

Exploring Becoming Catholic?



July 6 and 7 - Curbside Care Ministry Care Packages

Our Curbside Care Ministry provides care packages you can keep in your car to hand out when needed. Pickup from the Welcome Center the first full weekend each month. Donate supplies or volunteer with this ministry at St. Francis serves. Contact Alyson Zwerneman, alysonzwerneman@gmail.com.


July 8-12, July 15-19, July 22-26

Camp Francis is our popular summer camp, and has lots of cool opportunities in athletics, technologies, arts and various enrichment areas! Camps are half day or full day based on age for the 2024-2025 school year. (Rising K-Rising 8th grade) Contact Ashley Watson, Ashley.Watson@stfrancisraleigh.org Contact Phone 919-847-8205 ext. 444 Registration Link: <https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/camp-francis/>

Participating in the Loaves & Fishes – Jesus' Call to Build God's Reign Today



Join us on Sunday, July 28 after the 9:00am Mass in Fellowship Hall (refreshments will be served) as part of an exciting interactive faith-formation experience, leading to action on behalf of justice, flowing from Jesus' call to transform food insecurity in our local area. On Sunday, July 28, the gospel is John 6:1-15 where lots of hungry people are fed by a boy who shares his five loaves and two fish with Jesus. How can we share our food with hungry people in our area? Moreover, how can we empower people to feed themselves? We will do a food collection on at this 9:00 Mass (food goes in Fellowship Hall - we are collecting: canned tuna or chicken, rice (1lb), canned pasta sauce, pasta (1lb), personal hygiene items including diapers of all sizes.) that will go to Catholic Parish Outreach, Our Lady of the Rosary, and Interfaith Food Shuttle. Mark & Theresa Baumgartner, JaVon Hansknecht, and Jay Landry will lead this event.

A click away  If you are receiving a paper copy, visit the parish website at www.stfrancisraleigh.org.

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Level C Personnel - UPDATE

On July 15 2024, the safe environment training renewal and criminal background screening system will be updated. Everyone (clergy, volunteers, and staff) who entered our database in 2023 or earlier, will be asked to verify the data in our system and begin the process of annual safe environment training renewal. All clergy, religious, seminarians, staff and volunteers (in ministry with children and teens) are LEVEL C PERSONNEL!

You will receive an email from; Tech support noreply@dioceseofraleigh.safeenvironment.org. You will be asked to verify your profile data and renew your safe environment training via the new online system. If you have not updated your email address with your local parish/school or agency, or if you do not get the July email, please send your name and correct email to SET.support@raldioc.org.

Thank you for being active in ministry!"



St. Vincent dePaul

helps people in need.
<https://youtu.be/4qHxd8qG8aU>
[Click here to learn about SVdP.](#)
Visit the SVdP [Facebook page](#).
Visit the [SVdP website](#).
Contact Cathy Smith,
smithtcr@gmail.com.

SCAM ALERT: Please be aware that a staff member of the parish, including the pastor, will never contact you via text message requesting assistance from you.



Vacation Bible School Highlights

July 8 - 12 Mission Mercy

8:30am-9:00pm. Rising 10th graders through College Freshmen!
Join us for Mission Mercy!

For more information and to register for Mercy Camp or Mission Mercy visit: <https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/service-camps/>
Contact Becky Cawley, becky.cawley@stfrancisraleigh.org.

July 13 - September 7 - Farm to Church CSA Sign Up (Summer Veggie Box) 9:00-10:00am. [Sign up here.](#)

The Community Supported Agriculture Program invites you to purchase a summer subscription! This Farm to Church program supports local BIPOC farmers and sustainable farming methods. Purchase a full or half share of items such as cucumbers, zucchini, squash, beans, corn, kale, lettuce, onions, watermelon, cantaloupe, okra, peppers and tomatoes. [Link to website page.](#) Contact Elizabeth Kearse, eskearse@gmail.com.

July 13 - Women's Ministry Yoga and Breakfast 9:00-11:00am.

Join the Women's Ministry for a morning of yoga, breakfast and community! We will be meeting in Fellowship Hall for a 45 minute beginner yoga class followed by a prayerful meditation, food and fellowship! Please bring your water bottle, yoga mat and your own coffee/tea cups. Contact sfawomensministry@gmail.com with questions. [Register here.](#)

July 14 - Always God's Children 3:30-5:00pm

A confidential setting for those who identify as LGBTQ+, along with family and friends. This gathering provides a safe place to pray together, share our experiences, and talk over our concerns. Contact Stacey Shine at stacey.shine@stfrancisraleigh.org

July 15 - Level C Personnel - UPDATE (see page 1)

Support our Local Parishioner-Owned Businesses

[Parishioner Owned Businesses Ad Page](#)

To advertise email: diogenes.ruiz@stfrancisraleigh.org
Link: <https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/parishioner-businesses/>

July 19-21 - Ayuda Matrimonial - Retrouvaille (pronunciado retro-vi)

ha ayudado a decenas de miles de parejas en todas las etapas de desilusión o miseria en su matrimonio. Este programa también puede ayudarte a ti. Para obtener información confidencial o inscribirse en el programa de verano en español que comienza con un fin de semana del 19 al 21 de julio, llame al 305-915-4607 (español e inglés) o envíe un correo electrónico a: retrouvailleleigh@gmail.com o visite el sitio web en HelpOurMarriage.com.

July 28 - Loaves and Fishes: Catholic Parish Outreach Food Drive Contact Jay Landry, jay.landry@stfrancisraleigh.org. See page 1

July 31 - Thinking of Becoming Catholic? Come & See

(see page 1) Contact Jay Landry, jay.landry@stfrancisraleigh.org.

August 4 & 11 - Synodal Listening Sessions. (see ad on page 4)

Join us for Synodal Listening Sessions after the 9 am Mass, Sundays. We embrace Pope Francis' call to become a Church that listens to the needs of everyone. Contact Jay Landry, jay.landry@stfrancisraleigh.org.

Now - Aug 15 - Tutors Needed -The Education Committee of St. Francis of Assisi (programs operated by Wake Together).

You can start working this summer as a volunteer for 2nd through 5th grade students. For more information contact k.llewellyn@helpingeducation.org or via phone at 1-833-726-8855x714. The time commitment includes 4 hours of online training at your convenience and one hour a week meeting virtually with students from June 25-Aug. 15.

Employment Opportunities:

[Preschool Teacher Assistant \(Part-time\) – two-year old classrooms.](#)
[Preschool Before and After school program workers.](#) [Coordinator or Cross Step Program.](#) [Preschool 3 year old TA.](#) [Middle School Formation Coordinator](#) See our website: <https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/jobs/>
Contact Trish Adamkowski, trish.adamkowski@stfrancisraleigh.org

If you can't access information through the hyperlink because you do not use the internet, please call the office to get information. (919) 847-8205

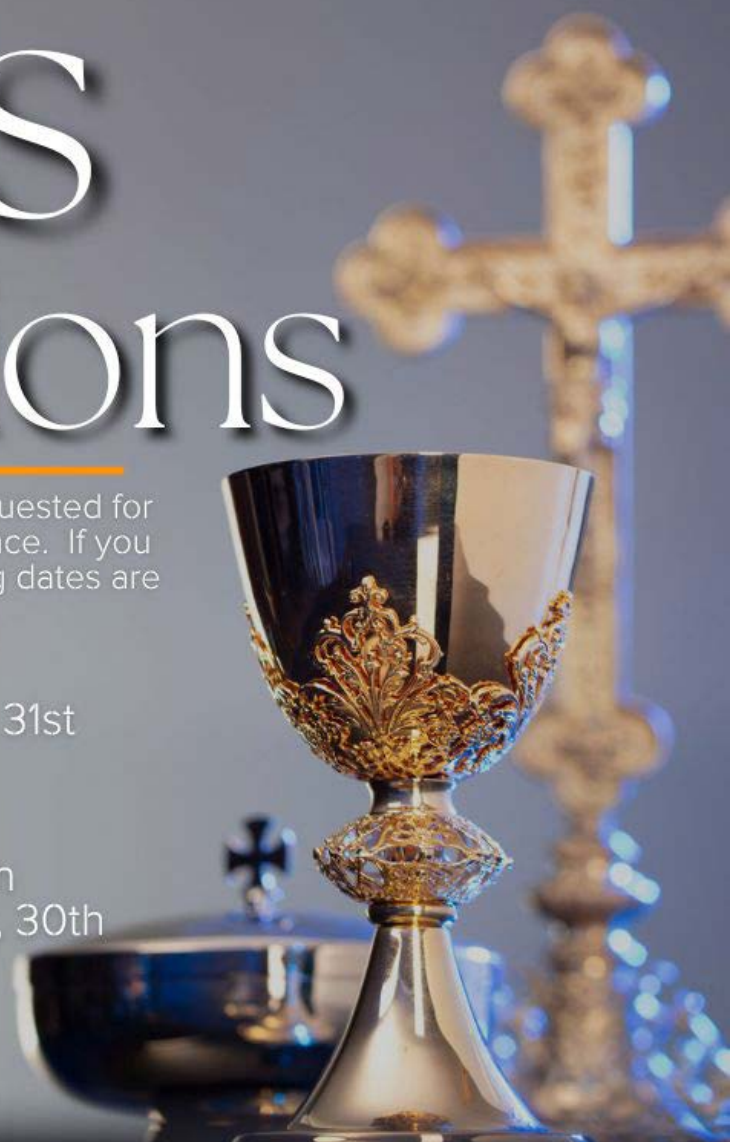
Mass Intentions

Did you know Mass intentions can be requested for Birthdays, Anniversaries or In Remembrance. If you would like to request a Mass the following dates are currently available.

July 9th, 15th, 22nd, 24th, 30th, 31st

August 1st, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 12th
15th, 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, 29th, 30th

Sign up with Shannon Hoffman or
[https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/
mass-intentions-and-prayer-requests/](https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/mass-intentions-and-prayer-requests/)



yoga breakfast

with women's
ministry

**Saturday
July 13
9 to 11 am**

**Register
in Realm**

'Laudato Si Encyclical in a Year'

Every 3rd Tuesday of the month
via Zoom 7-8pm EST

OR

through Flocknote text/email

To join or for further information email:
socialconcern@hnojnc.org



From NC Catholics Caring for our Common Home
and HNOJ Laudato Si' Circle

Synodal Listening Sessions

August 4 and 11

Following 9 am Mass in Fellowship Hall - Refreshments will be served

At weekend Masses, we pray for the Synod on Synodality that has been underway since 2021. In August, we will offer opportunities to engage in listening and dialogue in our own community.

Consider these questions:

- How is the Church meeting your needs?
- How could we at St Francis meet your needs, draw you closer to Christ and send you in joyful mission?

We'd love for you to join a listening session, as we embrace Pope Francis' call to become a Church that listens to everyone and seeks to meet their needs.



There are many ways to give to St. Francis.



Scan the QR code to give

Text-to-Give: From your smartphone screen, create a new message. Click the "To:" field and enter 919-629-1199. Enter the dollar amount then tap the link to complete your gift. Register your credit/debit card.

To learn about all our giving options, [click here](#).



Explore all the
Volunteer Opportunities
at St. Francis through **St. Francis Serves**

[Click here for volunteer ministry and service, St.](#)

[Francis Serves.](#)

Contact Dina DaRe at

dina.dare@stfrancisraleigh.org.

[Need help getting started? Click here.](#)

June Offertory Challenge - Thank You!

On behalf of the Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi, I would like to thank you for the tremendous response to our June Offertory Challenge. Your generosity has closed the prior forecasted \$70,000 Offertory deficit. Today, we are happy to report that we have made our Offertory budget goal for the current fiscal year, which ends this weekend. We are now well positioned to close the books for this year and transition over to our new fiscal year, on July 1st. Again, Thank You.

Rob Neppel
Director of Finance & Planning

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers offer prayerful and emotional support by listening with their ears and hearts to your concerns. If you are in need of a Stephen Minister email stephenministry@stfrancisraleigh.org or stacey.shine@stfrancisraleigh.org. or call 919-847-8205x234 .

Funerals at St. Francis

Would you like to be notified in advance of upcoming funerals at St. Francis? If so, please contact Joan Port, joankport@gmail.com and include "Funeral Notices" in the subject line.

