June 22, 2025 - The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

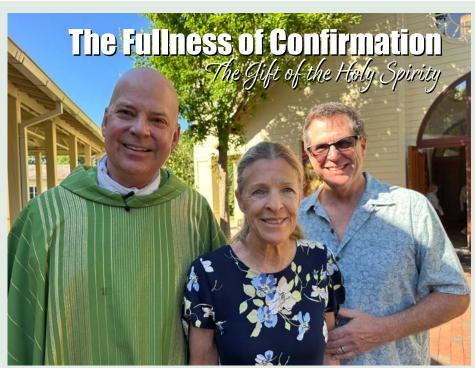
Daily Mass M-F: 9:00am in the Chapel Weekend Mass Times: Saturday | 5:30pm Sunday | 7:15 am, 9:00 am (also live streamed), 11:45 am, and 5:30 pm



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Pledge Total: \$470,581
Participating Families: 19.6% or 1,061
Percentage of Goal 90.1%

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To-Go: \$51.699



Wednesday's morning Mass was a special treat as Fr. Chris, Fr. James, and Fr. Joseph all presided. It was a beautiful day not merely because the sun was shining and the sky was a clear bright blue. It was made more beautiful when Lisa received the sacrament of Confirmation. Paul and Lisa have been St. Francis parishioners for over twenty years. Lisa's sister-in-law had been nudging her to get confirmed but life was always too busy - until today when Lisa finally received the sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations, Lisa!







 $If you are in need of receiving a Sacrament, please contact Shannon, \underline{shannon.hoffman@stfrancisraleigh.org} \ or \ 919-847-8205 \ ext \ 296. \ It's \ never too \ late!$ 

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#### Now - Sept 7 Migrant Ministry volunteers needed

Please consider helping the Migrant Ministry this summer. We are currently looking for volunteers either driving migrant workers to mass on Sunday or providing food donations on select Sundays. This is an excellent opportunity to serve our Migrant brothers. Please learn more and <a href="mailto:sign up">sign up</a> using St Francis Serves. Contact Tom Carlson, <a href="mailto:tearlson28@gmail.com">tearlson28@gmail.com</a>.

# June 23-27, July 7-11, July 14-18, July 21-25 Camp Francis Explorers Counselors in Training

An opportunity for teens (rising 9th-12th grade) interested in developing leadership skills and working with children. They will work with other C.I.T.s and Camp Staff. They are to look at themselves as role models for the campers they will be working with. For information and to apply Contact Ashley Watson, ashley.watson@stfrancisraleigh.org.

#### Camp Francis - Registration is Open via Realm June 23-27, July 7-11, July 14-18, July 21-25

Our popular summer camp, has lots of cool opportunities in athletics, science, arts and various enrichment areas! Camps are half-day or full-day based on age for the 2025-2026 school year. (Rising K-Rising 6th grade) Registration Link: <a href="https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/camp-francis/">https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/camp-francis/</a>

**June 26 - Lord of the Harvest Healing Ministry** 7:00-9:00pm WE ENCOURAGE you to experience the healing love of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

WE INSPIRE you to use your God-given authority.

WE TEAM UP to strengthen each other.

WE PRAY "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest field." Contact Maureen Costello, <a href="mailto:sentout72@gmail.com">sentout72@gmail.com</a>. In Anthony Hall Founders Room.

June 29 - Fiat Franciscus: Young Adults' Adoration (see pg 4) 7:00-8:00pm. Join peers in their 20s and 30s for a holy hour of Adoration in the St. Mary of the Angels Chapel (located on the St. Francis campus next to the Community Center). No registration required. We look forward to having you join us! Contact Michelle Kaiser, mmk4894@yahoo.com.

**June 29 - Altar Server Training** (see pg. 4) 1:00pm in the Church Contact Shannon Hoffman, shannon.hoffman@stfrancisraleigh.org.

#### **July 12 Women's Ministry Yoga and Breakfast**

9:00-11:00am. Ladies, join us for yoga & breakfast on Saturday July 12th from 9-11am in Fellowship Hall. No experience necessary! We will be guided in a 45 minute beginner yoga class, followed by food and fellowship. Register in Realm. Contact Kathy Eick, sfawomensministry@gmail.com.

#### **Employment Opportunities:**

We are currently seeking a Full-Time Teacher for a lower elementary grade and a Preschool Teaching Assistant, Part Time. Please see our website for more information <a href="https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/jobs/">https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/jobs/</a>.

July 18-20 Marriage Help — Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. Retrouvaille is hosting a weekend in Spanish for married couples in Raleigh July 18-20, 2025. Please visit <a href="www.helpourmarriage.org">www.helpourmarriage.org</a> - call 248-789-0276 for more information (Spanish spoken), or please email <a href="mailto:retrouvailleraleigh@gmail.com">retrouvailleraleigh@gmail.com</a> in English or in Spanish.

Ayuda Matrimonial - Retrouvaille 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 18-20 de julio, llame al 248-789-0276 (español e inglés) o envíe un correo electrónico a: retrouvailleraleigh@gmail.com o visite el sitio web en HelpOurMarriage.com.

#### **August 6 - Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

6:30-9:00pm Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home? Let the Order of Christian Adults walk with you on your journey of faith. A new cohort will begin as soon as August 6! Complete the interest form for more info. Contact Charlee Halphen, charleelhalphen@gmail.com.



#### **August 23-24 Ministry Fair**

Join us after all Masses the weekend of August 23–24 for our Parish Ministry Fair! Representatives from all of our ministries will be available to share information, answer questions, and help you discover ways to get involved. Whether you're looking to serve, grow in faith, or connect with others, there's a place for you. Come explore the many opportunities to share your time and talents! Contact Stacey Shine, stacey.shine@stfrancisraleigh.org.

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#### **Work with a Stephen Minister today!**

Feeling overwhelmed emotionally, physically, or spiritually? Stephen Ministers are trained to provide confidential, one-on-one care during life's challenges. Whether you're facing a crisis or simply need support, a Stephen Minister can walk with you, listen, and pray with you. It's confidential, free and very helpful. Consider reaching out today!

Contact <a href="mailto:stephenministry@stfrancisraleigh.org">stephenministry@stfrancisraleigh.org</a>, 919-847-8205×234

#### CELEBRATING FAITHFUL SERVICE

With hearts of grace and steadfast hands, Monsignor's call still firmly stands. Sixty-four years of faith and care, A shepherd's love beyond compare.

Now Fr. Chris, with spirit bright, Leads us forward in the light. One year here, yet seeds are sown, In Christ we walk, not alone.

With deep gratitude, we celebrate the unwavering dedication of Monsignor Staib and the inspired leadership of Fr. Chris. May God continue to bless them.



Fr. Chris, Fr. Scott McCue, Monsignor John Wall, and Monsignor Don Staib. Celebrating Monsignor Staib **64th Anniversary of Priest-hood** at Sullivan's last Tuesday.



Fr. Jim, Fr. Josepth, Yeison, Fr. James, and Fr. Chris Celebrating **1 year as Pastor** of St. Francis of Assisi



## **Ministering To All**

"Whenever you are there for another person, a closeness is created. Person-to-person relationships have been scientifically proven to improve the physical, mental, and spiritual health of both people," says Nancy Falanga, one of the ministry leaders for the Stephen Ministry at St. Francis. "However, it is never just the two in the relationship. The Holy Spirit is present, sending love and strength to both people. No matter whether the relationship is three months or two years, after spending an hour with another person, focusing all your attention on them, and being open to them, you walk away differently than when you went in."



## Ministry Spotlight: Alzheimers & Dementia

"It's a safe place for them and, you know, it's important for them to have that safe place to vent because it can be an extremely difficult journey." This is how Kathleen Boate', one of the leaders of the Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregivers ministry, describes what the ministry does for those caring for others. What can be a frustrating, heartbreaking, and challenging experience, caring for a loved one or friend with dementia, this ministry helps by offering support for those caregivers.



**Are you New to St. Francis?** We warmly welcome you to our community! If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about how to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out to <u>Stacey Shine</u>. We look forward to connecting with you and helping you feel right at home."



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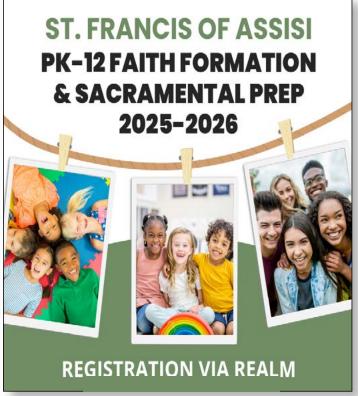
**SOUR OUR TEAM** 

# **Altar Server**



Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the Church





#### **SCAM ALERT**

Please be aware that a staff member of the parish, including the pastor, will <u>never</u> contact you via text message requesting assistance from you.



#### Serving With Heart, Offering Hope

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