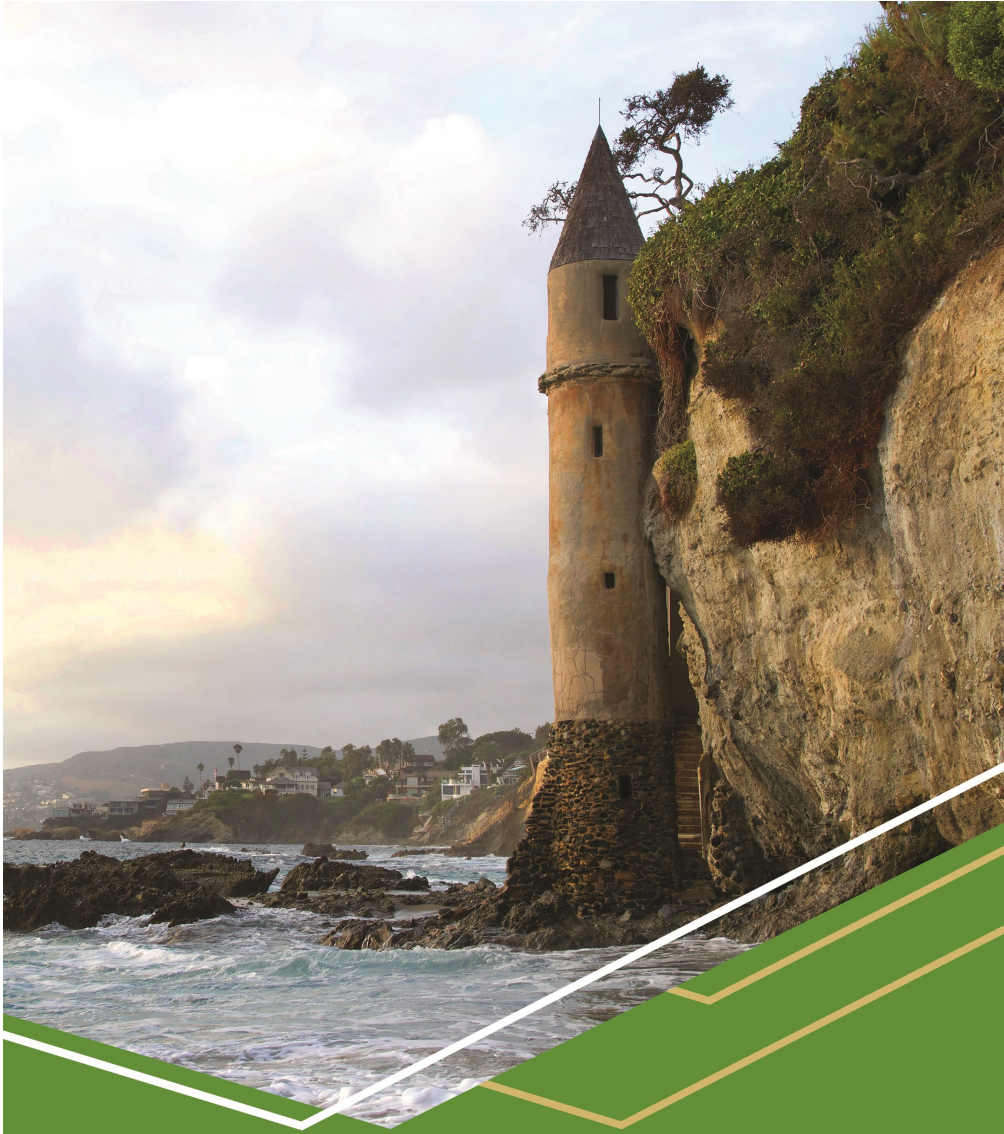


# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN WESTON

June 23, 2024



## 12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea,  
“Quiet! Be still!” The wind ceased and there was great  
calm. Then he asked them, “Why are you terrified?  
Do you not yet have faith?” - Mk 4:39-40

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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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**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.

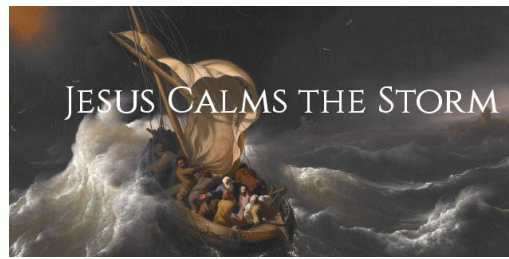
**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
The Sacrament of Baptism is offered every  
Sunday at 12:00 noon. Please make  
arrangements for the Pre-Baptismal  
instructions after the birth of the child with  
Deacon Steve Hodson  
dnhodson@diobpt.org  
Pre-instruction for both parents is required.

**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.*



As we continue in Ordinary Time, our reading this weekend is taken from the Gospel of Mark, the primary Gospel reading in Lectionary Cycle B. Mark's Gospel presents a vivid portrait of Jesus, whose words and deeds show that he is the Son of God. Today's Gospel describes the end of a day of teaching in Jesus' ministry. Jesus taught the crowd in parables and then offered explanations of these parables to his disciples. Jesus then led his disciples away from the crowds and into the boats that they will use to cross the Sea of Galilee. The sea and its surrounding area are the settings for Jesus' teachings and miracles in this part of Mark's Gospel. Today's reading describes how Jesus calmed a storm at sea. It is the first of four miracles that are presented in sequence at this point in Mark's Gospel.

As is typical in Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are frightened by the sudden storm; they do little to inspire confidence in the reader. Mark notes the contrast between the disciples' terror and Jesus' peace. Jesus is sleeping, untroubled by what is going on around him.

The disciples' words to Jesus are telling. They are familiar enough with Jesus to dare to wake him. Their words to him are words of reproach, questioning his care for them. A careful reader might wonder what the disciples expected Jesus to do. Are they more troubled by the storm or by Jesus' inattentiveness to their needs? How many of us have chided a family member or friend for not agreeing with our assessment of the severity of a situation?

Today's Gospel offers evidence of Jesus' power and authority as he calms the storm. In his day, power over nature was believed to be a sign of divinity—only God calms storms. Jesus' rebuke of the storm also echoes the rebuke he uses when he talks to and expels demons. In each situation, Jesus' power and authority is a sign of his divinity. Indeed, the disciples are left wondering about Jesus' identity at the conclusion of today's Gospel. They see before them a human being who acts with the authority and power of God. The disciples' uncertainty about Jesus' identity is a recurring theme in Mark's Gospel.

This Gospel is a metaphor for our lives. We are in the boat, the storms of life are raging around us, and like the disciples, we may believe that Jesus is unconcerned, or “sleeping.” We hope that we will be as familiar with Jesus as his disciples. If we feel that Jesus is sleeping, are we comfortable enough to wake Jesus and present him with our needs? Jesus does not chide his disciples for waking him. Instead he chides them for their lack of faith, for their lack of perspective. When we bring our worries to God in prayer, we might just begin to learn to see things from God's perspective.

Wishing you a blessed week,  
Fr. Augustine

## The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Intentions

5:00 p.m. **Pierre Boers (L)** by the Boers Family  
**Sunday, June 23rd-The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 a.m. **Andrew Kostick (D)** by Margaret Sarno  
 9:30 a.m. **Donald F. Carter (D)**  
 11:00 a.m. **Anne Marie Boers (D)** by the Boers Family  
**Monday, June 24th-The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**  
 7:30 a.m. **Vincenza Crocitto (D)** by the Crocitto Family  
**Tuesday, June 25th-Weekday-**  
 7:30 a.m. **Emmanuel Tamiolakis (D)** by his Wife and Son  
**Wednesday, June 26th-Weekday-**  
 7:30 a.m. **Parishioners (L&D)**  
**Thursday, June 27th-Weekday-St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop**  
 7:30 a.m. **Ana Luiza Fonseca (L)**  
**Friday, June 28th-Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**  
 7:30 a.m. **Parishioners (L&D)**  
**Sat., June 29th-Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**  
 9:00 a.m. **Palumbo Family (H)** by Linda Nash and Noel Lafayette  
 The Sanctuary and Adoration Candles:  
**Maxime Boers (L) by the Boers Family**

### Eucharistic Adoration

**Adoration will not be held during the summer months of June, July, and August;** however, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy will be sung on the first Weds. of June, July, and Aug. at 3:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. (June 5th, July 3rd, and Aug. 7th). It will resume in church on a weekly basis beginning in September during the last 15 mins. of Weds. Adoration at 2:45 p.m.

Questions? Anita Field [redingglen2@optonline.net](mailto:redingglen2@optonline.net)

### Eucharistic Miracle-Morogo, Italy-1604

Two men with notoriously bad reputations received holy communion. They spit out the host because it felt like burning embers. To this day, the imprints of the two fallen hosts can be viewed in a church in Mogoro, Italy.

To read the full story, go to :  
[miracolieucaaristici.org](http://miracolieucaaristici.org)



*We welcome to God's Family:*

*Maxwell Thomas Snyderman, child of Brian and Justine Snyderman. God Bless you, Maxwell!*

### **Weekly Stewardship**

Weekend Collection for 6/15/-6/16.....\$4,867.00  
 Weekly Budget Goal..... \$7,475.00  
 Total Difference..... (2,608.00)

### **From the Finance Committee**

Fr. Augustine and The Finance Committee are so grateful for your generous financial support.

"Remember, God will not be outdone in generosity!"

**Consider a financial gift to the parish.**



The Parish relies entirely on good-will donations to cover its operating expenses.

**A One-Time gift** gives the parish a financial boost to meet our current income gap.

**Scan our QR code to access our Online Giving.**



**ONE in Christ**  
**2024 Bishop's Appeal**  
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St. Francis of Assisi Parish As of 6/14/24	
Bishop's Appeal goal:	\$91,200
Total pledged:	\$88,738 (97%)
Donors to date:	110 donors



Thank you to everyone who has donated to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal. If you haven't, please consider making a contribution to support the many people it helps through Catholic Charities and other services.

To make a gift or for more information, please scan with your phone, call (203) 416-1470, or visit [2024bishopsappeal.org](http://2024bishopsappeal.org)

*Learning...*  
*Loving....*  
*Living...*  
**CHRIST!**

### Faith Formation

*Learning...*  
*Loving....*  
*Living...*  
**CHRIST!**

#### 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.

Register before June 1<sup>st</sup> 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!

*Love and Peace,*

*Gina Fleming and*

*Teresa Karwowski*

The Faith Formation Office is closed for the summer and will reopen on August 29<sup>th</sup>. 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 10am-3pm.

Catechists and Catechists Assistants are needed for 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> 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 [gffleming@stfrancisweston.org](mailto:gffleming@stfrancisweston.org) or call 203-227-8353

# 2024 Parish Raffle

Thirteen (13) prizes to be awarded totaling  
\$40,000.00

**1st PRIZE:** \$20,000 American Express Gift Card

**2nd PRIZE:** \$6,000 American Express Gift Card

**3rd PRIZE:** \$4,000 American Express Gift Card

AND Ten (10) additional  
\$1,000 American Express Gift Card PRIZES!

**DRAWING:** August 10, 2024 at 11pm  
streaming LIVE at  
[www.parishraffle.com](http://www.parishraffle.com)

## 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

Thanks to the  
Field and Bucholtz Families for hosting last Sunday, June 16  
Capellan Family for hosting this Sunday, June 23

There will be no Coffee Social next Sunday, June 30. We have no host

Hosts are needed for June 30 and July 7, 14, 21, 28

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



Parish Office Summer Hours begin **Mon., June 17th**  
Monday-Thurs., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Closed Fri, Sat. Sun.

office@stfrancisweston.org

203 227 1341, ext. 127

\*Office closed Thurs., July 4th for Independence Day

## We invite you to be part of the future growth and vitality of our parish



A group of parishioners has been working over the last several months to develop a 3-year Strategic Plan

We are excited by these ideas to deepen our faith and nourish us with spiritual, service and social events to make our parish even stronger

As a small parish, it will take time to make this a reality  
**We can't do it without your help**

Please look over the plan and let us know...

**What gets YOU excited?**

**What do YOU want to be sure gets done?**

**Where could YOU be involved?**

Go to our website for more information about the Strategic Plan and how to respond... or scan the QR code



*I personally thank you in advance,  
Fr. Augustine Nguyen*



## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Have you ever wanted to help at SFA but are unable to make a big time commitment?

Here is the perfect opportunity for you! Fr. Augustine is starting a Volunteer List for infrequent, occasional assistance with various parish needs.

More details will be provided at Masses this weekend, and sign-ups will take place after all Masses.

Simply provide your contact information and your best availability and respond to an occasional request for help, if you are able to assist.

Questions?

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## *Parish Calendar*

<b>Sunday, June 23</b>	<b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
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
<b>Mon., June 24</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Tues., June 25</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Weds., June 26</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Thurs., June 27</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Fri., June 28</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Sat. June 29</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, June 30</b>	<b>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
8:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass
9:30 a.m.	Sunday Family Mass
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Social
11:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass
<b>Mon., July 1</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Tues., July 2</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Weds., July 3</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Thurs., July 4</b>	<b>Offices Closed-Independence Day</b>
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Fri., July 5</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
<b>Sat. July 6</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Vigil Mass

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### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Mike Byrnes, Chris Eidt (Chair), Pam Franco, Missy Iatesta,  
Frank Infurchia, Jeanine Lombardi, Elise Major,  
Leigh Meccay, Lisa Moskal, Nancy Murgalo, Danielle Porcello

### **Parish Trustees**

Mike Byrnes and Elise Major

### **Worship Ministries**

**Coordinator: Nancy Murgalo (203-464-8634)**

quiddity@optonline.net

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