# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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### **Reverend Matthew Reiman, Pastor**

Reverend Eric Twene, Parochial Vicar • Deacon Thomas Bennett • Deacon John Inzeo

Sr. Patricia Hogan, OP, Pastoral Associate
Rectory Office Hours: 8:30am - 4:30pm Monday - Friday
Religious Education Coordinator: Cathy Saladino - (845) 638-4215
Director of Music: Tom Snowden

Weekday Mass: Monday - Saturday 9am Sunday Masses: Saturday 5:30pm · Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am (Family Mass) and 12 noon

### Sacraments

**Baptisms:** First Saturday 1pm and Third Sunday 1:30pm of each month. Parents should call the Rectory to make arrangements and need to attend one Preparatory Session. **Marriages:** Couples should call the Rectory to make an appointment with the Pastor at least one year before the proposed date.

**Confession:** Saturday 4:30pm, Church **Anointing of the Sick:** Upon Request.

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA): Sessions for adults interested in becoming Catholic and for those who have been baptized Catholic but have not celebrated Eucharist and Confirmation. Contact the Rectory (845) 634-4957 or stfrancisassisiparish@gmail.com.

### Office of Faith Formation

Nursery School

K and 1 ~ Grade 2 ~ Grade 3 ~ Grade 4 Grade 5 ~ Grade 6 ~ Grade 7 ~ Grade 8

### **Devotions**

Adoration/Holy Hour: 1st Thursday of the Month, 9:30am Adoration/Holy Hour: 1st Friday of the Month, 7pm Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday, after 9am Mass Devotions to St. Francis: Wednesday, after 9am Mass Novena to O.L. of Perpetual Help: Friday, after 9am Mass

Clare's Cove: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10am-1pm (845) 638-2892

### Parish Mission Statement

The worshiping parish family of St. Francis of Assisi, inspired by the gospel of Jesus and nourished by the Eucharist, celebrates, lives and proclaims our faith, serves God through the spiritual, educational and social development of all parishioners and extends God's love to the greater community.

July 13, 2025 · Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### 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.

Madelyn Geraldi, Lily Dobransky, Ann Carucci, 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)



JULY 13TH - JULY 19TH
THE CANDLE IS LIT FOR:

LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DORION FAMILY



### THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (OCIA)

Sessions for adults interested in becoming Catholic will begin in the fall. If you are interested in joining the OCIA, please contact Sr. Pat at (845) 634-4957 or sfaphogan@gmail.com



I. Ross Greenfield & Ryan Doherty

### 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 7/13/25 - 7/20/25

Saturday, July 12

5:30pm Mass Maureen McCann

req. by Brenda & Bill Aylward

Sunday, July 13

8:30am Mass Steven Utvik

reg. by Simona & Brian

10:15am Mass Mary Ann Tears

req. by The Mendys Family

12Noon Mass Marietta Moreno

req. by Her Family

Monday, July 14

9:00am Mass Jov Poovathinkal

req. by The Joseph Family

Tuesday, July 15

9:00am Mass For All Parishioners, Living & Deceased

Wednesday, July 16

9:00am Mass Patrick Gallagher

req. by Gerrie & Anthony Garvey

Thursday, July 17

9:00am Mass Mary Dillon

req. by Sean & Helen Cunney

Friday, July 18

9:00am Mass Carmel Neilan

reg. by Sean & Helen Cunney

Saturday, July 19

9:00am Mass Carlo Costanzo

req. by Patrick & Kathleen Grillo

5:30pm Mass Mary & Frank Borhi

req. by Rosemary & Bela Milisits

Sunday, July 20

8:30am Mass Nicholas & Rose Lifrieri

req. by The Traynor Family

10:15am Mass Vincenzo Saraceni

req. by Nanette Albanese

12Noon Mass Monica & Patrick Heffernan

req. by Heather & Thomas Heim

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 7/13/25 - 7/20/25

### 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### Sunday

Masses - 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon

### Monday

- Mass 9am
- West Nyack I Seniors Meeting 1pm (Rader Hall)

### Tuesday

Mass - 9am

### Wednesday

- Mass 9am
- Upper Nyack Seniors Meeting 12noon (Rader Hall)

### Thursday

- Mass 9am
- Clare's Cove ~ CLOSED
- Catholic in Recovery 8pm (Classrooms 14,15)

#### Friday

- Mass 9am
- · Clare's Cove ~ CLOSED

### Saturday

- · Mass 9am
- Clare's Cove ~ CLOSED
- Confession 4:30pm (Church)
- Mass 5:30pm

### Sunday

- Masses 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon
- Baptism 1:30pm (Church)



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.

### SAVE THE DATE ANNUAL SUMMER PARISH BLOOD DRIVE



DATE: Sunday, July 20, 2025 TIME: 8:45am-1:15pm



# \_\_\_\_We are a Eithing Parish of \_\_\_\_ GOD'S FAITHFUL SERVANTS.

The Sunday Collection (6/29/2025).....\$5,972.00 Parish Giving ......\$4,105.52 Total Weekly.....\$10,077.52

The Sunday Collection (7/6/2025).....\$7,924.00 Parish Giving ......\$4,438.23 Total Weekly......\$12,362.23

### Women's Book Discussion

The Lost Bookshop ~by Evie Woods

When: Thursday, August 14th Where: Room # 6 10:00 AM Time:





Thank you to the volunteers and patrons of Clare's Cove Thrift Shop! This wonderful part of our parish life serves the community in a wonderful way. Clare's Cove made \$32,800 for the parish this past year. The shop will be closed for the summer months of July and August, but we are already looking forward to the reopening in September.

~ Fr. Matt

### 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 the weekend of July 19th-20th

### SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**





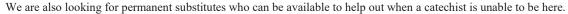
The Rectory will be closed on Fridays during the months of July and August.

The office will be open Monday through Thursday, 8:30am to 4:30pm



REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025/2026 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION year is under way. Please log into your Parish Giving account to register. Families coming into the program for the first time can register by using the QR code below or by calling the Religious Education Office.

Catechists are needed for the 2025/2026 Religious Education year. The only qualifications to teach are a love of children and a desire to share your Catholic Faith with the children of our parish. Please call the Religious Education office if you are interested.



If you have any questions contact the Religious Education office at (845) 638-4215 or email us at stfrancisprepoffice@gmail.com.

Have a blessed summer!





Classes resume in September for children and teens who have not attended Religious Education classes and have to catch up on various grade levels. These classes include the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Please call the Religious Education Office at (845)638-4215 for more information and to register.





### YOU ARE INVITED TO ST. FRANCIS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

When: August 18 - 22 ~ 9am - 12pm Where: St. Francis Religious Education Building

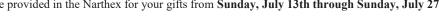
Who: Pre K4 - 4th Grade Cost: \$50 per child

For more information contact Angela Barry stfrancisofassisivbs@gmail.com

### SCHOOL DAYS, SCHOOL DAYS!

## The Parishioners of St. Francis are invited to participate in a NEW BACKPACK AND SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

A box will be provided in the Narthex for your gifts from Sunday, July 13th through Sunday, July 27th



Suggested Items: Pencils, Crayons, Notebooks, Scissors, Rulers, Erasers These new school supplies will be donated to: "One to One Learning" and

Catholic Community Services of Rockland





### KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS

### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

Sunday, August 3, 2025 ~ NY Boulders vs Down East BirdDawgs ~ 4:00 pm

Cost is \$18/ticket for an infield box seat and a hat!

Stay for the Postgame Diamond Dig! (Chance to win a surprise gift – open to women ages 18+)

Proceeds benefit Knight of Columbus Charities. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses at St. Francis the weekends of July 19/20 & July 26/27.



### THE ST. FRANCIS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

### **CHANGE OF DATE**: Monday September 22, 2025 at the Philip J. Rotella Golf Course, Pomona, NY

The cost is \$175 per golfer. Registration, Practice Range and Putting Green open at 9am, with the Shot Gun Start at 11am. Lunch on the Turn; Beverage Cart will ride around all day; and Dinner Buffet at 5pm. Prizes, Raffles, Auction Items at 6 pm. Proceeds to benefit Knights of Columbus Charities and St Francis of Assisi.

For additional information contact: Brian Tesseyman: (917)532-6174, bmt3@columbia.edu



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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!

### HANDS (HEALING AND NURTURING SURVIVORS)

HANDS sponsors a **Bereavement Support Group** (3rd Tuesday of the month) for parents who have lost a child, as well as, a **Widows and Widowers Group** (every Monday 6:30pm to 8:30pm). Both are facilitated by Ann Carucci. Meetings are held at International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, NY 10956. Personal one-on-one counseling sessions upon request. For more information please call Ann at (845) 634-6706.



Traveling this summer and want to find a Mass near you? Use MASSTIMES.ORG to find worship times, churches, contact information and maps.



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Join us this fall!



## NYS Catholic Conference



# Stop Physician-Assisted Suicide in New York

New York is on the brink of legalizing physician-assisted suicide. Bill A136 has already passed the Senate and Assembly. **The only thing** standing in its way is Governor Hochul's veto – and she needs to hear from you.

This bill would allow doctors to prescribe lethal medication with the sole purpose of ending a patient's life. It puts the most vulnerable among us – the elderly, people with disabilities, and those facing emotional or financial despair at even greater risk. Suicide is not healthcare.

We must speak out to protect the dignity of **every human life.** Assisted suicide is a dangerous and deadly path – one we must not go down.

# Take Action!



Contact the Governor's office now to oppose this deadly practice! Visit bit.ly/veto-pas or use the QR code.

The New York State Catholic Conference represents the Bishops of New York State in public policy matters. www.nyscatholic.org • 518-434-6195 • info@nyscatholic.org

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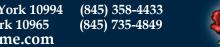
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