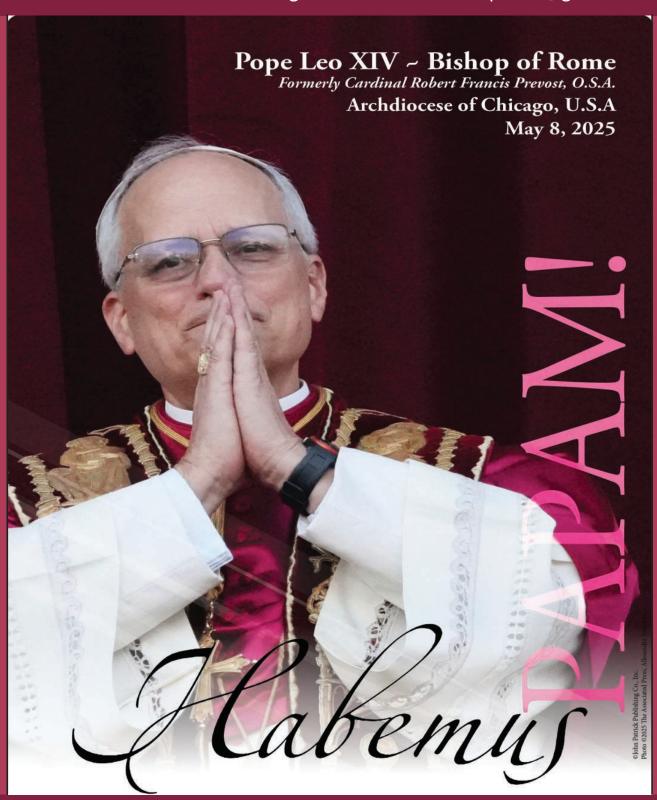
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May 18, 2025 · Fifth Sunday of Easter



PRAY TO THE LORD

Prayer for the sick in our parish and in our families is so important. Please leave this list of the sick near the place where you pray each day to remember them throughout the week.

Lori Lukanic, Fred Ratto, Thomas Braun, Keith Weber, Stephanie De Marco, Marjorie Bass, John D'Urso, and Lenny Tozzi, Jr.

Names may remain on the list for up to six months. Please contact the parish office either by phone (845-634-4957) or email (stfrancisassisiparish@gmail.com), if you would like to add or remove someone's name from the prayer list. If you are aware of someone who is no longer sick, please let us know so that we can ensure that there is room for others in need of prayer.



We are very grateful to those in the military who have dedicated themselves to protect our liberty and freedom. Please keep our troops in your prayers, especially Will Sandoval, Kristina Toscano, Stefan Marsiglio, Bill Knips*, Paul Golando, Nicholas D'Urso, Connor McKiernan, Patrick Sullivan, and William Benagh. (* indicates Deployed)



MAY 18TH - MAY 24TH

THE CANDLE IS LIT:

In Thanksgiving

Requested by: The Colacino Family



It is through Baptism that we are joined with Christ, share in His passion, death and resurrection and so are saved from our sins and become adopted children of God, sharing in divine life

This miracle of God's love and grace will be bestowed upon:

Sebastian James Diaz,

child of James & Martha (Mora) Diaz

Avelina Gianna DiMenna,

child of Michael & Dana (Pentimone) DiMenna

Myles Patrick McKiernan,

child of Kyle & Molly (Croce) McKiernan.

Please pray for these children and their parents, that they may be faithful to God's call to salvation.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS



If you are Gluten-sensitive and wish to receive the Holy Eucharist, we have low-gluten hosts. Please see the priest before mass and he will place the host in a pyx (host container) and give it to you during the reception of Holy Communion.



THE WEEK OF 5/18/25 - 5/25/25

Saturday, May 17

5:30pm Mass Maria Alice Tavares

req. by George Tavares

Sunday, May 18

8:30am Mass Herb & Thomas Oates

req. by Ellen Oates

10:15am Mass Don Larkin

req. by The Larkin Family

12Noon Mass Eileen Stahli

req. by The Flannery Family

Monday, May 19

9:00am Mass Annette Hendrickson

req. by Rosaria Leaver

Tuesday, May 20

9:00am Mass Agnes & Brian Finch

req. by Peggy Concannon & Family

Wednesday, May 21

9:00am Mass For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Thursday, May 22

9:00am Mass Adele Romano

req. by The Singer Family

Friday, May 23

9:00am Mass Blanche & Vinny Giangaspro

req. by Ofelia Monaco

Saturday, May 24

9:00am Mass Joseph Grillo

req. by Joe & Donna Nugent and Family

5:30pm Mass Maureen McCann

req. by Brenda & Bill Aylward

Sunday, May 25

8:30am Mass Daniel & Eleanor Birbal

reg. by Ruth Devins & Children

10:15am Mass Maeve Bennett

req. by Fran & Gerry Rutigliano

12Noon Mass Ramondino & Zeman Families

req. by Donna & Mike Zeman

If you have an intention for Mass, consider presenting the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration. Please arrive early and inform the ushers before Mass.



DID YOU KNOW?

If you have difficulty getting up to receive Holy Communion, the front row on both sides of the back section are reserved so that the Eucharistic Ministers can come directly to you. Please feel free to use these seats - your family is welcome to sit with you. The pews are marked "Reserved."

The Week of 5/18/25 - 5/25/25

Fifth Sunday of Easter



Sunday

- · Masses 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon
- · Baptism 1:30pm

Monday

- · Mass 9am
- · West Nyack I Seniors Meeting 1pm (Rader Hall)
- · Heritage Quilters Meeting 7pm (Classroom 1-4)
- · Adult Faith 7pm (Conference Room)
- · OCIA 7pm (Classroom 6)
- · Adult Confirmation Class 7pm (Classroom 7)
- · Knights of Columbus 8pm (Classrooms 14,15)

Tuesday

- · Clarkstown School District Budget Vote 7am-9pm (Rader Hall)
- · Mass 9am
- · Scripture Study 10am (Classrooms 14,15)
- · Liturgy Committee Meeting 6pm
- · Choir Rehearsal 7pm (Church)
- · Monthly Bereavement Session 7pm (Classroom 6)

Wednesday

- · Mass 9am
- · Prayer Shawl Meeting 10am (Classrooms 14,15)
- · Upper Nyack Seniors Meeting 12noon (Rader Hall)

Thursday

- · Mass 9am
- · Clare's Cove 10am-1pm
- · Catholic in Recovery 8pm (Classrooms 14,15)

Friday

- · Mass 9am
- · Clare's Cove 10am-1pm
- · American Heritage Girls 6:30pm (Rader Hall)

Saturday

- · Men's Breakfast Group 8am
- · Mass 9am
- · Clare's Cove 10am-1pm
- · Confession 4:30pm (Church)
- · Mass 5:30pm

Sunday

- · Masses 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon
- · Youth Group 7pm



THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD THURSDAY, MAY 29TH

It is a Holy Day of Obligation

The Masses are as follows:

Wednesday, May 28th at 7:30pm
Thursday, May 29th at 9:00am, 12noon and 7:30pm

The Rectory office will be closed on Ascension Thursday.

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Total donations for the 5/11/25 Sunday Collection and Parish Giving were unavailable prior to our printing deadline.

SECOND COLLECTION ~ MAY 17-18 AID TO THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

This weekend our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Communism in this region fell more than 30 years ago, but the Church still struggles to rebuild after decades of oppressive rule. Your support of this collection funds grants that support vital pastoral ministries throughout the region. That means you support seminary programs, promote ministries and education for children and families, rebuild churches, and renew community life. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this collection today.

Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/ccee.

St. Francis Prayer Shawl Ministry



When: Wednesday, May 21st Time: 10:00 AM Place: Classrooms 14 & 15

New members are most welcome.

For more information: Contact Sr. Pat (845) 634-4957 or sfaphogan@gmail.com

WOMEN'S BOOK DISCUSSION

THE KITCHEN FRONT

~ Jennifer Ryan

When: Wednesday, May 28th Time: 10:00 AM Place: Classroom 6





PARISH REGISTRATION: We welcome all new members to our parish family. Please register at the Rectory office. We want to know and serve you. Please become an active part of our parish community. All adults (over age 21) who are working should register in the parish themselves and should use envelopes or the website link to ParishGiving.org (online giving) to support the parish.

CURRENT PARISHIONERS: Please notify the Rectory office if you are changing your address and/or phone number so that we may have accurate records.

ST. FRANCIS BREAD



Our patron, St. Francis of Assisi, ministered to the poor and the deprived people of his time. In the "spirit" of St. Francis, we too have a great legacy of ministering to the poor of Rockland County. All parishioners are invited to *donate non-perishable food* items which will go to Catholic Community Services of Rockland. Please check the *expiration date* on the items being donated.



Donations will be accepted this weekend.



Jubilee Year of Hope 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

Pope Francis frequently emphasizes the importance of hope as a driving force for Christians, urging people to look to the future with optimism and to see the value in every human life, particularly the vulnerable.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of our parish is sponsoring a "BABY BOTTLES FOR BIRTHRIGHT FUNDRAISER". If you would like to take part:

- simply take a "baby bottle" from the basket found in the Narthex
- fill the bottle with loose coins, dollars, or a check
- return the bottle to the basket in the Narthex.

THE DRIVE WILL RUN FROM MAY 18TH THROUGH JUNE 1ST.



Parish trip to the Marian Shrine Saturday, June 7th $\,\sim\,\,$ 174 Filors Ln, Stony Point, NY 10980



Please consider joining us for a parish trip to the Marian Shrine as we seek to obtain a Plenary Indulgence during this Jubilee Year.

The day's schedule includes: Reconciliation at 11:00 AM ~ Holy Mass at 12:00 PM ~ Rosary recitation following Mass

Feel free to bring a lunch and have a picnic with fellow parishioners. Afterward, we invite everyone to stay and enjoy the beautiful grounds of the Shrine. Please know there is no obligation to participate in every part of the day. If you would simply like to come for the picnic or to visit the grounds, you are most welcome!

For more information, please contact: Tony Caterino | (845) 641-6647 We truly hope you can attend!

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS RECEIVE CATHOLIC FAITH AWARDS

Four American Heritage Girls from our troop (NY1315 here at St. Francis) earned their Catholic Faith Awards this year. These girls will be receiving their awards at a special Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, May 18th, and we thank the Catholic Daughters of Court Spiritus Sanctus for sponsoring the cost of the religious emblem pins.

These girls dedicated a great number of hours on evenings, weekends, and even summer vacation (all outside of regular troop meetings over the course of 2-3 years) to read, investigate, reflect, pray, discuss, and serve others while learning more about our Catholic Identity, Values, Traditions, and Living the Catholic Faith:



Evangeline Bissell - Deus Et Patria Mea (Grade 6 Explorer)

Jade Bencivengo - Deus Et Civitas Mea (Grade 8 Pioneer)

Molly Bennett - Deus Et Civitas Mea (Grade 8 Pioneer)

Sophia Monitto - Deus Et Civitas Mea (Grade 8 Pioneer)



Please join us in congratulating these young ladies on their perseverance and for deepening their faith.



Catholic in Recovery is a nonprofit ministry that provides healing for those seeking recovery from addictions and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery with the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join us as we overlap scripture from Sunday's mass, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. Confidentiality is protected. We welcome all those who are recovering from any addiction as well as family members impacted by their loved one's addiction. Catholic in Recovery meets every Thursday at 8:00pm in Classrooms 14 & 15.

For more information leave a message at the rectory or contact Emily at catholicinrecoverysfa@gmail.com.

HELP HAITI ~ DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SPARKILL

St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners: Please join us on our bottle and can redemption campaign to help our environment as well as bring clean water and humanitarian needs to the people of Haiti. Bring your NYS Deposit Bottles to the Cash-In-Cash-Out Bottle Redemption Center at 25 North Middletown Road in Nanuet behind Marshalls and mention you are supporting St. Francis of Assisi. Hours are Monday to Friday: 10am to 6pm, Saturday: 10am to 5pm and Sunday: Closed.



We can all make a difference!



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Saint Margaret of Antioch, 115 W Central Ave, Pearl River

Saint Margaret of Antioch Church is hosting a 5 week Bereavement Support Program on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM beginning on June 3rd and ending on July 1st. It is a safe place for the bereaved to share, to learn about grief and to receive support, empathy and acceptance. Registration in advance is required. Call Tracey DeRosa, (845) 735-4746 x 112, in the Parish Center Office.



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10 Year Anniversary of The St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Garden

It's hard to believe that the Ground Breaking for the St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Garden took place in the Summer of 2015!

Since then it has been a place of remembrance and reflection for so many.



Memorial Bricks continue to be available in the Garden not only as a special way to show appreciation to God and remember loved ones, but also as a way to help support your parish of St. Francis. The next installation of Memorial Bricks is planned for this spring.

Please contact the Rectory (845)634-4957 or stfrancisassisiparish@gmail.com with any questions about purchasing a brick.



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H.A.N.D.S. sponsors a bereavement support group on the third Tuesday of the month for parents who have lost a child, as well as a WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP (every Monday 6:30-8:30pm). Both are facilitated by Ann Carucci. Meetings are held at International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, NY. Personal one-on-one counseling sessions available upon request.



CHILD PROTECTION

To report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or layperson serving in the Archdiocese of New York may contact the victims assistance coordinator, Mrs. Eileen Mulcahy at (646)794-2949 or victimsassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the archdiocesan website www.archny.org. In keeping with archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

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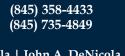
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