# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN WESTON

June 4, 2023



## 35 Norfield Road Weston, Connecticut 06883

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship at our church! We hope that you will find our parish community a place where your faith is nourished.

**Rectory:** 203-227-1341 office@stfrancisweston.org

Website: www.stfrancisweston.org Facebook: Saint Francis of Assisi - The Catholic Community in Weston

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry: 203-227-8353

Preschool: 203-454-8646

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday Through Thursday 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 pm Closed 12:30-1 pm

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 P.M. Sundays- 8:00a.m., 9:30 a.m. Family Mass 11:00 a.m. Except for Christmas & Easter.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday- 7:30 A.M. Saturday & Holidays - 9:00 A.M.

HOLY DAY MASSES 7:30 A.M., Noon, 7:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 P.M.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is offered every Sunday at 12:00 noon. Please make arrangements for the Pre-Baptismal instructions after the birth of the child with Deacon Steve Hodson dnhodson@diobpt.org

Pre-instruction for both parents is required.

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements must be made at the rectory in person by the couple. Where possible, arrangements should be made one year in advance and no later than six months.

#### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Communal anointings of the sick are celebrated.

Individual anointings may be celebrated anytime by request.

## HOSPITAL AND HOME VISITATION

Please notify the parish of any family member who may be ill at home or in the hospital. We welcome the opportunity of visiting them and bringing them the Eucharist.



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate and honor God's character as the Most Holy Trinity.

The first reading shows us the Father as he parented the baby nation of Israel. We see that he is "a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and faithfulness" – the Perfect Father. If we have difficulty seeing him this way, our spirits need healing. We have to mentally differentiate him from our human dads and other authority figures who've imperfectly modeled God.

The second reading shows us the entire Trinity: the grace of Jesus, the love of the Father, and our friendly partnership with the Holy Spirit. In this and because of this, we are to rejoice, mend our ways, and live in peace with one another.

In other words, because Jesus bore our sins as he died on the cross and then conquered death, he provides us with grace so that we can resist sin, and he provides us with the Father's love so that we can love one another no matter what, and he provides us with the Holy Spirit, who fellowships with us and empowers us so that we can continually live as holy Christians.

The Gospel reading shows us the depth of the Father's love. He doesn't condemn us for our sins; he gives us his Son to rescue us from condemnation. Our sins condemn us and sentence us to eternal death, but Jesus saves us from this by taking us to eternal life – IF we want him to!

## **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

Which Person of the Trinity do you know the least? Or feel distant from? Or fear? How have human relationships interfered with the feeling of God's closeness?

## **Questions for Community Faith Sharing:**

Which Person of the Trinity do you know best? Why? How is the Trinity the perfect example of a good, loving, healthy relationship?

Have a blessed week,

Rev. Augustine Nguyen

## The Most Holy Trinity

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

5:00 p.m. Mary Simone (D) by Kathleen O'Sullivan

**Sunday,** June 4th-The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 a.m. **Thomas O'Brien (D)** by Bruce Hume and

Eileen Cahill

9:30 a.m. Sarah Bisceglie (D) by Ralph and Carol Palumbo

11:00 a.m. Linda DeMarco (D) by Sharon Bell

Monday, June 5th-St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

9:00 a.m. Thomas Clarke (D)

Tuesday, June 6th-Saint Norbert, Bishop

7:30 a.m. **Peggy Shaeffer (D)** 

Wednesday, June 7th-Weekday-

7:30 a.m. **Kieran Wrynn (D)** 

Thursday, June 8th-Weekday-

7:30 a.m. **Emmanuel Tamiolakis (D)** by his Wife & Son-

Friday, June 9th-Weekday-Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor

7:30 a.m. Katelyn Vasquez (L)

Saturday, June 10th-Weekday-

9:00 a.m. Maria English (D)



## Eucharistic Adoration-Weds.-12:00-3:00 pm

All Parishioners are welcome to spend whatever time they may have. If you would like to sign up for a specific time please contact Martin Tubridy at:

mtubridy@optonline.net or call 203.454.9023. You may also sign up in the back of the church.

## **Eucharistic Miracle-Tumaco, Columbia 1906**

A tsunami wave approached the small island of Tumaco, but stalled and moved away while areas around the area were devastated. A priest had raised the Blessed Sacrament at that moment on the beach with all the people praying for safety.

To read the full story, go to: www.carloacutis.org





Weekly Offertory: May 28, 2023

Sunday Offertory: \$2,553.00 Online Giving: \$3,148.00 \$5,701.00

Thank you to all who donate weekly to the parish at Mass, by mail or through Online Giving. It is only through the generosity of our parishioners that we are able to do what we do through our ministries. If you are not yet set up in Online Giving, please visit our website, **www.stfrancisweston.org** and click on the Online Giving icon.

Thank you and may God bless you-Fr. Augustine

The **Sanctuary Candle** is in memory of:

Ernest F. Hodson

The **Adoration Candle** is in memory of:

Kieran Wrynn

One In Christ – The 2023 Bishop's Appeal	
Saint Francis of Assisi Parish	
2023 Bishop's Appeal as of 5/19/2023	
ABA Goal:	\$91,200
Total Pledged:	\$46,200.00(51%)
Donors to Date:	53 Donors

Since its founding in 1999, the St. Catherine Academy has been committed to providing the highest quality education program for students impacted with autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities. In 2014, this essential ministry became the St. Catherine Center for Special Needs to centralize pastoral and educational support for individuals with disabilities and added Adult Day Program for adults with disabilities.

The Center partners with parishes, religious educators and school personnel to support the needs of individuals throughout the Diocese. Giving to the Bishop's Appeal ensures that this life-affirming organization will continue to provide quality education and a living faith for children and adults with special needs.

Thank you for your support.

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2023BishopsAppeal.org,call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone



## Faith Formation News

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## Faith Formation Registration is Open!

Forms are available at the Faith Formation Office. *Each child must register every year*. Our formation classes are continuous and build one year upon the next. Grade 1 is required for First Eucharist preparation and Grades 3-7 are required for Grade 8 Confirmation.

Remember to register before June 1st to avoid the \$100.00 late fee!

A heartfelt thank you to all Faith Formation Families and Parishioners for the love and support this year. We wish you all a Blessed and restful summer. May God continue to shower you with His abundant love and blessings.



The Faith Formation Office is closed for the summer and will reopen on August 29th. I will be coming in the office, but I will not have set hours. If you need to register your child for Faith Formation Classes, please download the registration form on the website or pick up forms in either the parish office or in the faith formation front desk from 10:00-3pm.

Catechists and Catechists Assistants are needed for 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade. To be a catechist you do not need to be an expert teacher or a theologian. Catechists are ordinary people who generously give their time to share the Catholic faith, values, and traditions with the youngest generation of Christians. Please prayerfully consider joining the Faith Formation team!

For more information on this beautiful and important ministry please email me at

gfleming@stfrancisweston.org or call 203-227-8353

## Preschool/Youth Ministry News

The last few days of Preschool have been busy, productive and joyful. We are blessed with our outdoor spaces so the children could enjoy our glorious weather!





Deacon Steve introduced our SFA Youth Group to contemporary Christian music-Thanks for a wonderful evening!

If you would like your 6th-12th grader to participate in fun and faith building, please email Michele Harding at youthminister@stfrancisweston.org.



Events June 4, 2023

## **Sunday Coffee Social**

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 9:30 a.m. and before the 11:00 a.m. Masses for a Coffee Social.

Thank you to Cornell Family for hosting last Sunday. There will be no Coffee Social on June 4th. The 11 a.m. Mass will be the Baccalaureate Mass with a reception to follow. Haily Sarno will host next Sunday, June 11th.

> This is a great opportunity to enjoy visiting with fellow parishioners - It's a great family event.

Hosts needed for: 6/25, 7/2, 7/9

For information or to volunteer please contact: Carol Palumbo at 203-227-3271 or candrpalumbo@gmail.com.

## Thank you to our 2023 sponsors







Appetizers

Come kick off the summer season, reconnect with friends, and enjoy a delicious meal.



Event!

Tickets on sale after Mass

Rain or Shine! Indoor and outdoor seating is available Table reservations for groups of 6-8 if arranged in advance

Payment must be received by June 4th to guarantee reservation Tickets will not be available for sale at the Lobster Bake Send payment to 35 Norfield Road Weston CT 06883

For questions or RSVP call Dianna at 203-227-1341 email: office@stfrancisweston.org

Adult \$50 Appetizers Choice of 1 Entrée per adult:

Lobster Beef Tenderloin Salmon Chicken Breast

Children \$12 (12 & Under) Choice of 1 Entrée per child:

> Hamburger Hot Dog Chicken Fingers

Sides: Steamers mussels Corn on the Cob Baked Potato Garden Salad Watermelon Coffee - Tea - Water

## St. Francis of Assisi Men's Group

Open to all adult men ages 18-100+ interested in learning more about our Catholic faith via the week's Sunday Mass readings with a focus on the Gospel.

Guaranteed to open up your knowledge of the scripture and its applicability to our lives as men, husbands, fathers, sons, and brothers.

Meetings will be streamed as well.

Contact Dennis Jung at dennisjungesq@gmail.com to get on the email list to receive Readings and Commentary in advance of our gathering.

Come together for good coffee, refreshments, and fellowship!

Meetings: Saturday mornings

Time: 9:40 a.m. -10:40 a.m.

Place: Youth Meeting Space

Please contact Dennis Jung or Deacon Steve

dennisjungesq@gmail.com

steve@hodsonrealty.com

## Parish Calendar

Sunday, June 4 **Trinity Sunday** 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m. Sunday Family Mass

11:00 a.m. Baccalaureate Mass followed by

Reception

Mon., June 5

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Tues., June 6

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Weds. June 7

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration** 12:00 p.m.

Thurs., June 8

7:30 a.m Daily Mass

Fri., June 9

7:30 a.m Daily Mass

Sat. June 10

9:00 a.m. Daily Mass

4:00 pm. Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 11 **Corpus Christi Sunday** 

8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass

9:30 a.m. **Sunday Family Mass** 

10:15 a.m. Coffee Social 11:00 a.m. **Sunday Mass** 

Mon., June 12

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Tues., June 13

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Weds., June 14

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

12:00 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration** 

Thurs., June 15

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Fri., June 16

7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Sat., June 17 Sanctity of Life Saturday 8:30 a.m. Sanctity of Life Rosary

Sanctity of Life Mass followed by 9:00 a.m.

Adoration

Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Mon-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.Closed 12:30-1 p.m. for Lunch

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#### Parish Pastoral Council

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> **Parish Trustees** Mike Byrnes and Elise Major

**Worship Ministries** 

Coordinator: Nancy Murgalo (203-464-8634)

quiddity@optonline.net

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Murgalo Readers: Chris Eidt (762-7987)

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Coordinator: Pam Franco (227-5821) Religious Education: Gina Fleming (227-8353) R.C.I.A.: Pam Franco

**Community Outreach** 

Coordinators: Melissa & Robert Iatesta (227-4668)

Soup Kitchen: Linda Nash (226-7680) Network of Care: Carina Silvestri (226-0884)

**Pastoral Care Ministry** 

Coordinator: Rev. Augustine Nguyen, Pastor frnguyen@stfrancisweston.org Anita Field reddingglen2@optonline.net

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