



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Priests of the Institute of Charity (Rosminians)

Pastor: Fr. Edison Bernavas, I.C. **Parochial Vicar:** Fr. Henry Konnoth Sebastian, I.C.

Priest in Residence: Fr. Michael C. A. O'Neill, I.C.

Hispanic Ministry: Fr. Rafael Martos

Deacon Jerry Thomas Deacon Dick Beaudry

Weekend Masses

Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary 25 minutes before each Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday thru Friday

After 8:00 Morning Mass to 4:00 p.m.

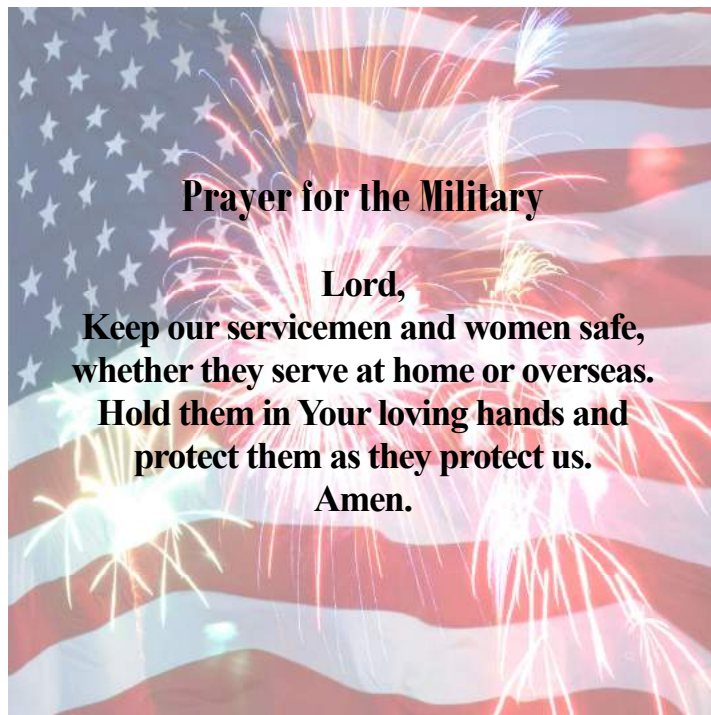
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. First Friday: 7:30 a.m.

or Anytime by Appointment with Priest

Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:

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| Daniel Hutton | Brittany L Jones Baker | Kevin Lime |
| Aran Miller | Adam Baker | Patrick Jonker |
| Jarred Taracido | Cameron Trinkle | Remy Herrero |
| Joseph Michalek | Zachary Trinkle | Leobardo Martinez |
| Juan Cruz | Brandon Trinkle | Alejandro Cuesta |
| Spencer Dewey | Dan Holder | Wesley Kosierowski |
| Kris Urquhart | Jesse Doyle | Christopher Jeffers |
| Mickey Reese | Kenneth Urquhart | Jared Michael Null |
| Christopher Heacox | Aaron C. Lint | Haley Elizabeth Null |
| Ryan Levy Cruz | Lawrence Morgan Null | Donovan O'Connor |
| Jeff Calvani | John Andrew Marple | Anna Jeffers |
| Ryan Hurley | James E. Desaulniers | Jaiden Andrus |
| J.P. Zotomayor | Brennan Tyska | Tony Cuesta |
| Helen Castillo | James Kropp | Michael Mulhern |
| Derrick M. Shea | Robin Brown | Jeanine Hatfield |
| Nathan Berry | Josh Silva | |
| Devon M. Callicoa | Charles Laing III | |
| Matt Daniels | Mario Perez | |
| Jack Vine | Joshua Eicholz | |
| Jesse Witt | Shai Ane Belinski | |



Prayer for the Military

**Lord,
Keep our servicemen and women safe,
whether they serve at home or overseas.
Hold them in Your loving hands and
protect them as they protect us.
Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Gracious and loving God, we come to You in humble prayer for the United States of America.

Bless our President. Give him wisdom and strength to serve the American people and lead our country in ways that are pleasing to You.

Bless our Congress. Instill in them knowledge and understanding to enact laws that protect the sanctity of life—from the unborn to the elderly; and promote the good of all people.

Bless the people of the United States. Make us aware of our responsibility as citizens to uphold the principles of life, liberty, justice, and equality.

Send Your Holy Spirit upon our beloved country. Make us people of faith in time of uncertainty. Make us people of hope in times of trouble. Make us people of compassion with those who are less fortunate. Make us people of peace in our homes, our communities, our country, and our world. **We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday	July 1
4:30 p.m.	†Thomas Karnath by Rick & Sue Berst
6:30 p.m.	Spanish Mass
Sunday	July 2
8:30 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
10:30 a.m.	†Evelyn Vargas by Iris Mussenden
4:30 p.m.	†Jacqueline Pape by her Daughter
Monday	July 3
8:00 a.m.	†Maria Cabral by Maria Cassiba
Tuesday	July 4
9:00 a.m.	Intention of Minnie Riley by Nonie Riley
Wednesday	July 5
8:00 a.m.	†Abraham Mathai Ayallore by the Ayallore Family
Thursday	July 6
8:00 a.m.	Intention of Scott Gill by Sue Soleau
6:30 p.m.	Spanish Mass Int. Donante
Friday	July 7
8:00 a.m.	†Louise Lemoine †Muriel Summers
Saturday	July 8
4:30 p.m.	†Oswaldo Camero by Jack & Carmen Claypoole
6:30 p.m.	Spanish Mass
Sunday	July 9
8:30 a.m.	†Betty Muley by Mark & Kathy Damico
10:30 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
4:30 p.m.	Intention of Meghan Smith by her Mother

Please note...

Mass on Tuesday, July 4th will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. Please plan to attend as we recognize those who have made this country possible and give thanks to God for all He has given us.



IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, please pray for those who are ill, homebound, or confined to hospitals and nursing homes, especially for the following:

Anthony Augello, James Barry, Kathy Barry, Bill & Delores Bednarovsky, Rick Bishop, Fran Calvani, Carmela Blair, Richard & Marie Bowers, Dee Brown, Maria Celani, Helen & Jack Clark, Carmen Connors, Frank Crowley, John Danet, Lisa DeJordy, Doug Dimick, Becky Durand, Omar & Jane Elwer, Barbara Fellabick, Robert Fisher, Jr., Patty Gabriel, Philip Gabriel, Rosemarie Gabriel, Kenny Gay, Scott Gill, Paul Guthrie, Brent Gray, Bill Haladay, Charles Hall, Rachel Harlor, Carrie Carmody Haynes, Coleman & Marlene Hill, Patricia Koch, Cora Leewise, Mary Little, Aliceia Marrone, Shawn McConnell, John & Charlotte McFaul, Joan Miller, Billie Morrow, Darryl Mummert, Robin Murphy, Ed & Gerry Murray, Beverly Natter, John Openlander, Helen O'Connor, Bonnie Ostrowski, Charles Paisley, Don Parker, Tim Pasden, Margo Perez, Joseph Polak, Mary Elizabeth Polumbo, John Poulos, Luisa Puerto, Pat Racic, Gfren Ramos, Harry Santos, Catherine Schaefer, Bill Shumsky, Darrell Sitton, Catherine Mary Skidmore, Susan Soleau, Stanton Sullivan, Bernadette Suppa, Joseph Suppa Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Betty Valleri, Al Veinotte, Alice Veinotte, Dorian Vicario, John Vicario, Martin Vicario, Carol Wagner, Gabriel Wagner, George Wagner, Joan Wagner, Joan Warner, Kurt Wicker, Mary Winiarski, the Homebound and their Caregivers.

LORD,

Look upon me with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalms 117:1bc-2; John 20:24-29
Tuesday:	Genesis 19:15-29; Psalms 26:2-3, 9-12; Mathew 8:23-27; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891
Wednesday:	Genesis 21:5, 8-20a; Psalms 34:7-8, 10-13; Matthew 8:28-34
Thursday:	Genesis 22:1b-19; Psalms 115:1-6, 8-9; Matthew 9:1-8
Friday:	Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Psalms 106:1b-5; Matthew 9:9-13
Saturday:	Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29; Psalms 135:1b-6; Mathew 9:14-17;
Sunday:	Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalms 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi!

We extend a special welcome to all our visitors and new parishioners who have come to celebrate Mass with us today! If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to our clergy. If you live in this area and attend regularly, we invite you to join our parish of St. Francis of Assisi. Registration is necessary for better care of souls, more effective administration of sick calls, and matters pertaining to baptism, education, marriage and burial.

Registration is very easy, and the green "Parish Registration" cards can be found in the pamphlet holder above the table in the lobby. After completing, please place in the Parish Drop Box, located in the door by the water fountain in the lobby.



Today's Readings

First Reading—Elisha promises a baby son to the hospitable woman (2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a).

Psalm—For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading—We shall live in newness of life as Christ was raised from the dead (Romans 6:3-4, 8-11).

Gospel—Whoever gives but a cup of cold water to another will surely be rewarded (Matthew 10:37-42).

The Richness of Life in Christ

Today we have the beautiful story of the woman promised a child, the wonderful exhortation about life in Christ, and a powerful instruction from Jesus. An embarrassment of riches? Not if we take Jesus' words about "welcome" to heart. The many challenges and blessings offered to us today by Elisha, Paul, and Jesus should be cause for rejoicing, and welcomed heartily into our lives. And, like the great treat that they are, they should be enjoyed and shared generously with others.

Today's reading from Romans was chosen very early in the liturgical life of the Church to be the sole apostolic instruction received by candidates for baptism at the Easter Vigil. This illustrates its importance as a core belief, and as a means of comprehending the story of the Resurrection. **Christ's resurrection is not merely a story about something that He underwent once upon a time, but it is our story, the story of how we joined the other members of the one Body of Christ, the church.** We were not only dead, but we were buried; not ultimately buried, but raised to eternal life with Christ.

The Rosary

Please join us in praying the Rosary to **END ABORTION** every First Friday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Jesus Protect and Save the Unborn

Who Do You Love?

Jesus asks his disciples to have total dedication to following Him. As an example, He tells us that to be worthy we must love Him more than we love our parents or children. He does not expect us to abandon them, just to have so much love for Jesus that it spills over to our family, allowing us to love them more deeply. But we can be so dedicated to Jesus that He comes first. That means that if we lose a family member through death or divorce, we still keep our faith in the Lord. If we see someone in our family stray from the faith, we try to bring them back through our prayers, example, and encouragement. If our spouse tries to lead us into sin, we have the courage to stand up for our faith.

Jesus then gives examples of three kinds of disciples. **First are the prophets.** These are people who have lived the faith and are able to teach others the wisdom they have learned. They may be good counselors who advise us, teachers who inspire us, or leaders who encourage us to follow Jesus. While we may not have those qualities, Jesus promises to reward all who take their advice, learn from their teaching, or follow Jesus because of them.

Second are the righteous, those whose quiet lives teach by example. Many good parents practice this type of discipleship. Children may not listen to their parents' advice, but still grow up with memories of how they lived. If we imitate the best of our parents' ways, we will receive the reward of the righteous.

Finally, there are the "little ones." These, like children, follow Jesus with great joy and love. They may not be leaders or always get things right. They may be elderly, or disabled. In their weakness, they show us the Lord's power. When we respect and cherish them, we are able to see Jesus in them. And anytime we can experience Jesus through another person is a wonderful reward for a disciple.

~Tom Schmidt

Dying and Rising

The words of Saint Paul hit us smack in the face: "*Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?*" (Romans 6:3). This epistle is one of the choices to be read at Catholic funerals. It generally comes as something of a shock to the listeners. But the reading goes on to offer great comfort to us as Christians. "*we have died with Christ . . . we shall also live with Him . . . raised from the dead, Christ dies no more . . . Christ lives for God . . . you too must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.*"

Tyranny

Tyranny is always better organized than freedom.

~Charles Péguy

Ministries Schedule — July 8 & 9

Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Deirdre Bristol
Altar Servers: Adult Volunteers
Lector: Marie Colvin & John Wilbur
E.M.H.C.: Subko; Lyons; Toles, C. & C.; Caskey; Angelo, J. & J.

Sunday - 8:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Henri Plourde
Altar Servers: Adult Volunteers
Lector: Keysha Figueroa
E.M.H.C.: Bull; Boucher; Mularoni; Leone; Plourde; Shoemaker

Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: John Mabe
Altar Servers: Erlendsson, K.; Perez, M.
Lector: Stu Martin
E.M.H.C.: Monaldi, F. & J.; Quintas; Zawlocki; Erlendsson; Mabe; DiRisio

Sunday - 4:30 p.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Theresa Redgrave
Altar Servers: Cortes, A.; Villagomez, O.
Lector: Tommy Wrobel & Bob Winiarski
E.M.H.C.: Hazzard; Whitehead; Byerley; Sweeney; Murray, A.; Harper, B. & J.;

Homebound E.M.H.C.

July 7: First Friday
Priests visit the homebound

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - Friday..... 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Legion of Mary

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Novena to Our Lady, Queen of Peace

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday..... 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

First Friday:..... 7:30 a.m.
or anytime by appointment with priest.

Anointing of the Sick

For all those threatened by serious illness: available anytime, but particularly during daily Mass.

Baptisms

After required instruction, contact parish office.

Marriage


Contact office at least six months before desired date and before setting date.

Business Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This Week at St. Francis

July 2—8, 2017

Monday July 3	Parish Office Closed	
Tuesday July 4	Happy 4th of July!! Parish Office Closed	
Wednesday July 5	Dinner for the Needy Choir Practice	4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Thursday July 6	Bible Study KC Council Meeting	8:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.

Installation of Fr. Edison Bernavas, I.C.

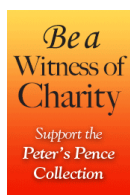
Please join us **Sunday, July 9th**, at the **10:30 a.m. Mass** for the Installation of St. Francis's third pastor, Fr. Edison Bernavas, I.C. The Most Rev. Bishop Gregory Parkes will be the main Celebrant, along with several priests who will concelebrate with the Bishop. Please join us for this special occasion as we warmly welcome Fr. Edison to St. Francis. A reception will immediately follow Mass.



Please Note...

Mass on **Tuesday, July 4th** will be celebrated at **9:00 a.m.** Please plan to attend as we recognize those who have made this country possible and give thanks to God for all He has given us. There will be **no Eucharistic Adoration** and the **parish office will be closed on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th**. Normal hours will resume Wednesday, July 5th.

Peter's Pence



Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! As a parish, we collected **\$2,774.97**. Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. Thank you again for your support!

St. Leo University Offers

Robotics Summer Camps for Girls

Saint Leo University will host *Girls Can!* Robotics camps in July at the campus at 33701 State Road 52, St. Leo, FL, 33574. The day camps are for girls ages 10 to 15. Beginner camps will be held the weeks of July 10 - 14 and July 17 - 21. A day camp July 24 - 26 is for girls at the intermediate level. See www.saintleocamps.com and scroll down to robotics.



Parish Ministries

Altar Servers	
Judy Erendsson.....	244-2853
Church Musicians	
Ramon Martos.....	334-3454
Clothing Pantry	
Contact the Parish Office.....	681-9115
Eucharistic Adoration	
Susan Soleau.....	689-6914
Faith Formation	
Judy Erendsson.....	244-2853
Eucharistic Ministers	
Pam Caskey.....	651-1165
Helping Hands	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Hispanic Religious Education	
Sr. Evelia.....	305-9242
Hispanic Baptism Classes	
Maria Elena Parilla.....	657-0218
HomeBound/Nursing Home Visitation	
Janet Ganske.....	943-9928
Knights of Columbus	
Joe Halle.....	334-9526
Lectors	
Alice Murray.....	315-9613
Legion of Mary	
Sharon Belinski.....	951-0146
Respect Life	
Carl Francis Kosierowski.....	546-9440
Rosary Leader	
Dawn Silva.....	649-8957
RCIA	
Fr. Henry Konnoth Sebastian.....	681-9115
Sacristans	
Maria Ocampo.....	653-3011
Scouts	
Kathy & Ted Domey.....	685-8242
Tender Care/Food Pantry	
John Familetti.....	681-9115
Ushers	
Ron Mullen.....	661-5983
Women's Guild	
Sharon Belinski.....	951-0146
Youth Group	
Steve Jarosz.....	404-9658

Stewardship of Time & Talent Salute

In gratitude of God's gifts of time and talent to our parish, we wish to acknowledge and salute, *Kristin Martin*, Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound... *Thank you, Kristin!!*

Stewardship Reflection

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." ~Matthew 10:38
 Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness".
 "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! **Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!**

Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, June 18, 2017

Offertory Collection.....	\$7,337.00
Children's & Youth Collection.....	\$62.00
On Line Giving/Offertory.....	\$1,510.00
Total Offertory for this week.....	\$8,909.00
Total Offertory, week of 2016.....	\$9,735.00
Decrease.....	\$826.00
Envelopes Issued/Used.....	648/195(30%)
<i>Total Building Fund this week.....</i>	<i>\$282.00</i>
Budgeted Expense This Month.....	\$48,650.00
Total Receipts Month to Date.....	\$30,531.68
Total APA This Week.....	\$861.50

~ Give Generously From Your Heart ~

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:30 p.m.	165	6:30 p.m.	275
8:30 a.m.	142	10:30 a.m.	198
		4:30 p.m.	151

Total Attendance: 931

~ For the Week of June 11, 2017 ~

POOR BOX DONATIONS

\$159.42

DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS

\$182.19

Thanks to all who so generously support our Poor Box & Dinner Ministry Collections. Because of *your support*, we are able to help those in need. *Thank you and God bless!!*

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK IS:

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REPAIRS, REMOLDING, 24 HR SERVICE
 NEW CONSTRUCTION,



623-6830

671-3993

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Thank You!

Vocation View

Jesus knew that when we are committed to whatever we are doing no obstacle can prevent us from reaching our goal. We are invited to consider setting our sights on God's call to commitment in our lives.



Vacation Bible School

July 17th—21st

9 a.m. to Noon

Kids K4—5th Grade

Cost: \$10 per child

For more information call:
Judy Erlendsson at 244-2853



*At Maker Fun Factory VBS,
kids will learn they're created
by God and built for a purpose!*



Adult & Teen-age Volunteers Needed!!!

Childs Name: _____ Age: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Phone #: (home) _____ (cell) _____

Address _____

Allergies: _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____

Phone # _____

I would like to volunteer

Name: _____

Phone # _____

Adult _____ T-Shirt Size _____ Teen-ager _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Registration Deadline: July 7th (T-Shirts will be purchased July 11th)