


ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN WESTON

July 13, 2025



TURN TO
THE LORD
IN YOUR
NEED,
AND YOU
WILL LIVE.

PSALM 69

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

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,

The opposite of love is not hate. It's apathy: ignoring a need, not caring, and doing nothing when there is something we can do to relieve the suffering. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus gives us the Parable of the Good Samaritan to explain that if we love God with our whole heart, our whole being, our whole strength, and our whole mind, we naturally care about other people, even those who are strangers, even those whom we're "not supposed to" like, and even when it costs us something personally.

Many of the problems that exist in our world today are allowed to continue because too many of us Christians – we who through Christ have the power to change the world – do not care enough to sacrifice our time and personal agendas to get involved. Much of the suffering that's endured in our families and workplaces and parishes would be stopped or relieved if we loved God enough to care about others enough to risk the cost of intervening.

How much do you love God? The answer lies in how much you're willing to sacrifice because of your love for others, which is the definition of love that Jesus taught with this parable and with his life.

None of us love God perfectly yet. Purgatory will be our time of painfully regretting our lack of love, while eagerly growing in love to enter into the fullness of God's love in heaven. Until then, we have daily opportunities to purify our lives less painfully. Daily we're given tests to improve how well we love others.

Daily ask the Holy Spirit, your teacher, your empowerer, your source of holiness, to help you become more like Christ. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you love all others as Christ loves them.

By doing this spiritual exercise consistently, you will receive a new joy and an enlivening passion in dealing with others. You will feel greater love for God and you will experience his love for you much more intimately.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Whom do you pass by and ignore when you see them in pain? Is there anyone you've recently walked away from because you didn't want to give up something (your time, pride, prejudice, feeling of inadequacy, resentment or unforgiveness)? Take it to the Sacrament of Confession to receive God's grace and help in loving others more fully.

Questions for Family & Community Faith Sharing:

Name a "Good Samaritan" you know or have read about. What did this person give up to serve others? How do such people find the ability to love so well? Apply this to a situation you've witnessed where apathy has contributed to someone's suffering. How could love make a difference?

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Augustine Nguyen

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

5:00 p.m. **Daniel Gilbert, Sr. (D)** by Dan and Sharon Gilbert

Sunday, July 13th-The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Consiglia Sarno (D)** by the Sarno Family

9:30 a.m. **Louis Petrizzi (D)** by Thom and Anita Field

11:00 a.m. **Jane O'Reilly (D)** by Glenn and Elise Major

Tuesday, July 15th-St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. **NO MASS**

Wednesday, July 16th-Weekday-Our Lady of Mount Carmel

7:30 a.m. **Edgar and Margo Cambere (D)**

Thursday, July 17th-Weekday-

7:30 a.m. **Martin Tubridy (H)** by Dave and Gina Fleming

First Friday, July 18th-Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest

7:30 a.m. **Blasch Wedding Anniversary (L)**

Sat., July 19th-Weekday

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

Adoration and Sanctuary Candles: **Ralph Palumbo (H)**

Traveling this summer?

Find a mass anywhere at MassTimes.org

Please consider placing your envelopes in the collections before or after your trip or safely use Online Giving with this QR code:



Have a wonderful vacation! We'll miss you!



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
reddingglenn2@optonline.net

Eucharistic Miracle-Tumaco, Columbia-1906

A tsunami wave approached the small island of Tumaco, but stalled and moved away while areas around the island 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 :
miracolieucaaristici.org



Results as of 6/20/25

Bishop's Appeal goal:	\$91,200
Total pledged:	\$79,465 (87%)
Donors to date:	96 donors



Thank you to everyone who has donated. If you haven't, please consider a contribution to support the many people it helps. To donate, use the QR code, call (203) 416-1470, or go to 2025bishopsappeal.org



Parish Office Summer Hours

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

203-227-1341

office@stfrancisweston.org 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 29th. 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

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** or email **director@sfapreschool.com**

Our St Francis Youth joined our pals at Assumption and St Aloysius to help out at the monthly CT FoodShare distribution in Norwalk. As always serving with a smile as we helped feed 150 families! Keep checking your emails!

We have several other service opportunities this Summer.

Contact Youth Minister Michele Harding at mharding@stfrancisweston.org for more information.



2025 PARISH RAFFLE

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

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

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

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4th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

5th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

6th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

7th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

8th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

9th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

10th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

11th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

12th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

13th 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

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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

July 13th-14th Good Shepherds of Bethlehem Visits

In these times of war and uncertainty, our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land need our support more than ever. The Good Shepherds of Bethlehem, represented by George and Katherine Awwad, will be at our parish on July 13th and 14th to sell olive wood handicrafts, beautifully made by Christian artisans from Bethlehem. Purchasing these olive wood products is a tangible way to support the Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on this craftsmanship for their survival, especially during these challenging times. Join us in showing solidarity and support for our fellow Christians by attending this sale. Your generosity will make a significant difference in their lives. To learn more, please visit:

<https://www.goodshepherdsofbethlehem.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

Tedesco Family for hosting last Sunday, July 6

Pioli Family for hosting this Sunday, July 13

Boto Family for hosting Sunday, July 20

Llaza Family for hosting Sunday, July 27

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

For information or to volunteer, please contact:

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

Sign Up for Summer Bible Camp



**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 experiments, 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>

CARNIVAL SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday Oct 4 – Sunday Oct 5
12 noon-6:00 pm each day**

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Inflatables, games, live music, food & drink
More information to follow



CAN YOU HELP AS A SPONSOR?

\$500 donation to be a sponsor

Your business will be included in all publicity

Sponsorship form is on SFA website: Community> Events
or contact Sandra Jester, SJest2@aol.com / 203-247-2354

Parish Calendar

Sunday, July 13	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass
9:30 a.m.	Children's Mass
10:15 a.m.	Coffee Social
11:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass
Mon., July 14	No Mass
Tues., July 15	No Mass
Weds. July 16	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
12:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration
2:35 p.m.	Divine Mercy Chaplet
Thurs., July 17	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri., July 18	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat. July 19	
9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Vigil Mass
Sunday, July 20	Sixteenth 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
Mon., July 21	NO MASS
Tues., July 22	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Weds., July 23	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
12:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration
2:35 p.m.	Divine Mercy Chaplet
Thurs., July 24	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri., July 25	
7:30 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat., July 26	
9:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Vigil Mass

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Mike Byrnes and Elise Major

Worship Ministries

Coordinator: Nancy Murgalo (475-257-7766)

quiddity@optonline.net

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Murgalo

Readers: Chris Eidt (762-7987)

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Spiritual Formation

Coordinator: Pam Franco (227-5821)

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Community Outreach

Coordinators:

Soup Kitchen: Linda Nash (226-7680)

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Anita Field

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