

Prayers for Healing: Johnny Newport, Ariella Beard & Family, Bob Feduccia, Troy Allen, Clifford & Cindy Galey, Nathan Williamson, Jimmy Cuevas, Charleen Rush, Thomas Young, Caleb Haymes, Merideth Walker, Pierre Ahlstrom, Chris Smith, Norris Acy, Nick Andrews, Darryl White, Joe Pennington, Bertha Hughes, Rick Bedwell, Gates Mims, Robbie Arnold, Lenore Gillispie, Benjamin Smith, Larry Howard, Elizabeth Wesse, Sandy Wojcik, Glen Ray James, Fred Robinson, Cheryl Matherne, Jamie Hill, Dickie Conn, Courtney Vanover, Taylor White, Stephanie Gustavson, Keagan Smith, Patti Austin, Mark Nettles, Axel Smith, Lori Ann Dougherty, Carla Webb, Henry Ledet, Shannon Patterson, Ransom S. Furlow, Carol Bennett, Kristy Lambert, Pat Gardner, Eddie Britt, Carrol Black, Ledger Smith, Hugh Louviere, Julia Haydel and Baby, Donald Lewis, Bubba James, Tommy Cupit, Gerald Williams, Joseph Harris, Ladale Thompson, Richard Case, Paola Quin, Walter Thompson, Sr., Nate Trosclair, Josh Townsend, Brenda Sears, Cliff Feduccia, John Henriquez, Jude Theriot, Ryley and Zane Touns, Myrna Casciola, Brenda Moak, Robert Robinson

Prayers for the Homebound: Bela Nagy, Roseann Harris, James Laird, Joe Robin, Stephanie Gustavson, Steve Albright, Cindy Slagle, Bob Weathersby, Paul Phillips

Our prayers are with all of those called to defend our country, especially

Major Charles Andrew Griggs, Tucker Hoeniges, Joey Davenport, Patrick Willis

Prayers for Healing

Please contact the Parish Office
601-833-1799

to add a name to the prayer list.



Dates are available
to sign up for
weekend altar flowers.
Sign up sheet located in
church
vestibule (bulletin board).
The office will help
coordinate the purchase of flowers.

AUGUST LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, September 19 @ 4:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Gerry Whitman
Paige Jackson, Lanelle Wusterbarth
Lector: Coltin Etheridge
Commentator: Heather Sabatini
Altar Servers: Kenneth Goodrum, Vidalia Foster
Thurifer: Joshua Smith
Ushers: Charles Feduccia
Greeters: Alice Hearn, Pat Williams
Music: Steve, Hilda

Sunday, September 20 @ 9:00AM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Jim Bonner
Eric Postma, Kelly Postma
Lector (1): Tara Bonner
Lector (2): Ashley Davis
Commentator: Dennis Valentine
Altar Servers: Brooke Davis, Maddie Postma
Thurifer: Kam Perkins
Ushers: Owen Junkin, Mark Smith
Greeters: Susan Smith, Cathy Ditcharo
Music: Emily, Eileen



September 5 & 6, 2026

Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$4746.59
Loose Cash	\$767.00
Total	\$5513.59

St. Francis Parish Offertory

\$6,077.00 in offertory contributions is
needed each week to meet the budget.

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SEPTEMBER 13, THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Staff

Fr. Manohar Thanugundla, Pastor
Eileen Neal, Office Administrator
Emily Phillips, DRE
Ange’le Bartholomew, Youth Minister

Mass Times

- Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00PM
- Sunday Mass at 9:00AM
Spanish Mass at 4:00PM

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: No Daily Mass

Tuesday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass

Wed: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass

Thursday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass

Friday: 11:30 Exposition 12:00 Angelus
12:10 Mass
light lunch to follow

Benediction

First weekend of the month.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration from 9am—1pm on
Mondays in the church

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 3:30 PM on Saturday & 8:30 AM
on Sunday or by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the office to make an appoint-
ment with Fr. Mano

Marriage: Contact the office to make an
appointment with Fr. Mano at least six months
in advance.

St. Francis of Assisi Pastoral Council Members

Jennifer Townsend, President

Jim Bonner, Vice President

Leslie Phillips, Secretary

Bo Allen, Christian & Family Life Commission

Kenneth Goodrum, Liturgy Commission

T. A. Boyd, Social Activities/Concerns Commission

Eddie Britt, Member

St. Francis of Assisi Finance Council Members

David Phillips, Chairperson

Sabrina Smith

Eric Postma

James Bellipanni

Mike Smith

Laura Murray

Ashley Davis

Gerry Whitman

St. Vincent de Paul Ministries Food Pantry

St. Francis Catholic Church Ministry

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We extend a special welcome to all of our
visitors. If you are new to the area and have
decided to make St. Francis your church family,
please pick up a blue registration card in the
vestibule of the church, complete the card and place
it in the offering basket.



Dennis Valentine (12)
Kathleen Jackson (15)
Braden Allen (16)
Talita Ruble (16)
Bob Weathersby (17)
Errol Callais (17)
Barrett Womack (18)
Preslee Womack (18)
Piper Curole (18)



SAVE THE DATE:
St. Francis Picnic/Jubilee Celebration
October 11 after the
10:00AM Mass
More details coming soon!

Second
Collection
9/12-9/13
Extension Society

**GOD is GOOD -
All the Time.
All the Time
GOD is GOOD!**

*The Ladies of
St. Francis will meet
next Sunday,
September 20
during coffee & donuts*



Attention: Women of St. Francis
*Are you interested in
participating in a
Women's Bible Class?
If so, please sign the sheet
in the vestibule of church.
If you are interested in leading
or co-leading this
study please mark the
sheet accordingly.
If there is enough
interest generated then work will
begin on planning a study.
Thank you!*



OCIA begins this Tuesday, September 15,
at 6:00PM in the library of the
parish center.
Tuesday's topic:
Welcome, Introductions, &
Seeking the Face of God.
Classes are open to the parish!

**WELCOME
BACK, CHOIR**

Sunday, October 11, 10:00AM Mass
St. Francis Jubilee Celebration
& Parish Picnic
St. Francis Choir will be singing!
Please plan on joining in the music!
Choir Practice
Monday 9/21, 9/28, 10/5 @ 5:30PM
New Members are Welcome to Join!

Created for Covenant
begins this Thursday,
September 17 @ 6:15PM.

This class is led by
Mark Postma, an instructor
with the Catholic Biblical
School of Michigan.
It's not too late to register.
Register at
cbsmich.org/register

Our Lady of Sorrows

*Feast day is
Wednesday, Sept. 15.
For information on
how to pray the
Seven Sorrows Rosary
visit EWTN or
the Center for
Divine Mercy.org*

Coffee & Donuts
on Sunday
after the
9:00AM Mass



September 13, Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Priceless Debt: We could never repay the debt for our sins. Some sins can cost us our very lives, "for the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). This is why God the Father sent his beloved Son to ransom us. Christ paid the price for our sins with his own blood: "...you do not belong to yourself. You have been purchased at a price" (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). None of us are exempt from the need for God's mercy: "...all have sinned and are deprived of the glory of God. They are justified freely by his grace through redemption in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as an expiation, through faith, by his blood" (Romans 3:23-25). How cognizant are we of the price Christ paid for our sinfulness?

Justice and Mercy: Because God is love, the Justice we deserve is overcome by his mercy. Pope Francis said, "Justice and mercy in God are one thing. Mercy is just, and Justice is merciful." At the cross, justice and mercy met in the person and sacrifice of Christ. Jesus endured the punishment we deserve and paid every ounce of the penalties we deserve to pay. Because we all have sinned, we have received the gift of God's mercy; we are called to act merciful and compassionate, like God (see Psalms 103).

Choose to Forgive: When we forgive others, even and especially when they cannot make amends for how they have hurt us, we are acting in imitation of Christ: "And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ" (Ephesians 4:32). We must choose to forgive whoever has wronged us. Forgiveness is not a feeling; it is an act of the will. What happens when we do not choose to forgive? We run the risk that our own sins will be held against us. Our first reading for Mass today considers this point: "Forgive your neighbor the wrong done to you; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Does anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the Lord? Can one refuse mercy to a sinner like oneself yet seek pardon for one's own sins?" (Sirach 28:204).

Excerpts: ePriest



New Hispanic Faith Formation Catechesis

We are pleased to announce the beginning of a new Faith Formation Catechesis for our Hispanic Community at St. Francis. These sessions will be held on the first Sunday of each month, immediately following the celebration of Holy Mass. The first session took place this past Sunday, September 6, marking the beginning of this new opportunity for faith formation and spiritual growth within our Hispanic community. The catechetical sessions will be led by Ali & Patricia Lopez, a married couple with more than 20 years of experience serving as catechists. Throughout their years of ministry, they have accompanied individuals and families in their journey of faith and have dedicated themselves to helping others deepen their relationship with Christ and His Church. Patricia recently completed her studies in Pastoral Theology at the University of St. Thomas in Houston, TX, further strengthening her theological and pastoral preparation for this ministry. Through these monthly gatherings, we hope to provide our Hispanic parishioners with an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic faith, grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, and strengthen their sense of community within the Church. We warmly welcome and encourage all members of our Hispanic community to participate in these sessions and invite the entire parish to support and pray for this new ministry. May the Holy Spirit guide Ali & Patricia in their service and bless this new catechetical initiative at St. Francis.