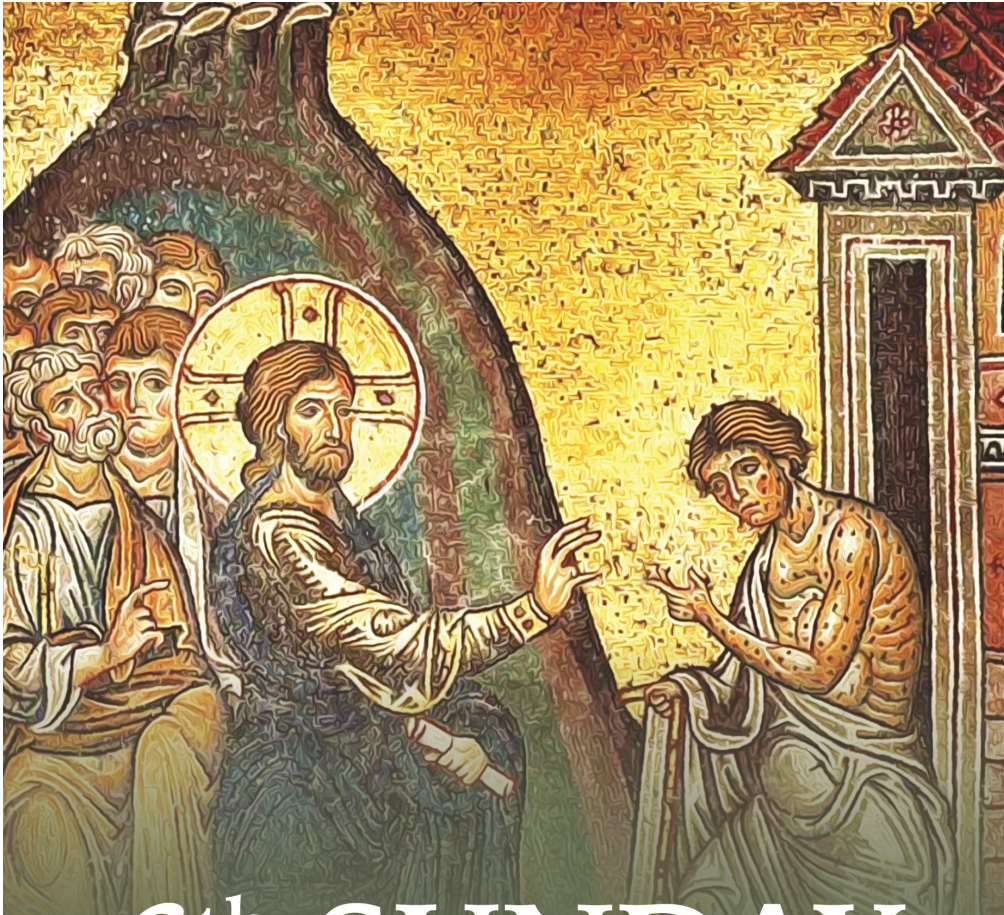


ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN WESTON

February 11, 2024



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said,
“If you wish, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity, he
stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him,
“I do will it. Be made clean.” - Mk 1:40-41

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*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.*

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Catholic Community in Weston

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry:
203-227-8353

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS
Monday Through Thursday
10:00 a.m.- 4:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Vigil - 5:00 P.M.
Sundays- 8:00a.m.,
9:30 a.m. Family Mass
11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. (Oct-May)
Except for Christmas & Easter.

WEEKDAY MASSES
**Monday - Friday-7:30 A.M.
Saturday - 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.

Our Mission Statement: *In the spirit of Saint Francis, to know Jesus and make Him known.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

This Sunday's second reading gives us a great motto that we should post on our bedroom mirrors so that it's the first thing we see as our sleepy eyes awaken each morning: "Whatever you do, do it for the glory of God."

EVERYTHING! Brush your teeth for the glory of God. Kiss your family "Good morning!" for the glory of God. Go to Mass for the glory of God (in other words, not for what you can get out of it). Do your work for the glory of God. Drive politely for the glory of God. Shop and eat and greet others for the glory of God. Say yes to the needs of the Church for the glory of God. And receive all that he wants to give you (the compliments, the money you earn, the answered prayers, the good times and rewards) all for the glory of God.

Make this part of your daily prayer every morning: "Holy Spirit, help me to do everything today for the glory of God. Amen!"

The daily habit of starting the day this way will integrate it into your character. When we remember to see our activities through the lens of "whatever you do, do it for the glory of God", we become stronger in avoiding all kinds of sins. It sanctifies each moment of every day.

Usually, we see religious activities as separate from our normal activities. We take "time out" from our schedules to go to church. We stop what we're doing when we want to pray. We think that only Clergy and Religious can be religious all of the time and that a layperson who is like that is a "fanatic". But why?

Why should we limit "for the glory of God" to only what is "holy" – Mass attendance, religious rituals, prayers, the works of ministry, etc.? We can sanctify every moment by remembering that whatever we do, we want to please God with it.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What have you done already today that glorifies God? What is planned for later today and how can that be offered to God? What will you do to remind yourself daily to do everything for the glory of God?

Wishing you a blessed week,

Rev. Augustine Nguyen

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 p.m. **Frankie LaCorte (D)** by his Mother

Sunday, Feb. 11th-The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Joanne Martin (D)** by Mark and Heidi Keeney

9:30 a.m. **Danuta Chmiel (D)** by her Family

11:00 a.m. **Zelda Walters (D)** by Chris and Laurie Eidt

5:00 p.m. **Joanne Martin (D)**

Monday, Feb. 12th-Weekday-

7:30 a.m. **Eric Foertsch (D)**

Tuesday, Feb. 13th-Weekday-

7:30 a.m. **Julia Sutton (D)** by the Ford Family

Wednesday, Feb. 14th-Ash Wednesday-

7:30 a.m. **Vincent Callanan (D)**

12:00 p.m. **John Bell, Sr. (D)**

7:00 p.m. **Brian Saluk (D)** by Tom and Kathy Failla

Thursday, Feb. 15th-Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7:30 a.m. **Kazimierz and Marianna Karwowski (D)**
by the Karwowski Family

Friday, Feb. 16th-Friday after Ash Wednesday

7:30 a.m. **Eric Foertsch (D)** by Joseph and Kathy Murphy

Sat., Feb. 17th-Saturday after Ash Wednesday; The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

9:00 a.m. **Respect Life Ministry Mass Intentions**

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offertory: Feb 4, 2024

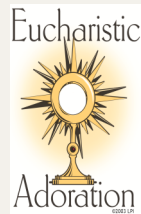
Sunday Offertory \$3,799.00

Online Giving: \$2,229.00

\$6,028.00

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



Wednesdays-

Adoration-Main Church

Beginning Ash Weds., Mass at 12 p.m., followed by 2.5 hours of Adoration. All are welcome.

Eucharistic Miracle-

Regensburg-Germany-1255

A priest was assailed by doubts concerning the Real Presence in the Eucharist during Holy Mass. As he was about to elevate the chalice, the wooden crucifix above the tabernacle came to life and the Lord extended his arms to the Priest and took the chalice from his hands and exhibited the Holy Eucharist, and then returned it to the Priest. The chalice is still preserved to this day for viewing in Regensburg.

To read the full story, go to :
miracolieucaristici.org



Feb. 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

7:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

JOIN US FOR THE SUNDAY COFFEE SOCIAL



In the Parish Hall

After 9:30 Mass/ before 11:00 Mass

**This is a great family event
Enjoy visiting with fellow parishioners**

Thank you to the
Staehely family for hosting last Sunday, February 4
Boto family for hosting this Sunday, February 11

Hosts needed for February 18, 25, March 3, April 14, 21, & 28

For information or to volunteer, please contact:

Carol Palumbo, 203-227-3271 or candrpalumbo@gmail.com

Faith Formation News

Learning....

Loving....

Living...

CHRIST!

Faith Formation Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 11:00 am -6:00 pm



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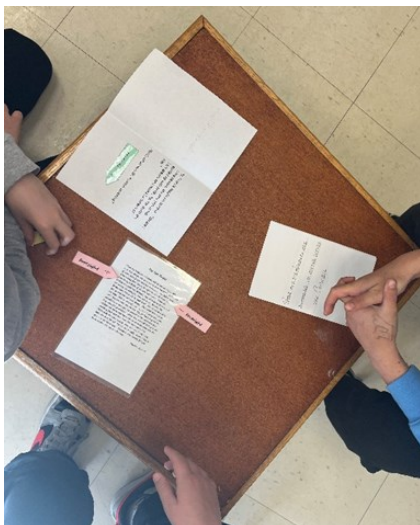
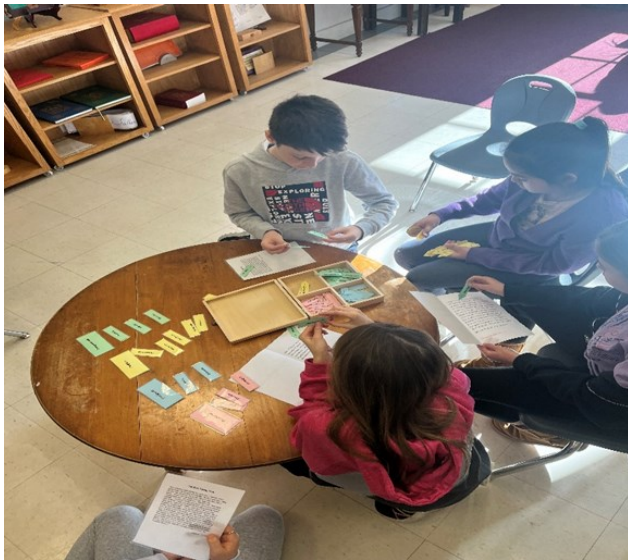
CHRIST!

Wednesday, February 14 – Ash Wednesday – Lent begins

No classes Sunday, February 18 – Monday, February 26. Classes resume Tuesday, February 27

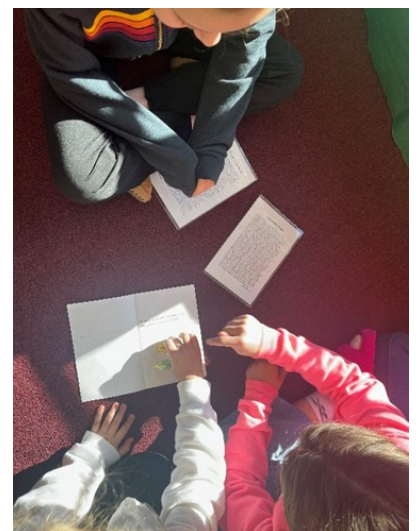
Confirmation Service – Thursday, February 29 6-7:15 (Diapers/milk bottles/ etc.)

Saturday, March 2 – First Communion Parent Retreat – MANDATORY – 9:30AM
12:30PM



Our Program is rich in Scripture and Tradition, but for all of this to take root in the students' hearts, it is vital for them to attend weekly Mass.

*Love and peace,
Gina Fleming and
Teresa Karwowski*



Preschool /Youth Ministry News

St. Francis of Assisi Preschool registration has opened to the general public.

In-house registration began in November. If you are a returning family and you have made your decision for your child's enrollment, please contact the office with your Registration and deposit to ensure your child has the spot you wish to have for 2024/25 school year. Due to the change in the Kindergarten eligibility age, we have had to leave room for returning students, so classes are filling quickly. Call the office at **203 454 8646** or email **mkeith@sfapreschool.com** for more information.



Our St. Francis Youth Group spent a fun evening at our rescheduled Friendsgiving. We enjoyed a delicious pot luck dinner, games and fellowship! We are building a community of young, caring teens who love to serve.

If you would like your 6th-12th grader to join for fun, fellowship and faith-building, please email Michele Harding at :

youthminister@stfrancisweston.org



OUR LENTEN JOURNEY AS A PARISH COMMUNITY

Ash Wednesday, Feb 14, Masses 7:30am, 12noon, 7pm

Every week during Lent

Make a Lenten Commitment: Corporal Works of Mercy, each week

simple ideas on doing good for others ... see flyer or website for list of what you can do

Mass at noon, every Wednesday, followed by Adoration 12:30-3pm

Stations of the Cross, every Friday 7pm (except March 22, at 6:30pm)



**Birthright Drive
Feb 18-Mar 18**

collecting diapers and
supplies for new moms



**Spiritual Autobiography, every Tuesday
starting Feb 20 for 8 wks, 7pm-8:30pm**

individuals are led through exercises to discover
the autobiography of their faith, led by Fr Joe



Journey around the world and deep into Catholicism with Bishop Barron

Sat Feb 24: The Life of His Love: Prayer & the Life of the Spirit

Sat Mar 9: Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: Mystery of the Liturgy & Eucharist

Both following the Saturday 9am Mass, Parish Hall, breakfast is included

Filmed in 50 locations of sacred lands discovering the truth and richness of our faith



Healing service, Adoration, Reconciliation Sun Feb 25, 12:15 with Fr. Sean



**Fish Fry
Fri Mar 1, 5pm**



St Patrick's dinner Sat Mar 16, 6:30pm
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



Lenten Parish Mission: Last Words of Jesus

Wed Mar 20-Thu Mar 21, 6:30pm, Church

Presented by Fr. Nielsen, includes Adoration and Reconciliation, in the Church



**CantiamoCHOIR concert
Fri Mar 22, 7pm, Parish Hall**
with Lenten reflections



**Easter Egg Hunt
Sun Mar 24
after 9:30 Mass, outside**



Diocesan Reconciliation, Mon Mar 25, 3pm-9pm, at Our Lady of Fatima



**Mary's Way of the Cross
Good Fri, Mar 29, 7pm, Church**



**Blessing of Easter Food
Sat Mar 30, 12 noon, Church**

Parish Calendar

Sunday, Feb. 11	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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
5:00 p.m.	Youth Mass
Mon., Feb. 12	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Tues., Feb. 13	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Weds. Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday
7:30 a.m.	Mass
12:00 p.m.	Mass
7:00 p.m.	Mass
Thurs., Feb. 15	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri., Feb. 16	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat. Feb. 17	
8:30 a.m.	Sanctity of Life Rosary
9:00 a.m.	Sanctity of Life Mass/Adoration
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Vigil Mass
Sunday, Feb. 18	First Sunday of Lent
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., Feb. 19	President's Day-Offices Closed
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Tues., Feb. 20	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Weds. Feb. 21	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
12:00 p.m.	Mass/Adoration
Thurs., Feb. 22	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri., Feb. 23	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat. Feb. 24	
9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Vigil Mass

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