

Roman Catholic Church Of St Frances Of Rome, St Francis Of Assisi, St Anthony & Our Lady Of Grace

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday : 9:00AM—6:00PM

Our Office is closed for Lunch from 1:00PM until 2:00PM

MASS TIMES

Church of St. Frances of Rome *Saturday Vigil:* 5:00 PM
***Sunday:* 8:00 AM; 9:30 AM; 11:00 AM (Spanish); 12:30 PM**

Mass Center: Saint Francis of Assisi (SFA) School
4330 Baychester Ave, Bronx NY 10466

***Sunday:* 10:00 AM**

***Weekdays:* 9:00 AM Mon—Sat (St Frances of Rome)**

8:00 AM on Saturday (St Francis of Assisi Mass Center):

Confessions: Saturdays: 4:15PM—4:45PM—in the church

Pastor : Fr Georginus Ejiofor Ugwu, MSP
Associate Pastor: Fr. Francis Oroffa, MSP
Sunday Assoc: Frs Peter Pilsner & Charles Udokang
Parish Deacons: Dcns John Maulucci & Jose Ojeda
Parish Secretary: Michelle Roman
Parish Bookkeeper: Melissa Leal
Parish DRE: Sr. Karina Hernandez Gomez HMSP
& Sr. Araceli Munoz HMSP

Baptismal Instructions: Dcns. John Maulucci & Jose Ojeda
Community Outreach (Food Pantry): Lorrin Johnson
English Choir master: Jose Cabada
Liturgy committee Chair: Lorrin Johnson
Marriage Prep: Fr. Ejiofor Ugwu, MSP
Nursing Home Ministry Coordinator: Dcn Jose Ojeda
Organist: Eugene Klymyshyn
Parish Music Director: Carmine R. Abate (SFR)
RCIA: Dcn. John Maulucci
& Dcn. Jose Ojeda

Religious Education Secretary: Michelle Roman
Religious Education Office: 718-324.5340 ext.4

MINISTRIES' SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

St Monica - Fr Ejiofor
St Martin de Porres - Fr Francis
Sagrado Corazon - Deacon Jose
Altigracia - Deacon Jose
Holy Name - Fr Francis
Youth Ministry - Deacon John and Sr Araceli
Catholic Women Assoc - Fr Ejiofor
Catholic Men Assoc - Fr Ejiofor
Charismatic Prayer Group - Deacon Jose
Circulo de Oracion - Srs Karina and Araceli
The Legion of Mary - Fr Francis
Prayer Shawl - Fr Francis
Hispanic Min. Committee - Fr Ejiofor
Comunidades de Evangelizacion - Sr. Karina and Sr. Araceli

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR PARISH MINISTRIES (All meetings are in the Parish Center unless otherwise stated)

Altigracia: 3rd Sunday after 11:00 AM Mass
Bereavement Support: 4th Tuesday 7:00 PM
Charismatic Prayer: Sunday 4:00PM. Bi-weekly
Círculo de Oración: Monday 7:00PM
Comunidades de Fe: Thursday 7:00 PM
Food Pantry Ministry: Friday (Bi-weekly). See schedule
Holy Name Society: 2nd Sunday after 9:30AM Mass
Hospitality Committee: 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Legion of Mary: Every Sunday at 2:00PM
Marriage Preparation Class: By appointment
Prayer Shawl: 2nd & 4th Sunday after 8:00AM Mass
Sagrado Corazón: 2nd Sunday after 11:00AM Mass
St. Martin de Porres: 1st Sunday after 9:30AM Mass
St. Monica Society: 3rd Sunday after 9:30AM Mass
Sunday Coffee Hour: Sunday after each Mass
Spanish Choir: Saturday 2:00 PM
Praise & Worship Choir: Saturday at 2:30 PM
Parish Main Choir: Saturday at 6:00 PM
Catholic Men's Association: 4th Sunday at 2:00PM
Catholic Women's Association: 2nd Sunday at 2:00PM
Youth Ministries: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 2:00PM

OTHER PARISH PROGRAMS

Weekly Adoration: Saturdays: 9:00AM—12PM
Religious Ed: Sunday: 10:45AM—12:30PM (Ends with Mass)
RCIA: Sunday 11:00 A.M
Pastoral Council: 2nd Wednesday of the Month
Liturgy Committee: 1st Tuesday Feb, May, Sept & Nov 7PM
Baptismal Instruction Class: 2nd Tuesday 7:00 PM

Marriage

Couples who intend to marry in the Church should speak with one of the parish priests at least six months in advance. Wedding date, time and venue should not be scheduled without first meeting with the pastor.

Infant Baptism

To register a child for baptism, parents must complete the necessary registration form and provide the parish office with the child's birth certificate. Infant Baptism in Spanish is celebrated at 2:00 P.M on the 3rd Sunday of the month while Infant Baptism in English is celebrated at 2:00PM on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Saturday, July 27th,

5:00 PM (SFR) Terry Venturing (Blessings)

Sunday, July 28th, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

8:00 AM (SFR) Antonio DiMaria (+)

9:30AM (SFR) Georges Henry & Family; Virginia Henry; & Desmond Pierre (Blessings);

10:00AM (SFA) In honor of our Lady of Mt. Carmel

11:00AM (SFR) Enna Reyes Encarnacion (+); Reinaldo Delfi (+)

12:30AM (SFR) Ekotuyo J. Udo

Monday, July 29th, Saint Martha

Readings: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23 or Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

9:00 AM (SFR) John Cocomello (+)

Tuesday, July 30th, Weekday

Readings: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-11; Mt 13:36-43

9:00 AM (SFR) Ekotuyo J. Udo

Wednesday, July 31st, Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Readings: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

9:00AM (SFR) Ekotuyo J. Udo

Thursday, August 1st, Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8, 11; Mt 13:47-53

9:00 AM (SFR) Ekotuyo J. Udo

Friday, August 2nd, Weekday

Readings: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

9:00 AM (SFR) Bogamila (Birthday Blessings); Desmond Pierre (Blessings)

Saturday, August 3rd, Weekday

Readings: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

8:00 AM (SFA) Nancy Medina (Healing)

9:00AM (SFR) Ekotuyo J. Udo

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Eltee Pierre, Tonnie Rivera, James Coles, Phred Madsen, Carmen Perez, Michael A. Laster Sr., Mina Blesos, Donna Daniels, Maria Vasquez, Caroline Carol, Bernie Sammon, Carrie McGee, Theresa Murphy, Rosa Maria Gomez, Nancy Medina, Miracle Boston, William Bryne, Estephane Elizabeth, Henry Amadasu, Maria & Rafael Medina, Patricia Bent, Luz Helena Johnson, Doreen Peters, Timothy Sonowell, Mrs. Lowery, Francis Wynter, Lucille Thomas, Edward Lowe, Anna Coles, Deacon Joe Mulryan, Rosemary Oshansky, Thomas Robertson, Ann Taylor, Dorothy Goshine, Dionne Spence, Bryan Ritchie, Hason Castell, Pearl Richardson, Patricia Barakat, Bernice Coles, Ekaterina, Natalie Migliaccio, Gale Lugo, Isabel Valdejuilli, Ismael Rodriguez, Abel J. Santiago, Mildred Ramirez & Catherine Girardi. Let us also remember to pray for all caregivers.



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ASKING FOR HELP

The Beatitudes praise the poor in spirit. One characteristic of those who are poor in spirit is their ability to ask for help; they know when others can provide what they lack. Today's readings encourage us to practice poverty in spirit by asking God for what we need. What could be more natural than to ask God for good things? God is, after all, the inventor of goodness and the giver of all good things.

Asking God for help puts us in conversation with God. These conversations take many forms. The reading from Genesis shows Abraham bantering with God like a skilled negotiator, while Saint Paul's letter to the Colossians praises God for answering us even when we don't deserve it. In Saint Luke's Gospel, Jesus not only gives us words to use in our conversations with God (the Our Father), but also promises that God always listens to our prayers.

PIDIENDO AYUDA

Las beatitudes alaban al pobre de espíritu. Una de las características de quienes son pobres de espíritu es su habilidad para pedir ayuda; ellos saben cuando otros pueden proveerles lo que les hace falta. Las lecturas de hoy nos animan a practicar la pobreza de espíritu pidiéndole a Dios aquello que necesitamos. ¿Qué podría ser más natural pedir a Dios que buenas cosas? Dios es, después de todo, el hacedor de la bondad y el dador de buenas cosas.

Pidiendo ayuda a Dios nos pone en una conversación con Dios. Esta conversación o conversaciones pueden ser de muchas formas. La lectura del libro del Génesis muestra a Abraham negociando con Dios de una manera graciosa, pero como un hábil negociador; por otro lado la carta de san Pablo a los colosenses alaba a Dios respondiéndonos aún cuando no lo merecemos. En el Evangelio de san Lucas, Jesús no solo nos da las palabras y frases para usar en nuestras conversaciones con Dios (el Padre Nuestro), sino también promete que Dios siempre escuchará nuestras oraciones.

Request a Mass for Your Intentions

The custom of offering the Holy Mass for specific intentions is rooted in Catholic tradition. The Church teaches us that the Eucharist is the fount and apex of our life in Christ. It is the greatest possible prayer of intercession for our own needs and those of others. This is because it is the perfect reenactment of the Passion, death and resurrection of the Father's Only Son (Lumen Gentium 2:11). In the Mass, we the faithful offer up our own selves in union with Christ and also, in a special way, offer up Christ to his Father as our Supreme Intercessor. The catholic faithful request to have a mass celebrated for their specific intentions by making an offering—a parting with something which unites their prayers with those of Christ who offered his life for them. The sacrifice of Mass is infinitely valuable and can be requested as many times as possible by the faithful. Importantly, the offering of a stipend for the Mass is a holy practice of supporting the church and our priests' ministry.

Mass Book is Open

To request a mass, you may go to the rectory; send an email to stfrancesofrome@yahoo.com; call the parish office at 718-324-5340; or drop your mass request in the collection basket. Please include your contact number.

Communion of the Sick

For communion and anointing of the sick and the homebound, please call the rectory at (718)324-5340. When a parishioner is hospitalized, a family member should call the rectory as soon as possible.

HALL RENTAL

The School auditorium & SFR parish center are available for rent between the hours of 6:00 PM and 2:00AM during the weekend. Parking is available. For reservations, please contact the Rectory Office at (718) 324-5340 or stfrancesofrome@yahoo.com at least 30 days before the event.

Food Pantry Schedule

Food is distributed on the following Fridays
9:00 AM– 12:00 PM
Please bring your ID

August 2 or 16
September 5 or 21

October 4 or 18
November 1 or 15
December 6 or 20

Parish Announcement

- The Catholic Men's Association will meet this Sunday, July 28th at 2:00 PM in the SFR parish center.
- The Hospitality Committee annual flea market is taking place on Sundays after every mass in the church hall.
- Saint Frances of Rome parish picnic will be on Saturday, August 10th at Glen Island park in New Rochelle beginning at 12:00PM. Tickets are on sale \$20.00 per adult & \$10.00 per child age 15 and under. You may get yours after mass from one of the Catholic Men's Association members or at the rectory.
- The Legion of Mary's 1st year anniversary celebration for Sunday, August 11th has been rescheduled to Sunday, September 8th beginning with Mass at 12:30PM followed by a reception in the church hall. Everyone is invited.
- The Missionary Sisters Servants of the Word invite everyone to the Virgin of Magnificat celebration on Sunday, August 11th at 2:00PM in the church hall.
- Las Hermanas Misioneras Servidoras de la Palabra tienen como advocacion a la Virgen del Magnificat que se celebra el segundo Domingo de Agosto. En esta ocasion se celebrara por primera vez en nuestra parroquia de Santa Francisca de Roma el Domingo 11 de Agosto iniciando a las 2:00pm en el salon parroquial.
- CCD registration forms are available at the entrance of the church. Please complete the form and return it to the rectory office.
- All announced mass intentions should be submitted to the rectory. Please do not hand your intentions to the clergy in the church.
- Please do not block any parking spaces or the entrance during weekend masses. Any car blocking the entrance will be towed at the owner's expense.
- Sunday, July 21, 2019 \$4,934.54
God Bless You

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