

Celebrating St. Francis of Assisi



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

OCTOBER 22, 2023 - The Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Render to Caesar
the things that are Caesar's,



Matthew 22:21

And to God
the things that are God's.



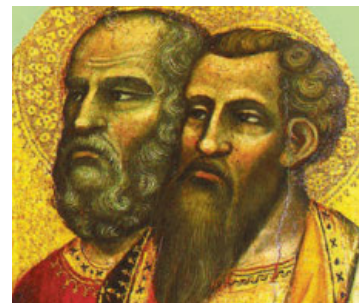
Oct. 22 -
World Mission Sunday



Oct. 23 -
St. John of Capistrano



Oct. 24 -
St. Anthony Mary Claret



Oct. 28 -
Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.



We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the

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We are hiring for the part-time position:

Sacramental Ministry Coordinator (15 hours/week)

Responsible for coordinating the sacramental ministries of the parish (Baptism, Weddings, Funerals, First Communion, Confirmation) under the direction of the Pastor and in coordination with staff and parish program leaders.

Contact Fr. Rey for job description and further information: resume@stfrancisparish.com



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THE POPE TWEETS OCTOBER 15, 2023

I continue to follow with great sorrow what is happening in Israel and Palestine. I renew my appeal for the freeing of the hostages and I strongly ask that children, the sick, the elderly, women, and all civilians not be made victims of the conflict.

Franciscus

October 23

St. John of Capistrano

"Those who are called to the table of the Lord must glow with brightness."



Act of Spiritual Communion



My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Peace Prayer of St. Francis



Lord, make me an instrument of your **peace**; where there is hatred, let me sow **love**; where there is injury, **pardon**; where there is doubt, **faith**; where there is despair, **hope**; where there is darkness, **light**; and where there is sadness, **joy**.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to **console**; to be understood, as to **understand**; to be loved, as to **love**; for it is in giving that we **receive**, it is in pardoning that we are **pardoned**, and it is in dying that we are **born to eternal life**.

Amen.

While this prayer has always been attributed to St. Francis, the author is actually unknown. The prayer does wonderfully represent the spirit of St. Francis and the Franciscan Orders.

Weekly Readings

Readings for the week of October 22:

- Sun: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 (7b)/1 Thes 1:1-5b/ Mt 22:15-21
- Mon: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21
- Tue: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/ Lk 12:35-38
- Wed: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48
- Thu: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53
- Fri: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59
- Sat: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16
- Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/1 Thes 1:5c-10/ Mt 22:34-4



2023-2024 Children's Faith Formation classes began on October 15, 2023.

Classes are for students in
1st through 8th grade
and are held on
Sunday from 11 am -12 pm in the Parish Center.

For additional information and registration, please visit:
https://www.stfrancisparish.com/children_formation.htm

COMING SOON



All Are Welcome!

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Pastoral Council
invites each of you to attend our next

Parish Town Hall Meeting.

During this time together, parishioners will
be encouraged to share their talents and
their volunteer availability to strengthen
our parish community.

**Saturday,
November 18, 2023
9-11 am, Brunsman Hall**

Donations for the "Socks, Hats, Scarves,
& Gloves Drive" will also be accepted!

ARE YOU SEARCHING FOR DEPTH IN YOUR LIFE?

Come and experience GOD'S WORD as alive and able to change your life. Bible class is held on Thursday mornings from 10:30 am to 12 noon and Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Center. These classes will help you to know and understand the Scripture readings for the coming Sunday. On November 30 we will begin the new liturgical cycle with the Gospel of Mark.

NEW STUDENTS ARE WELCOME - WITH NEEDED INTRODUCTOR CLASSES - ON NOVEMBER 9th and 16th - FOR THE MORNING CLASS 9:15 am to 10:15 am, and FOR THE EVENING CLASS 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm IN THE PARISH CENTER.

For more information and registration call Sister Dorothy McCormack at 650-339-1204 or email srdorothym@aol.com by NOVEMBER 1st.

REMEMBRANCE 'MUMS ORDER AFTER EACH MASS OR ONLINE!



Once again this year we will offer the opportunity for you to remember a loved one who has been called to eternal life by purchasing a potted Remembrance Mum.

The mums will be present in our church from **Saturday, Oct. 28 through Sunday, November 12**. At that time, mums can be taken home for planting or to the cemetery. The cost for each plant is \$25. You can designate the person(s) to be remembered.

Orders will be taken after all the Masses or online beginning **Saturday, October 7, and will continue through October 22**. Order Online at <https://bit.ly/3F306Rx>

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NOVEMBER 4/5 AND NOVEMBER 11/12

BASKETS WILL BE LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH
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LOAVES & FISHES

2023 ST. FRANCIS Festival & Picnic

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Richard and I want to take this opportunity to provide a heartfelt "Thank You" to each and everyone of you who helped plan, support, and work at the picnic. There are SO many that deserve a "BIG THANK YOU"--I certainly hope we don't leave anyone out!

Of course, thank you to the Parish staff, Manny and JD; Father Rey for his support and sharing his musical talent; John for sharing your talent and Janet for leading the wonderful school choir; the food grillers, Rosa, Nestor, and Anthony; those that coordinated the potluck tables, Theresa and her crew; all those who provided ministry information tables--the Franciscans, Franciscan Crown Rosary, SacACT, Children's Faith Formation; Pathways for Justice, FrancisFest, women in Conversation, the ParishWelcome/Registration table; and the Parish Council. Felipe and his crew did a fabulous job with the Bingo--what a lot of terrific prizes!

And thank you to the Mooney family that provided children's activities and all who helped them! It was great to see kids playing and enjoying themselves. Marco for helping with the Photo Booth and so many other things. This picnic was a labor of love and we are so appreciative that YOU helped make it happen! A true community event!

We'll close this message with a note sent to Richard and I after the event "...the event location was intimate, fun, warm, and loving...but most of all I feel our church coming alive again... it fills me with hope...my sense of community is having a re-birth"!

Richard and I will put together a virtual "photo album" to post, probably on the Parish facebook page. To help with this, if you have a pic or two you'd like to share, please send them along.

Blessings,
Melba and Richard



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The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
October 21-22, 2023

We adore you Most Holy Lord Jesus Christ, here and in all your churches in the world,
And we bless you, because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world. Amen.

Gathering:

Christ Be Our Light!

Bernadette Farrell

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see. **(Refrain)**

REFRAIN

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gath - ered to - day.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice. **(Refrain)**

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. **(Refrain)**

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Kyrie:

Mass of Renewal

Curtis Stephan

Cantor then All

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son... Chri - ste, e - le - i - son... Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

Gloria:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

*We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;*

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy, have mercy on us.

*For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.*

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Psalm: Psalm 96: "Give the Lord glory and honor."

Timothy R. Smith

Give the Lord glo - ry and hon - or. Give the Lord glo - ry and hon - or.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Curtis Stephan

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia... Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia...

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APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. AMEN+

Preparation of Gifts:

God of Day and God of Darkness

Marty Haugen

Tune: Beach Spring

God of day and God of darkness, now we stand before the night;
As the shadows stretch and deepen, come and make our darkness bright.

All creation still is groaning for the dawning of your might,
when the Sun of peace and justice fills the earth with radiant light.

Still the nations curse the darkness, still the rich oppress the poor;
Still the earth is bruised and broken by the ones who still want more.

Come and wake us from our sleeping, so our hearts cannot ignore
All your people lost and broken, all your children at our door.

You shall be the path that guides us, you the light that in us burns;
Shining deep within all people, yours the love that we must learn.

For our hearts shall wander restless 'til they safe to you return;
Finding you in one another, we shall all your face discern.

Praise to you in day and darkness, you our source and you our end;
Praise to you who love and nurture as a father, mother, friend.

Grant us all a peaceful resting, let each mind and body mend,
So we rise refreshed tomorrow, hearts renewed to kingdom tend.

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Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Mass of Renewal

Curtis Stephan

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us, grant us peace.

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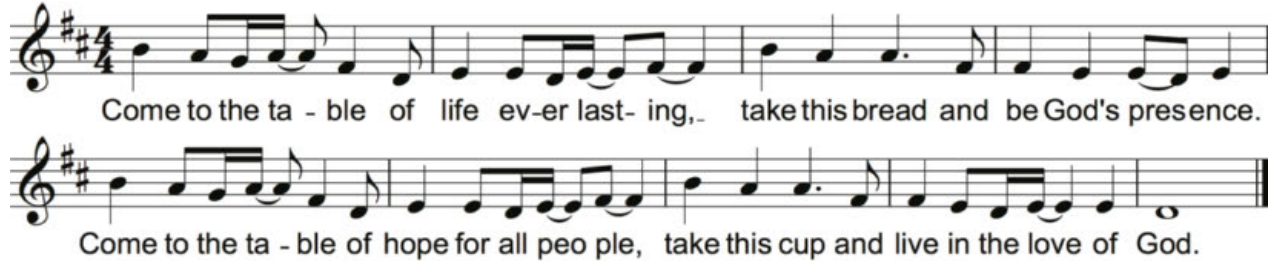
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Communion:

Come To the Table

Tony Alonso

REFRAIN:



Come to the ta - ble of life ev - er last - ing, take this bread and be God's presence.

Come to the ta - ble of hope for all peo ple, take this cup and live in the love of God.

Ev'ry hunger fed, ev'ry thirst is quenched
In this bread of new life, wine of our peace: Jesus Christ our Lord! **(Refrain)**

When we eat this bread, when we drink this cup,
We share in your death, we share in your life, until you come in glory. **(Refrain)**

Food from heav'n above, living sign of love,
Come fill our hearts, come fill our minds with faith, hope and love. **(Refrain)**

Take and eat this bread, take and drink this cup,
All who eat this bread and drink this cup will never thirst or hunger. **(Refrain)**

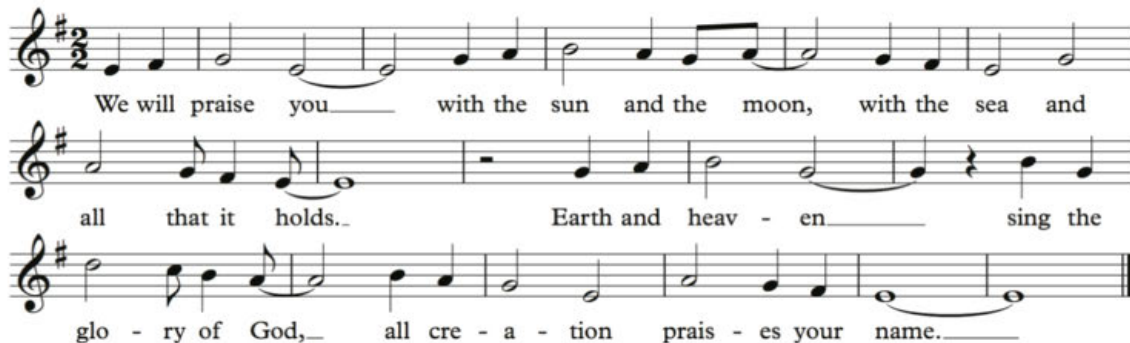
Wake us to your call, to seek your face in all
Who come to your feast, the greatest, the least, the presence of your love! **(Refrain)**

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Sending Forth:

We Will Praise You

Tom Kendzia



We will praise you with the sun and the moon, with the sea and
all that it holds. Earth and heav - en sing the
glo - ry of God, all cre - a - tion prais - es your name.

O my soul, bless the Lord; all that lives, bless the Lord
Praise your name above all names; all that breathes, bless the Lord. **(Refrain)**

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Do you like to sing? **Come join the choir** as we prepare for Advent and Christmas!
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