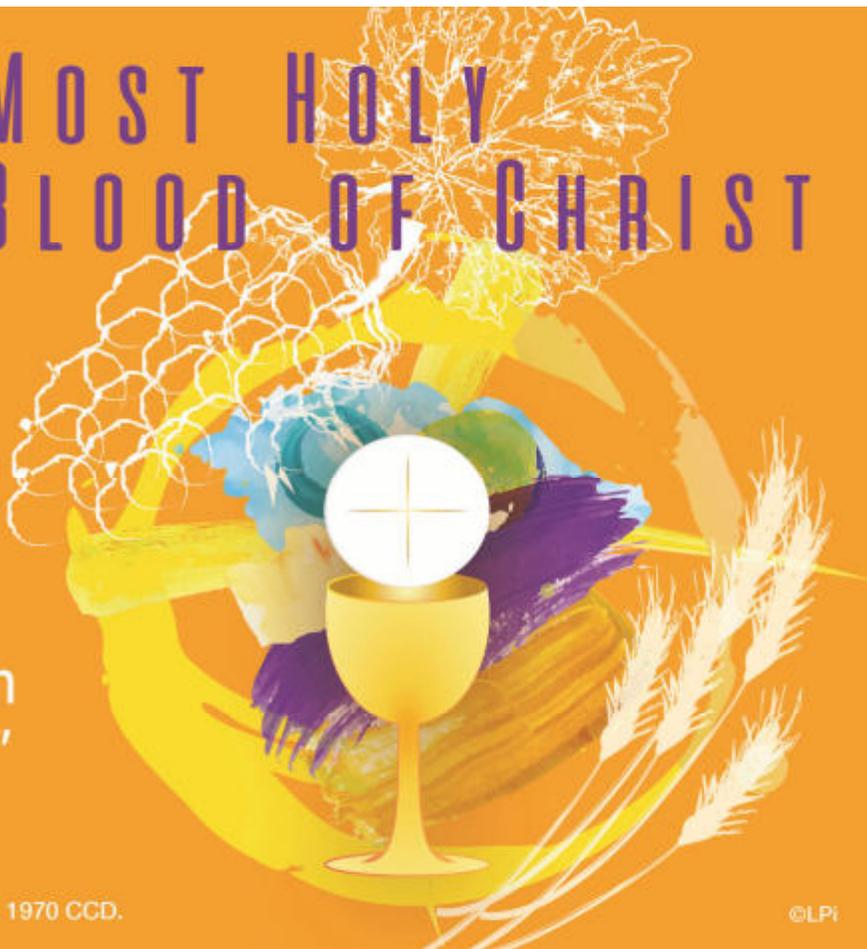


THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

"I am the living bread
that came down from
heaven; whoever eats
this bread will live
forever; and the bread
that I will give is my flesh
for the life of the world."
- Jn 6:51



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Prayer for Vocations

Almighty and eternal God,
who in your great mercy hear our prayer, the harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few, we plead to you to send out laborers for your harvest. In your mercy, open the hearts of your servants whom you call to the priesthood to hear and respond. In your mercy, open our hearts that we may become a community that fosters greater vocations through our prayers and open support of those whom you call. Through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ **St. Francis of Assisi Parish**

Adoration Schedule

Will be updated in the coming weeks. Please stay tuned! We appreciate your patience.

Confessions are available by Appointment.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Mass Times - Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

(4PM & 10:30 AM are livestreamed each week)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Mass will take place in the Church Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at **Noon**.
There will be NO daily Mass on Wednesday.

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday: 9:00 AM - 12 Noon (The office is still closed to public but staff is working and available to answer your call.)

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Welcome

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

Mass Intentions for the Week Ahead



Saturday, June 5

4:00pm Parishioners of St. Francis Parish

Sunday, June 6

8:00am Fr. Jerry Hogan ~ Memorial

10:30am Mary Ann Hunt ~ Memorial

Monday, June 7

12:00pm Ann Marie McCarthy ~ Memorial

Tuesday, June 8

12:00pm Ursula Steele ~ Living Intention

Wednesday, June 9

No Mass

Thursday, June 10

12:00pm

Friday, June 11

12:00pm

Saturday, June 12

4:00pm Domenico Armano ~ Memorial

Sunday, June 13

8:00am Parishioners of St. Francis Parish

10:30am Marianne Lafford ~ Memorial

Fr. Jerry Hogan ~ Memorial

Booking Mass Intentions

Please feel free to **CALL** the Parish Office to book a Weekday or Weekend Mass Intention. At this time we are booking Masses 6 months in advance. We have a decent number of openings available!

Mission Statement

Our mission at St. Francis of Assisi is to faithfully fulfill the teachings of Jesus Christ. Centered in the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist and the sacramental life of the Catholic Church, we strive to create an atmosphere of spiritual development. By reaching out and welcoming others, our faith community continues to provide dignity and improve the quality of life for all those we serve.

SAINT FRANCIS PARISH



Welcome Fr. Kevin!



Photos by Sharon Coram



Weekend Readings & Mass Prayers

First Reading

When Moses came to the people and related all the words and ordinances of the LORD, they all answered with one voice, "We will do everything that the LORD has told us." Moses then wrote down all the words of the LORD and, rising early the next day, he erected at the foot of the mountain an altar and twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then, having sent certain young men of the Israelites to offer holocausts and sacrifice young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD, Moses took half of the blood and put it in large bowls; the other half he splashed on the altar. Taking the book of the covenant, he read it aloud to the people, who answered, "All that the LORD has said, we will heed and do." Then he took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his."

***The Word of the Lord,
- Thanks be to God***

Second Reading:

Brothers and sisters:
When Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.
For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.
For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

***The Word of the Lord,
- Thanks be to God***

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel:

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover. While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

The Gospel of the Lord.

The wait is over! Now is the time to sign up for this trip of a lifetime. As of right now we still need more people to sign up to go on this trip. We are so excited to start up our annual Pilgrimages again!

If anyone has any questions they can reach out to Jessica here at St. Francis at jkeefe@saintfrancis.net or by calling the Parish Office.

If you would like to reach Deacon John directly, his email is deaconjohn@chelmsfordcatholic.org

Flyers can also be picked up at the welcome desk or in the Parish Office.

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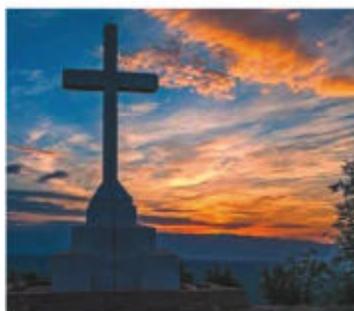
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Any eligibly senior who would like to apply should contact Jessica in the Parish Office or at jkeefe@saintfrancis.net.

Applications are available in the Parish office and the deadline to submit them will be June 20th.

Congratulations to this years graduating class and best of luck with all of your future endeavors!



Knights of Columbus Council 4225 FUNDdrive

Saturday June 19, 2021

9am - 2pm

St. Francis Parking Lot

Don't forget to start a donation pile and get those closets and attics cleaned out for good!

We are collecting:

Men and women's clothes, coats, shoes, handbags, wallets, etc
Household Textiles: towels, linens, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

Small Household Goods: Kitchen Items, home decorative items, small electronics and more.

See our Parish Constant Contact for more information!

If you have any questions please email Jon McLaughlin at JPM0887@gmail.com



Frequently Asked Questions about Stephen Ministry

What are Stephen Ministers? Stephen Ministers are laypeople trained to provide one-to-one, Christ-centered care. They have a compassionate heart for those who are hurting, and they're equipped with caring ministry skills by their congregation's Stephen Leaders. A Stephen Minister typically has one care receiver at a time and meets with that person once a week to listen, care, pray, encourage, and offer emotional and spiritual support.

Why the name Stephen? In Acts 6, Stephen was chosen to provide caring ministry to those in need. Since the time of the Apostles, caring ministry has been considered a hallmark of the Christian faith community

What does the Stephen Ministry logo mean? The Stephen Ministry logo represents a care receiver's journey from brokenness toward wholeness through the cross of Jesus. In this way, it illustrates "Christ caring for people through people," which is the Stephen Ministry motto.

Do Stephen Ministers care for people outside their congregation? Yes. Stephen Ministers often provide care for people in the broader community, enhancing and expanding a congregation's outreach in a powerful way.

In what types of situations do Stephen Ministers provide care? Stephen Ministers provide care to individuals facing difficult times in life—grief, cancer, divorce, financial difficulties, hospitalization, chronic illness, job loss, disability, loneliness, a spiritual crisis, or other life struggles.

How can I receive care, or refer someone else who would benefit from care? Simply email DracutStephenMinistry@gmail.com or call the Parish Offices at 978-452-6611. A Stephen Leader will lovingly walk you through the next steps. These conversations, and this care, is always confidential.

How can I learn more about Stephen Ministry? Visit StephenMinistries.org and follow our local Facebook page, "Saint Francis Stephen Ministry".


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