

CONTACT US

Call or email us at careministries@sfoasj.org if you have any questions or need assistance.

Communion & Visiting the Sick Ministry

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Stephen Ministry

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Grief Ministry

(408)223-1562

Cancer Survivor Ministry

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Family & Marriage Counseling Ministry

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Anointing of the Sick

- ◇ Chaplain at hospital or
- ◇ Parish Emergency: (408)439-9223 or
- ◇ Diocese of San Jose: (408)245-3445



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

CARE MINISTRIES



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"For it is in giving that we receive . . ."

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

PARISH VISION & MISSION

St. Francis of Assisi is a Catholic community of diverse people who gather together to proclaim and live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. We are a prayerful, inclusive, and explicitly hospitable people who follow the example of our patron, Francis of Assisi, continuously reaching out to serve others and to build the Kingdom.

OUR CARE MINISTRIES

Care ministries at St. Francis are based on this vision — to foster the feeling of family for each Ecclesial community, demonstrating mutual support, sharing and caring. We provide the following services to members of our parish community.

✦ Communion & Visiting the Sick Ministry

Members of the Pastoral Care team will visit those sick in their home or in a care facility to:

- ◆ Pray with, offer support and bring blessings from the St. Francis community;
- ◆ To bring Holy Communion and/or God's healing in the Sacrament of the Sick

✦ Grief Ministry

Members of this team will provide material for prayer and reflection for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one and periodic contact and ongoing prayer during their time of grief.



✦ Stephen Ministry

Our pastor will always be on the front lines of care, especially during times of crisis. But there are many more needs for on-going, one-to-one care than pastors can effectively meet by themselves.

Stephen Ministry equips lay members of our parish to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care, to reach out with God's love to people who are hurting, who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. A Stephen Minister walks alongside, listens, cares, prays, supports and encourages. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, contact us to arrange further discussion. We will launch our full service Stephen Ministry in 2006. Until then, if you are in crisis, call our main number for help.



✦ Cancer Survivor Ministry

Members of this Pastoral Care team will offer —

- ◆ Prayers with those who suffer from cancer, their family and/or caregiver;
- ◆ To make available resources and guidance for home care, communication with the physician, insurance carrier, the family and the like;
- ◆ To conduct "Days of Prayer" for cancer patients, survivors and their families.

✦ Family & Marriage Counseling Ministry

Our parish has a partnership with a trained, licensed marriage and family life counselor who can meet with an individual, couple or family to help in a professional counseling setting. There is a charge based on a sliding scale.

✦ Hospital Visitation

If you are going to a hospital for surgery or serious illness and would like to have a priest to visit, please —

- ◆ Notify the hospital during Admission and the hospital Chaplain
- ◆ Phone for the parish priest at St. Francis

When an emergency, after you call 911, call the "priest on duty" at the hospital or call the parish priest at St. Francis (408)439-4992 if the person has not left for the hospital or you can not contact a priest at the hospital.

"REACHING OUT TO SERVE"
in the name of
CHRIST

✦ Anointing of the Sick

Twice each year, the parish celebrates the Sacrament to the Sick for all who are ill or have a serious health condition — in the Fall and on "World Day of Prayer for the Sick" in February.

Meantime, if you are going to surgery, you may want to ask the parish priest to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick at the Mass nearest your surgery.

If you are not able to leave home or the care facility, you can phone the parish office and ask for Father Loi or Father John. If at the hospital, contact the Chaplain.