

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

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**Office & Rectory: 4307 Barnes Avenue, Bronx New York 10466**

**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, August 10th,**

5:00 PM (SFR) Mary Shuereb Miciallef & Charles Shuereb

**Sunday, August 11th, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

8:00 AM(SFR) Dionne & Brandon Spence (Birthday Blessings)

9:30AM (SFR) Balbina Rodrigues & Alba Pereira (+)

10:00AM (SFA) Stephanie Marie Monte; Margarita Dennis & Ines Martinez Codner (+)

11:00AM (SFR) Enna Reyes Encarnacion (+)

12:30AM(SFR) Charles Miciallef & Richard Werner

**Monday, August 12th, Weekday**

Readings:Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

9:00 AM (SFR) Theresa Venturino (+)

**Tuesday, August 13th, Weekday**

Readings: Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 12-14

9:00 AM (SFR) Annamma Kadukanmakel (+)

**Wednesday, August 14th, Saint Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**

Readings: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

9:00AM (SFR) Ventia Grant; For the Four Fallen in the Philippines (+)

**Thursday, August 15th, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Readings:Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

9:00 AM (SFR) Ekechukwu Chime (Special Intension)

**Friday, August 16th, Weekday**

Readings: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22;Mt 19:3-12

9:00 AM (SFR) Valkey Velacherrile (+)

**Saturday, August 17th, Weekday**

Readings: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

8:00 AM (SFA) Vincenzo Gorga (+)

9:00AM (SFR) Ana Marin (+)



**FAITH AND HOPE**

Faith and hope are closely united in today’s readings. The Israelites knew when the Passover was coming, and so were not in fear, but had faith and courage, “putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.” In this we can see a foretelling of the Eucharist that we celebrate according to Christ’s command, “Do this in memory of me.”

We see that Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob died in faith, although they did not see fulfillment of the promise. We live in hope that our faith will be fulfilled every time we celebrate this sacrament. We too are not to be afraid, but to have hope that our faith will be fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

**LA FE Y LA ESPERANZA**

En las lecturas de hoy la fe y la esperanza están muy unidas. Los israelitas sabían cuando la Pascua se acercaba, y eso no les atemorizaba, sino que tenían fe y animo; “y de común acuerdo se impusieron esta ley sagrada”. En esto podemos vislumbrar un anuncio de la Eucaristía que celebramos de acuerdo al mandato del Señor Jesús “Hagan esto en memoria mía”.

Vemos que Abraham, Sara, Isaac y Jacob murieron en la fe, aun cuando ellos no vieron cumplida la promesa. Vivimos con la esperanza que nuestra fe llegará a su cumplimiento cada vez que celebramos este sacramento. Nosotros tampoco debemos de tener miedo, sino tener esperanza que nuestra fe llegará a su cumplimiento en la venida de Cristo.

**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 Valdejulli, Ismael Rodriguez, Abel J. Santiago, Mildred Ramirez & Catherine Girardi. Let us also remember to pray for all caregivers.



**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 16	October 4 or 18
September 5 or 21	November 1 or 15
	December 6 or 20

**Assumption Mass Schedule**

**Thursday, August 15th :SFR 9:00AM & 7:00 PM**

**Mission Cooperation**

We welcome Fr. David Khayesi Ahiro who is a Comboni missionary from Kenya. He was ordained on October 22, 2016 and since then he has been working in the Diocese of Lodwar. He has remained among these nomadic and semi-nomadic communities, in Turkana till present, He is the assistant priest in the parish of Risen Christ, Nakwamekwi. In 2018 the bishop of Lodwar made him his Pastoral Coordinator of the Diocese. Beside this, he is also the dean of the Central Deanery, meaning he is the point of reference for the priests in this deanery which covers eight parishes. He is happy serving the place with the different responsibilities he has to perform. He speaks Swahili, English and Spanish.

**Parish Announcement**

- We thank Mr. Richard Helmrich, the Principal of Our Lady of Grace, for the \$1,000.00 donation for the food pantry.
- Mr. Patrick McCaffrey memorial mass will be held on Saturday, August 17th at 11:00AM.
- The Hospitality Committee's annual flea market will take place on Sundays after each mass in the church hall.
- We thank the Men's Association and everyone who helped make our parish picnic a success.
- The Legion of Mary's 1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary celebration will be on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> beginning with Mass at 12:30PM followed by a reception in the church hall. Everyone is invited.
- The Charismatic Prayer group is on break and so will not meet for the month of August.
- CCD registration forms are available at the entrance of the church. Please complete the form and return it to the rectory office.
- **Save the Date** –Sunday, October 6, 2019 - SFR Dinner Dance at Maestro's Catering Hall .
- 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 parking spaces or the entrance during weekend masses. Any car blocking any entrance will be towed at the owner's expense.
- Sunday, August 4, 2019 \$5,921.36  
 God Bless You
- **Congratulations50/50Winner:**  
 Ms. Andrea Guzman