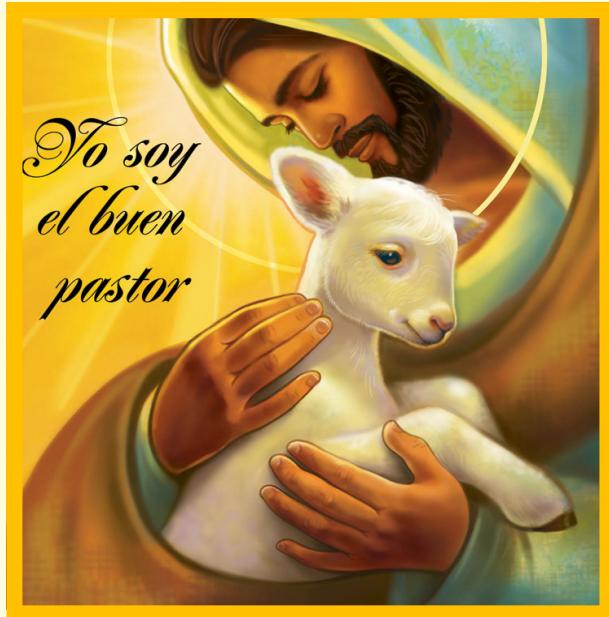




St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Parroquia San Francisco de Asís

We, the Parish of St. Francis of Assisi, guided by the Holy Spirit, are a Christian Community called by God to take part in the mission of love and truth in the world. With firm faith in Jesus the Christ and the Holy Gospel, we find our strength through prayer and the Sacraments, that we may become God's servants to our sisters and brothers



Fr. John Salvas, OFM Cap., Pastor

Fr. Sam Frapaul, OFM Cap., Parochial Vicar

Bro. Lombardo D'Auria, OFM Cap.

Alejandro Polanco, Deacon

Angel Hernandez, Deacon

Natale Tumminia, Trustee

Jean Garofalo, Trustee

Katty Gallardo, Parish Secretary

Religious Ed/RCIA

201-488-2614

Alex Collantes - DRE and Yadira Collantes

Youth Ministry Coordinators

Douglas & Leanne Christmann

Youth Choir Director

Denise & Dana Ramirez - Co-Directors

Music Ministry

Dana Ramirez - Director

Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM, Lunes, Miércoles y Jueves 7:00 PM (Spanish); Saturday: 8:00 AM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM (Spanish), Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:15 AM (Italian), 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM (Spanish)

Cada último Martes del Mes: Misa en Español a las 7:30 PM

Lunes, Miércoles y Jueves Misa en español a las 7:00 PM

Holy Days: Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM (Spanish) 8:00AM, 12:00

Noon, 7:00 PM

Miraculous Medal St. Anthony Novena

Tuesdays: 7:00 PM

Grupo de Oración

Martes 7:30PM en la Iglesia. Último Martes de cada mes tenemos Misa en Español a las 7:30 PM.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Please notify us when a member of your family is in the hospital or unable to attend Church and wishes to receive the Sacraments. For Emergencies contact the Rectory day or night. Por favor llamar a la oficina de la Iglesia si un miembro. Por favor llamar a la oficina de la Iglesia si un miembro de su familia está hospitalizado o si quiere recibir comunión.

Reconciliation – Confession

Every Saturday at 4:30 PM or by appointment.

First Friday - Eucharistic Adoration

Beginning with the 8am Mass, lasting all day and ending at 7pm with the Holy Hour Mass. Anyone interested in spending an hour with our Lord – kindly call the office for a time slot.

Baptism-Bautizo

Baptisms will be celebrated on the 1st Saturday of every month in English at 11 AM and on the 3rd Saturday in Spanish at 1 PM. For more information please call the Rectory.

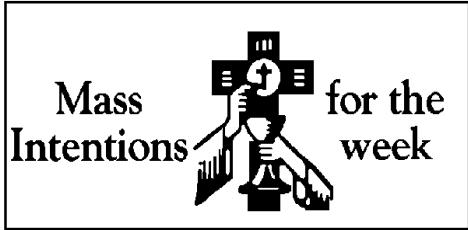
Marriage-Matrimonio

Arrangements should be made one year prior to the marriage. Please contact the Church Office before any social arrangements are made.

I am the Good Shepherd

50 Lodi Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601

Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Office closed on weekends
201-343-6243 Fax: 201-343-0854 St.FrancisRCChurch@gmail.com
<http://franciscanhackensack.tripod.com/parish.htm>



Sunday	April 26th - Fourth Sunday of Easter
8:00 AM	+ Mary Polifrone by Lona & Ralph Padovano
9:15 AM	+ Nancy Villari by Rosaria Savoia
10:30AM	+ Emilia DiBenedetto by Maria Cascione
12:30 PM	Sedora DiVerita 80th Birthday by The Annarumma Family + En Accion de Gracias a la Virgen de Mercedes y Jesus Sacramentado by Mabelis
Monday	April 27th
8:00 AM	+ Anthony Andreolo by Joyce Andreolo
7:00 PM	+ Janet de Deavila by su esposo, hijos y nietos
Tuesday	April 28th
8:00 AM	+ Antoinette Castelluccio by Marie Sortino
7:00 PM	+ Miraculous Medal/St. Anthony Novena
Wednesday	April 29th
8:00 AM	+ Steven Wesner by Gerry & Kelly Rotunda
7:00 PM	+ Intenciones Especiales
Thursday	April 30th
8:00 AM	+ Special Intentions
7:00 PM	+ Matilde Vasquez
Friday	May 1st - 1st Friday/Eucharistic Adoration
8:00 AM	+ Special Intentions
7:00 PM	+ Holy Hour Mass
8:00 PM	+ Rosary for Peace
Saturday	May 2nd
8:00 AM	+ Special Intentions
5:30 PM	+ Mary S. Polifrone by Ida Sofia
7:00 PM	+ Luis Maria Tineo by Familia Tineo Sanchez
Sunday	May 3rd - Fifth Sunday of Easter
8:00 AM	+ Anne Caffaro by James Caffaro
	+ Special Intentions by Lois Viola
9:15 AM	+ Deceased members of the Puglisi & Nativo by Jo Puglisi
	+ Salvatore & Giuseppina Terranova by daughter & Family
10:30AM	+ Lilla DiLeone by Rosa & Rocco Feniello
	+ Nancy Villari by Mr. & Mrs. Montalbano
	+ George Balkjy by Leanne & Doug Christmann
	+ Mary Polifrone by Collette & Maryann
12:30 PM	+ Julian Barroso by esposa e hijos
	+ Manuel Delgado by su mama y Familia



Dear Parishioners:

Today has been traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday. It is an image of God which goes back to the Old Testament and Jesus even used it to describe himself as the one that gives up his life for his sheep.

Many years ago I had the great privilege of traveling to Rome. Among the many inspiring places we visited were the catacombs of St. Sebastian, an early Christian martyr. It was a place where they gathered in secret to celebrate the Eucharist but also where they buried their dead. I recall the guide pointing out one of the most ancient frescos of Jesus the Good Shepherd. It was remarkably well preserved below the earth and the color red which he wore was brilliant as it represents the blood of his passion. For ancient peoples blood was life. Jesus was holding a lamb. The guide explained that sheep fear running water and will not cross a rushing stream. A shepherd would pick up a lamb and carry it to the other side where he would turn around and face the flock. Its mother desperate to be with her offspring would then cross the stream while the others would reluctantly follow.

For the early Christians that lamb was Jesus who has crossed over the waters of death. He beckons us to follow from the other side where the green pastures of eternal life await us. What tremendous consolation this was for the persecuted followers of Jesus and for all who follow him still!

Love and Prayers,
Bro. John



Notas del Pastor

Estimados feligreses:

El día de hoy es tradicionalmente conocido como el Domingo del Buen Pastor. Es una imagen que remonta a la época del Antiguo Testamento y con la que Jesús se ha identificado como aquel que da la vida por sus ovejas.

Hace ya algunos años que tuve el privilegio de viajar a Roma. Dentro de los múltiples lugares de inspiración que tuve ocasión de visitar se encontraba las catacumbas de San Sebastián; uno de los primeros mártires cristianos. Era aquel un lugar donde se reunían en secreto para celebrar la Eucaristía pero también se utilizaba para enterrar a los muertos. Recuerdo que el guía nos detalló uno de los frescos más antiguos de Jesús el Buen Pastor. Se encontraba admirablemente bien preservado bajo tierra y el color rojo de sus vestiduras era brillante, representando la sangre de su pasión. Para la gente en la antigüedad la sangre representaba la vida. Jesús sostenía un cordero en sus brazos. El guía nos explicó que las ovejas tienen gran temor a las corrientes de agua. Para cruzar un riachuelo el pastor cargaba un cordero hacia la otra orilla daba media vuelta y esperaba. La madre del cordero queriendo recuperar a su hijo cruzaba desesperadamente y el resto la seguía.

Para los primeros cristianos el cordero era Jesús quien cruzó sobre las aguas de la muerte. El Señor nos invita a seguirle al otro lado donde verdes pastos de eterna vida nos espera. ¡Qué gran consuelo para todos aquellos que han sido perseguidos por amor a Jesús y para los que deseamos seguirle todavía!

En su amor,
Hermano John



How will the parish goals be determined? Parish goal calculations are based on 100 percent of the 2013, offertory (first collections) using the reported information for unrestricted plate and donations.

How much will my parish receive as part of this campaign? As part of the *We Are Living Stones* Capital Campaign, \$40 million will be allocated to help parishes meet their local needs. After the *Works of Mercy* target is met, 50% of all funds raised will stay at the parish for projects determined by local leadership.

Is our parish goal an assessment? No, the established parish goals are not an assessment. However, the first monies raised at each parish will be allocated to help meet the parish's "Works of Mercy" target. All parishes are asked to conduct a "good faith effort" and work with their assigned campaign director to achieve their goal. If, after conducting a "good faith effort" the parish does not meet its goal, the parish will not be assessed the balance.

When will parishes begin to receive their 50 percent share? Parishes in Block 1 can expect to receive their first distribution of 50% of monies collected in October of 2015. These payments will continue every quarter thereafter until the conclusion of the campaign. If the parish exceeds goal, they will receive 60% of all funds redeemed above the *We Are Living Stones* goal on the same timeline as stated above.

How will the campaign affect our parish offertory? In the short term, offertory giving should remain level, with a possible small fluctuation up or down. We make sure we communicate that parishioners are asked to consider a greater sacrifice and commitment to their Archdiocesan Church above and beyond their regular offertory giving, and should not lower their gifts to their parish in order to make a gift to this effort.


Mark your Calendar!
GARAGE SALE
Sunday, April 26, 2015
Church Hall
**+++ Hot dogs, hamburgers,
and more**
**COME AND SUPPORT
YOUR CHURCH**



Pasta Night
 Friday, May 8, 2015
 One seating 6:30 PM
 St. Francis Bingo Hall
 Menu

All you can eat

Pasta & meatballs - Pasta & broccoli
 Tossed salad - bread - beverages - dessert & Coffee

Adults \$12.00

Children under 12 \$6.00

No tickets sold at door

For tickets call

Elide Marino 201-343-3924

Lona Padovano 201-845-8645



BABY SHOWER FOR BIRTHRIGHT

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED

Sponsored by the Secular Franciscans

Date: Every weekend in May

Place: St Francis Church

Time: At all Masses

We invite all of our parishioners to help those women who choose LIFE and allow their babies to be born. Each year the Secular Franciscans donate to Birthright and Several Sources to assist these young women. Please help us by placing your donations in the container at the entrance of the church and in the bassinet on Mother's Day. Thank you!

"Onesies" undershirts	Shampoo
Regular undershirts	Socks
Towel sets	Sweater sets
Receiving blankets	Stretch outfits
Bibs	Wipes
Bottle with nipples	Powder
Diapers (all sizes)	A&D ointment
Outfits for 2 & 3 year old toddlers	

If you have any questions, please call Marguerite Cox at 201 641-9251.
 Thank you.

UN ENEMIGO

Nada es más falaz que la riqueza. Hoy está por ti y mañana contra ti. Arma los ojos del envidioso por todas partes. Es un camarada hostil, un enemigo doméstico.

¡Marque su Calendario!

GARAGE SALE

Domingo 26 de Abril en el

Sótano de la Iglesia

TENDREMOS VENTA DE HOT DOGS, HAMBURGUSAS Y MAS

APOYEN A SU IGLESIA



MOTHER'S DAY ENVELOPES

At the beginning of May, at the entrance of the Church, you will find Mother's Day envelopes. You can remember your mother, grandmother, aunt or other female relatives living or deceased. Fill out the envelope and return it either to the Church office or put it in the collection basket with your donation. We ask for a \$10 donation for each remembrance. These envelopes will be placed on the altar during the month of May.



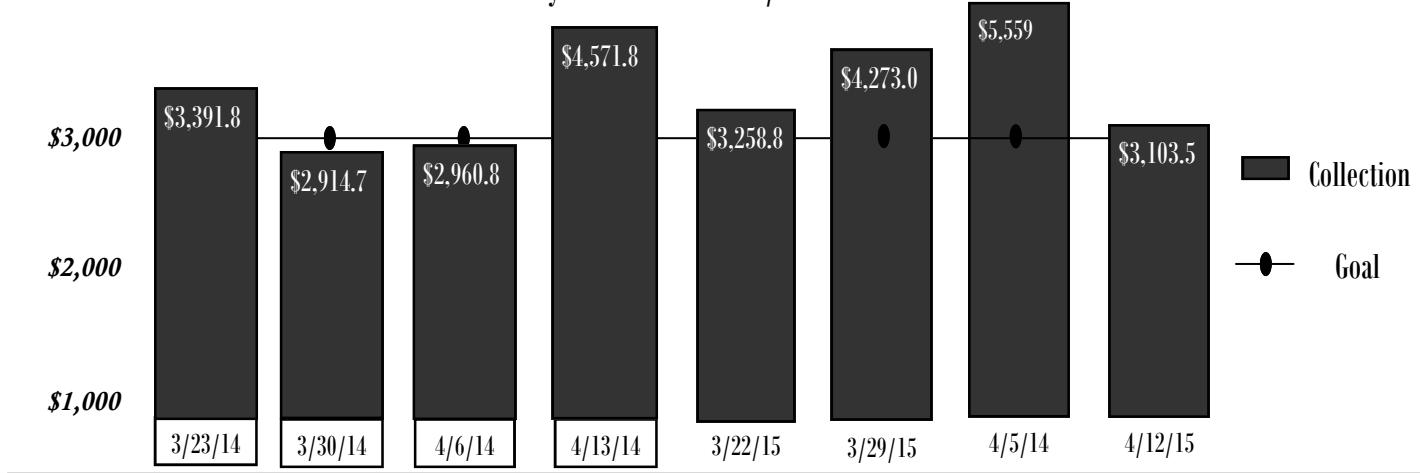
SOBRES POR EL DÍA DE LAS MADRES

Al principio del mes de Mayo, usted encontrará sobres por el Día de las Madres en la entrada de la Iglesia. Usted puede recordar a su madre, abuela, tía o familiares femeninas que estén vivas o difuntas. Llene el sobre y devuélvalo a la oficina o puede ponerlo en la canasta de limosnas con su donación durante la Misa. Pedimos una donación de \$10 por persona. Estos sobres se mantendrán en el altar durante el mes de Mayo.

EL BUEN PASTOR

El Cuarto Domingo de Pascua tradicionalmente se conoce como el "Domingo del Buen Pastor". Hoy escuchamos las palabras del Señor cuando se llama a sí mismo "el buen pastor que da la vida por sus ovejas." A veces es tan difícil para nosotros comprender la realidad de que alguien esté dispuesto a dar su vida por alguien. Esto es muy cierto en una sociedad que pone tanto énfasis en el poder y en el avance social, con frecuencia a expensas de "pisotear" a otra gente para escalar a la cima. Las Escrituras de hoy nos muestran a quién debemos imitar –al que da su vida por las ovejas. Las Escrituras de hoy nos retan a descubrir la manera de llevar vida a los que están a nuestro alrededor –a construir y no a destruir.

Weekly Collections 2014/2015



OFFERING TO THE LORD

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

If you would like to have a loved one's name mentioned in the bulletin, please call the church office at 201-343-6243.

In addition, if you would like an intention to be added to the Apostolate of Prayer list, please send it via e-mail to StFrancisHack@AOL.com.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE PARISH



CALENDAR

Sunday, April 26th

Fourth Sunday of Easter
The Second collection is for the Diocesan Assessment Fund
Garage Sale - Church Hall

Monday, April 27th
7:00 PM

Misa en Español

Tuesday, April 28th

St. Peter Chanel
St. Louis Grignion de Montfort
Miraculous Medal/St. Anthony Novena
Misa en Español

Wednesday, April 29th
7:00 PM

St. Catherine of Siena
Misa en Español

Thursday, April 30th
7:00 PM
7:30 PM

St. Pius V
Misa en Español
Confirmation Group Practice - Church

Friday, May 1st

11:00 AM
7:00 PM
8:00 PM

1st Friday/Eucharistic Adoration
St. Joseph the Worker
Socialites - Church Hall
Holy Hour Mass
Rosary for Peace

Saturday, May 2nd
10:00 AM

St. Athanasius
Confirmation Celebration

MEMORIAL GIFTS THIS WEEK

The **Altar Wine** will be consecrated for Mary Polifrone
Donated by Lucille & Paul Clapps

The **Altar Bread** will be consecrated for Mary Polifrone
Donated by Lucille & Paul Clapps



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK POR FAVOR RECEN POR LOS ENFERMOS

Linda Kunzweiler, Rosanna Manisera, Angelina Manisera, Lucy, Rose, Shawn Leddy, Dorothy Peplowski, Michael Trotta, Frank Gohr, Daisy, Liliana Cilebi, Princeton Crawford, Carlos Rojas, Miriam Ivone Valverde, Patricia Monica Garcia Villafuente, Erika Mercedes Villafuente Pacheco, Yunarli Adames, Ryan L, Jose Tineo, Richard Kunzweiler, Kevin Hart, Mary Gavilan, Maria Canesa, , Ginny Cattaneo, Anthony Fasulo, Ubelly Cordova, Jill Brooks, Daniel Agiar, Bobby Kendricks, Vivian & Gladys Cuesta, Julianna Guerra, Marie Sortino, Anna Mary, Donna Jean, Donna & Family, Debra, Pat, Louisa, Todd, Hanna, Nora Brunal, Alvin Gomez, Matt, Adrienne Marie, Marie Dragan, Louise, , Jean Tusa Giarratana, Aaron Santos, Taylor, Isabella Denisulk, Zoila.



CHRISTMAS CLUB

This is WEEK #16 of the Christmas Club. You can pick up a set of Christmas Club envelopes at the entrances of the Church after Mass.

REMEMBER THIS IS YOUR GIFT

BACK TO YOUR PARISH AT CHRISTMAS.

COVER SHEET

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