

## ST. FRANCIS ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Priest - Fr. Patrick Wenrick** Assisting Priests - Fr. Tom Wilt, Fr. Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer, **Deacon Bob Pragano** MASS Each Sunday at 10:30 am. **ALL ARE WELCOME – NO EXCEPTIONS** 

We Celebrate Unity in Diversity

St. Francis' Mission:

To live by Faith, To be known by Love, To be a voice of **Hope** in order to give ourselves in service and better the lives of others.

August 10, 2025

"Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time"

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#### (Prayer after Communion)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred. let me sow love: where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O Lord, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand: to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. AMEN

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Lord Jesus - you are the master whose return we await with eager anticipation, you are the way that leads to the Father, you build us into a people that longs to see your face. We now pray for the coming of God's kingdom as we present our needs, the needs of the Church, and the needs of the world: That we may work together to strengthen the faith of all our members as we prepare for the coming of God's kingdom. For victims of crimes and abuse. For healing and wholeness in their lives. strengthen us and guide us on our journey of faith. AMEN.



Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel	
Wisdom 18:6-9	Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19	Luke 12:32-48	

In the Gospel Jesus warns his disciples to be ready for his return at any time. He emphasizes the importance of faithfulness and responsibility, especially for those entrusted with much. The Scriptures tell us that the things we have in this world don't last forever. Even if we gather wealth and power, it won't bring lasting happiness. What really matters is the love we show to others. As followers of Jesus, our main goal should be to serve Him and help our neighbors.

When we become too attached to material possessions and care too much about what others think of us, we lose sight of Christ's presence in our lives. That's why it's important to be watchful and focus on prayer and acts of kindness. By aligning our hearts with God's plan, we become wise servants who are ready to welcome the Lord when He comes to us. This message serves as a gentle reminder for us to think about what really matters in our lives and align our hearts with God's plan. We should let go of things that don't last and focus on building God's kingdom by showing love, kindness, and service to others. When we do this, we will be ready to meet Jesus whenever He shows Himself to us, both in extraordinary moments and in our everyday encounters.

**GOD'S BLESSINGS** 

Please: No Food or Drinks in the Chapel except bottled Water. Thank you.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DATE	GREETERS	ACOLYTE	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	2 <sup>nd</sup> READING	INTERCESSION
Aug. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Linda M-T.	Deb I.	Ross P.	Sheli M	Deacon Bob
Aug. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Julia Z.	Artie V.	Michelle B.	Tony Mc	Deacon Bob

## St. Francis' Ministries

Music Ministry, Susan Stroemel Hospitality Ministry, John Swatek / Julia Zolfo Comm. Care Ministry, John O'Grady / Deacon Bob Financial Management Ministry, Larry Roush Fundraising & Development Ministry, Lorraine Kerr Outreach and Growth Ministry, Sharon Meade Carmel Care Ministry, David Baughman

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#### Your Gift Is a Blessing

July Income Unrestricted	\$ 6,039.05	YTD \$ 34,678.15
July Expenses	\$ 4,189.79	YTD \$ 33,548.32
Monthly Net Income	\$ 1,849.26	YTD \$ 1,129.83



Larry Tsoukalas, friend of Frank Matzelle, is having upcoming surgery. Prayers for peace, comfort, healing, and a return to good health. 8/3 Miranda Plimpton, niece of Linda & Steve Kuhn, who is dealing with metastatic breast cancer. Prayers for healing, comfort and a return to full health. 7/27 Kevin Curtis, who is experiencing multiple health issues. Prayers for healing, comfort, and a return to health. Feel better Kevin. 7/20 Jeremy Stickley, who is dealing with severe back and leg pain from bulging and herniated discs. Prayers for healing, comfort and a return to full health. 7/6 Jerry St. Jean, a friend of Ross, John & Leo, who is dealing with throat cancer. Prayers for comfort & healing and a return to full health. 6/22 Frank Zolfo, Jr, nephew of Julia Zolfo who is undergoing treatment for brain cancer. Prayers for healing, comfort, and a return to full health. 7/20 Darek, a friend of St. Francis who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer. Prayers for peace and comfort and a return to good health. 6/22 Ken Glowacki, who had recently been suffering from mini-strokes, but is doing better now. For peace and comfort for him, Silvie and their family. 7/20 Larry Roush, who is dealing with back and leg pain. Prayers for healing and comfort and a return to full health, along with more energy. 7/6 Pedro Rodrigues, Gina Aponte's father, who is now in hospice care. Prayers of peace and comfort for a smooth transition, and prayers for his family, 6/1 Chuck Lester, who had treatment for throat cancer. May God's healing touch be upon him. For peace, comfort and a return to full health. 8/3 Angela DiNapoli, aunt of Julia Zolfo, for the repose of her soul. Prayers for peace, comfort, for Julia, and her family. May she rest in peace. 7/20 Don Townley, a friend of Ross Pickreign who is continuing to undergo treatment for lung cancer. For peace and comfort for him and his family. 2/16 Nancy Hall, Deb Imbach's Mom who is continuing to deal with stage four kidney disease. Prayer for peace and comfort for her and her family. 3/30 Karen Vanvyve, friend of Debi & DJ, who is dealing with new medical issues and starting a stem cell treatment plan. Prayers for healing and comfort. 3/30 Fr. Martin, a friend of Fr. Pat, who is still recovering from heart surgery. Special prayers as he was forced to move to a new community at age 94. 6/29 Michael Ureichuck, who is recovering from back surgery and is doing better. Continued prayers for healing, comfort and a return to full health for him. 6/1 Charles Harshbarger, a friend of St. Francis who is dealing with end-of-life stages and challenges. Continued prayers of peace and comfort for him. 4/6 Marion Gregory, aunt of Sue Wenrick, who is dealing with dementia, medical, and end-of-life issues. Continued prayers for peace & comfort for her. 4/6 For people throughout the U.S. whose lives have been affected by the recent storms. May God's healing touch be upon them and bring them comfort. For the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza & Iran, that the wars will end soon, and they can begin the process of piecing their lives and countries back together. For those who are mourning the loss of a loved one. May God's healing touch be upon them and comfort them in their loss. We will see them again!!! For those dealing with mental illness and addictions, and for their families, may God's healing touch be upon them and help them as only God can do.



Aug 16th Serving food in St. Pete w/ Celebration Outreach

Aug. 17th Sunday Morning Mass 10:30 AM Live & Via Zoom

Aug. 24th Sunday Morning Mass 10:30 AM Live & Via Zoom

Aug. 31st Sunday Morning Mass 10:30 AM Live & Via Zoom

# elebration Time

Sonny Griner & Brandon Brooks Ann. 8/10 24 years

### 2025 Community Council

Council Chair: Leo Champagne 727-215-3217 Secretary/Treasurer: Larry Roush 704-301-5165 Council at Large/Recording Sec: Gina Aponte

**Council at Large: Lorraine Kerr** 

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Council ad-hock member: Doris (DJ) Athman Parish Administrator: John O'Grady 727-215-3217

**Deacon: Bob Pragano 203-988-9795** 

We Pray for the Church: "That the Church may always be vigilant and prepared for the Lord's coming, with lamps burning brightly with faith and good works, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer." For World Leaders: "That world leaders may govern with a sense of accountability to God, always ready to give an account of their stewardship.

For the Faith Community: "We pray for the people of our world who are enduring persecution and affliction. May peace be restored in their lands so that they can live in harmony with each other." For the Future: "That we may live each day in joyful hope of the Lord's coming, using our time and talents wisely for His glory and the good of others." These prayers reflect the themes of faith, hope, and community support during this Sunday in Ordinary Time.