

Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday, Jan 18

4:00PM † MaryAnn Twiss (30th Ann). req by M. P. Rivard & Family.

Sunday, Jan. 19 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM † Steven Leger...req by Parishioners

11:00AM† Claudio Contreras.... req by parishioners

Monday, Jan. 20

8:00AM† NO MASS

Tuesday, Jan. 21

6:00PM † NO MASS

Wednesday, Jan. 22

8:00AM † NO MASS

Thursday, Jan 23

8:00AM † NO MASS

Friday, Jan 24

6:00PM † Rev. Gerald Dorais... req by Pat Krysiak

Saturday, Jan 25

4:00PM † Louis Morin ...req by Tony & Joan Catalfamo

Sunday, Jan 26

9:00AM† Isaias Vera (4th month) ...req by the family
11:00AM†



The Blessed Sacrament lamp is lit for Lydia Ocasio requested by the family.

A candle to Our Blessed Mother is lit for those who suffering in Puerto Rico.

A candle to St. Francis of Assisi is lit for peace in the world.

In Loving Remembrance

In your charity, please pray for all the souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace. AMEN.

Parish Support

Jan 11-12

Offertory: \$2,451

Maintenance: \$43

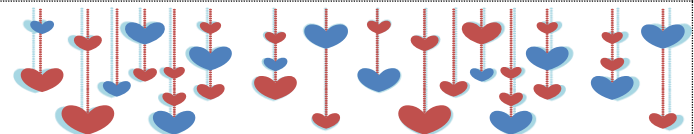
Fuel: \$180



Total: \$2,674

Remember when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received, only what you have given,"

St. Francis of Assisi



Valentine's Ball

February 15, 2020 at 7PM

Come and join us Saint Francis Church Valentine's Day Ball. We will have candle light dinner, music, live performances, and a night of love and laughter. This is an adult event only 21+, tickets will be sold by the couple for \$50.00 or single for \$25.00.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sacramental Class – Saturday, January 25th

No CCD Classes - Sunday, January 19th

Teacher's Meeting Sunday, January 19th at 10 AM.

Religious Education ... Parent, Please, be advised Storm Watch Classes Closing- This is the time the weather is changing, if there is a snow (ice) storm and we don't have classes, please check the Fox news 25 and expect a call from the teachers or the Coordinator.



"Share Your Table with Love"

The needs for our St. Vincent de Paul food Pantry for the month

January: tuna, canned meat (spam ham), beef stew, canned chicken, canned fruit, Mac & Cheese, Jelly,

Cereal, boxed potatoes, salad, dressing and Raman soup.

Thank You for your donations.

"When I was hungry you gave food...."

****Food Pantry Hours: Friday 12:30 -2:00PM****

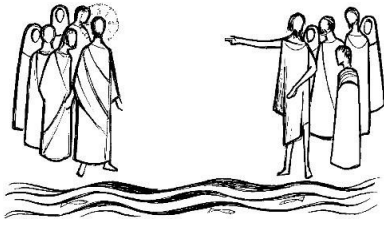
2020 Tax Statements

If you need your annual statements, please let us know. In your offertory envelope, let us know that you would like a statement. Annual reports will be available by the end of January.

FUELFUND

Winter is here!

We encourage you to consider a donation to our fuel fund to help us to defray the bills for fuel during the winter season... Thank you!



In some way, our gospel today is a continuation of last Sunday's when Jesus was baptized. It begins, 'The next day, (John) saw Jesus

coming towards him and said, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.... I saw the Spirit descending on him like a dove.' He finishes the gospel with this great proclamation;

'I myself have seen and testify (that) this is the Chosen One of God.'

Again, Jesus is being publicly acknowledged and announced by John; this is John's role and vocation. He is the herald and witness who asks us to prepare a way for the Lord. John is a message in time; Jesus on the other hand is the Word for Eternity. John, while recognizing his own mission says of himself; I am not worthy to untie his sandals; he must increase and I must decrease. This is not about John thinking less of himself, but rather appreciating humbly his role in being the messenger of God who leads and points people and us today to Jesus.

The two titles that John gives Jesus; Lamb of God and Chosen One of God are important. They are not just names, that are what Jesus does and who he is. They describe his identity and his mission. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world because he is the Chosen One of God.

When we were baptized, we become one with Jesus in his life, death and resurrection which also includes the forgiveness of our sins. Through the waters and blessing of baptism we are washed, made new and cleansed. Then we, as his followers, like John are called to be the messengers and witnesses of Jesus. Being baptized gives us the right to call ourselves sons and daughters of God; it also gives us the responsibility of living as witnesses to Jesus and of being his followers and friends in our daily lives.

Pope Francis reminds us of this when he says; 'Because of their baptism, all members of the People of God have now become missionary disciples.... We no longer say that we are missionaries or that we are disciples. But rather that we are always 'missionary disciples. (The Joy of the Gospel: 120).

Our vocation as disciples of Jesus is twofold; firstly, to hear the word of God that he speaks to us and then secondly to live this word in our daily lives as his witnesses in the world. It is through the quality of our lives that we give witness to Jesus. It is said that we live our faith more through our actions and what we do rather than what we say.

What do my actions and the quality of my daily life tell and show others about relationship with Jesus?

Sing & Praise

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will



Hymns: Second Ordinary Time

Processional: # 542 "Here I am Lord"

Offertory: # 572 "Sing a New Church"

Communion: # 525 "Gift of Finest Wheat"

Processional: # 573 "The Church is One Foundation"

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NO WEEKLY MASS - January 13th -17th & 20th -23rd
Fr. Kyeremateng will be giving the English Mass, Saturday, January 18th at 4pm and January 19th at 9am. Fr. Engo will be giving the Spanish Mass on January 19th at 11am Mass.

Please Note! If There is no School due to bad weather, we will not have daily Mass of the week.

Please Note! During Winter, Please **DO NOT** park near the Church building (Left Side Facing of the building) because of ice drop.

Please submit articles and notices to put on the bulletin NO Later than Monday before 12PM.

Happening at St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday, Jan 19th –No CCD Classes

Monday, Jan 20th No Mass

Tuesday, Jan 21st No Mass

Wednesday, January 22nd No Mass

Thursday, January 23rd No Mass

Friday, January 17th Food

Pantry...church hall...12:30PM _ 2PM.

Mass 6 PM

Saturday, January 18th ...Adoration

Blessed Sacrament 12:30pm – 3PM

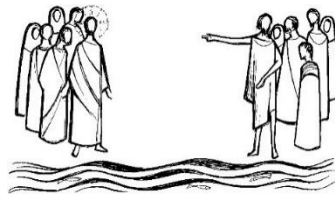
3-3:40.... Confessions...church

No reservations for St. Francis of Assisi Hall.

There will be no reservations before or during Advent, Lent or HOLY days. Any questions or concern, please feel free to contact the rectory.

Are you baptized, catechized Roman Catholic adult (18 or older) who has never been confirmed? The Diocese of Worcester will celebrate a diocesan-wide adult Confirmation on Sunday Feb. (at the Cathedral of St. Paul. A retreat to prepare for Confirmation will offered on Sunday January 26 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 555 Pleasant Street in Worcester. If interested, please contact your pastor for more information.

20th Anniversary Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference Men (of all ages, including teens and college Students) are invited to this important 20th Anniversary Conference, scheduled for Assumption College on Saturday, March 28. Visit the conference website at www.firstmensconf.org for information and to purchase ticket online and elsewhere. Come hear dynamic talks from outstanding catholic leaders: **Dr. Scott t Hahn** (Two presentations), **Luis Soto** (English and Spanish) and with Bishop Robert Reed of Boston speaking on the need for confession. Bishop and priest will hear confession. **Bishop McManus** will offer the Conference Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information or registration, Call Joan DeMasi at 508-929-4345. Adult tickets are \$45 until March 11th, afterwards \$60. **Students tickets are always \$30.**



De alguna manera, nuestro evangelio de hoy es una continuación del domingo pasado cuando Jesús fue bautizado. Comienza, 'Al día siguiente, (Juan) vio a Jesús venir hacia él y dijo: 'Aquí está el Cordero de Dios que quita los pecados del mundo ... Vi al Espíritu descender sobre él como una paloma ". Termina el evangelio con esta gran proclamación;

"Yo mismo he visto y testifico (que) este es el Elegido de Dios".

Nuevamente, Jesús está siendo reconocido y anunciado públicamente por Juan; Este es el papel y la vocación de Juan. Él es el heraldo y testigo que nos pide que preparemos un camino para el Señor. Juan es un mensaje en el tiempo; Jesús, por otro lado, es la Palabra para la eternidad. Juan, aunque reconoce su propia misión, dice de sí mismo; No soy digno de desatar sus sandalias; él debe aumentar y yo debo disminuir. No se trata de que Juan piense menos de sí mismo, sino que aprecie humildemente su papel de ser el mensajero de Dios que dirige y señala a las personas y a nosotros a Jesús.

Los dos títulos que Juan le da a Jesús; Cordero de Dios y Elegido de Dios son importantes. No son solo nombres, eso es lo que hace Jesús y quién es él. Describen su identidad y su misión. Jesús es el Cordero de Dios que quita los pecados del mundo porque él es el Elegido de Dios.

Cuando fuimos bautizados, nos convertimos en uno con Jesús en su vida, muerte y resurrección, que también incluye el perdón de nuestros pecados. A través de las aguas y la bendición del bautismo somos lavados, hechos nuevos y limpios. Luego, nosotros, como sus seguidores, como Juan, estamos llamados a ser los mensajeros y testigos de Jesús. Ser bautizado nos da el derecho de llamarnos hijos e hijas de Dios; También nos da la responsabilidad de vivir como testigos de Jesús y de ser sus seguidores y amigos en nuestra vida diaria.

El Papa Francisco nos recuerda esto cuando dice; 'Debido a su bautismo, todos los miembros del Pueblo de Dios se han convertido en discípulos misioneros ... Ya no decimos que somos misioneros o que somos discípulos. Sino que somos siempre 'discípulos misioneros. (La alegría del Evangelio: 120).

Nuestra vocación como discípulos de Jesús es doble; en primer lugar, escuchar la palabra de Dios que nos habla y luego, vivir esta palabra en nuestra vida cotidiana como sus testigos en el mundo. Es a través de la calidad de nuestras vidas que damos testimonio de Jesús. Se dice que vivimos nuestra fe más a través de nuestras acciones y de lo que hacemos que de lo que decimos.

¿Qué dicen y muestran mis acciones y la calidad de mi vida diaria a otros sobre la relación con Jesús?

**Novena y Fiesta de la Virgen de la Alta Gracia.
La Novena Comenzara el 17 -25 de enero, 2020.**



La fiesta de la Virgen de Alta Gracias es el 26 de enero después de la misa.

- 1. viernes, 17 de enero – Vicente Darte y Betty.**
- 2. sábado, 18 de enero – María Ortiz**
- 3. domingo, 19 de enero – Ada Coss y Danny.**

- 4. lunes, 20 de enero – Nasaria Mateo**
 - 5. martes 21 de enero – Richard y Sara**
 - 6. miércoles 22 de enero – Lilian Y Yamil**
 - 7. jueves 23 de enero – Pedro y Carmen Urbina**
 - 8. viernes 24 de enero – Yova y Roberto Feliz**
 - 9. sábado 25 de enero – Yane y Fernando Duarte.**
- La Novena comienza a la 7:00PM en los siguientes hogares.

Las personas interesadas en ayudar a organizar la celebración de la Virgen de la Alta Gracias, por favor comunicante con Garibaldi Florian, María Paulino o Sara Sánchez.

¡Tengan en cuenta! Si no hay escuela debido al mal tiempo, no tendremos misa diaria durante la semana.

¡Tengan en cuenta! Durante el invierno, **NO** se estacione al lado izquierdo del edificio mirando de frente de la iglesia debido a la caída de hielo.

NOTICIAS DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

- Clase de Sacramento – Sábado, 24 de enero
- Clase de Catecismo - Domingo 12 de enero
- No hay clases de CCD - Domingo 19 de enero

Clase de Liturgia

La Clase de Liturgia comenzara el lunes 27 de enero a las 7PM en el Hall de la iglesia.

No abra Misa durante la semana de 13-17 de enero y 20-23 de enero
Por favor marque su calendario

Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana
Daily Scripture Readings

Lunes, 20 de enero//Monday, Jan 20

1 Samuel 15:16-23
Salmo//Psalm 50:8-9
San Marcos//Mark 2:18-22

Martes, 21 de enero//Tuesday, Jan 21

1 Samuel 16:1-13
Salmo//Psalm 89:20-22,27-28
San Marcos//Mark 2:23-28

Miércoles, 22 de enero// Wednesday, Jan. 22

1 Samuel 17:32-33,37
Salmo//Psalm 144:1b-2,9-10
San Marcos//Mark 3:1-6

Jueves, 23 de enero // Thursday, Jan. 23

1 Samuel 18:6-9,19:1-7
Salmo//Psalm 56:2-3,9-13
San Marcos//Mark 3:7-12

Viernes, 24 de enero// Friday, Jan 24

1 Samuel 24:3-21
Salmo//Psalm 57:2—4,6,11
San Marcos//Mark 3:13-19

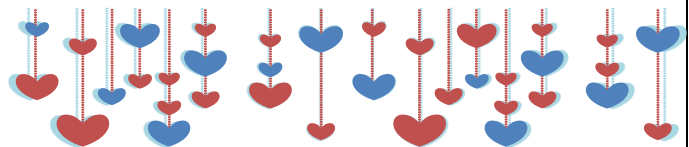
Sabado, 25 de enero // Saturday, Jan 25

Acto//Act 22:3-16
Salmo// Psalm 117:1-2
San Marcos//Mark 16:15-18

Domingo, 26// Sunday, Jan 26

Third Sunday in Ordinary time
Isaías//Isaiah 8:23—9:3
Salmo//Psalm 27:1,4,13-14
1 Corintios//1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17
San Marcos//Mark 4:12-23

Baile de San Valentín
Febrero 15 a las 7PM



Ven y acompáñanos a nosotros Baile del Día de San Valentín en la Iglesia de San Francisco. Tendremos una cena a la luz de las velas, música, presentaciones en vivo. Sera una noche llena de amor y risas. Solamente para adultos de 21+ años, los boletos serán vendidos por pareja por \$ 50.00 o individuales por \$ 25.00.

