WEEKLY BULLETIN

The Ascension of the Lord Ascensión del Señor



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

CLERGY

REV. JORGE HERRERA, PASTOR DCN. DON CAULEY, CHANCELLOR

CHURCH OFFICE

MONDAY: CLOSED

Tuesday - Friday: 8am to 4pm Saturday: 9am to 5pm

SUNDAY: CLOSED

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY: 4PM

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
12PM(NOON) - DAILY MASS

TUESDAY: 12:30PM-7PM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAY: 6:30PM
GRUPO DE ORACIÓN

SATURDAY: 4PM OR BY APPOINTMENT:

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: MASS 5PM (ENGLISH)

SUNDAY: MASS 9AM (ENGLISH), 11:30AM (BILINGUAL), 5PM (ESPAÑOL) There will be NO daily Masses on Tuesday, June 3rd & Wednesday, June 4th

NO habrá Misa diaria el Martes 3 de Junio y Miércoles 4 de Junio



Saturday, May 31

♦ 5pm: Living & Deceased Mem. of the St. Francis Comm

Sunday, June 1

- ♦ 9am: Living & Deceased Mem. of the St. Francis Comm
- ♦ 11:30am: Living & Deceased Mem. Of the St. Francis Comm
- ◆ 5pm: Jorge Arriaga Raya †, Manuel Callejas Castro † y
 Maria de los Angeles Corona †

Tuesday, June 3 - Friday June 6, at Noon

NO MASSES on Tuesday & Wednesday this week NO HAY MISAS el Martes y Miércoles de esta semana

- ♦ THUR: Living & Deceased Mem. of the St. Francis Comm
- ♦ Fri: Living & Deceased Mem. of the St. Francis Comm

Saturday, June 7

♦ 5pm: Mary Ellan Kostizin †

Sunday, June 8

- ♦ 9am: Armando Lopez †
- ♦ 11:30am: Sandra Hayes †
- ◆ 5pm: Maria de los Angeles Callejas † y Maria Luisa Callejas†

THE ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEKEND OF May 25, 2025

| Mass Offerings | \$ 4,902 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Online Giving Offerings | \$ 2,877 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 7,779</u> |

Catholic Services Appeal

Please join us in reaching our goal to support our greater catholic community!



Cash and checks are welcomed in the Front Office.
Thank you for supporting CSA.

CLASE DE BAUTISMO

Miércoles 11 de Junio, 6 - 8PM
Por favor NO NIÑOS y PUNTUALES!

ANOINTING OF THE SICK will be on the weekend of (June 7-8) after each Mass

LA UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS será para el fin de semana de (Junio 7-8) después de cada Misa



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June 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The second collection for Catholic Communications focuses on the ways the Church can make the Gospel message available to people everywhere. Whether it is through websites, social networks, television, radio, or printed materials and resources, the Catholic Communication Campaign Collection helps the Good News get around.

Established in 1979 by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), the Catholic Communication Campaign collection aims to respond to the national and local communications needs of the Church. Half of the proceeds from this collection stay in the Diocese of Reno for our own media evangelization efforts. Other portions of the CCC's national funds are set aside for grants to aid Catholic communication efforts in developing nations as well as investing in digital Church histories and media training.

I ask you to prayerfully consider supporting this campaign. Your gift means that people in our diocese, our country and our world will better know the love of God and the truth, beauty, and goodness found in His Church.

With every best wish and an assurance of prayers, I remain,

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Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Daniel H. Mueggenborg

Bishop of Reno

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

We are delighted to invite you to a special gathering on **Thursday, June 5**th, **at 6pm**, where we will come together to explore the vibrant stories, rich culture, and sacred art of the Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Community in Incline Village, as nine voices of all ages share their heartfelt reflections amidst the stunning stained-glass windows, intricate statues, and breathtaking architecture that embody the spirit of faith and community by the shores of Lake Tahoe. These inspiring stories will be shared through a beautifully crafted video presentation by David Harrison.

Following the presentation, we will enjoy a time of fellowship and refreshments. A wonderful opportunity to connect and reflect as a community.

We sincerely hope you can all join us for this meaningful evening.

Help Make a Difference

St Francis of Assisi Women's Ministry has a wonderful opportunity to assist those less fortunate in the Reno area. We ask every woman in our parish to please consider this opportunity to help those less fortunate.

We are partnering with Catholic Charities to distribute food at their Farmer's Market, every 3rd Friday of the month from **June - September**, from **12 - 3 pm**.

If interested in participating, please sign up for a date(s) as follows:

June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19

To sign up or get more information, please contact Renee Lagorio-French or text Renee at 1-925-381-9537





Join us as we celebrate the end of our 7th school year with our Bridging Ceremony and End-of-Year Performance. This year's program will feature Mark Twain's comedy at its best with our production of "The Picket Fence" and "The Burglar Alarm" starring all of your favorite characters including Aunt Polly, Tom Sawyer and more!

Tuesday, June 10th @ 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall Event will be followed by a potluck lunch in the back parking lot.

We are thrilled to announce a special **overnight retreat** for all **children in 1st through 5th grade, at St. Francis of Assisi, Parish Hall**. This exciting event will take place on Friday, June 13th and Saturday, June 14th, and we would love for your children and/or grandchildren to join us.

Here is what you need to know:

- Who: all 1st 5th Graders. *Please invite a friend*.
- **When:** June 13th 14th
- Where: St. Francis of Assisi, Parish Hall
- What to bring: Your sleeping bag.
- Activities: Singing, worship, Bible stories, and plenty of opportunities to make new friends.



Thank you for trusting us with your kids.

We are excited to announce that our beloved tradition of **Wine and Nibbles** will kick-off **Saturday, June 14**, following the **5pm mass**. This time of fellowship will continue every Saturday evening through the conclusion of the **last Saturday mass in September**.

Your help is greatly needed this year! If you or someone you know is interested in hosting one of these Saturday evening gatherings, please reach out to **Nini Buhler at <u>kbuhler1@verizon.net</u>**

We also warmly welcome other ministry teams to join as hosts. This short-term commitment is a fantastic opportunity to meet new parishioners, reconnect with old friends, and strengthen our community in a joyful setting. Thank you for considering this meaningful way to contribute to our parish life!



VETERAN'S GUEST HOUSE WISH-LIST COLLECTION UPDATE:

Thank you to those who have generously responded to our collection for the Veterans' Guest House which helps our veterans and their families seeking temporary lodging, free of charge, while undergoing medical treatment at the VA or local medical facilities.

The Women's Ministry will continue its efforts to fulfill the wish list until Flag Day, the weekend of June 14-15. For those who have not yet donated but wish to do so, please bring your purchases to the barrel in the Gathering Area at church any time during the next two weeks. We empty the barrel on a regular basis and take the items to the Guest House in Reno. If you wish to donate gift cards or make monetary donations, please take those to the office; do not leave them in the barrel. Copies of the wish list are posted on the white bulletin board in the Gathering Area and on the barrel, in addition to being passed out after weekend masses.

God bless you for your support of this worthwhile project, and God bless the members of our Armed Services, living and deceased!

Pastoral Council Update



The Pastoral Council last met on May 13th and the following is a brief summary of the meeting:

- The council continues to engage in faith sharing and communal discernment
- A Parish Mission will take place September 7th-9th and a Parish Synod will be held on September 27th
- A meeting of the Ministry Leaders is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11th at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall

To share any comments with the PC, please send a message to: PastoralCouncil@sftahoe.org



EVERY 40 SECONDS, SOMEONE IN THE U.S. IS HAVING A STROKE

Stroke Scan Plus will be hosting lifesaving, wellness ultrasound screenings at St. Francis of Assisi, on Tuesday, June 17th. It is important to perform preventive maintenance for ourselves yearly. Do you have high blood pressure or high cholesterol, diabetes, or a family history of heart disease, stroke, abdominal aneurysm, or internal cancers? If so, do not miss this opportunity for early detection of a possibly serious disease.

These screenings are typically NOT performed at your annual check-up, and insurance companies may not pay for them unless you are symptomatic. Stroke Scan Plus will be offering them to you for \$179 for all 7 combined ultrasound screenings (Stroke, AAA, Thyroid, Liver, Kidneys, & Gallbladder). Blood testing will incur an additional cost. Insurance is NOT necessary, and appointments are limited. Stroke Scan will be available at the church for you to register on Saturday, June 7th - Sunday, June 8th, after all masses in the gathering area or please call 832-437-7355 to schedule an appointment today for you or a loved one.. Prevention is your key to quality health! www.strokescan.com.

CADA 40 SEGUNDOS, ALGUIEN EN LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS PRESENTA UN ATAQUE CEREBRAL!

Stroke Scan Plus ofrecerá ecografías que le salvarán la vida y le ayudarán a sentirse bien en la iglesia de

San Francisco de Asís el Martes 17 de Junio. Es importante realizar un mantenimiento preventivo anual. ¿Usted Tiene presión arterial alta, colesterol alto, diabetes o antecedentes familiares de cardiopatías, derrame cerebral, aneurisma abdominal o cánceres internos? Si es así, no pierda esta oportunidad para una detección temprana de una enfermedad potencialmente grave. Estas ecografías generalmente no se realizan en su chequeo anual, y es posible que las compañías de seguros no las cubran a menos que presente síntomas. Stroke Scan Plus se las ofrece por \$179 por las 7 ecografías combinadas (derrame cerebral, aneurisma aórtico abdominal, tiroides, hígado, riñones y vesícula biliar). Los análisis de sangre tienen un costo adicional. No es necesario tener seguro médico y las citas son limitadas. Las ecografías estará disponible en la iglesia para que se registre el Sábado 7 de Junio y el Domingo 8 de Junio, después de todas las misas en el área de reunión o llame al 832-437-7355 para programar una cita hoy para usted o un ser querido...

La prevención es su clave para una salud de calidad! www.strokescan.com.

Last chance to reserve your Ticket(s) for the Aces Baseball Game

on the First Faith and Family Night,

Friday, June 27, 2025, at \$43.00 per adult and \$27.00 per child

(Fee includes Food) in the Coors Light Pary Zone Area at 6:35pm

at the Greater Nevada Field located at 250 Evans Ave, Reno

Sign up sheet in the gathering area

For more information on how to get your ticket(s), please contact the church office at 775-831-0490



Save the date

We are thrilled to announce an upcoming Parish Mission in Collaboration with Hallow, designed to bring spiritual renewal, inspiration, and a deeper sense of community among all of us. This mission will also provide an opportunity to address spiritual challenges and strengthen our pariah's mission together.

The Parish Mission will take place at Saint Francis of Assisi at the Parish Hall from 6 to 8pm, on the following dates:

- Sunday, September 7th: Spanish session, followed by a bite to eat prepared by the English Group.
- Monday, September 8th: English session, followed by a bite to eat, prepared by the Spanish group.
- Tuesday, September 9th: Adoration for both the Spanish and English Groups.

More details will be shared soon, so please stay tuned!



Marriage Jubilee Mass

Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg will celebrate the Jubilee Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral on Saturday, June 21st, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.

This Mass celebrates the Sacrament of Marriage, and couples will renew their vows. All couples celebrating wedding anniversaries are invited to participate.

Registration

The registration deadline is June 13th, 2025

| Husband's Name | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------|--|
| | | | |
| First Name | Middle Name | Last Name | |
| Wife's Name | | | |
| First Name | Middle Name | Last Name | |
| Month, Day, Year o | Wedding | | |



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We will be coming to your community soon!

Thursday, June 20, 2024

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church 701 Mt. Rose Hwy.

(Parish Hall)

Schedule your screening today at: https://june202024.youcanbook.me Or Scan this QR code



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If you are unable to book online, call 602.254.7130

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We also check your blood pressure, pulse and blood oxygen level.
A complete report is provided.



Bishop Mueggenborg's Gospel Reflection Seventh Sunday of Easter (The Ascension of the Lord) June 1, 2025

Our scripture passage comes from the Gospel of Luke 24:46–53. These verses conclude the Gospel of Luke and prepare for the mission of the Church. There are several points worthy of our reflection as we hear our Lord's final words to the disciples.

It is helpful to read the very verses before this Sunday's Gospel so as to place the Ascension in context. Before our Lord ascended into heaven, He first opened the minds of the disciples to the meaning of His words and to the Scriptures (see Lk 24:44-45). It is significant also that this appearance of Jesus to the disciples occurs in the midst of a meal where Jesus asked for something to eat (see Lk 24:41-43). The combination of Jesus' words, the Scriptures, a meal and mention of the breaking of the bread (see Lk 24:35) are all elements of our current Eucharistic Liturgy when we celebrate both the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The mention of fish in this context has generated moderate speculation and may be an allusion to the Feeding of the Five Thousand in (see Lk 9:13-16) which was also a Eucharistic scene.

Luke is most likely giving us an insight into what should be happening every time we gather to experience the Risen Lord in our community prayer on the day of Resurrection: He is present both in the Word of God proclaimed in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist celebrated on the altar. The experience of Jesus in the context of the Mass is one of the significant themes of Luke's Gospel because the evangelist is trying to encourage his community to find Jesus in the present rather than only remembering Him as He was during His earthly ministry or focusing on how He will be when He comes again. Luke wants his community and us to realize that we can hear the Lord speaking to us today every time the Scriptures are proclaimed, and we can experience deep communion with Jesus today every time we break bread in the Eucharist.

It is important to note that the disciples could not grasp the meaning of Scripture on their own. Rather, the Lord had to interpret the Scriptures for them through the lens of His death and resurrection before they could have a proper understanding of God's revelation in the writings of the Law and the Prophets (Old Testament). With Jesus' instruction, the disciples are now able to see how various prophecies were fulfilled in Him as the Word of God incarnate.

As disciples, we are reminded to always read the Old Testament and the New Testament through the interpretative lens of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection. Such a clearly defined perspective protects us from taking Jesus' words out of context or interpreting other passages of Scripture in ways that are not divinely intended. This is an important message for us because it helps us properly apply the Scriptures and teachings of the Lord for our lives.

- How can the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus change the way you read or understand your favorite passages of Scripture?
- What other principles other than the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus can people be tempted to use when interpreting Scripture?
- What is the danger of reading Scripture through the lens of only one part of Jesus' Paschal Mystery that is through His suffering, death, or resurrection only—but not all of it?
- What helps you to recognize and experience the presence of Jesus in the Liturgy of the Word?
- What can a faith community do to help open the minds of people to better understand the meaning of Scripture for their lives?
- How do you think the disciples were trying to interpret the Scriptures and Jesus' words before our Lord opened their minds to the correct way?
- How do you know when someone is quoting or interpreting Scripture in a way that goes against the divine intention?



Why did Jesus ascend into heaven?

As we celebrate Jesus' Ascension today, we ask, "Why?" Why not just stay with us? Why did Jesus go to heaven forty days after the Resurrection? Fr. Josh Johnson addresses "why" in this adaptation of an episode from his podcast, Ask Fr. Josh.

Jesus' Humanity Enters Heaven

Christ's ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, [from where] he will come again (see Acts 1:11); this humanity in the meantime hides him from the eyes of men. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 665)

So get this: You and I, we are humans, and we also will be in heaven at some point. Our bodies and our souls will be reunited and glorified in heaven. For us as members of the Body of Christ, this is huge. God is giving us this opportunity, this great gift that we can anticipate.

Why Didn't He Stay?

The body of Jesus Christ is in heaven now. If the body is so good, why would Jesus take his glorified body that the apostles got to experience—that Mary the Mother of God, Mary Magdalene, and so many others got to experience—and ascend into heaven? Why didn't he stay with us?

St. Thomas' Answer

St. Thomas Aquinas, one of the greatest intellects of our Church's two-thousand-year history, wrote many great works, including Summa Theologiae, a theology text about God, creation, humanity, Christ, and the sacraments. In the Summa, Aquinas prays with Colossians 3:1, which tells believers in Christ to "seek the things that are above, where Christ is." Why? Jesus Christ wants us to direct the fervor of our love toward heavenly things. He wants us to fix our eyes on heaven, the beatific vision, the glory that awaits us.

We often experience the great gifts that God gives us throughout our walk toward eternity, and we're grateful. But because we're so weak, we focus on the gifts that God gives us more than we focus our attention on God, the one who gives us the gifts.



Ponder and Pray

- · How do I imagine Jesus' Ascension?
- What does it mean to understand that Jesus, in his humanity, is actually in heaven?

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Make It Your Own



Keep your eyes on heaven this week in anticipation of Pentecost. Scan the code or visit https://ascensionpress.com/pages/novena-to-the-holy-spirit to join a novena to the Holy Spirit and track your progress on the lines below.

Dive Deeper

To watch Fr. Josh Johnson's full episode about Jesus' Ascension, scan the code



Or go to: Why the Ascension? Couldn't Jesus Have Stayed? - Ascension Press Media

Fr. Josh Johnson is the vocations director for the Diocese of Boton Rouge. He is well-known for his popular Ascension podcost. Ask Father Josh, and his Q&A videos on Assension Presents.

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