



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

July 2021

Dear Parishioner of St. Francis of Assisi:

By the grace of God, our community is emerging (slowly, but surely) from months of lockdowns and isolation. Every summer, we commence our planning for our St. Francis of Assisi Parish Feast Day celebration on the first weekend of October. It is our annual opportunity to honor our patron saint—to implore his intercession in our work and mission.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is a Roman Catholic community of disciples working together for the glory of God and our spiritual growth in Jesus Christ. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we live and share the Gospel through worship, education and service.

This year is our 27th Anniversary of our Raffle—the largest fundraiser our parish undertakes each year. The Raffle proceeds provide crucial support to the over forty ministries in our parish: youth programs, ministering to the sick and the homebound, and faith formation.

Last year, we transitioned from the labor-intensive traditional Raffle to an online Sweepstakes— *Rally Up*. You can get your ticket entries from the comfort of your home: <https://go.rallyup.com/sfoafundraiser>. Entry prices are 25 for \$25; 75 for \$50; 200 for \$100; 400 for \$150 & 600 for \$200.

This year's Grand Prize is \$15,000 in cash. Second Prize is \$1,000. Third Prize is \$500. Our drawing will take place on Sunday, Oct 3, 2021.

You can also support our parish by participating in our Online Auction. Some of the great items include a Vacation Getaways, Laptop Computer, Kindle E-Reader, Handmade Quilts as well as some wonderful gift baskets. Just go to <https://go.rallyup.com/sfoaauction> to make your bid.

Please help support our parish in these extraordinary times. We need your help now more than ever to support our ministries that help so many people. This and more information is on our parish webpage <https://sfoasj.com> and our weekly Constant Contact email. You can also call us at the Parish Office for assistance 408.223-1562.

St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us.

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