St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Office Phone:(336) 246-9151 Email: stfrancis@skybest.com Website: http://stfrancisofassisi-jefferson.org/ Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10:00am - 5:00pm Friday: 10:00am - 1:00pm 10:00am—5:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Sign-up only Sunday Sign-up only

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:15pm & 6:30pm - 7:15pm Sunday 8:00am - 8:30am Or by appointment



WELCOME Sunday, December 6, 2020 **Father Cory Catron, Pastor** Deacon Lee Levenson, Deacon

Administrative Assistant:

Chris Gailey wk: 336-246-9151

Pastoral Council:

Joanne Kuszaj—Chairperson 336-982-3054

Finance Council:

Rick LaBonte - Chairperson 336-877-2300

Choir Director:

Randy Revis 336-384-2835

Faith Formation:

Isabel Spencer (Coordinator) 336-877-0883

Home Bound Ministers:

Brings the Eucharist to the Homebound

Please call the church office 336-246-9151

Parish Commissions & Committees Commission Chairperson:

Liturgy/Worship—Vickie Herman 336-877-5656 Parish Life— **Volunteer Needed** Community Life—Diane LaBonte 336-877-2300 Knights of Columbus Prison Ministry — Ecumenism-- Bernadette Zimmerman 336-846-4518 Building/Facilities—Mike Gailey 336-338-2488

Prayer Chain (prayer request):

Chairperson—Mary Rodgers 336-877-5399

Vicariate Hispanic Ministry Coordinator:

336-529-3748 Sergio Lopez

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.

The Second Sunday of Advent



As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way *Mark* 1:2

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 call the church office.

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.

Weekend Masses: Due to the regulations of limited seating we are requiring that attendees to the Sunday Masses sign up prior to attending. Attendance will be limited to the current requirements of social distancing. To sign up for Mass please contact Joanne at 336-982-3054 or jkuszaj@gmail.com. Attendees are asked to wear a mask. Those not able to attend Mass are granted a dispensation.

Live Streaming the 9:00am Sunday Mass on the Parish YouTube Channel. You can find the channel by searching YouTube for "St. Francis of Assisi, Jefferson, NC". The Live Stream will begin approximately 1 minute before Mass. You do not need a Google or YouTube account to simply watch the video. At the conclusion of the Live Stream, the video will be archived and available on the parish YouTube channel within 12-24 hours.

Weekday Masses: In accordance with CDC guidelines and direction of Bishop Jugis attendance is limited to within social distancing recommendations in the worship area.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 6

7:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Monday, December 7

7:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Tuesday, December 8

12:00pm - Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass

7:00pm - Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass, Span-

7:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

8:00pm - Spanish Choir Practice

Wednesday, December 9

7:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Thursday, December 10

6:00pm - Adult Formation Class

7:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Friday, December 11

Our Lady of Guadalupe -- see schedule listed below

Saturday, December 12

8:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession, following Mass

Sunday, December 13

10:00am - Spanish Baptismal Prep Class

Holiday Mass & Event Schedule

(Please note the Christmas Masses will be sign up only and also streamed on the "St. Francis of Assisi, Jefferson, NC" Youtube channel.)

December 3 - 10

7:30pm - Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

December 11—Vigil, Our Lady of Guadalupe

10:00pm - Novena

11:00pm - Mass, Spanish

12:00am - Mañanitas

December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:30pm - Procession after Spanish Mass

December 24th — Christmas Eve

6:30pm - Carols

7:00pm - Christmas Eve Mass, English

10:30pm - Christmas Eve Mass, Spanish, followed by

Rocking Baby Jesus

December 25th — Christmas

9:00am—Christmas Mass, English

December 31st -New Year's Eve. Vigil for Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

10:30pm – Holy Hour

11:30pm – Benediction

12:00am/Midnight – Mass

January 1st—New Year's Day, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9:00am – Mass

9:30am – Adoration

Mass Schedule and Readings

Monday, December 7, No Mass
Scripture: Is 35:1-10, Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14,

Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 8, 12:00pm

Scripture: Gn 3:9-15, 20, Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, Eph 1:3-

6, 11-12, Lk 1:26-38

Spanish Mass, December 8, 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 9, 12:00pm Scripture: Is 40:25-31, Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10, Mt

11:28-30

Thursday, December 10, No Mass

Scripture: Is 41:13-20, Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab,

Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 11, 9:00am

Mass Intention: Arturo Rivera+

Scripture: Is 48:17-19, Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6, Mt 11:16-19

Spanish Mass, December 11, 11:00pm Saturday, December 12, 4:30pm (Sign up only)

Mass Intention: Mary McHugh+

Scripture: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab,

Judith 13:18bcde, 19, Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Spanish Mass, December 12, 7:30pm (Sign-up

only)

Sunday, December 13, 9:00am (Sign-up only)

Mass Intention: Parish Community

Scripture: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11, Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54, 1

Thes 5:16-24, Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Ministry Schedule

Saturday Mass, December 12, 4:30pm

Lector: *John E. **Wayne C.

Greeter: Kathy L. Usher: Jim L.

Sunday, December 13, 9:00am

Lector: *Kryn H. **Joanne K.

Greeter: Tom R. Usher: Tom R.

Altar Linens for December

December 4: Evelyn R. December 11: Kryn H. December 20: Evelyn R. December 29: Kryn H.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Tuesday, December 8th and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Father Cory will offer Masses that day at 12:00pm in English and 7:00pm in Spanish.





Financial Figures		
Offertory November 29:	\$	2,877.00
Offertory received this month:	\$	13,203.00
Offertory needed in November:	\$	12,305.00
Thanksgiving Day Collection:	\$	92.00
Building Fund November 29:	\$	991.00
Building Fund received this month:	\$	5,842.00
Loan Payment needed each month:	\$	5,203.00
Building Debt (as of November 5, 2020):		
Total owed	\$	409,685.00
The 2020 Diocesan Support Appeal		
Our Fair Share:	\$	18,937.00
Amount Given:	\$	13,771.88
Amount Pledged:	\$	818.15
Amount Needed:	\$	4,346.97
Number of Donors:		48

Parishioners are strongly encouraged to mail in their offertory 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.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Our second collection on December 13th is for the *Retirement Fund for Religious*. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

Christmas decorations for the sanctuary: During this Advent and Christmas Season, the parish has placed out envelopes for parishioners to donate money for flowers to decorate the church. If you would like to make a donation in "honor of" or "memory of" your loved ones, please pick up



an envelope on the table in the Church entryway. Please place the envelopes in the black box located on the office door by *Sunday*, *December 20th* as the names will be placed in the bulletin for Christmas. Thank you.

Decoraciones Navideñas para el Santuario

Durante este Adviento y Estación Navideña, la parroquia ha puesto sobres para que los parroquianos que deseen donar dinero hacia las flores para decorar la iglesia. Si usted desea hacer una donación en "honor de" o "en memoria de" sus seres queridos, favor de recoger o tomar un sobre en la mesa de la entrada de la Iglesia. Por favor, coloque los sobres en la caja negra ubicada en la puerta de la oficina para el *domingo 20 de diciembre*, ya que los nombres se colocarán en el boletín para Navidad. Gracias.

Update on Ashe County Children's Christmas Project (ACCCP)

Thank you to the 27 families who either bought gifts for a child or donated money to the project. We were able to provide Christmas gifts to 33 children! Among the gifts from our generous parishioners were toys, books, clothes, games, blankets, comforters, a skateboard, a toddler "go mobile", 3 bikes and 3 laptop computers. Thank you to all participants in the project.

Inclement Weather Policy: In the event of severe weather it is advised that common sense prevail. If the weather and road conditions are dangerous to travel please stay home. Closure of the office and cancellation announcements of Mass are set up to be announced on Ray's Weather.com and WSOC. Please note that WSOC does not allow messages to be typed in, but instead are limited to generic options to choose from when posting weather notices. Due to this WSOC will only be used for weather notifications when cancellation of all activities—functions and Mass—are necessary. The advice throughout is safety first and to not travel if conditions are hazardous.

2021 Calendars that have been graciously donated to us from Boone Family Funeral Home are now available in the vestibule. Please limit 1 per household.

Parishioners, Family Members and Friends in need of Special Prayer: Lynn Marie Gregor, Marilyn Reihle, Kevin Gouge, Patrick Fulkerson, Logan Tyler Hollars, Refugio Calvillo, Penny Hession, TC Huntsinger, Felicitas Bugarin Santos, Lynn Miller, Jane Faber, Meaghen Price, Paul Hughes, Arjean Miller, Ron Carriero, Peggy Bieber, Martha Esser, Carol Phillips, Andy Stuhrenberg, John Moran, Peggy Schaffer, Frank Turnmire, Kristina Hoekstra. May God bless you!

15th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte January 8, 2021

The day will begin with a Mass for the Unborn at 9:00am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 6828 Old Reid Rd. Charlotte, NC 28210. At 11:00am we will start to gather at the parking lot across the street from the Diocese of Charlotte Pastoral Center at 1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC. At 12:00pm we will march to Trade and Tryon where Fr. Noah Carter, Pastor of Holy Cross Catholic Church will preach. After the prolife testimonies we will pray the Most Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please join others to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details at www.marchforlifecharlotte.org.

Walk For Life



Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís Segundo Domingo de Adviento Diciembre 6, 2020

Diciembre 6, 2020
Pastor: Padre Cory Catron, 336-246-9151

Ministerio Diocesano Hispano: Sergio López, 336-529-3748

Email: stfrancis@skybest.com

Horario de la oficina: De Lunes a Jueves 10:00am—5:00pm y Viernes 10:00am - 1:00pm

Misas de fin de semana: Contacto Isabel López, 336-620-3557.

Horarios de misa entre semana: Martes y Miércoles 12:00pm, Viernes 9:00am

Confesiones: Sábado 6:30pm - 7:15pm

Lecturas Bíblicas de diciembre 7 - 13, 2020

Lunes: Isaías 35:1-10, Salmo 85:9ab y 10, 11-12, 13-14,

Lucas 5:17-26

Martes: Génesis 3:9-15, 20, Salmo 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4,

Efesios 1:3-6, 11-12, Lucas 1:26-38

Miércoles: Isaías 40:25-31, Salmo 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 y 10,

Mateo 11:28-30

Jueves: Isaías 41:13-20, Salmo 145:1 y 9, 10-11, 12-

13ab, Mateo 11:11-15

Viernes: Isaías 48:17-19, Salmo 1:1-2, 3, 4 y 6, Mateo

11:16-19

Sábado: Zacarías 2:14-17 o Apocalipsis 11:19a; 12:1-

6a, 10ab, Judit 13:18bcde, 19, Lucas 1:26-38 o Lucas

1:39-47

Domingo: Isaías 61:1-2a, 10-11, Lucas 1:46-48, 49-50,

53-54, 1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-24, Juan 1:6-8, 19-28

Inmaculada Concepción Viernes 8 de Diciembre 12:00pm y 7:00pm



Figuras del Ofertorio

Ofertorio noviembre 29: \$ 2,877.00

Planificación familiar natural

El programa de Planificación Familiar Natural (PFN) de Catholic Charities continúa ofreciendo cursos en línea y planes para reanudar la instrucción en persona durante el Año Nuevo. Los cursos en línea actuales incluyen Planificación familiar natural en inglés o español, un nuevo curso llamado "Conoce tu cuerpo" para cualquier mujer que quiera entender su ciclo menstrual como un signo vital, y un retiro para padres e hijas, diseñado para ayudar a los padres a guiar sus hijas a través de los cambios de la pubertad y convertirse en mujeres. Todos los cursos incorporan la enseñanza de la Iglesia sobre la dignidad femenina. Para obtener más información, visite ccdoc.org/nfp o comuníquese con Batrice Adcock, MSN, en Catholic Charities, (704) - 370-3230 o bnadcock@charlottediocese.org.

Horario de Misa de Día Festivo

3 - 10 Diciembre

7:30pm - Novena, Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

8 Diciembre - Inmaculada Concepción, Santo día de Obligación

7:00pm - Misa

11 Diciembre -Vigilia, Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

10:00pm - Novena

11:00pm - Misa en Español

12:00am - Mañanitas

24 Diciembre — Vispera de Navidad

6:30pm - Villancicos, Ingles

7:00pm – Misa Víspera de Navidad en Ingles

10:30pm — Misa Víspera de Navidad en Español

25 Diciembre — Navidad

9:00am—Misa de Navidad en Ingles

31 Diciembre - Vigilia por la Solemnidad de María, la Madre de Dios

10:30pm – ora Santa

11:30pm – Bendición

12:00am/Medianoche – Misa

1 Enero—Año Nuevo, Solemnidad de María, la

Madre de Dios

9:00am—Misa

9:30am - Adoración



