

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN WESTON

June 22, 2025

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

## FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISH.

— LUKE 9:13 —

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  
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**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

**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**  
\*\*Tuesday- 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,

We gather this weekend to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. This solemnity reminds us of the greatest gift that Christ gave to us, His very life, His own body and blood. This is a gift given freely to each of us to enable us to grow in our faith and have the strength to embrace and live the teachings of the Gospel. When we reflect on the sacrifices that Christ underwent for us, His suffering and death, we remember that it was His death that gave us life. That life is renewed every time we receive the Holy Eucharist.

The sadness of these times is how many Catholics no longer receive this greatest of all gifts. It is that lack of participation in the Body of Christ that weakens His message to the world, a message that needs to be heard and lived now more than ever before. The very word "Eucharist" means thanksgiving. In spite of the times in which we are living, we have much for which to be grateful. Even when we choose to turn our backs to the Lord, He is still there waiting for us... that alone is a gift! Let us fall on our knees in gratitude this weekend. Let us receive Eucharist more earnestly and reverently. Let us partake of this life-giving gift with a newness of heart. Jesus tells us unless we eat of His body and drink of His blood, we have no life in us. Let us find our way back to that life and encourage others to do the same!

### **Anima Christi**

*Soul of Christ, sanctify me  
Body of Christ, save me  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me  
O good Jesus, hear me  
Within Thy wounds hide me  
Suffer me not to be separated from Thee  
From the malignant enemy defend me  
At the hour of my death call me  
And bid me come unto Thee  
That I may praise Thee with Thy Angels  
And Thy Saints  
Forever and ever. Amen.*

Our reception of the Eucharist as our strength and food for the journey is that which helps to keep us strong against the Devil, the malignant enemy. The Great Tempter desires nothing more than our separation from God, the Infinite Love, and Christ, the Apostle of the Eternal Father, but the Eucharist gives us strength to resist him. Finally, we implore the Lord to grant us eternity with Him when it is our time. We seek the Heavenly Banquet, to hear the trumpets sounding, to sing songs of praise to God forever and ever. And we are reminded that it is the Eucharist which is our strength and protection in this life, so we may love Him in the next.

As we continue to focus on Jesus in the Eucharist and try to come to know our Eucharistic Lord more intimately, may this prayer be a guide for our devotion and love of Him so that we may praise Him with His Angels and Saints forever and ever. Amen.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Augustine Nguyen

# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

## Mass Intentions

5:00 p.m.      **Melina Waldo (D)** by the Major Family  
**Sunday, June 22nd-The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**  
 8:00 a.m.      **Matthew Noonan (D)** by the Noonan Family  
 9:30 a.m.      **Mary Husband (D)** by Bruce Hume and Eileen Cahill  
 11:00 a.m.  
**Tuesday, June 24th-The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**  
 7:30 a.m.      **No Mass**  
**Wednesday, June 25th-Weekday-**  
 7:30 a.m.      **No Mass**  
**Thursday, June 26th-Weekday-**  
 7:30 a.m.      **Salvatore Billante (D)** by Patrick Guerin  
**Friday, June 27th-The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
 7:30 a.m.      **Ana Luiza Fonseca (L)**  
**Sat., June 28th-The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary;**  
**Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr and Doctor of the Church**  
 9:00 a.m.      **Lisa Simpson (L)** by Dave and Gina Fleming

Adoration and Sanctuary Candles: **Cecilia Forgione (D)**



### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Adoration will be in the chapel at Noon, with the Divine Mercy Chaplet sung at 2:35 p.m.

Questions?

**Adoration**-Martin Tubridy

mtubridy@optonline.net

**Divine Mercy**-Anita Field

reddingglen2@optonline.net

### **Eucharistic Miracle-Herentals, Belgium-1412**

A chalice and ciborium with five consecrated hosts were stolen from a church. The five hosts were recovered from a nearby field perfectly intact eight days later in the form of a cross.

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

## Weekly Stewardship

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Weekly Collection 6/14/-6/15/25 | \$8,348.00 |
| Weekly Budget Goal.....         | \$8,000.00 |
| Total Difference.....           | \$ 348.00  |

### **From the Finance Committee**

Offertory is our main source of revenue. If you are already a regular offertory donor, THANK YOU! If you are not a regular donor, please consider joining your fellow parishioners who are. Please scan our QR code to access **Online Giving**.



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|                                                                                                                                                                       |                | <b>Results as<br/>of 6/6/25</b> |
| Bishop's Appeal goal:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | \$91,200       |                                 |
| Total pledged:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | \$74,865 (82%) |                                 |
| Donors to date:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 90 donors      |                                 |
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| <p>Thank you to everyone who has donated. If you haven't, please consider a contribution to support the many people it helps, by using the QR code, calling (203) 416-1470, or go to <a href="http://2025bishopsappeal.org">2025bishopsappeal.org</a></p> |                |                                 |



### **Parish Office Summer Hours begin June 23rd**

Monday through Thursdays 10:00 a.m-3:00 p.m.

**203-227-1341**

ext 10 for Tricia, 11 for Fr. Augustine, 13 for Kimberley  
[office@stfrancisweston.org](mailto:office@stfrancisweston.org)    [www.stfrancisweston.org](http://www.stfrancisweston.org)





## FAITH FORMATION



### Faith Formation Office – Summer Schedule

Please note that the Faith Formation Office is closed for the summer and will reopen in September.

Classes begin on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. A calendar will be sent to all registered families in August.

Although I do not work regular hours during the summer, I will be coming in occasionally. If you need to register your child for Faith Formation classes and I am not available, you have the following options:

**Download** the registration form from our parish website.

**Pick up** a registration form from the Parish Office, open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

**Find a copy** on Mrs. Karwowski's desk, located just outside my office.

Thank you for your understanding. I look forward to seeing you in the fall!

***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.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (203)227-8353  
or [gflaming@stfrancisweston.org](mailto:gflaming@stfrancisweston.org)

MY SOUL FINDS  
*rest*  
IN GOD ALONE  
PSALM 62:1

We wish you all a healthy and restful summer until we meet again in the fall!

*Peace and Love,*

*Gina Fleming*

*"Let the children come to me and do not prevent them, for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these"*  
Matthew 19:14

## *PRESCHOOL NEWS/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS*



***SFA Preschool  
Moving Up Ceremony  
And...they're off! Off to Kindergarten and new adventures!***

Founded in 1999, SFA Preschool continues its mission as part of the church and Weston community by providing that "first step out of the home" in a warm and nurturing environment. If you would like a tour or more information, please call **203 454 8646**.

Our St. Francis Youth got together for an end of the school year gathering at Westport's Compo Beach to socialize, enjoy a meal and say goodbye to our Seniors who are moving on! Our group will be busy this summer with several service opportunities and a weekend Mission trip to Steubenville East. Check your bulletin, email and newsletter for details! Feel free to contact Michele Harding at [youthminister@stfrancisweston.org](mailto:youthminister@stfrancisweston.org) for details!





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SCHOOL OF MINISTRY  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY CAMPUS

JUNE 20-21, 2025

ESM SUMMER  
**INTENSIVE**

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY CAMPUS • HOLY FAMILY CHURCH  
700 OLD STRATFIELD ROAD | FAIRFIELD, CT

SPEAKER LINEUP

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| FR. SEAN KULACZ                                                                   | SARAH SORGIE                                                                      | KARINA VERDEJO                                                                    | MATT TAYLOR                                                                       | BRIDGET BETHRAY                                                                   | ADESHA CELESTINE                                                                  |

## 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  
Sarno Family for hosting last Sunday, June 15  
Savitsky Family for hosting Sunday, June 29

No Coffee Social this Sunday, June 22. No host

Hosts needed for July 6, August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31

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

## 2025 PARISH RAFFLE

1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE: \$20,000 American Express Gift Card

2<sup>nd</sup> PRIZE: \$6,000 American Express Gift Card

3<sup>rd</sup> PRIZE: \$4,000 American Express Gift Card

4<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

5<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

6<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

7<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

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11<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

12<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

13<sup>th</sup> PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

\*thirteen (13) prizes to be awarded; totaling \$40,000.00\*

**DRAWING:** August 16, 2025 at 11pm  
streamed LIVE at [www.parishraffle.com](http://www.parishraffle.com)

## Children's Liturgy once a month



"Let the children come to  
me" Mark 19:14

Next Mass July 13  
at 9:30

Future dates announced at Mass,  
in the bulletin and newsletter

Children are fully engaged...  
Child-friendly homily at the altar, along with  
youth readers, greeters, and the children's choir

## Sign Up for Summer Bible Camp



Hey Kids  
come join  
the fun!



August 11 to 13th, 2025

9:00am to 12 noon

Kids in grades K to 5



The True North Bible Camp experience is filled  
with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids  
see, hear, and touch! Hands-on science experi-  
ments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible  
songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the  
standout activities that help faith flow into real  
life.



Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in  
everyday life. At True North, kids discover that they can  
trust Jesus in a wild world.

<https://www.osvhub.com/assumption-westport/forms/church-of-the-assumption-summer-bible>

ONE WEEKEND. ETERNAL IMPACT!  
JOIN THOUSANDS AT THIS INCREDIBLE  
EVENT.

THIS TEEN CONFERENCE SETS THE STAGE  
FOR A LIFE-CHANGING ENCOUNTER  
WITH CHRIST. IT'S THREE DAYS OF FUN,  
FAITH AND AN AMAZING COMMUNITY  
BUILDING EXPERIENCE.

COME BACK ENERGIZED WITH RENEWED  
FAITH!

The cost: \$390.00 for the conference, all  
meals, transportation, lodging and chap-  
erones.

STEUBENVILLE EAST  
**REGISTER  
TODAY**  
JULY 25-27, 2025 SPRINGFIELD, MA  
[link in bio](#)

## Parish Calendar

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday, June 22</b> | <b>Corpus Christi</b>                 |
| 8:00 a.m.              | Sunday Mass                           |
| 9:30 a.m.              | Sunday Family Mass                    |
| 10:15 a.m.             | <b>No Coffee Social-No Host</b>       |
| 11:00 a.m.             | Sunday Mass                           |
| Mon., June 23          | <b>No Mass</b>                        |
| Tues., June 24         | <b>No Mass</b>                        |
| Weds. June 25          |                                       |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| 12:00 p.m.             | Eucharistic Adoration                 |
| 2:35 p.m.              | Divine Mercy Chaplet                  |
| Thurs., June 26        |                                       |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| Fri., June 27          |                                       |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| Sat. June 28           |                                       |
| 9:00 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| 4:00 p.m.              | Sacrament of Reconciliation           |
| 5:00 p.m.              | Sunday Vigil Mass                     |
| <b>Sunday, June 29</b> | <b>Feast of Saints Peter and Paul</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                           |
| Mon., June 30          | <b>NO MASS</b>                        |
| Tues., July 1          |                                       |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| Weds. July 2           |                                       |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| 12:00 p.m.             | Eucharistic Adoration                 |
| 2:35 p.m.              | Divine Mercy Chaplet                  |
| Thurs., July 3         |                                       |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| Fri., July 4           | <b>Independence Day</b>               |
| 7:30 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| Sat., July 5           |                                       |
| 9:00 a.m.              | Daily Mass                            |
| 4:00 p.m.              | Sacrament of Reconciliation           |
| 5:00 p.m.              | Sunday Vigil Mass                     |

## **St. Francis of Assisi Parish**

*The Catholic Community in Weston*

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**William Smith, Maintenance Supervisor**

### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Mike Byrnes, Chris Eidt (Chair), Pam Franco,  
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 (475-257-7766)**

quiddity@optonline.net

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Ushers: Laurie Eidt and Mike Purdy (eidtl@optonline.net)

### **Spiritual Formation**

**Coordinator: Pam Franco (227-5821)**

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R.C.I.A.: Pam Franco

### **Community Outreach**

#### **Coordinators:**

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frnguyen@stfrancisweston.org

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