

BOLLETTINO DI SAN FRANCESCO



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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. (Italian) and 12 p.m.

HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

DAILY MASS: 8 a.m. **SATURDAY MASS:** 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Friday Nights 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

BAPTISMS: Sunday at 1 p.m. or by appointment.

MARRIAGES: Check with Father six months before the wedding date for the office work and necessary instructions.



September 2026



Dear Parishioners and Friends of San Francesco Parish,

"The Catechism provides a structured way of learning about Religious doctrines".

What does Catechism mean?

"Catechism" is a Greek word signifying instruction, or oral teaching, and has been used ever since the Apostles' time to denote primary instruction in the faith, which is needed for every Christian. *"That you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught."* (Luke 1.4)
"He had been instructed in the way of the Lord."

San Francesco Parish catechism is based on the great traditional doctrine which builds catechesis on four pillars: the baptismal profession of faith (the Creed), the sacraments of faith, the life of faith (the Commandments) and prayer of the believer (the Lord's Prayer).

What is taught within catechism?

First, a knowledge of the true God, and a faith in him; second, a life according to faith, and good works. Faith is necessary because, as the word of God testifies, *"Without faith it is impossible to please God"* (Hebrews 11:6)

Faith is required in the teachings of Catechism because the chief object of this instruction is God invisible and incomprehensible, and the wisdom of God hidden in a mystery, consequently, many parts of the learning can not be embraced by sole knowledge but may be received by faith.

Most people do not understand their faith; Catechism offers answers to common theological questions. Regards the Lord Jesus Christ as the sole and divine head of every branch of the Holy Catholic Church throughout the world.

The Catholic faith needs first, doctrine on faith in God, and on the sacraments which HE reveals; secondly, doctrine on Hope towards God, and on the means of being grounded in it; thirdly, doctrine on Love to God, and all that he commands us to love. We can look to the following instruments to introduce us to these doctrines:

The doctrine of Faith: The Creed

The doctrine of Hope: The Lord's Prayer and our Lord's Beatitudes

The doctrine of Love: The Ten Commandments of the Law of God.

San Francesco Parish offers Catechism using traditional doctrine from grade 1 to grade 8 Tuesdays from 5:00 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. Please enroll your children in Catechism and bring your family to Holy Mass on Sunday. Our Mass schedule is 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Italian), and 12:00 p.m. Give them the gift of a strong faith they understand. May Our Lord Bless You with the Understanding of Faith, Ann Burrell, CCD Coordinator

"Il Catechismo offre un metodo strutturato per apprendere la dottrina cattolica".

Cosa significa "Catechismo"? È un termine di origine greca che indica istruzione o insegnamento orale. Fin dai tempi degli Apostoli, venne utilizzato per indicare l'istruzione necessaria per ogni cristiano. *"Affinché tu abbia la certezza delle cose che ti sono state insegnate"* (Luca 1,4).

Il catechismo della parrocchia di San Francesco si fonda sui quattro pilastri della dottrina della Chiesa: la professione di fede battesimale (il Credo), i sacramenti, la vita di fede (i Comandamenti) e la preghiera del credente (il Padre Nostro).

Cosa si insegna nel catechismo?

Innanzitutto, la conoscenza di Dio e la fede in Lui; in secondo luogo, una vita vissuta secondo la fede e le opere buone. La fede è necessaria perché, come attesta la Parola di Dio: *"Senza la fede è impossibile piacere a Dio"* (Ebrei 11,6).

La fede è richiesta nell'apprendimento del Catechismo poiché l'oggetto principale di tale istruzione è Dio — invisibile e incomprendibile — e la sapienza divina nascosta nel mistero. Di conseguenza, molti aspetti di questo insegnamento non possono essere compresi dalla sola conoscenza razionale, ma vanno accolti attraverso la fede.

Molte persone non comprendono appieno la propria fede. Il Catechismo offre risposte alle comuni domande teologiche. Esso riconosce il Signore Gesù Cristo come unico e divino Capo di ogni parte della Santa Chiesa Cattolica nel mondo.

La fede cattolica richiede, innanzitutto, la dottrina sulla

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fede in Dio e sui sacramenti che Egli rivela; in secondo luogo, la dottrina sulla speranza in Dio e sui mezzi per fondarsi in essa; in terzo luogo, la dottrina sull'amore verso Dio e verso tutto ciò che Egli ci comanda di amare. Possiamo fare riferimento ai seguenti strumenti per avvicinarci a queste dottrine:

La dottrina della Fede: il Credo

La dottrina della Speranza: il Padre Nostro e le Beatitudini

La dottrina dell'Amore: i Dieci Comandamenti della Legge di Dio.

La parrocchia di San Francesco offre corsi di catechismo basati sulla dottrina tradizionale per i ragazzi dal primo all'ottavo anno, ogni martedì dalle 17:00 alle 18:15.

Vi invitiamo a iscrivere i vostri figli al catechismo e a partecipare con tutta la famiglia alla Santa Messa domenicale. Gli orari delle Messe sono: 8:00, 10:00 (in italiano) e 12:00. Offrite loro il dono di una fede solida e consapevole.

MASS INTENTIONS:

September 1-Tuesday

Dorothy Degens by Christine Gray

September 2-Wednesday

Gino Paluzzi-8 year anniversary by family

September 3-Thursday

Melissa Zicarelli-8 year anniversary by grandmother Ida
For All The Faithful Departed by Rosalia Kehrig

September 4-Friday

Spiritual well-being of Bianca Mutti by mom Mary
Special Intention for Angelo by Nonna
Special Intention for Glenn Barger (Birthday) by mom

September 5-Saturday

Special Intentions for Mary Mother of God Prayer Group
Spiritual well-being of Bianca Mutti by mom Mary
6pm Michael (Miguel) Romero by family
6pm Dorothy Degens by Maria DiLorenzo
6pm Victor Piotruchowski by family

September 6-Sunday

8am Bob Ruggioli by wife Sharon
8am Mary Mantovani by brother John
8am Tom Daniel by family
8am Kevin DeLaere by DeLaere family
10am Ottavio Zicarelli by wife Ida & family
10am Maureen Barraza by Virginia Silvestri & family
10am Maria Cecilia & Giuseppe Silvestri by Virginia /fam
10am Mary Torno by Virginia Silvestri & family
12pm Enzo DeLeonardis by family
12pm Gino Paluzzi by family

September 7-Monday

Maria Pia Elena LaBarbera by family

September 8-Tuesday

Salvatore Manzella by wife Rosa
John & Piera Franklin by daughter Mary Mutti
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
The Protection of the Unborn by DiMichele family
James Daoust, Sr. by the DiMichele family

September 9-Wednesday

Carlo Pasquali by Nonna

September 12-Saturday

Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by the DiMichele family
6pm Salvatore & Rosa Spadafora by Spadafora family
6pm Rose Marie Tocco by Paupert family
6pm Frances Shafer by Paupert family
6pm Dino D'Andrea by Gina & Todd Bensley

September 13-Sunday

8am Juerg Mutti by Mary Mutti
8am Angelina & Antonio Slongo by Mike MacDonald
8am Annabell & Hugh Angus MacDonald by Mike
8am Manczuk, Lewandowski, Falkenberg fams by Judith
10am Rocco Ruggirello by family
10am Deceased members of the Alu fam by Carmela Simon
10am Antonino Badalamenti by wife & family
12pm Vincent & Pierina Frabotta by family
12pm Mary Kolis by family
12pm Duncan & Marie Sousa by family

September 14-Monday

John & Piera Franklin by daughter Mary Mutti
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family
The Conversion of Sinners by the DiMichele family

September 15-Tuesday

John & Piera Franklin by daughter Mary Mutti
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family
The Salvation of the Dying by the DiMichele family

September 16-Wednesday

Special Intention for Christina by mom

September 17-Thursday

Antonio & Assunta Crocenzi by daughter Lorraine

September 19-Saturday

6pm Guido Visone by family
6pm Frank Audia by wife Joan
6pm Dorothy Degens by brother

September 20-Sunday

8am Theresa & Charles MacDonald by son Mike
8am Anna Colorida by family
10am Franca Esposito by husband & family
10am Vito & Domenica Manzella by Rosa Manzella
10am Vincenzo & Concetta Armetta by Rosa Manzella
10am Antonino & Filippa Passalacqua by son Joe
10am Salvatore Biondo by Nicolina Biondo
10am Caterina Benvenuto by Nicolina Biondo
10am Maria Antonia DiPonio by son Antonio & family
12pm Diva Bonaldi by family
12pm Cathy LaTorre by Anna Rose
12pm Joseph LaTorre by Anna Rose
12pm Virgilio & MariaCandida Ferrera by Maria
12pm Francesco & Evelina Ferrera by Maria
12pm Thomas & Benedetta Sabatini by Maria & Joe
12pm Antonio & Annunziata Moscone by Maria

September 21-Monday

Steven Upshur by son Daniel Upshur
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family

September 22-Tuesday

Primo Righi by wife Lorraine

September 23-Wednesday

Maria Fanelli by Maria Katona
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family

September 24-Thursday

Irene Rykala by Ludington-Dawson fami

September 26-Saturday

Isa P. Vitti by Ludington-Dawson family
Lelia Bosca by family

6pm Dorothy Degens by Sharon Steinbock

September 27-Sunday

8am Tom Latimer by wife Shirley
8am Grace & Albert Izzi by family
8am Rita Normandeau by Ron & Michelle Marino
8am Special Intent-Lisa Cicilian & fam by Judith Manczuk
10am Mario Signorelli by wife & family
10am Anna Villa by family

September 28-Monday

Maria Pia Elena LaBarbera by family

September 29-Tuesday

Gaetano & Antonietta Biundo by family
Mike Pisa, Sr. by daughter Michele Pisa-Jones
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
Holy Souls in Purgatory by DiMichele family
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family

September 30-Wednesday

Giuseppe & Savina Righi by daughter-in-law Lorraine
In thanksgiving for prayers received by Arlette Barger

Lectors for September

Sept. 06-J. Nowc, L. Pietrantoni, N. Butros
Sept. 13-P. Graebert, M. Sugameli, L. Sawyer
Sept. 20-J. Nowc, V. Amaro, A. Perugi
Sept. 27-P. Graebert, T. Silverio, N. Butros

Saturday 6pm

Sept. 05-J. Foglyano, **Sept. 12-**D. Brosky,
Sept. 19-J. Foglyano, **Sept. 26-**D. Brosky

MASS INTENTIONS-Call or send mass intentions to the rectory office by the **15th of the previous month** so we can print your loved one's name in our church monthly bulletin paper.



August 16, 2026

ASSUNTA SOCIETY MEETING

After 10am Holy Mass on September 20th.

COME JOIN OUR MARY MOTHER OF GOD PRAYER GROUP! EVERY MONDAY @1pm.

We have coffee, snacks, & plenty of conversation in the church hall afterwards. All are welcome.



LABOR DAY IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th



Wishing all of you a safe, memorable day
and best wishes to all the children
for a great school year ahead!

A Unique Vantage Point - A Church Organist's Perspective **by: Aaron Caruso**

I am a part of the mass from higher than the altar and the people - neither fully seen nor hidden. I see things like parents shushing their kids and, at the exchange of peace, true smiles and happiness and loving of thy neighbor. I've even seen unhappy brides yelling at their dads in the vestibule! I am a silent eye from above. I offer music as my part to enhance the mass not as a performance but as a prayer to help myself and those celebrating mass to be closer to God's glory. It's a fine line between doing your best for God and performing. Sometimes we do it so often that it can become devoid of feeling. Father Marco mentioned that we should be sure to give each mass it's due reverence. It's an important reminder and something we honestly don't consciously think about too often. As we reflect on that, from our unique perspective, we get to see the incense rise as the prayers of the faithful to heaven. It's quite surreal from this position above the congregation. The incense frames the mass like a picture - ever rising. It reminds us of Psalm 141 "Let my prayer rise before you like incense." We get to see the hopes, gratitude and petitions of our congregation rise and we are reminded of the mass across the world and its connection to heaven itself. This is truly inspiring and humbling. To be a part of this symphony, of sorts, all working in tandem to worship God is quite an undertaking once we consider all that is occurring with every mass. The intertwining of the notes of the organ and the aroma of the incense creates something so wonderfully familiar to us Catholics. From our position, we are almost hovering over the mass and the congregation. Maybe this is the vantage point of the angels? This bird-eye view of our church is a gift for us musicians to see our congregation, friends and family, in a unique way. We see them pray, kneel, and worship God and do many things that make us all gloriously human. All of this helps us musicians gain perspective and insight on how to best do our job. We hope as musicians and members of the Church to be worthy of the great sacrifice of the mass and to play our part in the ethereal symphony with the gifts God has given us.

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Un punto di osservazione unico: la prospettiva di un organista – di Aaron Caruso

Partecipo alla Messa da una posizione sopraelevata rispetto all'altare e all'assemblea: non del tutto visibile né completamente nascosto. Osservo scene come genitori che invitano i figli al silenzio e, durante lo scambio della pace, sorrisi sinceri, gioia e amore per il prossimo. Ho persino visto spose scontente sgridare i propri padri nell'atrio! Sono uno sguardo silenzioso dall'alto. Offro la musica come mio contributo per arricchire la celebrazione: non come un'esibizione, ma come una preghiera per aiutare me stesso e i fedeli ad avvicinarci alla gloria di Dio. Il confine tra il dare il meglio di sé per Dio e il semplice esibirsi è sottile. A volte ripetiamo il gesto così spesso che rischia di svuotarsi di significato. Padre Marco ha sottolineato l'importanza di riservare a ogni Messa la dovuta riverenza; è un richiamo prezioso, a cui onestamente non pensiamo abbastanza spesso in modo consapevole. Riflettendo su questo, dalla nostra prospettiva privilegiata, vediamo l'incenso salire verso il cielo insieme alle preghiere dei fedeli. È una visione quasi surreale, da questa posizione sopra l'assemblea: l'incenso incornicia la Messa come un quadro, in un moto ascendente, continuo. Ci ricorda il Salmo 141: "Si innalzi la mia preghiera come incenso alla tua presenza". Vediamo salire le speranze, la gratitudine e le suppliche della nostra comunità, e ci ricordiamo della Messa celebrata in tutto il mondo e del suo legame con il cielo stesso. È un'esperienza che ispira

profondamente e infonde umiltà. Far parte di questa sorta di sinfonia, in cui tutti collaborano per adorare Dio, è un compito straordinario se consideriamo tutto ciò che accade durante ogni celebrazione. L'intreccio tra le note dell'organo e il profumo dell'incenso crea qualcosa di meravigliosamente familiare per noi cattolici. Dalla nostra postazione, è come se fluttuassimo sopra la Messa e l'assemblea. Forse è proprio questo il punto di vista degli angeli? Questa prospettiva dall'alto sulla nostra chiesa è un dono per noi musicisti: ci permette di osservare la comunità, gli amici e i familiari in modo unico. Li vediamo pregare, inginocchiarsi, adorare Dio e compiere quei gesti che ci rendono tutti gloriosamente umani. Tutto ciò ci aiuta, come musicisti, ad acquisire una prospettiva e una comprensione più profonda su come svolgere al meglio il nostro compito. Come musicisti e membri della Chiesa, speriamo di essere degni del grande sacrificio della Messa e di fare la nostra parte nell'eterea sinfonia con i doni che Dio ci ha elargito.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4th
FEAST OF SAN FRANCESCO**

Information will be posted in the church vestibule.
Join us for this celebration!

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