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

WHAT ARE YOU SEARCHING FOR?



Everyone is searching for something — Purpose, Peace, Hope, Healing, or a Deeper relationship with God.

Join us for the Elevated Parish Mission

October 25, 26, & 27
6:30pm-8:30pm

St Francis of Assisi Church - Main Church

Come discover what you've been searching for and experience the life-changing love of Christ.

Join us for a three-night parish-wide experience designed to help you encounter the transforming love of Jesus Christ and discover the joy of living as His disciple.



Noelle Garcia is a nationally recognized Catholic speaker, musician, podcaster, and co-host of Symbolon Refresh from the Augustine Institute. She has presented at Steubenville Conferences, NCYC, and numerous parish and diocesan events, with several talks available on Formed.org. Noelle holds a Master of Theological Studies and lives in Oklahoma City with her husband and their six children.



Ricky Vazquez is a Catholic recording artist, worship leader, and songwriter based in Nashville, TN. He has led bilingual worship at conferences and events across the country and internationally, including the National Eucharistic Congress. Ricky is a member of the worship collectives Village Lights and Anchor Hymns and is passionate about leading others into a deeper encounter with Christ.

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This Weekend!

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Greater Triangle Area CROP HUNGER WALK

OCTOBER 25, 2026



October 25 | Greater Triangle Area CROP Hunger Walk
2:00-4:00pm. We are called to care for the poor and marginalized. Join the St. Francis of Assisi Community Team to support just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement, and disaster both locally and around the globe. Family Friendly! Register today to walk, donate, or both. Contact Mary Ellen McGuire Maryellen.Mcguire@stfrancisraleigh.org.

October 25–27 | Elevated Parish Mission
What Are You Searching For? 6:30-8:30m - Everyone is searching for something—purpose, peace, hope, healing, or a deeper relationship with God. Join us October 25–27 for the Elevated Parish Mission, a three-night parish-wide experience designed to help you encounter the transforming love of Jesus Christ and discover the joy of living as His disciple. Click here to learn more and register.

October 28 | 50+ Adult Group Potluck
11:30am. Join us in Clare Fellowship Hall:
If last name starts with, then bring: A thru D = Salad/Side Dish
E thru L = Dessert/Bread -- M thru Z =Main Dish
Coffee, soda, and water will be provided
Contact Pat Spencer, spencer1334@bellsouth.net.

November 1 | Cardinal Gibbons High School Open House
1:00-3:00pm. Discover Cardinal Gibbons High School at our Open House on Sunday, November 1, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Explore our campus, meet students and educators, and learn about academics, Spiritual Life, athletics, Fine Arts, clubs, activities, and more. Discover how Gibbons helps students grow in faith, service, leadership, and academic excellence. Admissions Events Registration Link: https://www.cghsnc.org/admissions/visit. Contact: Gibbons Admissions Team, Admissions@cghsnc.org. (919) 726-9323

November 2 | Mass of Remembrance on All Soul's Day 7:00pm. During this liturgy, we honor and pray for parishioners who have died in the past year. Parishioners are invited to bring framed photos (max 5x7") of deceased loved ones to the Church Office. Please write your name and contact info on the back of each photo for easy return.

November 4 | Women's Ministry with Walking with Moms in Need Baby Shower Event 7:00-8:00pm. Join us Wednesday, Nov 4th from 7:00pm to 8:30pm for a Baby Shower Event at the Padua Room in the Community Center. We'll assemble Blessing Boxes for Moms in need. Donations of $20/$30/$40 cover supply costs. Register here. Contact Katie Coppins, sfawomensministry@gmail.com.

November 6-8, January 29-31 | Worldwide Marriage Encounter
If you would like greater depth, growth and enrichment in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make! Register. or Call 919-740-7435. Contact Diana Forehand, dforehand@nc.rr.com.

November 7 | Memorial Garden Mass 10:00am. Please join us in the Memorial Garden as we celebrate all those who have been inurned in our Columbarium or the St. Francis section of Raleigh Memorial Park.

November 7 | Veterans Appreciation Breakfast
9:00am. The Knights of Columbus invite all veterans and their families to a free breakfast on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 9:00 AM at St. Luke the Evangelist Church. Enjoy eggs, pancakes, sausage, fruit, and coffee as we honor your service. Please sign up in advance, Click here. Bring Family and fellow veterans. Contact Mike Wrzesien wrzesien1963@gmail.com.

November 8 | Native Seed Talk & Walk 2:00-4:00pm. Are you curious about how pollinator plants benefit our fall landscape? Join like minded people for a Native Seed Talk & Hike, or Gentle Walk at 2:00 on Sunday, November 8 at the Annie Louise Wilkerson, MD Nature Reserve Park, 5229 Awls Haven Drive, Raleigh, NC 27614
Register here for limited space in the walking group
- Guided Walk & Hike / Guided Gentle Walk & Talk
- Or visit with others in the picnic area and explore on your own

Contact Pat & Paul Kelly, mpmkelly@hotmail.com.

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GETCONNECTED
Connecting Parishioners to Events and Volunteer Opportunities

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Deacon Thomas Costello Deacon In Residence


Deacon Frank Bandy Deacon In Residence


Decaon Phil Rzewnicki, OFS Permanent Deacon

November 8 | Harvest Moon Festival 1:00-3:00pm. Join us for food, games, basket raffles and an online silent auction. Online auction opens on November 1 at 12:00 pm. Register here. Contact Shelley Freeman, shelley.freeman@stfrancisraleigh.org.

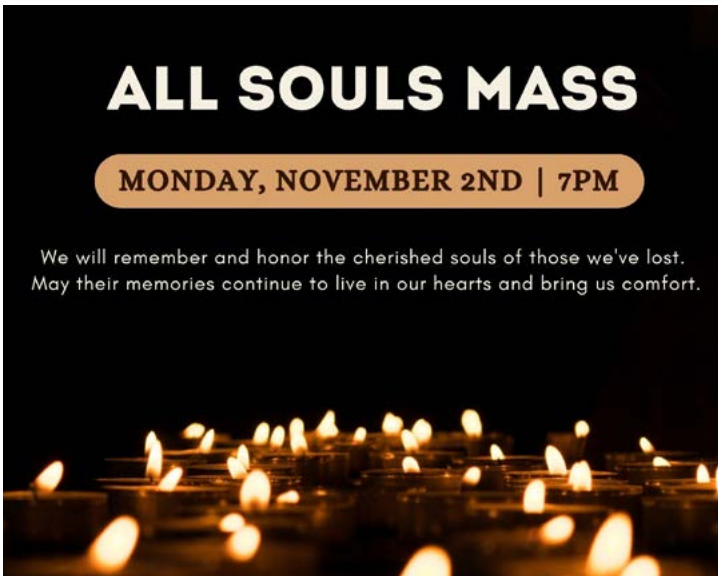
November 8 | Elevated Parish Mission: Discipleship QUAD Meeting 10:00am. The Elevated Parish Mission is more than three nights—it's the beginning of a journey. Don't let the mission end when the three nights are over. Join a Quad and continue the journey together! To learn more meet us in Founders Room, November 8 at 10am. Contact Jim DeJuneas or Joe Czejkowski, sfadquads@gmail.com.

November 11 | Calling All Veterans! TFS is inviting all Veterans to our School Mass on November 11th. Mass will be from 9-10am. Donuts and Coffee will also be served at Fellowship Hall from 8:00-8:45am. Click HERE for more information and to sign up to attend. If you have any questions, please email barbara.koval@stfrancisraleigh.org.

November 13-15 | Fair Trade & Alternative Gifts Market
Shop responsibly for the holidays at returning and new vendors.
Shop any day. Market Hours:
Friday, November 13th – 8am-4pm
Saturday, November 14th – 4pm-5:30pm & 6:15pm-7:30pm
Sunday, November 15th – 8am-9am, 9:45am-11:45am, 12:30pm-2pm and 6:15pm-8pm. Click here to volunteer to feed our vendors.
Contact Dina DaRe, dina.dare@stfrancisraleigh.org.

Feed the Need The Feed the Need ministry of St. Francis provides temporary meal assistance to members of our community who are facing life transitions including job loss, new baby, grief, hospitalizations, illness etc. If you (or someone you know) would benefit from meals made with love during a life transition email feedtheneedsfa@gmail.com and a ministry member will be in touch.

EM's Needed EM's are needed to assist with a 30-minute liturgical service on Sundays, at Abbotswood. This is a meaningful ministry that brings residents who are unable to attend Mass together to celebrate the Eucharist and share in prayer and fellowship as a faith community. Thank you for considering this opportunity serve!" Contact Susan Bartone, sdbartone5@gmail.com.





Let the Little Children Come to Me

Jesus knew the value we should all place on our children when he said in the Gospel of Matthew, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Parents' love for their children is endless. No parent ever wants anything bad to happen to their children, and would rather suffer themselves than have their children suffer; but that is not how the vagaries of life always work.

The Lyons family knew from the beginning that their son Joseph's life would be different. His mom, Stephanie, tells his story: "We are very open about his story and testament; Joseph was born in 2021 with half a heart. Typically, three surgeries would help reconstruct his... More



Al-Anon

When a family member or friend is sick, struggling financially, facing career difficulties, or facing other modern-day challenges, we all hope to be there to help. When the struggle becomes more overwhelming, meal trains, visit schedules, or a donation fund can help. "Many hands make light work," or so the saying goes. But what happens when the struggle is more personal, socially uncomfortable, and the support group is smaller? Who supports the supporters by sharing their own experiences or just listening? More



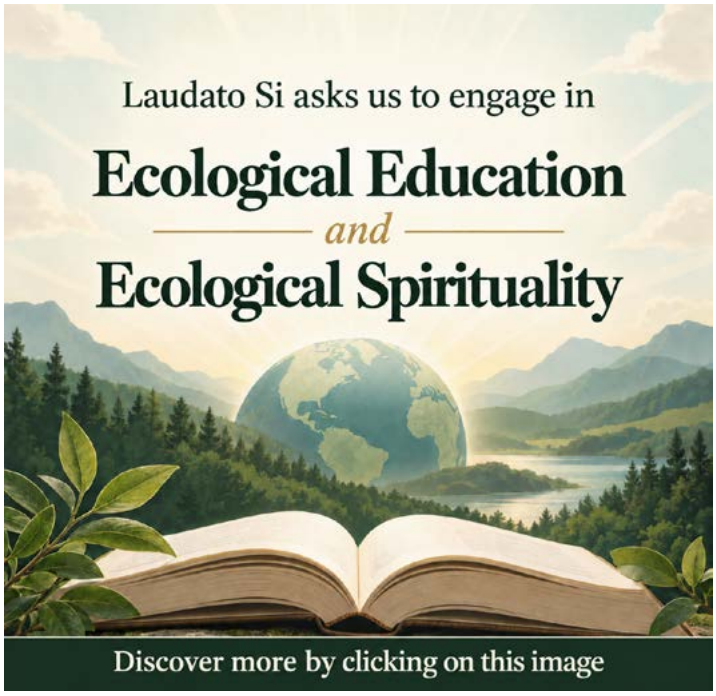
Are you New to St. Francis? We warmly welcome you to our community! If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about how to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out to Stacey Shine. We look forward to connecting with you and helping you feel right at home.



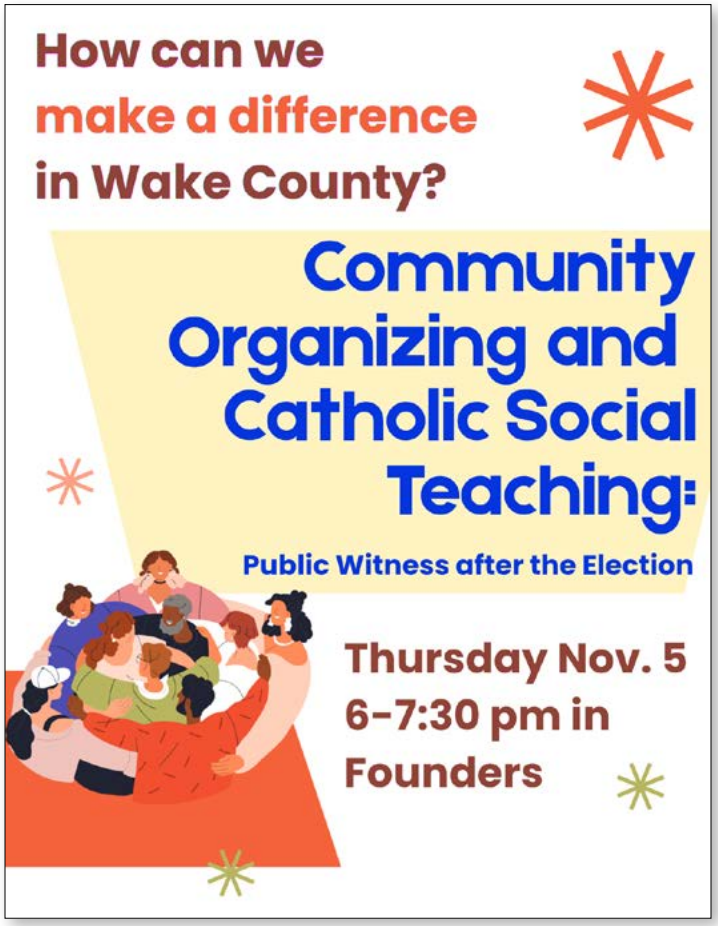
VETERANS DAY MASS AT TFS

CALLING ALL VETERANS! JOIN US ON OUR SCHOOL MASS ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, AT 9AM. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP, PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR CHECK THE PARISH BULLETIN.


SPOTLIGHTS
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Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship
Think with the mind of Christ.
Catholic Voter Resources
Catholic Voter Resources: Election Day is November 3. There are resources about voting in the Welcome Center. The Bishops do not tell us how to vote, but they remind us to put "faith before politics." Help yourself to the information!


Laudato Si asks us to engage in
Ecological Education
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Discover more by clicking on this image


Veteran's Day Breakfast
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus
November 7, 2025 at 9am
St. Luke's Parish Hall
12333 Bayleaf Church Road,
Raleigh, NC.


How can we make a difference in Wake County?
Community Organizing and Catholic Social Teaching:
Public Witness after the Election
Thursday Nov. 5
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Admissions Timeline/Application

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St. Francis of Assisi Preschool



November 8th
1:00-3:00 Pm
Fellowship

Food
Games
Basket Raffle
Silent Auction

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Theme: GRATITUDE
Wed. Nov. 18 at 10:00 am

Featuring speakers Ellen Ferrone and Mark Baumgartner

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November 13-15

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Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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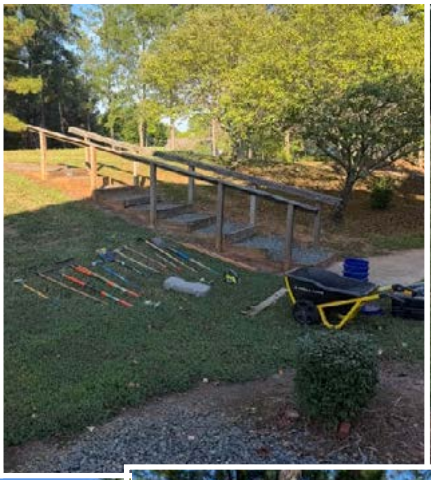






Jackson Riley's Eagle Scout, with Saint Francis Troop 352











We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Jackson Riley, who demonstrated outstanding leadership, teamwork, and dedication throughout his Eagle Scout project to rebuild and improve the steps leading to our St. Ignatius prayer area. Over the past several weekends, Jackson led an incredible group of fellow Scouts, volunteers, family members, and friends who generously gave their time and talents to bring new life to this special place on our campus. His passion, attention to detail, and commitment to excellence were evident every step of the way. Thanks to their hard work, this beautiful space is now more welcoming and accessible to those who come to spend a quiet moment in prayer and reflection.

A special thank you to Tony Sterling, Martin Isaac, Joshua Riley, Neil and Dhruv Chawla, Matt and Everett Cash, and Shawn Pecze for their contributions to this wonderful project. Jackson, we are incredibly proud of what you and your team have accomplished and grateful for the lasting impact your efforts will have on our St. Francis community for years to come!

Job Openings

Mission Support Specialist - Full Time

This position is responsible for maintaining accurate parishioner database, supporting stewardship qualification, coordinating facility scheduling, and assisting with parish-wide events and initiatives.

Community Center Staff - Part Time

Flexible hours in the evenings
and on the weekends

More details:
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