St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Contact Us:

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Pastoral Emergency: (336)246-9151, ext. 7
Email: stfrancis@skybest.com
Website: http://stfrancisofassisi-jefferson.org/

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm
Friday: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30pm English, 7:30pm Spanish
Sunday: 9:00am English

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 5:40pm - 6:10pm
Friday: 9:40am - 10:20am
Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:15pm & 6:15pm - 7:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am - 8:30am

Sunday, February 4, 2024
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Great is our LORD, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. Psalms 147:5

For anointing of the sick, receiving the Eucharist while homebound/in the hospital, hearing of your confession, or special prayers and/or visit from Father, please contact the church office. For pastoral emergencies after business hours, please use the Emergency Line, 336-246-9151, ext 7.

St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery: Plots are available for purchase during office hours. Payment in full is required at purchase. Prices are: $750/per full size plot; $250/per urn size plot.

Flocknote is another way of getting information out to the parish. Weekly emails, schedule changes or cancelations are sent out to those on the contact list. To be added please contact the office by email.

Would you rather give online? Visit the St. Francis of Assisi website at http://stfrancisofassisi-jefferson.org/ and click on the ***Online Giving*** tile located in the middle of the home page. For a one-time donation you do not need to use the Sign Up or Log In buttons located in the upper right hand corner of the screen. For recurring donations folks are asked to create an account and sign up.

WELCOME
Father Cory Catron, Pastor

Administrative Assistant:
Susan Smith — 336-246-9151, ext 2

Finance Assistant:
Herb Maddock — 336-246-9151, ext 4

Buildings/Facilities:
Peter Finegan — 336-246-9151, ext 5

Pastoral Council:
Joanne Kuszaj — Chairperson — 336-982-3054

Finance Council:
Rick LaBonte — Chairperson — 336-877-2300

Faith Formation:
Joanne Kuszaj — Coordinator — 336-982-3054

Home Bound Ministers:
Brings the Eucharist to the Homebound
Linda Sheridan — 336-977-6893

Parish Commissions & Committees
Commission Chairperson:
Liturgy/Worship — Vickie Herman — 336-877-5656
Parish Life — Elizabeth Jones — 407-341-7909
Community Life — Janine Boudreau — 980-228-0406
Prison Ministry — Knights of Columbus
Ecumenism — Carolyn Andreucci — *336-877-9038*

Prayer Chain (prayer request):
Mary Rodgers — Chairperson — 336-877-5399

Vicariate Hispanic Ministry Coordinator:
Aleksandra Banasik — 336-428-6909

Baptism Prep Class, Spanish:
Jose Juan Robles — 336-977-4612

Bulletin Deadline:

Items for the bulletin must be submitted to the Church Office before 12:00pm on Wednesday.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, February 4
8:00am - Confessions
8:35am - Lauds
9:00am - Mass, English
5:00pm - Faith Formation Classes

Tuesday, February 6
12:00pm - Mass
5:30pm - Adoration
6:00pm - Knights of Columbus meeting
6:15pm - Vespers
6:45pm - Mass, Spanish

Wednesday, February 7
12:00pm - Mass

Thursday, February 8
9:00am - Cleaning of Church
2:00pm - Food Prep for Gumbo Dinner
8:00pm - Spanish Choir Practice

Friday, February 9
9:00am - Mass followed by Adoration
9:40am - Confessions
10:20am - Terce with Benediction
4:00pm - Gumbo Dinner Fundraising Event
7:00pm - Young Adults for Christ Meeting

Saturday, February 10
3:30pm - Confessions
4:30pm - Mass, English
6:15pm-7:00pm - Confessions
7:00pm - Vespers
7:30pm - Mass, Spanish

Sunday, February 11
8:00am - Confessions
8:35am - Lauds
9:00am - Mass, English
10:00am - Spanish Baptismal Prep Class
5:00pm - Faith Formation Classes

Ash Wednesday Masses
February 14th
12:00pm, English
8:00pm, Spanish

This year the Parish will be participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl project. Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe over-come hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, their lives can be improved. Rice Bowl alms collection boxes in English and Spanish are available in the vestibule.

Your help is very much appreciated. A friendly reminder to all Parishioners to please continue to send in your offertory or use the online giving tool even when Masses are cancelled so that the monthly bills of the Parish can still be paid. Thank you!

Mass Schedule and Readings

Monday, February 5, No Mass
Scripture: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 6, 12:00pm
Scripture: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13

Spanish Mass, February 6, 6:45pm

Wednesday, February 7, 12:00pm
Mass Intention: Ann O'Neill Sanderson+
Scripture: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday, February 8, No Mass
Scripture: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30

Friday, February 9, 9:00am
Mass Intention: Ken McHugh
Scripture: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday, February 10, 4:30pm
Mass Intention: Parish Community
Scripture: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Spanish Mass, February 10, 7:30pm

Sunday, February 11, 9:00am
Mass Intention: Doug Blatny+
Scripture: Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31--11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, February 10, 2024, 4:30pm
Greeter: Mary J.
Lector: *James W. **Tassanee W.
Ushers: Jim & Kathy L.

Sunday, February 11, 2024, 9:00am
Greeter: Pam J.
Lector: *Vickie H. **Isabel S.
Ushers: Richard B. & Otto F.

Altar Linens:
February 9: Evelyn R. February 16: Lila W.

Parishioners, Family Members and Friends in need of Special Prayer: Lynn Marie Gregor, Patrick Fulkerson, Refugio Calvillo, Patrick & Peggy Bieber, Martha Esser, Carol Phillips, Renae Fountain, Jacob McFadden, Michael Showfety, Art Long. May God bless you!

Access to the church during the week
Those wishing to come and pray in the worship area during office hours and outside of Mass times are asked to please enter the building through the office wing door. This lets the office staff know of who may be in the building while they are in the office. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Financial Figures

Offertory January 28:	$	3,186.00
Offertory received this month:	$	10,226.00
Offertory needed in January:	$	18,300.00
Rectory Fund January 28:	$	903.00
Rectory Fund received this month:	$	3,021.00
Mortgage goal needed each month:	$	4,442.07
Rectory debt (as of December 12, 2024):	$	405,300.99
Combined Mission Collection:	$	310.00

Upcoming Second Collections

Rectory Fund: Feb 11, 18 & 25

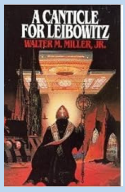
Parishioners are strongly encouraged to mail in their offertory or use the online giving option located on the church website as bills still need to be paid.

Checks can be mailed to the following address:
P.O. Box 634, Jefferson, NC 28640

Your support is greatly appreciated.

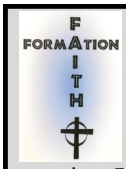
Hurry, time is running out! This is the last weekend to reserve your tickets. February 9 is the Mardi Gras Celebration fundraiser

featuring Fr. Cory's special Gumbo. The event will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 4:00pm-7:00pm. Eat-In & Take Away will be available. Tickets will cost $13 in advance and $15 at the door. Children under 10 eat free with a paying adult, Eat In only. The menu will include: Traditional New Orleans style Gumbo (Andouille sausage, shrimp and chicken), rice, bread, cornbread, dessert and a beverage. We encourage parishioners to bring your neighbors and friends. Families are encouraged to attend for a fun, festive evening of good food, music and more. See the flier in the bulletin for more details. There are three ways to purchase tickets: fill out the form available at the Church entrance, scan the QR code on the flier, or follow the link on the flier. Money raised will support Parish needs.



On Tuesday, February 20th, the Book Discussion Group will discuss *A Canticle for Leibowitz* by *Walter M. Miller, Jr*. We will begin with Morning Prayer at 9:00am, with the discussion following at 9:30am. Coffee and refreshments will be available.

Parish Events Reminder: Those who would like to have events in the church and on the calendar are to contact the church office by email, stfrancis@skybest.com, via phone, 336-246-9151 or by coming to the office. This helps to minimize conflicts in scheduling of events. If an event is not approved and put on the calendar through the office it may not be able to take place due to another event being scheduled. Also, due to insurance and liability issues it is important that Father Cory and the office knows when the facilities are in use. Thank you.



Faith Formation

First Communion and Confirmation Preparation classes will be held on Sunday, February 4, from 5:00pm-6:30pm. Confirmation class will be taught by Fr. Cory. If you have questions, please send to Joánne Kuszaj at jkuszaj@gmail.com or call 336-982-3054.

Calling all Catholic Men! Join other men from the Diocese of Charlotte and surrounding area for a day of faith a fellowship at the **14th Annual Catholic Men's Conference of the Carolinas** at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Charlotte on February 10. The conference features Bishop Rafael Zarama (Diocese of Raleigh) as Celebrant and a lineup of engaging speakers including Jesse Romero, keynote speaker.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit: *www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org* or scan the UR code.

Stewardship Committee

There is a need for more parishioners and varied voices to be involved in the Stewardship Committee. This group does not just focus on Fundraising activities but also has a focus on building a strong Parish Community based on our Catholic Faith helping parishioners grow in their faith. If you are interested in being part of this group, please send an email to stfrancis@skybest.com or call the Office.

The Relics of St. Jude the Apostle, patron of impossible causes, are touring the United States, and will be in our Diocese on ***February 15*** at *St. Ann Catholic Church, 3635 Park Road, Charlotte, NC 28209*. Public veneration begins at 1:00pm, with a special Mass at 7:00pm. For additional information, call 704-523-4641 or visit https://apostleoftheimpossible.com.

Lost and Found Items

The Lost & Found box is located downstairs. If you have lost an item please check the box. Items of value — jewelry, keys, purses — will be held in the office for safe keeping until identified and picked up. Items left in the lost and found box after 30 days will be donated to local charity.

Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís

Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Febrero 4, 2024

Pastor: Padre Cory Catron, 336-246-9151
Ministerio Diocesano Hispano: Aleksandra Banasik, 336-428-6909
Email: stfrancis@skybest.com
Horario de la oficina: Por favor, llame al teléfono
Horarios de misa entre semana: Martes 12:00pm y 6:45pm, Miércoles 12:00pm, Viernes 9:00am
Confesiones: Martes 5:40pm - 6:10pm, Sábado 6:15pm - 7:00pm

Lecturas Bíblicas de febrero 5 - febrero 11, 2024

Lunes: 1 Re 8:1-7, 9-13; Sal 132:6-10; Mc 6:53-56

Martes: 1 Re 8:22-23, 27-30; Sal 84:3-5, 10-11; Mc 7:1-13

Miércoles: 1 Re 10:1-10; Sal 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mc 7:14-23

Jueves: 1 Re 11:4-13; Sal 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mc 7:24-30

Viernes: 1 Re 11:29-32; 12:19; Sal 81:10-15; Mc 7:31-37

Sábado: 1 Re 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Sal 106:6-7, 19-22; Mc 8:1-10

Domingo: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Sal 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31--11:1; Mc 1:40-45

Figuras del Ofertorio

Ofertorio 28 de enero:	$	3,186.00
El Fondo de Rectoria recibió:	$	903.00
Meta hipotecaria necesaria cada mes:	$	4,442.07
Deuda de la rectoría (al 12 de diciembre de 2023):	$	405,300.99

¡Rápido, se acaba el tiempo! Este es el último fin de semana para reservar tus entradas. El 9 de febrero es la recaudación de fondos para la celebración del Mardi Gras con la participación del P. El Gumbo especial de Cory. El evento se llevará a cabo en la Sala de Becas entre las 16:00 y las 19:00 horas. Estará disponible para comer en casa y para llevar. Las entradas costarán 13$ por adelantado y 15$ en taquilla. Los niños menores de 10 años comen gratis con un adulto que pague, solo con comida en casa. El menú incluirá: gumbo tradicional al estilo de Nueva Orleans (salchichas andouille, camarones y pollo), arroz, pan, pan de maíz, postre y una bebida. Alentamos a los feligreses a que traigan a sus vecinos y amigos. Se anima a las familias a asistir para disfrutar de una noche divertida y festiva con buena comida, música y más. Consulte el folleto del boletín para obtener más detalles. Hay tres maneras de comprar entradas: rellena el formulario disponible en la entrada de la Iglesia, escanea el código QR del volante o sigue el enlace que aparece en el volante. El dinero recaudado apoyará las necesidades de la parroquia.

Misas del Miércoles de Ceniza
14th de febrero
12:00pm, Inglés
8:00pm, Español

Intenciones de la Misa: Como católicos, creemos firmemente en los beneficios y el poder de laoración. Una forma muy amorosa de orar por un ser querido es programar una misa por sus intenciones. Para programar una misa, comuníquese con la oficina de la iglesia al stfrancis@skybest.com o al 336-467-0211, o visítenos durante el horario comercial. La solicitud normal de estipendio es de $10.

Formación en la fe

Las clases de preparación para la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación se llevarán a cabo el domingo 4 de febrero, de 17:00 a 18:30. La clase de confirmación será impartida por el P. Cory. Si tiene alguna pregunta, envíela a Joánne Kuszaj a jkuszaj@gmail.com o llame al 336-982-3054.

Objetos perdidos y encontrados
La caja de objetos perdidos se encuentra en la planta baja. Si has perdido un objeto, marca la casilla. Los objetos de valor (joyas, llaves, carteras) se guardarán en la oficina para guardarlos en un lugar seguro hasta que los identifiquen y los recojan. Los artículos que queden en la caja de objetos perdidos después de 30 días se donarán a una organización benéfica local.

Recordatorio de Eventos Parroquiales: Aquellos que deseen tener eventos en la iglesia y en el calendario deben comunicarse con la oficina de la iglesia por correo electrónico, stfrancis@skybest.com, por teléfono, 336-246-9151 o viniendo a la oficina. Esto ayuda a minimizar los conflictos en la programación de eventos. Si un evento no se aprueba y se pone en el calendario a través de la oficina, es posible que no pueda llevarse a cabo debido a que se está programando otro evento.Además, debido a problemas de seguro y responsabilidad civil, es importante que el Padre Cory y la oficina sepan cuándo están en uso las instalaciones. Gracias.

Su ayuda es muy apreciada. Les recordamos cordialmente a todos los feligreses que, por favor, sigan enviando su ofertorio o utilicen la herramienta de donaciones en línea, incluso cuando se cancelen las misas, para poder seguir pagando las facturas mensuales de la parroquia. ¡Gracias!