Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” - Jn 14:6

Welcome!
We are always excited to see new faces in our Church. The members, friends, and staff of St. Francis of Assisi Parish look forward to welcoming you into this community of faith. We invite you to join us for any worship service or event we offer as a way to get to know us better, as you seek your place in our community.

All are welcome to join us in worship as we come from diverse backgrounds seeking lives of greater balance and spiritual growth.

New to Our Parish?
We’d love to have you join our faith community! Start the registration process by completing one of our “Welcome” cards found in each aisle, by going online or by calling the parish office.

Pray Adoration Chapel

"I said to my soul, be still, and wait...We must be still and still moving into another intensity. For a further union, a deeper communion. Through the dark cold and the empty desolation, I said to my soul, be still, and wait. In my end is my beginning." - T.S. Eliot

Urgent Need:
Wednesday 1:00-2:00 a.m.
Sunday 1:00-2:00 a.m.
Call Sandy Rongish at 990-6647 or Jenny Morgan at 721-8871 if you would like to sign up.

Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University
We are excited to offer Financial Peace University for the first time here at St Francis! This 9 week course is designed to restore peace and hope for your family’s finances! Learn how to get out of debt and stay out of debt. An introductory meeting to learn more about the program will be held Thursday May 24th at 7 p.m. in Clare Hall Basement. Space is limited to the first 30 families who sign-up. For more information about FPU please contact Greg via text at 259-2911 or email saintfrancisofassisifpu@gmail.com.
What’s Happening

LOOKING FOR FLEXIBLE & REWARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

Center of Hope is a homeless prevention operation located in downtown Wichita. Founded by the Adorers of the Blood of Christ, COH offers assistance with rent and utilities. COH is looking for substitute volunteers who can work mornings or afternoons a few times a month to greet clients, record their information and answers phones. Further information can be obtained by calling Rosemary at 316-267-3999 or 732-325-7822.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay organization that leads its members to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need who live within our parish boundaries. It is personalized involvement that takes the form of intervention, consolation, or offer through direct dollar or in-kind service. The Society collaborates with other stewardship committees in the parish to help relieve the need and address the cause. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul meets at 7:00 pm in the St. Agnes of Assisi Ministry House on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. Our next meeting will be, May 7.

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

St. Padre Pio Prayer group will meet after the 8:00 am Mass in St. Bonaventure Center. The St. Pio Prayer group meets the first Saturday of the month following Mass, Rosary and First Saturday devotions. Please join us May 5. For more information please call Laura Bevis 214-2766.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

The Mental Health Support Group is available for anyone needing understanding and an outlet for personal experiences. The Mental Health Ministry provides a place where you are free to voice concerns in a safe and caring environment. We meet on the first Tuesday, May 8, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the St. Agnes Ministry House (Corner of Socora and Bekemeyer). For more information call Larry at 259-8210

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Nurses will be available next weekend May 5 * 6 if you would like to have your blood pressure checked. They will be set up in the brides room in the back of church after each Mass.

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROSARY GROUP

Rosary and May Crowning at 7 PM Tuesday May 1, in the church. All in the parish are invited.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI YOUTH MINISTRY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

All High School Students in the parish are invited to join us for CYM on Wednesday nights. Throughout the year we participate in various activities that allow us to meet new people, grow in our faith as well as serve our community. We currently have students from five different High Schools who attend on a regular basis.

Save the Date!

MAY 2 - The Mass Explained - 8:00-9:30 p.m. - CYM Room
MAY 9 - Holy Hour - 8:00-9:30 p.m. - CYM Room
MAY 16 - Road to Ordination - 8:00-9:30 p.m. - CYM Room
MAY 23 - Study Night - 8:00-9:30 p.m. - CYM Room
MAY 30 - Cookout at the Rectory- 7:00-9:00 p.m.

“Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”” John 1:45

COFFEE AND ROLLS

The CYM will be hosting coffee and rolls after the 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses on April 29th. All in the parish are welcome to join us for some great food and fellowship.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL COOKOUT

FR. JARROD, FR. LABENZ, AND FR. WALSH CORDIALLY Invite You to the SUMMER KICKOFF

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING A MEAL WITH YOU

THIRTIETH OF MAY

TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN
SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

FRONT AND BACK YARD
851 N. SOCORA, WICHITA, KS

SFA Rectory

THIS EVENT IS FOR ALL GRADUATING 8TH GRADERS THROUGH GRADUATING SENIORS. WE WILL SERVE HAMBURGERS AND HOTDOGS AND PLAY OUTDOOR GAMES.

All couples celebrating their wedding anniversary during the month of May are invited to the anniversary Mass at 8:30 a.m. on May 6. Please sit in the front section of the church. Join us for coffee and donuts in St. Bonaventure Center after Mass.
25th year of Totus Tuus at SFA!

A Special Request
Totus Tuus is an amazing program and this is the 25th year of Totus Tuus here at St. Francis! We need your help! We would like to compile special stories, pictures, Totus Tuus testimonies, etc. to place in the Vernacular this year. If you have any pictures over the last 25 years, or a special interest story about the impact of Totus Tuus in your family, etc. please send to Maria Stewart at mstewimji@gmail.com.

Totus Tuus 2018: Mark your calendars!
As you begin planning for your summer vacations, don’t forget to mark July 8th to the 13th down for Totus Tuus 2018 here at St. Francis! The team will be rested and ready for faith and fun activities throughout the week! The day program for students entering 1st through 6th grade will run Monday, July 9th to Friday, July 13th from 8:30 to 2:30 p.m. and the Twilight program for students entering 7th through graduating seniors will run Sunday, July 8th to Thursday, July 12th from 7:30 to 9:45 p.m. The information about the overnight camps is available online through the Catholic Diocese of Wichita website under the tab “Totus Tuus”. We’ll also have brochures available in the Church office when they become available.

All students 7th grade and older are welcome to help us out during the week for the day program. We appreciate your help! If you did not sign up on the stewardship volunteer forms to help, but would like to, please contact Maria Stewart at 316-218-8000 so we can get your name on our growing volunteer list! All students volunteering need to be scheduled and have a medical form signed. Thank you so much!

Beyond One Day at a Time: Financial and Estate Planning for Special Needs Parents
Join Sean DiGiovanni and Travis Pearson as they present a comprehensive approach to financial and estate planning for special needs parents on Tuesday, May 22 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Wichita. Please call Myra at 316-269-3900 with questions.

What’s Happening

Boy Scouts Troop 762 Celebrating 55 Years!
It’s time to celebrate! We invite anyone who has been a Scout, our 125 Eagle Scouts, the former Scoutmasters, families and friends of Scouts, to please join us Sunday, May 6th at 3:00 p.m. in Stewardship Hall as we hold a Court of Honor in celebration of these 55 years, countless memories, and all those who made it possible! Spread the word, if you know anyone who would like to attend, please invite them! All from the parish are welcome! We will also be dedicating a memorial in honor of Eagle Scout Michael Pracht who passed away in 2017. Bring your stories, memorabilia, and anything you care to share that day! Come shake the hand of the Scoutmaster that made a difference in the life of you or your son. We can’t wait to see you all again!

Attention Junior Class Parents & Students
We are looking for Junior class parents and students to volunteer to help serve at the reception that is put on for the graduating seniors from our parish on Sunday, May 20 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Call the church office at 722-4404 if you are interested.

Needing a Nanny for the Summer?
Former Totus Tuus counselor and current Elementary Education college student, Mary Farmer, is looking for a family that is in need of a full-time nanny this summer. If you are interested, please contact her at (620) 249-8132 or by email at maryhrfarmer@gmail.com.

Thank you
The family of Richard Eckberg would like to thank everyone for your prayers and kindnesses expressed after the death of our father. God bless all of you.

- The Eckberg Family

Attention Graduating High School Seniors Mark Your Calendars
Fr. Jarrod and the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Family would like to recognize you on Sunday, May 20 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. You are asked to wear your graduation gown and meet in the vestibule by 9:45 a.m. to be part of the procession. There will be a reception for you and your family in Cana Hall immediately following Mass. RSVP is not required but appreciated 722-4404.

Do You Enjoy Cooking for Others?
We currently have an open opportunity for Stewardship for anyone who enjoys cooking! This opportunity consists of providing meals for the 3 Priests one scheduled Sunday of the month. If you are interested and would like more information please email SFAC@stfranciswichita.com or call the parish office at 722-4404.

School News

We currently have some openings in the SFA School Kitchen. We are looking for someone to fill a vacant position and/or a substitute in the SFA Café!

This is a great opportunity to work when your children are in school and make some money on the side. Please email dsmarsh@stfranciswichita.com or contact the school office for application process.

Save The Date!
Totus Tuus
July 8-13
**Mon 30**

**LEGION OF MARY**
St. Bonaventure Center after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**CHILD OF MY HEART**
Miscarriage and Stillbirth Support Group St. Bonaventure Center at 7:30 pm. Questions please call or text Becky at 210-1098.

**Tues 1**

**MARIAN MANTLE ROSARY GROUP**
Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass to pray for loved ones who no longer practice the faith.

**MOMS OF YOUNG CHILDREN**
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**
9:00-10:30 a.m. in St. Bonaventure Room

**THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ROSARY GROUP**
7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are welcome. This week’s petition is: “For Our Lady’s intentions”

**Wed 2**

**ST. FRANCIS 10:00 A.M. CHOIR**
Rehearse at 7:15 p.m. in Clare Hall Music Room.

**ST. FRANCIS MEN’S ENSEMBLE**
Rehearse at 8:30 p.m. in Clare Hall Music room. All men of the parish are welcome.

**MARY’S MOMS**
9:00 am-11:00 am in St. Clare Hall.

**Thurs 3**

**LADIES ROSARY GROUP**
Meet in St. Bonaventure Center from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. All ladies are welcome.

**ST. FRANCIS GIRLS’ ENSEMBLE**
8th grade through high school, 4:30-5:30 p.m. in St. Clare Hall Music Room.

**YOUNG ADULT GATHERING**
6:30 p.m. in the Rectory

**SUPPORT GROUP**
7:00-8:30 pm in St. Agnes of Assisi Ministry House

**Fri 4**

**BIBLE STUDY**
We will meet in St. Bonaventure Center at 8:30 a.m.

**Sat 5**

**THE ROSARY**
will be prayed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the church. All are invited.

**ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP**
Will meet after the 8:00 am Mass in St. Bonaventure Center. For more information please call Laura Bevis 214-2766.

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**ELIJAH CUP**
Please check in with Priest before Mass. To sign up please call the Church Office at 722-4404

May 5-6 Blaise & Sidney Bird Family
May 12-13 Ryan Lies
Liturgical Stewards

**Saturday, May 5, at 5:00 p.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Liz Charles / Need Volunteer
Offertory Gifts: Vicki Keller
Altar Servers: J. Vopat/J. Stewart/T. Stewart
Master of Ceremony: Michael Nguyen
Eucharistic Minister: Fey Barles/Roger & Jill Kerschan/
Kay Suchan/Kimberly Yager

**Saturday, May 5, at 7:00 p.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Maria Douglas/Juli McClure
Offertory Gifts: Brent & Lisa Holman
Altar Servers: B. Nuessen/C. Carter / Need Volunteer
Master of Ceremony: Isaac Iseman
Eucharistic Minister: Don & Amy Burgman/Lisa Hinson/
Michael Skaggs/Stacy Bennett

**Sunday, May 6, at 7:00 a.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Dan Dillon/Bridget Harvey
Altar Servers: B. Newman/J. Stephenson/M. McMullen
Eucharistic Minister: Jim & Marybeth Lubbers/Jim Rundell/
Mary Carter/Rita Landwehr

**Sunday, May 6, at 10:00 a.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Brenda Wasinger/Joan Hampton
Offertory Gifts: Anniversary Couples
Altar Servers: B. Booth/B. Voegeli/H. Nguyen
Master of Ceremony: Isaac Iseman
Eucharistic Minister: Albert Maldonado/Dwayne Dugan/
Kay & Leroy Goodnight/Joseph Hein

**Sunday, May 6, at 11:30 a.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Gracie Vopat/Lisa Martin
Offertory Gifts: June Ho
Altar Servers: H. Faber/J. Pearson/L. Timmermeyer
Master of Ceremony: Daniel Mies
Eucharistic Minister: Barbara & Daniel Mics/Linda Looney/
Lisa Chandler/Sharon Sanders

**Sunday, May 6, at 1:00 p.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Ryan Biedron/Juana Avalor
Offertory Gifts: Pat & Andrea Horvat
Altar Servers: A. Daigle/L. Becker/M. Bitting
Master of Ceremony: Ben Daigle
Eucharistic Minister: Robert & Kathleen Timmermeyer/Jerry Pates/
Maggie & Robert Orris

**Sunday, May 6, at 4:00 p.m.**
Lector/Commentator: Andrea Bell/Randy Phelps
Offertory Gifts: Eric & Kimberly Howe
Altar Servers: C. Hampel/E. Iseman/M. Schweitzer
Master of Ceremony: Blake Ely
Eucharistic Minister: John Vasquez/Randy & Judy Phelps/
Logan Petersen/Ryan Biedron

Music Schedule

**Saturday, May 5**
5:00 p.m. Julie Riedlinger/Bogners
7:00 p.m. Ann Chase/Stephanie Hinson

**Sunday, May 6**
8:30 a.m. Ryan Dick/Emma Sanburn
10:00 a.m. Matthew Schippers/Trad. Choir
11:30 a.m. Matt Ho/Girls Ensemble
1:00 p.m. Heskamp/Dominic Bacha

Parish Directory

**Prayer Requests**
Donna: (8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.) 316.722.6204
Kevin or Karen: (6:00-10:00 p.m.) 316.721.1771
E-mail: sfaprayercircle@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus #4118: 316.461.6481
St. Anthony of Padua Library
Hours: Friday 8:30-9:30 a.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Call 706-7185 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
Unplanned Pregnancy?
Phone: 1.800.848.LOVE
Natural Family Planning
Those interested in attending NFP classes may contact the
diocesan office at 316-685-6776. Website: www.nfpwichita.org.
Project Rachel
If you or a friend is hurting from an abortion, please call
316-634-1300 today.

Sacraments
Baptisms: After weekend Masses by appointment only.
Parents registered here at St. Francis please call the church
office at 722-4404.
Matrimony: Call the priest at the Rectory at least 9 months in advance.

Lost and Found
Please check Lost and Found in front walkway. Items will only
be kept for two weeks before donating to Good Will.

Changes
Please keep the Church Office informed of changes in names,
addresses, phone numbers, etc. By letting us know you have
moved, we can save money on postage returns and keep our
membership roster up to date.

Bulletin Notices
Must be submitted to church office no later than 9:00 a.m. Monday.