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	St. Francis	<i>We Can Do It!</i>
Goal:	\$522,280	BAA Status
Pledge Total:	\$470,581	To-Go: \$51,699
Participating Families:	19.6% or 1,061	
Percentage of Goal	90.1%	

These are last week's numbers. Help us reach our goal by July 4.



This Weekend!
 JOIN OUR TEAM

Altar Server

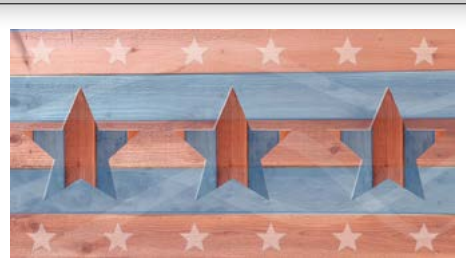
→ **Training**

Sunday, June 29th at 1pm
 in the Church

Shannon.Hoffman@stfrancisraleigh.org



*To God above, thanks now we bring,
 My country, 'tis of thee, I sing,
 For freedoms won and battles braved,
 For every flag that proudly waves.
 With grateful hearts, to Him we raise
 Our songs of thanks, our deepest praise.
 Through trials past and skies once dim,
 We stand in light, and trust in Him.*



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The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi - 11401 Leesville Rd - NC 27613 - Tel: 919-847-8205

-  **Fr. Chris Koehn,**
Pastor
-  **Fr. James Singarayar, HGN**
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-  **Fr. Jim Sabak, O.F.M.**
In Residence
-  **Fr. Joseph Ita-Sam, CM**
Parochial Vicar
-  **Stephen Andrews**
Deacon In Residence

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

July 2 - Alzheimer's | Dementia Caregiver support Group
1:00-3:00pm. Are you caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia? Join us for support, understanding, and shared resources at our next meeting on Wednesday 1 PM in Founders Rm - Note the location change for the summer. Connect with others who understand your journey. All are welcome! Kathleen Boate, kboate@msn.com.

July 7 and 18 VBS: Supplies Needed! (See page 3)
Kayak, Hiking stick/hiking backpack, Christmas Tree (we need many!)
Target practice deer, Wildlife taxidermy (full body/no mounts)
Deck-style wood pallets (little-to-no space between slats – we need 2-4) Contact Marisa Ferrara, marisa.ferrara@stfrancisraleigh.org.

Camp Francis - Registration is Open via Realm
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: <https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/camp-francis/>

July 10 - JobWorks Career Ministry Presents: Jobseekers Edge - SWOT & the Secret Tool You've Not Heard Of 8:30-10:30am
Whether you're a job seeker or a professional looking to expand your network, this event will help you meet more people, gain career insights, and boost your confidence—all in a supportive and engaging environment! Takes place at St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church 625 Magdala Pl, Apex, NC 27502. [Register here](#). Contact Paul Dean, vpauldean@gmail.com.

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.

July 16 - Alzheimer's | Dementia Caregiver Support Group | VIRTUAL 7:00-8:30pm
Are you caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia? Join us for support, understanding, and shared resources at our next VIRTUAL meeting on Wednesday, July 16 at 7 PM Connect with others who understand your journey. Contact Lynne for link. All are welcome! Contact Lynne Carpenter, lynekapperman@aol.com.

Employment Opportunities:

-Full-Time Teacher for a lower elementary grade
-Preschool Teaching Assistant, Part Time.
-Instructional Teaching Assistant (Full-time)
Please see our website for more information
<https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/jobs/>.

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 www.helpourmarriage.org - call 248-789-0276 for more information (Spanish spoken), or please email retrouvailleraleigh@gmail.com 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, charleehalphen@gmail.com.

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 [sign up](#) using St Francis Serves. Contact Tom Carlson, tcarlson28@gmail.com.

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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 stephenministry@stfrancisraleigh.org, 919-847-8205x234

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

We're creating an unforgettable Alaskan adventure for our kids, leading them to Jesus – OUR TRUE NORTH! You can help by letting us BORROW the following items to bring the wilderness to life! They won't be used/touched – just set up as environment. They'd be in use from July 7 - July 18.



Kayak

Hiking stick/hiking backpack
Christmas Tree (we need many!)

Target practice deer

Wildlife taxidermy (full body/no mounts)

Deck-style wood pallets (little-to-no space between slats – we need 2-4)



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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.” [More](#)

He gives
POWER
to the weak and
STRENGTH
to the powerless

ISAIAH 40:29

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers to join our EM to Rex Hospital. If you are interested or would like to learn more please contact,
Shannon.Hoffman@stfrancisraleigh.org



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. [More](#)



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 [Stacey Shine](#). We look forward to connecting with you and helping you feel right at home.”



Consider a Plastic Free July

Check out our Website

Click this image to learn more

Fiat Franciscus Young Adults 20s-30s

This Weekend!

ADORATION



JUNE 29 | 7-8 PM

At St. Francis in the St. Mary of the Angels Chapel

let your
light
SHINE
MATTHEW 5:16

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers to join our EM to the Homebound. If you are interested or would like to learn more please contact Shannon.JHoffman@stfrancisraleigh.org

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PK-12 FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENTAL PREP 2025-2026



REGISTRATION VIA REALM

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.



Serving With Heart, Offering Hope

Several neighbors in need found themselves teetering on the edge of crisis. SVdP was able to help restore stability in their lives.

Click [here](https://stfrancissvdp.org/blog/) to read more or visit <https://stfrancissvdp.org/blog/>

Serve Learn Donate

If you need help, please call our helpline at (919) 534-4842

You're Invited!

St. Francis Online Social Network

Creating a Safe Digital Community for Parishioners

Click to Join



Mark Your Calendar July 9 or 10

A special thank you to all who have joined and those who have been actively posting interesting blog articles and sharing such meaningful stories.

If you love to cook, draw, paint, sculpt, create art, music, or poetry, join us on **Wednesday, July 9 or Thursday, July 10 at 7:30pm** Virtually via Google Meets for some exciting news about activities and plans for our SFA Digital Sanctuary. We would like your thoughts on what we are cooking up!

For questions, please contact Diogenes Ruiz at 919-847-8205x271, diogenes.ruiz@stfrancisraleigh.org.

To join, click the red circle on the left.

Join fellow parishioners in our digital sanctuary where we can continue to be Church, even when we're not physically together. This safe, parishioner-led space is designed to foster connection, collaboration, and faith-building—free from the toxicity and negativity that often plague mainstream social media platforms.

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