:00pm - Vespers  
 7:30pm - Mass, Spanish  
 8:30pm - Tamale Sale, Take Out Only

**Sunday, January 14**  
 8:00am - Confessions  
 8:35am - Lauds  
 9:00am - Mass, English  
 10:00am - Spanish Baptismal Prep Class

**This month we welcome New Staff Members.**  
**Herb Maddock** comes on as Finance Assistant. Herb's time in the office is part-time, split between the Jefferson and Sparta churches. **Welcome!**  
**Susan Smith** begins training for the Administrative Assistant role this week. Susan will be working full-time and takes over completely on February 1st.  
**Peter Finegan** also begins training this week, but for the Facilities Manager position. Peter will be part-time and will be the sole contact come February 1st for any facilities need.  
 Many thanks to outgoing staff members *Tifani Grusky* and *Mike and Chris Gailey* for all the hard work and time devoted to serving the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Family. God bless you in your future endeavors.

**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!



**Mass Schedule and Readings**

**Monday, January 8, No Mass**  
 Scripture: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9, Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6, Mk 1:7-11

**Tuesday, January 9, 12:00pm**  
 Scripture: 1 Sm 1:9-20, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday, January 10, 12:00pm**  
 Scripture: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday, January 11, No Mass**  
 Scripture: 1 Sm 4:1-11, Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25, Mk 1:40-45

**Friday, January 12, 9:00am**  
**Mass Intention: Kimberly Ann Chaffee**  
 Scripture: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a, Ps 89:16-17, 18-19, Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday, January 13, 4:30pm**  
**Mass Intention: Parish Community**  
 Scripture: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1, Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, Mk 2:13-17

**Spanish Mass, January 13, 7:30pm**

**Sunday, January 14, 9:00am**  
**Mass Intention: Doug Blatny+**  
 Scripture: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19, Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10, 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1:35-42


**Ministry Schedule**

*Saturday, January 13, 2024, 4:30pm*  
 Greeter: Linda S.  
 Lector: \*Michelle F. \*\*Patrick B.  
 Ushers: Michael & Tifani G.

*Sunday, January 14, 2024, 9:00am*  
 Greeter: Debbie P.  
 Lector: \*Gary P. \*\*Brenda D.  
 Ushers: Marcy B. & Isabel S.

*Altar Linens:*  
 January 5, 19: Lila W.                      January 12, 26: Evelyn R.

**Longtime parishioner Elaine Fox** passed from this life on December 22. For many years she shared with the parish her gift of decorating and floral arrangements, especially during the Easter and Christmas seasons. A funeral Mass was held on December 27, before committal in the St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery. We continue to pray for the repose of **Elaine's** soul and for consolation and peace to her husband Frank, and the Fox family.




**Following the 9:00am Sunday Mass on January 7th,** we will be taking down the trees and greenery from inside the church. Volunteers are needed to help in this event. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.

**Financial Figures**

Offertory December 31:	\$ 2,138.00
Offertory received this month:	\$ 20,177.00
Offertory needed in December:	\$ 25,200.00
Mary, Holy Mother of God:	\$ 479.00
Rectory Fund December 31:	\$ 762.00
Rectory Fund received this month:	\$ 10,429.00
Mortgage goal needed each month:	\$ 4,442.07
Rectory debt (as of December 12, 2023):	\$ 405,300.99
<b>Upcoming Second Collections</b>	
Rectory Fund:	January 14
Combined Mission Campaign:	January 21
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. <i>Checks can be mailed to the following address:</i> P.O. Box 634, Jefferson, NC 28640 <i>Your support is greatly appreciated.</i>	

**Tamale Sale coming January 13**  
 St. Francis' Table will have a Tamale Sale on January 13 from 5:30pm-6:30pm and 8:30pm-9:00pm after the Saturday Masses. Our parishioner, Prudencio Trinidad will be making tamales. Many of you have had his delicious tamales at the Mexican Fiesta. Tamales will be sold for \$2 each for pre-orders, \$2.50 each on January 13. A flier with an order form is in the Bulletins this weekend. **Pre-orders need to be in by January 10** so Prudencio knows how many to make. Payment can be cash, check, credit/debit. Please let your friends and neighbors know about the sale. This is a fundraiser for the parish. Order forms are available in the entryway of the church and can be filled out and left in the basket. Orders can be for pork or chicken or some of each.




**Combined Mission Collection** - As part of the diocesan combined collections program, the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Church in Africa, Catholic Home Missions, and the United States Mission Collection have been combined into one second collection. That collection will be taken up at all Masses the weekend of January 21. Your contribution to the good work of these organizations will give you an opportunity to participate in the missionary activity of the Church on both a local and world level. Next week you will receive a letter from our Vicar General and Chancellor, Father Winslow, with an informative brochure. Please take the time to read through the brochure and become more familiar with the good work done by each of these organizations. The envelope for this collection is part of your parish envelope packet.

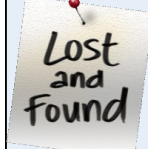
**To register with the parish:** Parish Registration forms are located in a labeled binder on the stand in the vestibule, as well as in the church office. Registration is a sign of one's commitment and responsibility to the parish and also provides an official record of your active membership. Being registered allows for participation in faith formation, parish programs and sacraments.

**Currently registered parishioners:** If there have been any changes recently to your family status, address, phone number, or if you have moved or will be moving please let the office know. This ensures the accuracy of the family roster and records on hand. You can drop by the office during business hours, or send an email to [stfrancis@skybest.com](mailto:stfrancis@skybest.com) after business hours. Thank you for your assistance.

**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 [www.raysweather.com](http://www.raysweather.com), Flocknotes and WSOC. Please note that WSOC does not allow messages to be typed in, but instead is 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. A dispensation is given for those who cannot make Mass because of the road conditions in their area. **The advice throughout is safety first and to not travel if conditions are hazardous.**



**Lost and Found**  
**Currently in the office** are two pairs of glasses that were found in the church pews following Mass. To identify and claim please contact the office at [stfrancis@skybest.com](mailto:stfrancis@skybest.com) or 336-467-0211.



**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.marchforlifecharlotte.com](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.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](http://charlottediocese.org/event/national-march-for-life) or email [FamilyLife@rcdoc.org](mailto:FamilyLife@rcdoc.org).

