



# VOLUNTEER JUNE 5 APPRECIATION



Volunteers like you selflessly  
give their time to serve others.

We're truly grateful for your  
help and support.

**Join us on Sunday, June 5  
at 10am in Fellowship Hall**

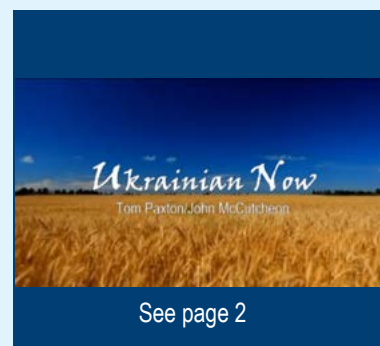
to let us show you how grateful  
we are for the tireless hours you put  
towards our community.



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## Our Mission Statement

Inspired by our patron,  
Francis of Assisi, we seek to  
proclaim the reign of God by  
growing in Holiness through  
our experience of Christ in  
word, sacrament, and one  
another, offering Hope to those  
who hunger for human dignity,  
and extending Hospitality to all.



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**War and Peace, Foreign and Domestic:** Jesus speaks of peace in today's Gospel and we could certainly use more of it in our world, in our country, in our Church, in our families, and with ourselves. In addition to Ukraine, people living in Ethiopia, South Sudan, Syria, and Yemen are in major conflict and experiencing sectarian violence that continue to destroy lives and hope.

I'm grateful for those who are lifting up our brothers and sisters in Ukraine in prayer, both privately and at St. Francis. It is our greatest resource and a way for us to remain in solidarity with them so they don't feel alone in their struggles. We gather each Sunday afternoon between 3-5pm in the church to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for an end to their war. We also gather each Sunday after the 9am Mass at the Peace Pole to pray for peace in our world, not only in Ukraine, but other places as well. Please join us in prayer. Consider a donation to Catholic Relief Services to assist the people of Ukraine. These things might seem insignificant in comparison to other things that are being provided to the Ukrainians to combat the evil they face, but don't underestimate the power of prayer and solidarity in bringing about peace.

We face a similar dilemma in our own country, particularly in the area of racial, ethnic, and religious hatred. Someone has described this hatred as "soul sickness." This seems an apt description of the darkness that surrounds the soul of someone who murders people because, among many reasons, they are threatened by their "otherness." Jesus' peace is the salve for those whose souls are in the throes of this sickness. We are called to pray for their healing and for the healing of our nation that still finds it difficult to see and treat everyone as a gift rather than as a threat.

A parishioner sent me a video link with a song composed by some of our most famous American balladeers called, I Am Ukrainian Now (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSwxxoJHJ4EI>). It speaks of the importance of solidarity. I invite you to listen to it. In our own nation, our African-American, Asian, and Jewish sisters and brothers need our solidarity as well as they continue to face senseless slaughter because of who they are. I invite you to become knowledgeable about the roots of racial, ethnic, and religious hatred in our country and how we can take real steps in reducing it. Our parish Justice and Peace Office can provide you with resources to help you grow in this knowledge.

*Fr. Michael*



Click image to view video.

## BAA Update

Goal	\$509,088	
Pledges	\$437,550	85.9%
Total Received	\$405,083	79.6%
Families Participating	1,017	19.9%

THROUGH BAPTISM MAY SHE WALK ALWAYS AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT:

**Augustus Tomas Alcala-Lopez**

Son of Antonio Lopez and Aracely Alcala

**Lillian Mae Kleczkowski**

Daughter of Scott and Lauren Kleczkowski

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM:

**+Alvin Ferrer**

Brother of Maricor Ferrer

**+Ruben Cala**

Husband of Sylvia Cala

**+Regina Sisinni Propes**

Wife of Drew Propes



**Daily Mass at 9am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays is held in the Chapel.**

## Weekly Envelope Schedule

May 22 Weekly

May 29 Weekly

[For a complete list of SFA contacts Group Opportunities, Volunteer Opportunities and Ministries, click here.](#)



# PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MAY 21 TO MAY 29



## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday May 21, 2022  
Saturday, 5:30  
+Jim Fraser  
Requested by Roy and Marianne Norris

Sunday May 22, 2022  
Sunday, 7:15  
+Valentin Mendoza  
Requested by Jennifer Mendoza

Sunday, 9:00  
+Jack Egan  
Requested by Ken Vincitorio

Sunday, 11:45AM  
+Jean Cawley  
Requested by Patricia O'Sullivan

Sunday, 5:30  
For the Parishioners of St. Francis

Monday May 23, 9AM  
+Maureen Przybylowicz  
Requested by Vanessa Fleischmann

Tuesday May 24, 9AM  
+Bill Bishop  
Requested by Madeline and John Budway

Wednesday May 25, 9AM  
+Lidia Raguso  
Requested by Mary Vergamini

Thursday May 26, 9AM  
+Fernando Bernal  
Requested by Lucela Bernal

Friday May 27, 9AM  
+Virginia Orband  
Requested by Lisa Miller

Saturday May 28, 2022  
Saturday, 5:30  
+Eileen Dahman  
Requested by Roy and Marianne Norris

Sunday May 29, 2022  
Sunday, 7:15  
+Daniel Kennedy Jr.  
Requested by The Fleischmann Family

Sunday, 9:00  
Maureen and Shailesh Maingi  
Requested by Maureen Maingi  
35th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, 11:45AM  
+Patrick Joseph Cawley  
Requested by Patricia O'Sullivan

Sunday, 5:30  
For the Parishioners of St. Francis

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

(ill) Daniel Maldonado  
Requested by Msgr. Clay  
Health & Wellness

(ill) Clarence Dordulaw  
Requested by Venerichs Dordulaw  
Health & Wellness

(ill) Fr. David McBriar, OFM  
Requested by Msgr. Clay  
Health & Wellness

(ill) Ethel Steigerwald  
Requested by Denise Johnson  
Health & Wellness

(ill) Marylee Kearney  
Requested by Mary Arleth  
Health & Wellness

+Bach Mai Thi Le  
Requested by Hanh Boyar  
Remembrance

+Alvin Ferrer  
Brother of Maricor Ferrer  
Remembrance

+Ruben Cala  
Husband of Sylvia Cala  
Remembrance

+Regina Sisinni Propes  
Wife of Drew Propes  
Remembrance

## Mass Intentions

One of the spiritual works of mercy is to pray for the living and the dead. Requesting a Mass is a most wonderful way to exercise this spiritual work of mercy. Our register for Mass intentions is open. You may make your request(s) by going to our website (<https://www.stfrancis-raleigh.org/mass-intention-prayers/>) or by calling the parish office at 919-847-8205 during normal business hours M-F.

# Upcoming Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Contact: Kathy Sales with any questions.

[janie.hebert@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:janie.hebert@stfrancisraleigh.org)



Consisting of five sessions, this study will meet in Founders from 10:00am until 11:30am on Wednesday mornings beginning on June 1st and continuing through June 29th. (Location subject to change.)

Cost: \$15.00

In The Sermon on the Mount, author Clifford Yearly challenges us to hear the sermon once again as Christ intended it, as our call to follow him whose life illustrated its every ideal. Yearly helps us to hear the Sermon on the Mount as a message for each of us, a

challenge that is our constant call to renewal. Cost of study includes book (which includes commentary, study and reflection questions, prayer and access to online lectures). For more information regarding this study and materials, visit: Little Rock Scripture Studies/Sermon on the Mount.

Co-Facilitators: Diane Rosendahl & Barbara Efird



This virtual adult Bible study group will meet from 7:30pm until 8:30pm on Wednesday evenings beginning on May 25th and continuing through June 22nd.

Cost: \$15.00

Exodus, Part II covers the final twenty-five chapters of Exodus. Beginning with the insecurity of the desert wanderings, to encountering God on Sinai and then constructing the tent of dwelling, God's people learn what it means to be part of a covenant with the

one who liberates and also gives the Law to guide and direct them. Book includes commentary, study and reflection questions as well as prayers, and access to online resources. Author Stephen J. Binz is a biblical scholar, award-winning author, popular speaker, and pilgrimage guide. He studied Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome and Jerusalem and has developed dozens of books and programs in biblical theology and spirituality.

Facilitator: Rich Zemonek



Looking for [Summer Opportunities](#)? St Francis of Assisi has many activities for all age groups this summer. Look for the opportunity that meets your needs.

We offer a variety of summer camps with lots of different offerings in [Camp Francis](#), faith based camps like [Vacation Bible School and Mercy Camps](#), preschool aged camps in [Summer Adventures](#), and drama camp with [Justice Theater Project](#).

Continuing faith formation is a year around goal and St Francis gives those opportunities to the youth in our [Vacation Bible School, Mercy Camps, and St. Francis Inn Trip](#).

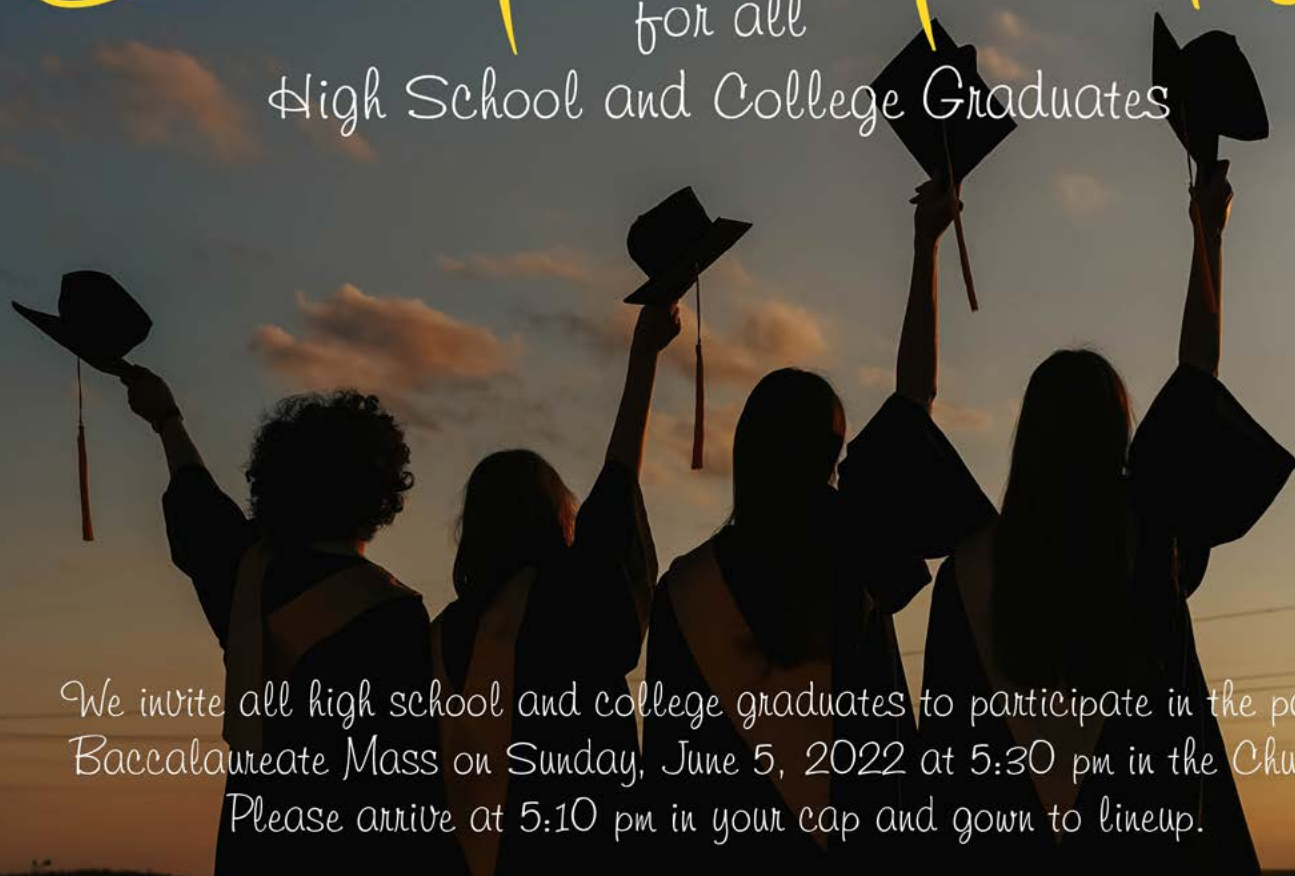
The Assisi Community Center Gym uses this season as a great time for a summer athletic league. Our [youth volleyball league](#) is open to all youth rising 3rd -9th grade and teams will play this year in July and August.

[The Franciscan School](#) and the [St Francis of Assisi Preschool](#) are both open in the summer for tours, information, and registration. Please schedule time to check them out.

*Class of 2022*

# *Baccalaureate Mass*

*for all  
High School and College Graduates*



*We invite all high school and college graduates to participate in the parish  
Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 5:30 pm in the Church.  
Please arrive at 5:10 pm in your cap and gown to lineup.*



## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW!

*Registrations via Realm*

## FIRST EUCHARIST

*Open to rising 1st  
grade and older*



## Seeking Staff and Volunteers for Faith Formation Ministry for 1-4 Year Olds

Interested in helping the young children of our Parish learn about God in a fun-filled, loving and educational environment? St. Francis is currently hiring part-time staff and seeking volunteers in preparation for the 2022-2023 school year to help with the Play N' Pray preschool faith formation program. Held during the 9:00 AM Sunday Mass, our program is geared towards children who are one-year-old (and walking) to four years of age. We spend each week playing and having fun with the kiddos while teaching them faith-based lessons centered around the weekly Gospel readings. It is truly a special hour of Playing and Praying.

Contact [Andrea.Javier@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Andrea.Javier@stfrancisraleigh.org).



Monday-Friday  
June 20-24  
Half Days!

Accompany our  
parish children  
at VBS!  
No prep/planning  
necessary!  
Show up & have  
fun!



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Email [Marisa.Ferrara@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Marisa.Ferrara@stfrancisraleigh.org)

## Remembrance at Memorial Day Mass

For well over 10 years now, our Knights of Columbus council has been recognizing those Veterans who have lost their lives, whether it was during military service or otherwise. After each Mass this weekend, we will have council members in the Welcome Center taking this information down for your loved one. They can be veterans from a foreign country also.

The names of these deceased veterans being added to the roll this year will be read during the Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 30 at 9:00am in the Church. After Mass, a ceremony honoring some Veterans who have not previously received military honors will take place in the Memorial Garden. We look forward to remembering our deceased veterans on Memorial Day. Please join us.

If you are interested in programs such as this one and/or want to find out more information about joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact our Grand Knight, Steve Becker, at [gk@kofc9709.org](mailto:gk@kofc9709.org).

## PARISH LIFE MINISTRIES

### Volunteers NEEDED! *Calling all EMs to help with Homebound Ministry*



Volunteers visit 2-4 homebound parishioners a week, pray with them, and provide the Eucharist. For more information contact

Beth.Gaudette@stfrancisraleigh.org

## Francis Fest

Francis Fest volunteers needed now. The event planning team is forming now to plan our annual parish wide celebration of our patron saint, St. Francis of Assisi. Our whole parish community joins for an afternoon of Holiness, Hope, and Hospitality! Contact [ashley.watson@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:ashley.watson@stfrancisraleigh.org) if you are interested or want to learn more about this opportunity. [www.stfrancisraleigh.org/francisfest](http://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/francisfest).

You can mail your contribution to us at:

**St Francis Of Assisi**  
**11401 Leesville Road**  
**Raleigh, NC 27613**

You can give online through:



<https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/faith-direct/>



**Text-to-Give: 919-629-1199**

**Additional Online Giving Methods:**

[www.stfrancisraleigh.org/treasure/](http://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/treasure/)



**WE ARE REVITALIZING OUR WOMEN'S MINISTRY AND  
NEED YOUR GIFTS! IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN  
PARTICIPATING PLEASE CONTACT  
BETH.GAUDETTE@STFRANCISRALEIGH.ORG**

## LGBTQ+ Ministry

May 28th, the Saturday before Memorial Day, we will gather for fun and games, hikes and food, friends and family. Shelter #2 at the Reedy Creek entrance off of I-40. Shelter #2 is across the parking lot from the restrooms. Look for the rainbow umbrella. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. The ministry will provide an entrée of fried chicken and paper products. You are welcome to bring lemonade, tea and water too. We have the shelter from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. so come early and stay late! No RSVP required. \*Please note that the entrance off of Glenwood takes you to the other part of the park. You cannot get to our shelter by entering the park via Glenwood.



# EDUCATION MINISTRIES

## Celebration of our Graduates

Mike Watson, Principal



Each year on the week before Memorial Day weekend, we celebrate the graduating 8th graders at TFS. We put a lot of effort into recognizing and appreciating our graduates in their last few days here, and there are many reasons it is important we do. First, and obviously, to recognize their success as our graduates and the time they have spent achieving this milestone. Our students have spent, if they started in kindergarten, nine of their fourteen years at TFS. That is more time than most will spend in high school AND college combined! They will start in Kindergarten without knowing many letters or numbers, most not knowing how to read or spell, and not knowing addition or subtraction. At the end of their time, they have read Shakespeare or a variety of classic novels, are directing their own achievement in Academics, in collaboration with the dedicated faculty at TFS, and using complex mathematical formulas in algebra and geometry. They are academically successful and prepared.

However, their academic achievements and progress are only a partial achievement of their time here. They also have been deeply infused in their Faith; having made their First Communion, started pre-

paring for their Confirmation, and learned so much about the beauty of their Catholic faith. They will have learned about and discussed the Catholic Social Teachings, and how to implement them in their lives. Learned the value of service and their Gospel call to action through a discussion of the Church's history, to include the foundations in the Old Testament and the mission described in the New Testament. Learning from the example of their families and teachers what it means to be a Catholic every day, and not just an "everyday Catholic", we send them out confident in their character.

Moreover, they have especially learned how to put their faith in action through that valuable Service mentioned above. They know they are called to service as faithful Catholics; their faith goes beyond attending Mass and focusing on their personal faith experience. Called to reach out and help their brothers and sisters in Christ, and represent the "hands and feet of God on Earth", they know the responsibility they have to better the lives of others. These three things they have learned here: Faith, Academics, and Service, and we look forward to seeing how they change the world for the better with the foundation their parents have provid-

ed them here. We honor and appreciate them for all these things!

But that's not all...we also appreciate them because of who they are as important people in our lives as faculty, administrators and staff. Many of them have been in our lives for those entire 9 years since kindergarten; we have seen them grow and change and mature. We love them like parents do; not as much as parents, nor in exactly the same way, but we love them despite their actions at times. We love them even though they frustrate us, love them when they make us laugh and shake our heads, and love them when they surprise us with their thoughtfulness and joy. We love them when they make us exasperated, or disappointed, or impressed. We love them no matter what because we know who they are and know they are good, and precious, and important. We love them because they make us proud in all they have accomplished, impressed with all we know they will achieve going forward, and justify for us in our hearts the reason we have these roles in their lives.

Congratulations to the TFS Class of 2022, you are ready!



# EDUCATION MINISTRIES

Heidi Hobler, Preschool Director



"That's the place where I go to have fun!" This was recently exclaimed by one of our 3-years old to his mom. She shared with his teacher that when they drove by St. Francis one weekend, he shouted that out in the car. To me, this is another wonderful testament to all that our amazing teachers do every day to inspire the love of learning and to show how their passion for children generates joy and enthusiasm for school. As our preschool year winds down, the staff are very busy making sure that our little ones don't forget how much they are valued, cared for, and treasured. Many of the teachers are preparing little end-of-year gifts, organizing farewell family picnics, and planning days with special activities. This past week, we got to bring back an exciting event in which our 4's and 5's participate- Field Day!

After a 2 year absence, we were once again able to hold this day designed to foster camaraderie and class spirit mixed in with a little bit of friendly competition. Similar to Field Day at TFS, each of our older preschool classes rotate through events designed to gently challenge while generating a heaping amount of fun! There is an obstacle course, lots of bubbles, a sponge toss, a laundry day race, and other events designed to bring a ton of smiles and plenty of laughter! Our outstanding teachers and terrific parent volunteers make the day possible. They provide a model for our students of what it means to work together, support each other, and encourage peers to try new things. By this point in the year, all of the children have grown together and have formed fast friendships with many of their classmates. The idea of being kind, taking care of one another, and

working collaboratively has been nurtured throughout the year. Field Day is an opportunity to bring it all together in a big, lively, and fun-loving way.

One of our main goals at preschool is for our children to go off to Kindergarten having been put on a road to becoming caring, humble, and compassionate people of Christ. We want them to leave us being prepared to tackle the challenges of elementary school while never losing sight of what it means to be a follower of Jesus. Hopefully, Field Day has provided them with memories of these lessons that they will carry with them into the future!

To schedule a tour to visit our preschool, please visit our website at: [preschoolatstfrancis.com](http://preschoolatstfrancis.com) or contact Shelley Freeman at: [shelley.freeman@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:shelley.freeman@stfrancisraleigh.org)



JOIN US FOR A  
PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION  
TO DISMANTLE RACISM

MAY 25, 2022 | 4:00-5:30 PM

4706 Creedmoor Rd., Raleigh, NC



On May 25, 2022, between 4:00 and 5:30 pm, a peaceful demonstration will take place on Creedmoor Road in Raleigh. This date was chosen because it is the second anniversary of George Floyd's death. The demonstrators will hold signs that will remind everyone who is participating in the demonstration and those who drive past during that time that we need to continue efforts to dismantle systemic racism and the injustices it causes for so many. Members from several houses of worship, including Benson Memorial United Methodist Church, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Temple Beth Or, Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, and Grove Baptist Church will participate. The demonstration will be followed by a service at Temple Beth Or to pray for this necessary change.



# JUSTICE AND PEACE MINISTRIES

## Migrant Ministry Volunteers Needed!



### Ministry to Migrant Farm Workers Returns!

Every Sunday from June – September  
Volunteers Needed  
No experience necessary  
Questions and to sign up:  
[www.bit.ly/SFA-MMSummer2022](http://www.bit.ly/SFA-MMSummer2022)

Every summer fathers, brothers, uncles and sons leave their families in their home countries in Mexico and Central America and travel to our state with little more than a backpack to do the hard work of picking our fruits, vegetables, and tobacco for months on end. While our brothers in Christ are here they live in run-down trailers and houses, often lacking the basic essentials like working plumbing and comfortable and clean bedding. They are over-worked and underpaid doing work few Americans choose to do, only to provide better support and resources for their families back home.

Because we are a Catholic Community committed to living the Gospel in our daily lives, we have been serving our migrant brothers and easing their burdens for over 25 years. COVID interrupted our ability to do so these past two years so we are excited to be bringing back this ministry this year! Won't you join us?

We serve these brothers in Christ on the margins of society by providing much needed supplies, driving them to and from mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Louisburg each Sunday from June 5 – September 25, 2022, and by offering them a monthly fiesta of food and fun.

We are in need of drivers and help with our fiestas. The ability to speak Spanish is not required. Families are welcome! Here is a link to sign up: [www.bit.ly/SFA-MMSummer2022](http://www.bit.ly/SFA-MMSummer2022)

If you're interested, have questions or just want to hear more contact Mary Lou Holloway at [mlholly10@gmail.com](mailto:mlholly10@gmail.com) or 215-327-9938. Thank you so much for considering this! Your help and kindness mean so much!

# PARISH LIFE MINISTRIES

## Adult Open Play Ministry Leaders Needed!

We are looking for Ministry Leaders to coordinate the Adult Open Play Leagues for

- Men's 30 + Basketball Open Play
- Women's 18+ Basketball Open Play

For more information please contact Mary Arleth ([Mary.Arleth@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Mary.Arleth@stfrancisraleigh.org))

## Youth Bball Skills Clinic

The last Youth Basketball Skills Clinics will take place this Tuesday Evenings for grades 1st-8th Graders. This program is designed for campers to work on dribbling, passing, rebounding, shooting and defensive drills with Triple Threat Triumph

**Tuesday Night : 5/24**

**1st -4th graders 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM**

**5th - 8th graders 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM**

Cost \$20.00 each Session.

For more information and to Register Visit: <https://www.stfrancisraleigh.org/cl-youth-basketball-clinic/>

Questions, contact: [Mary.Arleth@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Mary.Arleth@stfrancisraleigh.org)

## Alzheimer's Support Group Facilitator Needed

We are in need of a volunteer facilitator for an existing Alzheimer's/ Dementia Caregiver's Support Group. Having experience as a caregiver for someone who has had dementia is a plus. Facilitator training is available. Contact Linda Tucker at 937-478-9537 if interested.

## Camp Francis Explorers Counselors in Training

Our Counselor In Training Program is designed for mature and enthusiastic teens who are interested in developing leadership skills and working with children. C.I.T.s are expected to willingly and fully participate in camp programs while working 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.

Applicants that are ages 14-16 (by August 31, 2022) that are interested in volunteering for at least 2 weeks of the Camp Francis Explorers program should contact [Ashley.Watson@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Ashley.Watson@stfrancisraleigh.org) for more information and the application.

# JUSTICE AND PEACE MINISTRIES



Our Knights of Columbus Council was fortunate to raise significant funds during the 2021-2022 fraternal year. This was possible due to the hard work of the Council members volunteering numerous hours at fundraising events. Grand Knight Steve Becker appointed a Capital Spend Committee with the task of selecting charitable organizations in the Raleigh area to receive donations totaling \$18,000.

The committee, led by Mike Rock, made the following recommendations for a Council's final vote: Community, Right to Human Dignity, Culture of Life, Health Services, Religious Education and Veterans. Some of the specific organizations receiving the donations within these categories include Habitat for Humanity, InterAct, St. Vincent DePaul, Casa King's Ridge Project, Catholic Parish Outreach, St. Joseph's Primary Care Clinic, RCIA Bibles, Men's Bible Study, Women's Veteran Support, just to name a few but all advocating The Knights of Columbus primary principle, Charity. If you are interested in finding out more about the Knights of Columbus, please e-mail Steve Becker – [gk@kofc9709.org](mailto:gk@kofc9709.org).

## Upcoming At a Glance

### **May 23** **Spiritual Gifts Journey** **Small Group Registration**

(See page 13)

### **May 25** **Peaceful Demonstration** **to Dismantle Racism**

Between 4:00 and 5:30pm  
4706 Creedmoor Rd, Raleigh

(See page 10)

### **May 25 - June 22** **Bible Study: Exodus Part 2**

This virtual adult Bible study group will meet from 7:30pm until 8:30pm on Wednesday evenings.

(See pg 4)

### **May 28** **LGBTQ+ Ministry Gathering**

(See page 7)

### **May 30** **Rmembrance at** **Memorial Day Mass**

(See page 6)

### **June 1-29** **Bible Study: The Sermon on the Mount**

Consisting of five sessions, this study will meet in Founders from 10:00am until 11:30am on Wednesday mornings beginning on June 1st and continuing through June 29 (See pg 4)

### **June 5** **Baccalaureate Mass**

(See page 5)

### **August 14** **Ecumenical Delegation to the US/Mexico** **Border**

Delegates will travel to sister cities on the US-Mexico Border, Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, and Douglas, Arizona, USA, with organization Frontera de Cristo. Cost is \$1000 per person, plus airfare. Contact Trevor Thompson, [trevor.thompson@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:trevor.thompson@stfrancisraleigh.org).

### **September 6: Divorce Care**

The Next Series of Divorce Care will be Sep 6, 2022 – Dec 13, 2022, for more information please contact Bill Morgan at [dejanuts@yahoo.com](mailto:dejanuts@yahoo.com).



# TAKE A *journey* TO DISCOVER HOW GOD HAS GIFTED YOU.



Explore the charisms that you have been given to share with the world. Our small groups will work together to unlock and find the gifts you have been given. As you journey down this path you will then work with your facilitator one on one to explore these gifts. In the final phase you will learn how to bring your gifts to life.

The small groups will meet Mondays at 10am in person. They will meet June 13, 20, July 11, 18, and 25th.

Registration for The Spiritual Gifts Journey small groups open May 23rd.  
Register through Realm - \$25 Registration Fee for materials and online access.

SMALL GROUP REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, MAY 23RD

## Laudato Si'

*"I ask you in the name of God, to defend Mother Earth"*

Pope Francis



Msgr. Irwin has given us the foundation. What's next? WE decide! How green can we get?  
Check out the NC Green Directory ([greenishneighbor.com/green-directory](http://greenishneighbor.com/green-directory)) where you will find a list of organizations who are working to save our planet.

For more eco info: [stfrancisraleigh.org/care\\_for\\_creation](http://stfrancisraleigh.org/care_for_creation)

To connect with us: [stfccreation@gmail.com](mailto:stfccreation@gmail.com)



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### **Director of Faith Formation**

We are currently seeking a Director of Formation to oversee our comprehensive formation program serving pre-K through adults, including sacramental preparation and a year-round RCIA process. The director supervises and collaborates with a formation team and administrative staff in establishing goals and implementing programs using contemporary Catholic evangelization and catechetical approaches. The successful applicant will have a degree in theology or related field (Masters level preferred), be conversant in the fields of evangelization and contemporary approaches to catechesis and have a minimum of five years in successful leadership in formation ranging from young children to adults. A minimum of three years of supervisory experience is required along with demonstrated knowledge and skills in adult initiation and adult faith formation. The director collaborates with the leadership team in building on the parish's longstanding history of bringing baptismal and ministerial priesthood together in the collaborative vision of Vatican II.

Applicants should submit a résumé, three references, a 1-2 page document with your perspective on a year round catechumenate process, young adult ministry, adult faith formation, and salary requirements to [Search.Committee@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Search.Committee@stfrancisraleigh.org). Applications will be accepted through June 10, 2022.

### **Director of Engagement and Development**

We are seeking a Director of Engagement and Development, oversee, develop and implement a comprehensive vision of inviting and involving our members in fulfilling their baptismal mission by identifying and sharing their gifts and their material resources in response to the Lord. A graduate degree in theology, pastoral ministry, counseling, church administration or a related field is preferred as well as at least two years of successful fund-raising experience and familiarity with the USCCB's stewardship ministry vision and documents. Applicants must have a strong relationship with the Lord, excellent interpersonal skills, be a skilled listener, and be comfortable in a variety of settings with diverse groups. Some nights and weekends are required. The director collaborates with the pastoral staff in building the parish's longstanding history of bringing baptismal and ministerial priesthood together in the collaborative vision of Vatican II.

Applicants should submit a résumé, three references, and salary requirements to [Search.Committee@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Search.Committee@stfrancisraleigh.org). Applications will be accepted through June 10, 2022.

### **Spanish Enrichment Instructor – Part Time (8-10 hours per week)**

St. Francis Preschool is seeking an enthusiastic individual who is bilingual in Spanish to join our staff as a Part Time Spanish Enrichment instructor. This person will be responsible for developing and delivering fun-filled lessons that will engage and enhance the preschool experience of our three, four and five year olds. Successful completion of the Diocesan background check and experience working with 3-5 year olds is required. Knowledge and experience in lesson planning for 3-5 year olds is preferred.

To apply, please email [Heidi.hobler@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:Heidi.hobler@stfrancisraleigh.org)





## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### **Assistant Principal – The Franciscan School**

The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi, Raleigh, NC, has an exciting opportunity for an Assistant Principal in its K-8 parish-based parochial school. Founded in August of 2000, The Franciscan School is a state of the art educational facility with a talented and diverse faculty and a current enrollment of more than 650 students. The Franciscan School maintains high academic standards, a strong spiritual focus, a positive atmosphere, enthusiastic parental involvement, and community service, all in the Franciscan tradition of a strong Catholic educational environment supported by the parish community.

The qualified applicant must be a practicing Catholic possessing a Master's degree (or higher) in Educational Administration or Curriculum and Instruction, must have or be eligible for an administrator's license from the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, and must have both classroom and administrative experience, preferably across multiple grade levels. The successful candidate will possess strong leadership skills that foster collaboration with parents, students, faculty, and parish staff and demonstrate excellent large and small group communication. The candidate will also be technologically proficient in school administrative software, Microsoft office and web-based communication tools.

We offer a comprehensive benefits package, which includes medical, dental, life insurance, pension, 403B, paid vacation and holidays. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Interested candidates should e-mail a cover letter, including an educational philosophy, resume, and a listing of four references to [dawn.smith@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:dawn.smith@stfrancisraleigh.org). Deadline for applications is May 31, 2022.

### **Elementary Teacher, Grade 3 – Full Time**

The Franciscan School is seeking a qualified classroom teacher in the 3rd grade. The primary role of the classroom teacher will be to instruct students in the diocesan curriculum for that specific grade, while challenging them to move beyond their current level of academic success. The candidate will demonstrate the ability to draw the students out to reach their full potential as it applies to the goals and requirements of the Diocesan curriculum. As an instructor in a school with over 660 students, the ability to tie together the lessons within each grade as part of the grade level team, and make them build upon each other year after year, using established best practices and methods for instruction, is essential. The applicant would be responsible for working together with the entire faculty and the administrative team to provide a safe and academically challenging environment. One that builds upon the charism of the Catholic Church, and our Franciscan traditions, to form our students as fine young men and women prepared for their futures academically, socially, and morally. Candidates must have NC teaching licensure or be able to obtain NC teaching licensure. Preferred candidates will have teaching experience in elementary education and a record of excellence.

If you are interested in joining a dynamic educational environment working with dedicated professionals to provide an academically challenging experience for our students, please send a cover letter, that includes your educational philosophy, and resume with three references to: [dawn.smith@stfrancisraleigh.org](mailto:dawn.smith@stfrancisraleigh.org)

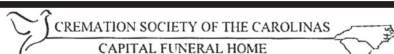
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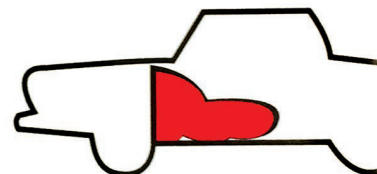
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