

Roman Catholic Church of St Frances of Rome, St Francis of Assisi, St Anthony and Our Lady of Grace

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday : 9:00AM—6:00PM

MASS TIMES

Church of St Frances of Rome

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM; 9:30 AM; 11:00 AM (Spanish); 12:30 PM

Mass Center: Saint Francis of Assisi (SFA) School

4330 Baychester Ave, Bronx NY 10466

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Weekdays: 9:00 AM Mon—Sat (St Frances of Rome)

8:00 AM on Saturday (St Francis of Assisi Mass Center):

Confessions: Saturdays: 4:15PM—4:45PM—in the Upper church

Pastor : Fr Georginus Ejiofor Ugwu, MSP
Associate Pastor: Fr. Francis Oroffa MSP
Sunday Associates: Fr Peter R. Pilsner, Fr Hippolytus Duru , Fr Charles Udokang
Deacons — Joe Mulryan and John Maulucci
Baptismal Instructions- Dcn. John Maulucci /Jose Ojeda/
Community Outreach—Lorrin Johnson
DRE—Brother Lucian Knaap,, CFC
English Choir – Jose Cabada
Liturgy committee—Lorrin Johnson
Marriage Prep— Fr. Ejiofor Ugwu
Nursing Home Ministry Coordinator
Organist - Eugene Klymyshyn
Parish Music Director - Carmine R. Abate (SFR)
Parish Secretary—Melissa Leal
RCIA—Dcn John Maulucci & Jose Ojeda
Religious Education Office: 718-324.5340 ext.4
Religious Education Secretary: Michelle Roman
CLUB MEETINGS:
Adult Club Every Tuesday at 12:00 Noon
Men's Club 3rd Sunday of the month at 2:00PM
Women's Club 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00PM

MINISTRIES & SOCIETIES

****All Meetings are in the Convent unless otherwise stated****

Atlagracia: 3rd Sunday after 11:00 AM Mass
Baptismal Instruction Class Second Tuesday 7:00 PM
Bereavement Support: 4th Tuesday 7:00 PM
Charismatic Prayer Ministry: Every other Sunday 5:00PM—7:00PM
Círculo de Oración: Monday 7PM—Lower Church
Finance Council Meeting: As announced
Food Pantry Ministry: Posted Schedule, bi-weekly
Haitian Charismatic Prayer Group: Tuesday 6:30PM –9:00PM
Holy Name Society: 2nd Sunday after 9:30AM Mass
Hospitality Committee: 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Liturgy Committee Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the month in the convent at 7PM
Marriage Preparation Class by appointment
Pastoral Council Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the Month
Prayer Shawl Ministry: 2nd and 4th Sunday 9:00 AM- 12:00 Noon"
RCIA: Sunday 11:00 A.M
Sagrado Corazón: 2nd Sunday after 11:00AM Mass
St. Martin de Porres : 1st Sunday after 9:30AM Mass
St. Monica Society: 3rd Sunday after 9:30AM Mass
Sunday Coffee Hour: Sundays. After each Mass
Youth Ministries: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 2:00PM

PARISH PROGRAMS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturdays: 9:00AM—12 Noon
Religious Education Program
Sundays 11:00 AM—12:30 PM (Ends with Mass)
Choir Practice Saturdays
Praise & Worship Choir—Saturday —12:30 PM
Parish Main Choir—Saturday—2:00 PM
Spanish Choir—Saturday—2PM: Lower Church

Marriage

Couples who wish to marry should speak with one of the parish priests at least six months (preferably a year) in advance. Wedding date, time and venue should not be scheduled without first registering with the parish.

Infant Baptism

Parents must pre-register by visiting the rectory and providing the child's birth certificate.
 Infant Baptism in Spanish is celebrated at 2:00 P.M on the 3rd Sunday of the month in the upper church at Saint Frances of Rome.
 Infant Baptism in English is celebrated at 2:00PM on the 4th Sunday of the month

5:00 PM (SFR) Esther Arias (+) (2nd Anniversary)

Sunday October 29th, Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Readings: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

8:00AM (SFR) Fr. Peter Akogu (+), Ernesto Irene Orsino (+)

9:30 AM (SFR) Judy Green (Birthday)

10:00 AM (SFA) Johanna Hunt (+); Br. Lucian & Family

11:00 AM (SFR) Jesus Maria Aquino (+); Teodoro Gonzalez (+) (23 year anniversary) & Sulema Felix (+)

12:30PM(SFR) Mary Ayanwu (+); Rose Amadasu & Family

Monday October 30th, Weekday

Readings: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17

9:00 AM (SFR) Joseph A Pereira (+)

Tuesday October 31st, Weekday

Readings: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21

9:00 AM (SFR) Lucia de Castro (+) (1st Anniversary)

Wednesday November 1st, ALL SAINTS

Readings: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

9:00 AM (SFR) Johanna Hunt (+)

Thursday November 2nd, THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls Day)

Readings: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

9:00 AM (SFR) Osakue; Omijie & Aburekhanlen Family (Thanksgiving & Special Intension)

Friday November 3rd, Weekday

Readings: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

9:00AM (SFR) Johanna Hunt (+); Maria Anna Encarnason (+)

Saturday November 4th, Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Readings: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11

8:00 AM (SFA) Johanna Hunt (+); Br. Lucian & Family

9:00 AM (SFR) Louis Manzi (+)

5:00 PM (SFR) Joyce Bodha (+)

Sunday November 5th, Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

Readings: 1Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1-3; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

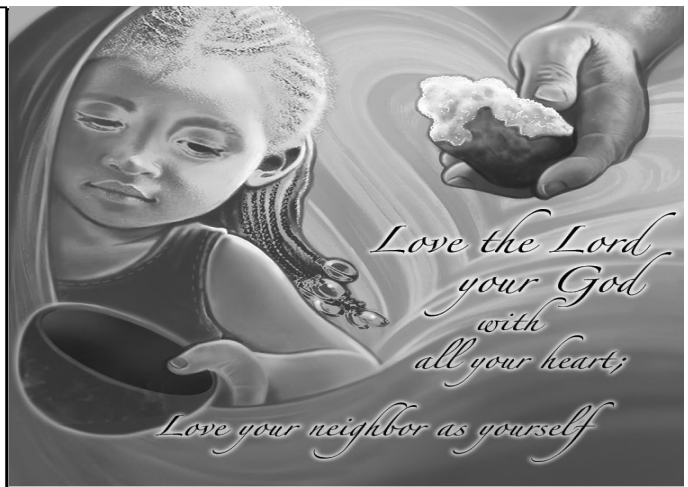
8:00 AM (SFR) Carol Bruce (+)

9:30 AM (SFR) Almeida Family (Thanksgiving for all our blessings)

10:00 AM (SFA) Dorothy McIntyre (+)

11:00AM(SFR) Celestina Rodriguez (+); Maria Mercedes Fernandez (+)

12:30 (SFR) Merlyn Leacock (Birthday)



BALANCE

Today's scriptures emphasize the fundamental link between love of God and love of our neighbors, especially those who are most in need. Love of God should compel us to love the people whom God cherishes. Conversely, work for justice and charity for those in need should be rooted in our love of God.

That connection and balance, however, isn't always easy to maintain in our lives. Even in religious orders we find that some Christians are more oriented toward contemplation and prayer, while others are more active in reaching out to those who are oppressed. Today Jesus reminds us of the necessity for both in the life of faith.

EQUILIBRIO

Las lecturas bíblicas de hoy recalcan el lazo fundamental que existe entre el amor de Dios y el amor al prójimo, especialmente a los más necesitados. El amor de Dios debe impulsarnos a amar a la gente a quien Dios aprecia. A la inversa, el trabajo por la justicia y la caridad en pro de los necesitados debe estar enraizado en nuestro amor a Dios. Sin embargo, esa conexión y equilibrio no son siempre fáciles de mantener en nuestra vida. Aun en las órdenes religiosas hallamos a algunos cristianos más orientados hacia la contemplación y la oración, mientras que otros son más activos en su servicio a los oprimidos. Hoy Jesús nos recuerda la necesidad de ambos aspectos en la vida de fe.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Tomasina Rodrigues, Angel Acosta, Stefano Angel, Nancy Medina, Paryeen Maadan, Alice Wright, Natalie Migliaccio, Daphne Abdela, Charlotte Trafton and Camille Kelly . Let us also remember to pray for all caregivers.

Request a Mass for your intentions

The custom of offering the Holy Mass for specific intentions is rooted in Catholic tradition. The Church teaches us that the Eucharist is the fount and apex of our life in Christ. It is the greatest possible prayer of intercession for our own needs and those of others. This is because it is the perfect reenactment of the Passion, death and resurrection of the Father's Only Son (Lumen Gentium 2:11). In the Mass, we the faithful offer up our own selves in union with Christ and also, in a special way, offer up Christ to his Father as our Supreme Intercessor. The catholic faithful request to have a mass celebrated for their specific intentions by making an offering—a parting with something which unites their prayers with those of Christ who offered his life for them. The sacrifice of Mass is infinitely valuable and can be requested as many times as possible by the faithful. Importantly, the offering of a stipend for the Mass is a holy practice of supporting the church and our priests' ministry.

How to book a Mass

To request a mass, you may go to the rectory; send an email to stfrancesofrome@yahoo.com; call the parish office at 718-324-5340; or drop your mass request in the collection basket. Please include your contact number.

Parish Dinner Dance

This Sunday is our Parish Dinner Dance at Maestro's Caterers. Tickets are still available after mass. Adult tickets are \$100.00 each. Tickets for children under 12 are \$50.00 each. We are inviting everyone to please join us at the dinner beginning at 4:00PM. The address is 1703 Bronxdale Avenue Bronx NY 10462.

Communion of the Sick

For communion and anointing of the sick and the homebound, please call the rectory at (718)324-5340. When a parishioner is hospitalized, a family member should call the rectory as soon as possible.



*In St. Frances of Rome's Lower Church
Saturdays 9:00 AM—12:00 Noon*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

- Please be advised that the official Facebook page for our parish is St. Frances of Rome Church. There is another page in existence, St. Frances of Rome's Church that has no affiliation with our parish. For questions or additional information, you may contact Margaret Revereira.
- Salesian High School will give the Scholarship exam on December 2nd at 8:30 AM. for further information please call (914)632-0248.
- All Saints Day a holy day of obligation, is Wednesday November 1st. Mass will be held at Saint Frances of Rome Church at 9:00AM and 7:00 PM.
- All Souls Day- is Thursday November 2nd. Mass will be held at Saint Frances of Rome Church at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.
- Our church is a tithing church. We thank all those who support our church with their weekly tithes and donations. We encourage everyone to please remember this church in their budget and in prayers.
- Sunday October 22, 2017 \$6,414.63
God bless you all.....
- There will be a second collection for hurricane relief on November 12th.

Appreciation

The pastor and his assistant express their sincere gratitude to all the parishioners and friends of Saint Frances of Rome Church for the successful celebration of the 120th Anniversary opening Mass last Sunday. May God bless and reward each one of you abundantly for your service and commitment to our parish.