

June 12 2022

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Fr. Jairo Farewell This Weekend



Please join us on Sunday, June 12 at 10am in Fellowship Hall. Sign up to bring your favorite treat to share with the SFA community on this day. [Sign up here with sign up Genius!](#)

Please write a little note in a book available on the table in the gathering space after all Masses.

At the June 12 event you will have an opportunity to contribute a monetary gift to Fr. Jairo. Please make checks payable to Jairo Maldonado-Pacheco.



The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi

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ON THE ROAD: Beginning June 12, I will be away until June 30 on two assignments. Between June 13-23, I will be in Washington, DC teaching a doctoral course and participating in an in-person residency for some 30 doctoral students pursuing the Doctor of Ministry degree program at The

Catholic University of America. In addition to their courses, these students, all professional and full-time ministers in the Church, will attend seminars we lead on how to identify and resolve a pastoral problem that currently no one is addressing, conduct a project to address the pastoral problem, and write a treatise of approximately 150 pages on the pastoral problem and their solution to it. The course I am teaching is entitled, "Ministry in a Multicultural Church." It started on May 9 and continues through the end of July. It focuses on how we exist as a Church of many cultures and trains students how to develop communities that collaborate with its membership to foster unity among the varieties of peoples that inhabit our faith communities.

Between June 24-29, I will be in Cincinnati for a five-day international ecumenical dialogue meeting between the Catholic Church and the Disciples of Christ Church. I am one of seven Catholics appointed by the prefect of the Dicastery on Promoting Christian Unity at the Vatican to engage with seven Disciples appointed by their international leadership to explore how we can grow together towards full communion with each other. Our topic for this five-year phase of discussion is on the Holy Spirit and Ministry. I will present the first academic paper of the series during this meeting.

While I'm away, Fr. Jairo, with some help from Fr. Jim, will handle priestly ministry until he leaves on June 28 for his new assignment in Edenton. That afternoon, Fr. Alex will arrive to begin his ministry among us. Stay tuned for more information about his arrival in the coming weeks.

Fr. Michael

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PEACE AND PERPETUAL
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Weekly Envelope Schedule

June 12 Weekly
June 19 Weekly
June 26 Weekly
June 26 Holy Father/Peter Pence

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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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[Group Opportunities,](#)
[Volunteer Opportunities](#)
[and Ministries, click here.](#)

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR JUNE 11 TO JUNE 24



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday June 11, 2022 Saturday, 5:30PM +Italo Rastelli Requested by The Slater Family Remembrance	Saturday June 18, 2022 Saturday, 5:30 +Mary & Paul Reinard Requested by Stephanie Smith Remembrance
Sunday June 12, 2022 Sunday, 7:15 +Elizabeth Gorski Requested by Thomas and Maureen Lindgren Remembrance	Sunday June 19, 2022 Sunday, 7:15 +Dennis George Ligay Requested by Barbara Ligay Remembrance
Sunday, 9:00 +J. Ripper Requested by Nina and Sean Ripper Remembrance	Sunday, 9:00 +Tom and +Rita Canning Requested by Ann Lassiter Remembrance
Sunday, 11:45AM +Jane Lassiter Freeman Requested by Mary Freeman Remembrance	Sunday, 11:45AM +Robert Waller Requested by Lisa Miller Remembrance
Sunday, 5:30 For the Parishioners of St. Francis Monday June 13, 9AM +Sarah & Leonard Owen Requested by Kathleen Owen Remembrance	Sunday, 5:30 Monday, June 20, 9AM PARISH CLOSED +Bill Coffey Requested by Mary Coffey Remembrance
Tuesday June 14, 9AM +Theresa Dapice Requested by Thomas and Maureen Lindgren Remembrance	Tuesday, June 21, 9AM +MiMi Raymond Requested by Kay Reilly Remembrance
Wednesday June 15, 9AM +Nancy Lusk Requested by Rosemary and Mike Lardner Remembrance	Wednesday, June 22, 9AM +Sr. Kathleen Osbelt, OSF Requested by Bryan and Melissa Yeazel
Thursday June 16, 9AM +John Coffey Requested by Mary Coffey Remembrance	Thursday, June 23, 9AM +Alfred Vincent Pasquale II Requested By Al Pasquale Remembrance
Friday June 17, 9AM +Virginia Orband Requested by Lisa Miller Remembrance	Friday, June 24, 9AM +Lauren Garzetta Requested by Maggie Pollack Remembrance

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

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

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

Fernando & Beatriz Jimenez
Requested by Beatriz Jimenez
50th Wedding Anniversary

+Jim Deignan
Husband of Janice Deignan
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.



**Due to maintenance,
the chapel will be
closed June 6 – 17.
Daily Mass, and
Monday evening
rosary, will be held
in the church.**

This Weekend

Fr. Jairo will be leaving St. Francis of Assisi on June 28th and heading toward the coast.

Please join us on Sunday, June 12th at 10am in Fellowship Hall.



CELEBRATING FR. JAIRO

June 12th at 10am in Fellowship Hall
Sign up to bring your favorite treat.

[Sign up Here!](#)





Cross Step (Formerly Play and Pray) Registration is Open!

Cross Step (formerly known as Play N' Pray) is the newest addition to St. Francis' Crosses Faith Formation programs. Our mission is to develop the faith of children, ages one-and-a-half through four. The children come to us in Clare Hall during the 9:00 am Sunday Mass. Using Pflaum Gospel Weekie's SEEDS curriculum, the children learn about the weekly Gospel and participate in fun, interactive activities that focus on Catholic doctrine and traditions. Let us help your children to take their first STEPS on their walk with God!

Registration for the 2022-2023 year in REALM is officially open.

We are currently seeking part-time employees to lead our Cross Step classes for the upcoming 2022-2023 year.

Interested in volunteering? We could use your help as well!

Please contact Andrea.Javier@stfrancisraleigh.org for more information.



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Looking for a way to share your gifts with others?

Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School is still in need of some adult helping hands! Half day/mornings: Monday, June 20-Friday June 24! No activity planning or prepping ahead of time, just show up and help your kiddos have an awesome time at VBS! Parents...Grandparents...Godparents! Come see these beautiful smiling faces! Level C Required! Email Marisa.Ferrara@stfrancisraleigh.org.



Become an EM!

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

There is a significant need for more Eucharistic Ministers for homebound and retirement communities! These ministries are meaningful to the care receivers, and we need more help to continue to serve them. Training will be provided. Please contact beth.gaudette@stfrancisraleigh.org if interested in helping.



Francis Fest

FrancisFest 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. This Event will take place October 2nd. Our whole parish community joins for an afternoon of Holiness, Hope, and Hospitality! Contact ashley.watson@stfrancisraleigh.org if you are interested or want to learn more about this opportunity visit www.stfrancisraleigh.org/francisfest.

LGBTQ+ Ministry: Always Gods Children meetings in June, July, August, and September, AGC will meet the second Sunday of the month, in-person, in the Library, Room 403, from 3:30 to 5:00 pm. Please join us on June 12th at St. Francis when Joan Monti will be our facilitator. If you want to wear a mask, feel free to do so - knowing that there will be those present who will opt out of wearing one.



TFS
Positions

The Franciscan School, established in 2000, provides a learning environment that embraces the Gospel values of the Roman Catholic faith and is rooted in the Franciscan tradition. We have the following position available for the 2022-2023 school year. [Please visit our website](#) for more details.

Part-time Music Teacher (24 Hours)

Interested candidates must hold a Bachelor degree. Preferred candidates will have a NC teaching licensure or be able to obtain NC teaching licensure, have teaching experience in music, as well as experience in working with outside agencies that would enhance our music program.

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 by July 1st to: dawn.smith@stfrancisraleigh.org

EDUCATION MINISTRIES

by Father Jim

Journeys Ended, Journeys Begun...

This past Wednesday [The Franciscan School](#) celebrated its final day of school for the 2021-2022 academic year. It was another culmination of a year of discovery and wonder, all the more satisfying as we continued to move from the pandemic restrictions that we saw at the beginning of the year to the fullness of celebrating together the successes and achievements of the year. That Wednesday witnessed our two special traditions for closing the school year – a final Community Mass and a Praise and Worship jam session to lead us into summer vacation. It was and has continued to be an experience of Franciscan joyous revelry that epitomizes our communal life at The Franciscan School.

It was also a bittersweet final day for TFS. Because our Community Mass also honored the retirement of three significant individuals whose lives have shaped the character of The Franciscan School in extraordinary ways. Joanne Sullivan, our school nurse since the founding of TFS; Carolyn Moser, who taught seventh and eighth grade science; and most notably, Mike Watson, who held several positions at TFS over fifteen years capped by his service as principal since 2016. The departure of these three individuals certainly leaves a hole in the heart of the TFS community and their presence, their challenge and encouragement, their laughter and joy and wisdom will be sorely missed. But their transitions to lives beyond The Franciscan School also demonstrate to our students something important about building, cultivating, and preserving relationships between and bonds among us.



At The Franciscan School, endowed with our Franciscan and Catholic heritage, our students are taught again and again that the fear and sadness that come with the power of sin and darkness and death no longer have a hold over us. Because of Christ's resurrection, their reign has truly ended. What lies before us now is transformation, constant on-going transformation, a beginning again and again and again, fostered most importantly by the friendships and connections we create and nourish in our lives.

Saint Irenaeus of Lyons (second century) taught early Christians that God's glory was revealed most profoundly in those who lived fully alive. The TFS community perceived God's glory in the lives of Joanne, Carolyn, and Mike, whose lives in turn brought out a fullness of



life in all they did and in all whose lives they touched. Where there is life, then, there can be no ending. And so, while Joanne, Carolyn, and Mike may not be a part of the day-to-day life of TFS in the future the bonds they have forged remain and their presence takes on a different though no less significant form. They go forth, in the same way our eighth graders do each year, taking with them the spirit and resolve that is The Franciscan School and they leave behind the truest wisdom and insight that is the fruit of the many friendships and bonds they created.

As they depart The Franciscan School, and in true Franciscan spirit, we wish Joanne, Carolyn, and Mike peace and all good things to come.

EDUCATION MINISTRIES

Heidi Hobler, Preschool Director

As we've had our first full week of summer vacation at preschool, I have had a chance to reflect again on the many blessings that occurred this past school year.

The dedication of our staff to make this a year of new discovery, innovative creativity, deep exploration, and magical possibilities for our students in all of their learning opportunities was incredible! The joy of our students in coming to school every day, no matter COVID protocols, was a true blessing too! Our church community and preschool families, both past and present, provided many blessings in helping several things come to fruition, particularly in honor of our 30th anniversary year! They made possible a beautiful mosaic depicting our beloved St. Francis, a new tuition assistance endowment, a celebratory anniversary picnic, the return of our annual International Festival, and countless other things!

As summer unfolds, it is a good time to take stock of all of our blessings and give thanks to God for what He has bestowed on us! May we always remember to be thankful for all that we have and never forget God's presence in everything.

Wishing everyone a safe, restful, and enjoyable summertime!

To learn more about our wonderful preschool, please visit our website at: [pre-schoolatstfrancis.com](http://preschoolatstfrancis.com) or contact Shelley Freeman at shelley.freeman@stfrancisraleigh.org





Do you wonder about how our faith calls us to respond with charity and justice in our communities? Is there a particular social issue that you wish we would address in light of our faith? Do you want to grow in your discipleship by being more informed and publicly active in the broader community? Do the cries of the poor and marginalized keep you awake at night? Do you dream of another world of justice and peace in light of the good news of Jesus Christ? Are there public policies that do not adequately protect the sacredness of life and human dignity?

Our parish Office of Justice and Peace is responsible for coordinating opportunities for parishioners to serve and protect the most vulnerable in the community, practice the works of mercy, care for God's creation, and advocate where life and dignity are threatened. If these above questions resonate in your heart, reach out to us to see how you might be involved.

You can also help us by [completing this 3-minute survey](#) that will inform our planning for the rest of 2022 and 2023. It is our call to listen to, discern, and interpret the "signs of the times" in light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Help us in this process!

Trevor Thompson, Director, Office of Justice and Peace

Trevor.thompson@stfrancisraleigh.org

End-of-Life Issue Team Allies Meeting Via Zoom

June 27, 2022 – 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Nancy J Jones, parishioner

In the two years that our parish's End-of-Life Issue Team has been in existence, we have been dedicated to learning about end-of-life issues, namely capital punishment and euthanasia and assisted suicide, in light of Catholic teaching. However, the Team Leads, Tina Subasic, Dave Leney, and I, would like to finally meet with our stalwart allies and other interested parishioners. We want to learn about your gifts and talents and how we can begin to utilize them in action steps for abolition of the death penalty and for keeping euthanasia and assisted suicide illegal and out of North Carolina. Come to the meeting and hear about our plans and add your ideas.

Please email me, Nancy Jones at prayer-fulheart3@gmail.com for information and to receive the Zoom link for the upcoming meeting. We are excited to see as many of you that can join us online. Bring a friend or a family member too!

Upcoming At a Glance

June 12

Fr. Jairo Farewell Reception

(See cover and pg 4)

June 27

End-of-Life Issue Team Allies

Meeting Via Zoom

(See pg 10)

July 23

Women's Ministry Yoga and Breakfast

(See pg 7)

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.

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.

Laudato Si' - In action

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

Pope Francis

How do we respond to the Cry of the Earth?

- ☐ Consolidate errands and carpool whenever possible including encouraging it at your workplace.
- ☐ Transition away from gas powered lawn equipment and use earth friendly lawn products.

Already checked those boxes? Check our website for next steps.

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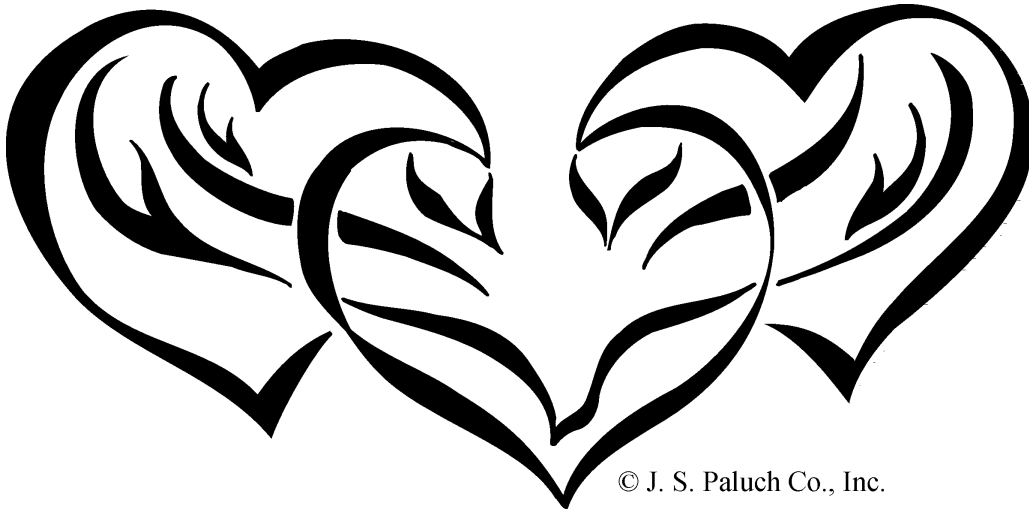
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The Most Holy Trinity

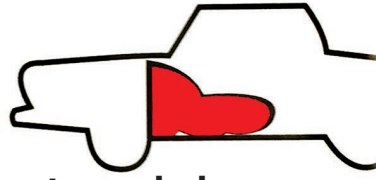
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[T]he love of God has been poured out into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

— Romans 5:5b



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