



SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARROQUIA DE SAN FRANCISCO DE ASÍS

MAY 28TH, 2017

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



VISION

Saint Francis of Assisi is a welcoming, intergenerational and multi-cultural Catholic community which embraces the teachings of Jesus Christ to foster Spiritual growth.

MISSION

The mission of Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is to develop a welcoming and dynamic parish. Through liturgical gatherings, faith formation, and the grace of the Holy Spirit, we confidently live out the Gospel message in service to the community and to the Diocese of Oakland.

LA VISIÓN

La parroquia de St. Francis es una comunidad católica acogedora, intergeneracional, y multicultural. Toma a pecho las enseñanzas de Jesucristo para promover el crecimiento espiritual.

LA MISIÓN

La misión de La Iglesia de St. Francis es de desarrollar una parroquia acogedora y dinámica. Por medio de las asambleas litúrgicas, la formación de la Fe, y las gracias del Espíritu Santo, nosotros con confianza vivimos el mensaje de Evangelio en servicio a la comunidad y a la Diócesis de Oakland.



*He was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.*

— Acts 1:9

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The Rev. Ismael Gutierrez
Pastor

The Rev. Rafal Duda
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OFFICE HOURS / HORAS DE OFICINA

Monday (Lunes) to Friday (Viernes) 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM
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The Ascension of the Lord
May 28, 2017
 He was lifted up,
 and a cloud took him from their sight.
 • Acts 1:9
La Ascensión del Señor
28 de mayo de 2017
 Se fue elevando a la vista de ellos,
 hasta que una nube lo ocultó a sus ojos.
 — Hechos 1:9

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:30PM (English), 7:30PM (Portuguese)

Sunday (Domingo)

English 7:00AM; 10:00AM; **Spanish** 8:00AM; 1:00PM;
 11:30AM; 5:30PM 7:00PM

Daily Mass

8:30AM Mon—Sat (English)
 Tuesday, 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Reconciliation/Reconciliación

Tuesday (Martes) 6:00PM to 7:00PM (Español)
 Saturdays (Sábados) 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Sacrament of the Sick/Unción de Enfermos
Holy Anointing/Prayers and Pastoral Care for the Sick.
 Call/Llamar (925) 682-5447

Eucharistic Adoration/Adoración Eucarística
 Mondays (Lunes) 7:30-8:30PM in the Chapel/Capilla

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS
 Monday to Friday, after the 8:30AM Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul/San Vicente de Paul
 Monday, Wednesday & Fridays 9:30AM –11:30AM
 For those who need food or assistance/Para aquellos que
 necesitan comida o asistencia
 (925) 682-5811

St. Francis of Assisi School
 866 Oak Grove Rd., Concord CA 94518
 Phone:(925) 682-5414 FAX (925) 682-5480
 Principal: Sister James Marien Dyer, C.S.J.

WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCIAL

Sunday May 13 &14 \$9,406.
 Faith Direct eGiving \$3,560.
 TOTAL \$12,966,
 YTD SHORTFALL (\$14,569.)
 2ND Coll Catholic Charities \$1,400.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 27th, 2017 (Vigil)
 5:30 pm + Steve Androtti
 Sunday, May 28th, 2017— **The Ascension of the Lord**
 7:00am + Mary Colicchia
 8:00AM Int. Esp.—Padre Ismael Gutierrez
 10:00AM + Dec'd members of Baluyut family
 12NOON— INSTALLATION MASS FOR FR ISMAEL
 5:30PM + Jose L. Atienza Jr.
 7:00PM + Juan Jose Fong Lopez
 Monday, May 29th, 2017
 8:30am + Mary Ann & Leonara Torres
 Tuesday, May 30th, 2017
 8:30am Sp. Int.— Liz Froleich
 7:00PM Misa Carismatica
 Wednesday, May 31st, 2017
 8:30am + Sp. Int.— Evonae Chiacos
 Thursday, June 1st, 2017—
 8:30AM Sp. Int. —8th Grade Students at SFA Sch
 Friday, June 2nd, 2017—
 8:30am + Lloyd Pete Acker
 Saturday, June 3rd, 2017-
 8:30AM + Peggy Drewes
 5:30PM (Vigil Mass) Sp. Int.—Ernesto Rea
 Sunday, June 4th, 2017 - PENTECOST
 7:00am Parishioners of St. Francis
 8:00 AM + Luis & Salud Garcia
 10:00AM Sp. Int. Jim & Myrna Francis
 11:30am + Leo Kavanaugh
 1:00PM + Salvador Gonzalez
 5:30PM Sp. Int.—Benjamin Camilon Jr.
 7:00PM + Salvador Mijares Robles
Spanish Masses are in Bold

 Here at St. Francis of Assisi Church we re-
 cite the Rosary every day at 8:10am before
 the 8:30 morning mass. Everyone is invite
 to pray with us daily.
 We also have an Holy Hour with Adoration every
 Monday evening at 7:30pm in the Chapel.
 This Friday, June 2nd is First Friday and we will
 have Adoration following the 8:30am mass until
 Noon. All are welcome and encouraged to spend
 time with Jesus before the hectic summer begins.

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry

Food Pantry Activity for the Month of April:

- An **emergency supply of food** was given to **94 households (384 individuals)** in April .
- **Food Maxx** gift cards were given to 43 eligible families..
- **Special Assistance** (utility, rent, etc.) was provided for **two** families.

Most Needed Food Items Every Month:

(donation baskets are on the altar stairs)

Apple or Grape Juice, Cheerios, Chicken Noodle or Vegetable Soup. Canned Corn, Tuna or Meats, Saltine or Graham Crackers, Cooking Oil, Rice, Dried Pinto Beans, or any non-perishable, non-expired items you wish to donate.

We have a family who desperately needs a reliable vehicle. Please call Jane (939-5978) if you would like to donate through SVdP.

We continue to need, and very much appreciate paper grocery bag donations.

Food Pantry Hours: 9:30-11:30am Mon, Wed & Fri. Closed Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 682-5811.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Brazilian Community here at St. Francis of Assisi Church will be holding their annual Festa Junina Celebration on Saturday, June 24th 2017 at the Family Center. They will be selling Raffle Tickets for a prize of \$1,000 for only \$10 each after all the masses on the weekend. If you would like to purchase a raffle ticket, see one of the people outside of mass.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US TODAY— FR. ISMAEL HAS BEEN MADE PASTOR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH AND WE WILL HAVE HIS INSTALLATION ON SUNDAY, MAY 28TH. ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MASS AT 12:00 NOON. (There will be no 11:30am or 1:00pm mass that Sunday) Reception to follow in the Pope John Paul II Center and School Courtyard after mass. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO COME AND MEET OUR PASTOR.



"FATHER, I WANT TO KNOW..."

We know that some people have questions about the Catholic Faith and the priests here at St. Francis of Assisi have offered to answer some of these questions. If you have a question, please submit it to the Parish Office or drop it in one of the collection baskets at mass. We will try and answer your questions in the order we receive them.

YOUTH MINISTRY

TEEN CONFIRMATION

*Thursday, June 8th from 7-9PM in the Church
Discernment & Rehearsal –Candidates & Sponsors*

Saturday, June 10th at 5:00PM Mass
Confirmation Ceremony with Bishop Barber
(Note the time change for this mass only)
Candidates and Sponsors please check in at the
Hospitality Room at 4:15pm*

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES— Must Sign Up Ahead of Time

*Every Sunday from 8 –10am and 1-3pm
Help K of C distribute food outside the JP II Center*

If you have any questions, you can contact our Youth Minister & Teen Sacrament Coordinator, Kathy De Lemos at (925) 682-5447 Ext 29, or at Youth@SFAconcord.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Find ways to let the Lord deeper into you marriage by going on a WWME Weekend at San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville CA on July 14-16 or Sept 29th-Oct1st. Early registrations are highly recommended. For more information, contact Mike & Jeanne at (925) 672-2016 or Joe & Sue at (925) 680-7767 now or go to: landwwme.org.

Our Confirmation Mass (for our Teens) this year will be held on Saturday, June 10th at 5:00PM (note the change in Mass time for this mass only) Remember that the mass will be longer than usual.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 29TH FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE. THE OFFICE WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, MAY 30TH AT 9:00AM.

St. Agnes Preschool is having registration now for children that are 3,4,&5 years old and potty trained. They offer a 1/2 day program that will nurture your child's academic, social, emotional, and spiritual development. Call (925) 689-3990. for more information.

Refugee Family Update!

Dear Parishioners,
As you may be aware, our community at St. Francis of Assisi has adopted a refugee family of 7 from Afghanistan. We are proud to report that the family has been working tirelessly to complete the immigration process and assimilate in the United States. During this time, funding is essential. Therefore, we are asking for your continued support and generosity. Any monetary donation you can make will be greatly appreciated. "And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."
(Hebrews 13:16)

In the near future, St. Francis of Assisi will host a get-together for all parishioners who wish to meet this wonderful family whom we have been so honored and blessed to help. Please make your tax deductible donations payable to St. Francis of Assisi Church.
On behalf of Father Ismael and your St. Francis of Assisi Refugee Committee, God bless.

MINISTRY CORNER

RE: LECTORS : *Do you love the Holy Scriptures? Can you read and speak English? Pray about it and discern whether or not God is calling you to bring God's Word to all the people.*

St. Francis of Assisi has over 50 English lectors and there are opening at several masses, so once you receive the lector guidelines and for about 1 hour or one-to-one training, you can begin. Interested? Call or email Carmen at (925) 944-5970 or cascholl7@gmail.com

AN INVITATION FOR ALTAR SERVING **SAT. JUNE 3RD 10:30AM IN CHURCH**

Did you ever watch the young people on the altar assisting at Mass and think you would like to do the very same thing?
What is stopping you?

The only qualification is that you have received your First Communion. You do not need to be a student at St. Francis School.
Come to a training session on June 3 and be ready to take your place assisting the priest and deacon at Mass.

Call the Parish Office (925.682.5447) with your name, home telephone number, and an email address we can use to send out the monthly schedule.

We should finish by 12:30 and will have pizza afterwards. Call the Parish Office if you are coming so we have the count correct. We'll see you then!

Healing the Heart Message

Healing the Heart is a Ministry at St Bonaventure's Parish that "walks with" people who are grieving. There are workshop sessions, held two times a year that are six weeks long. The team of "Companions" who lead the workshops are not professional therapists but because of their own experiences they can offer support and understanding. In addition to the two six week sessions, the Healing the Heart Ministry is offering a one night meeting on June 6, 2017 at 7:30 p.m..

This is a chance to "touch base" with the Grief Companions and others who have suffered the loss of a loved one. This meeting is open to everyone, people who have participated in the six week program in the past and people who have not.

We will have some time to share experiences, if you want to. We will have time to pray and time to extend support to one another.

For more information or to register, please call Helene, 925-681-8105. That is a cell phone so you can text too.

We hope you share this invitation with your friends, everyone is welcome.

Could YOU be a friend to the Caring Hands Program? The Next Caring Hands Volunteer training is coming up soon! If you have just an hour or two each week to offer friendship and occasional rides to a senior in your neighborhood. Caring Hands would love to talk with you. If volunteering won't fit your schedule, perhaps you know of someone who might consider joining the team. Enriching matches and deep relationships are created with frail or isolated Contra Costa county seniors who treasure a friendly visit, a walk a social outing, or a ride to the doctor. The program is flexible and you could make a big difference. For an application or more information about Caring Hands, please contact Stacy Appel, Volunteer Coordinator at (925) 952-2999 or email: caring.hands@johnmuirhealth.com

Gabriel Project follow up meeting

Not too late!! Gabriel Project is still looking for St. Francis parishioners to work with pregnant girls and women during their pregnancies and after. A Gabriel Parish should involve many parishioners who can volunteer short or long term support for these moms. If you did not sign up before or missed the first information session, please join us on Saturday, June 3 at 10 a.m. in the parish office. Diocesan Coordinator David Zarri will present the program to all who are interested - to those who have signed up and to those who might sign up. Call Liz Froelich for more information: 925-586-4350.

NOMBRAMIENTO PARROQUIAL



Nuestra parroquia se regocija con el reciente nombramiento del Pbro. Ismael Gutiérrez como párroco de la Diócesis de Oakland. El nombramiento fue pronunciado el pasado mes de abril por el Señor Obispo Michael Barber.

Hoy Domingo 28 de Mayo celebramos sus doce años de ordenación sacerdotal y la instalación como nuevo párroco Diocesano .

Felicidades padre Ismael nuestras oraciones y nuestro apoyo están con usted.

Ministerio de San Vicente de Paul

Resumen de actividades del mes de abril

- Abastecimiento de comida de emergencia fue proveída a **94 hogares (384 personas)** en el mes de abril
- Entregamos 43 tarjetas del supermercado **Food Maxx** a diferentes familias.
- **Asistencia especial** (renta y utilidades etc.) fue dada a **dos** familias.

Artículos más necesitados para este mes:

(Canastas para donaciones la encontrara al pie del altar).

Cereal integral (cheerios), jugo de manzana o de uva , sopas de pollo o de vegetales, tuna, galletas saladas, galletas Graham, arroz, frijoles pintos y aceite de cocina.

Tenemos una familia que necesita un vehiculo confiable. Por favor llame a Jane (939-5978) si le gustaría donar a través de SVdP.

Seguimos a necesidad y mucho aprecio, donaciones de bolsa de supermercado de papel.

Horario de servicio : 9:30 –11:30a.m . Lunes, Miércoles y Viernes. Cerrado los lunes y jueves.
Teléfono (925) 682-5811.

Gracias por su apoyo

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Este Jesús que les han llevado volverá de la misma manera que ustedes lo han visto ir al cielo (Hechos 1:1-11).

Salmo — Entre voces de júbilo y trompetas, Dios el Señor asciende hasta su trono (Salmo 47 [46]).

Segunda lectura — Dios sentó a Jesús a su derecha en el reino de los cielos (Efesios 1:17-23).

Evangelio — Me ha sido dado todo poder en el cielo y en la tierra. Vayan, pues, y enseñen a todas las naciones (Mateo 28:16-20).

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PROYECTO GABRIEL

El proyecto Gabriel sigue necesitando voluntarios y voluntarias, para trabajar con jóvenes y mujeres adultas durante y después del embarazo. El proyecto Gabriel, necesita de muchos voluntarios que se comprometan por un corto o largo plazo. Si usted desea ser voluntario (a), y aún no se ha inscrito o no asistió a la primera reunión, le invitamos a la próxima reunión el día **sábado 3 de junio a las 10 de la mañana en la oficina parroquial.**

El Señor David Zarri de la Diócesis de Oakland hará la presentación de dicho programa. Para más información contactar a la señor Liz Froelich al (925) 586-4350.

OFICINA PARROQUIAL

La oficina parroquial estará cerrada el lunes 29 de mayo en observación del día Memorial. Reabriremos el martes 30 de mayo en el horario habitual de 9:00a.m— 7:00p.m.

MISA CARISMÁTICA

El grupo de oración de la Renovación Carismática le invita a la Santa Misa el martes 30 de mayo a las 7:00p.m. La misa tendrá como celebrante al Padre Rafael Chávez.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 19:1-8; Sal 68 (67):2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Martes: Hch 20:17-27; Sal 68 (67):10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Miércoles: Sof 3:14-18a o Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lc 1:39-56
Jueves: Hch 22:30; 23:6-11; Sal 16 (15):1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Viernes: Hch 25:13b-21; Sal 103 (102):1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Sábado: Hch 28:16-20, 30-31; Sal 11 (10):4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Domingo: Vigilia: Gn 11:1-9 o Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b o Ez 37:1-14 o Jl 3:1-5; Sal 104 (103):1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Día: Hch 2:1-11; Sal 104 (103):1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

COMPARTE LA ESPERANZA

Las lecturas de hoy para la celebración de la Ascensión del Señor una vez más nos recuerdan que los cristianos somos pueblo de esperanza. En la segunda lectura, san Pablo con elocuencia exhorta a los efesios a iluminar su mente para que puedan conocer la esperanza y la gloria que vienen de ser personas que ponen su confianza en el Señor Jesús. En el relato de la Ascensión, narrado en la primera lectura, el Señor Jesús asegura a los discípulos que el poder del Espíritu Santo vendrá sobre ellos. Finalmente, en el Evangelio, el Señor da a conocer a los discípulos que su misión es proclamar el Evangelio a todas las naciones. Esta maravillosa fiesta mantiene nuestros ojos enfocados en la esperanza en la que nos afianzamos desde el día de nuestro Bautismo.

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RIFA

La comunidad Brasileña le invitan a participar de la rifa de \$1, 000,00 a realizarse en la Festa Junina el 24 de Junio, que dará inicio a las 5:00 de la tarde en el gimnasio parroquial de San Francisco de Asís. Boletos \$10.00. Boletos de venta en la oficina parroquial.

FESTA JUNINA

La comunidad Brasileña de San Francisco de Asís le invita a su Fiesta Junina 2017 el 24 de Junio en el Gimnasio Parroquial o Centro Familiar de nuestra parroquia. La puertas se abrirán a las 5:00p.m. Disfruta de buena música, entretenimiento para toda la familia. Y por su puesto sin faltar la tradicional comida de Brasil, deliciosos postres y más.

Caridades Católicas del Este de la Bahía

Inmigración es Complicado
¡Nosotros Podemos Ayudar!

Servicios legales de Inmigración

Consultas legales, peticiones de visa de inmigrante basadas en familia, visa de prometido, proceso consular, solicitud del perdón, aplicación para residencia permanente (*green card*) y renovación, naturalización y ciudadanía estadounidense, acción diferida para llegados en la Infancia (DACA), Estatus de Protección Temporal (TPS), víctimas de abuso doméstico (VAWA), víctimas de crímenes violentos (Visa-U) entre otros servicios.

Con cita previa: El primer paso para abrir un caso es la consulta inicial(\$40). Esta consulta determina si su caso califica para nuestros servicios legales. Llame para hacer una cita en una de nuestras oficinas:

Richmond 217 Harbour Way. Horas de consulta martes 1-4p.m.(510) 234-5110.

Concord 3540 Chesnut Avenue. Horas de consulta miércoles 1:30-4:30p.m. (925) 825-3099.

Oakland 433 Jefferson Street Horas de consulta Jueves 9:00a.m.—10p.m. (510) 768-3100

Para una amplia información de recursos favor de visitar la pagina *Catholic Immigration Support Network*, www.oakdiocese.org/immigration.

INVITACION SERVIDORES DEL ALTAR ACOLITOS

Nuestra parroquia necesita servidores del altar o también llamados acólitos. Tal vez ha notado a los niños que asisten al sacerdote durante las misas en el Altar, tu puedes ser uno de ellos, los requisitos de esta importante labor es que ya hayas recibido to primera comunión y que completes el entrenamiento. Pídele a tus padres que te inscriban en el para el próximo entrenamiento a realizarse el **sábado 3 de junio de 10: 30 de la mañana a las 12 :30p.m.**

Padres de familia favor contactar la oficina parroquial al (925) 682-5447.