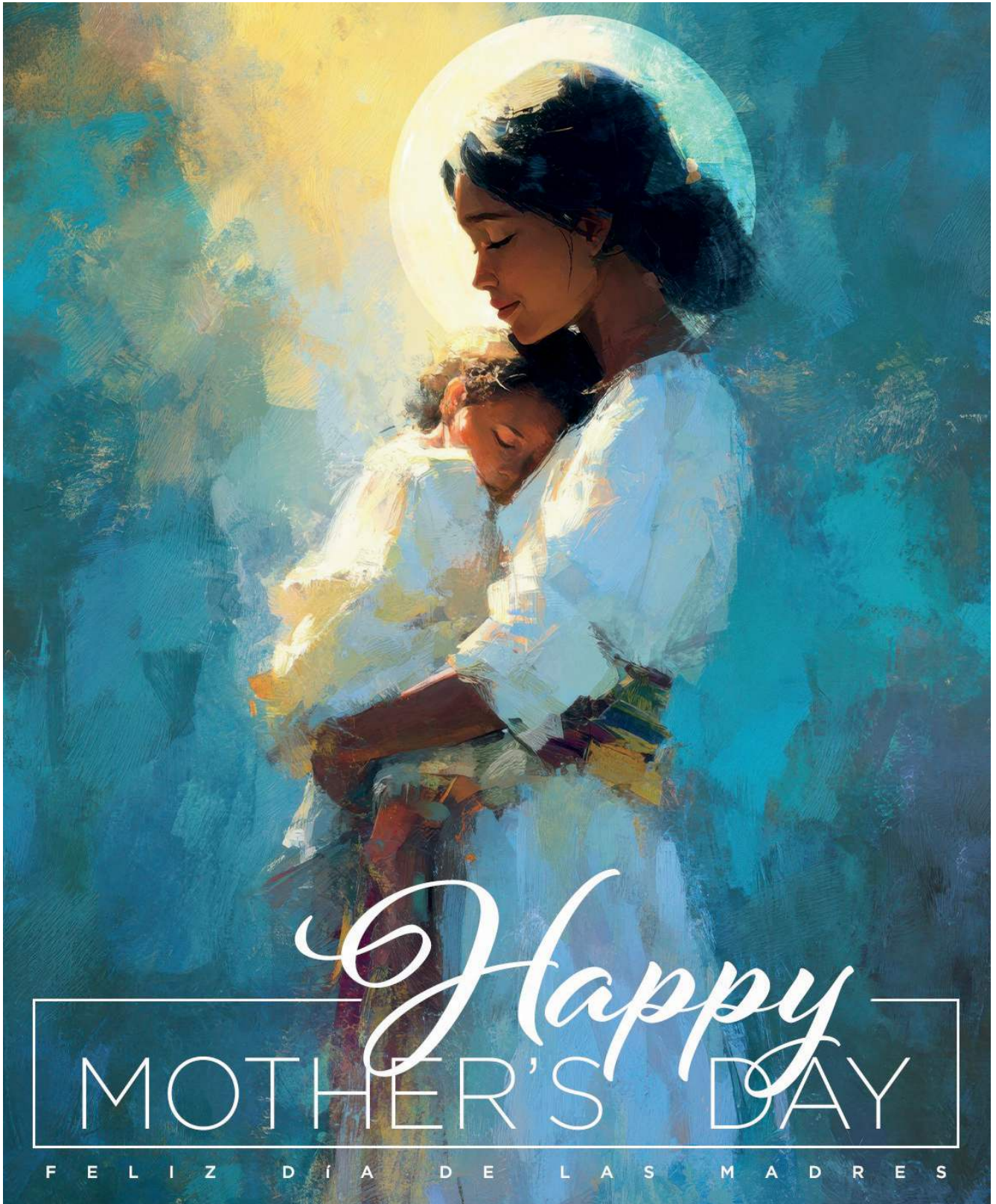




St. Francis of Assisi *Catholic Church*



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—MAY 10, 2026

OUR MISSION

Unified in one Body and Spirit, the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic community aspires to reflect the Light of Christ by cultivating *Faith, Serving others, and Loving* all of God's creation.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Unida en un solo Cuerpo y Espíritu, la comunidad católica de San Francisco de Asís aspira a reflejar la Luz de Cristo mediante el cultivo de la *Fe, Servicio* a los demás, y el *Amor* a toda la creación de Dios.



WELCOME!

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:
Monday—Friday: 8:00am

WEEKEND

ENGLISH MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am and 11:00am

CONFESSIONS:
Saturdays 3:45pm - 4:45pm
or by appointment

¡BIENVENIDOS!

MISA ENTRE SEMANA:
Miércoles—12:15pm

HORARIO DE MISAS EN ESPAÑOL DEL FIN DE SEMANA :
Sábado: 7:00pm
Domingo: 9:00am, 1:00pm, 6:00pm

CONFESIONES:
Sábados 6:00pm - 6:45pm
o por cita previa

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FINANCIAL BLESSINGS • BENDICIONES FINANCIERAS

We would like to thank you and remind you just how much your support means to the life and vitality of our vibrant parish. Without your time, talent, and treasure, our church would not be the strong community of faith that so many of us have relied on.

Please help us keep momentum going by supporting our parish through recurring donations to our online giving platform, WeShare. This is an easy way to support St. Francis of Assisi.

1. Visit stfrancisapopka.org and click Donate.
2. Select the collection of your choice.
3. Set up your donation amount, payment type, and frequency.

Thank you for your generosity!

Nos gustaría darles las gracias y recordarles lo mucho que su apoyo significa para la vida y vitalidad de nuestra vibrante parroquia. Sin su tiempo, talento y aporte, nuestra iglesia no tendría la fuerte comunidad de fe en la que tantos de nosotros dependemos.

Por favor, ayúdenos a mantener el impulso apoyando a nuestra parroquia a través de donaciones recurrentes a nuestra plataforma de donaciones en línea, WeShare. Esta es una manera fácil de apoyar a San Francisco de Asís.

1. Visite stfrancisapopka.org y haga clic en Donar.
2. Seleccione la colecta de su elección.
3. Establezca la cantidad de su donación, el tipo de pago y frecuencia.

¡Gracias por su generosidad!



May 3, 2026	
OFFERTORY	
In Pew:	\$33,370.29
Online:	\$11,122.00
Total:	\$44,492.29
FOOD PANTRY	
In Pew:	\$1,008.95
Online:	\$1,335.00
Total:	\$2,343.95
MAINTENANCE FUND	
In Pew:	\$943.00
Online:	\$3,900.00
Total:	\$4,843.00

**I WILL COME TO YOU...
YOU WILL SEE ME**

Think of someone you love dearly. Perhaps it's your spouse or significant other. Maybe it's a parent or a child. Since today is Mother's Day, you may be thinking of your mother or someone who is like a mother to you. For your loved one, you're willing to make sacrifices, right? Ideally, we come to want what they want so it doesn't feel like so much of a sacrifice. What Jesus wants most is for God's will to be done and for us to want God's will to be done. When Jesus told his disciples, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15), he was not issuing a demand so much as he was reminding them what love inspires a person to do. Recall that he had already taught them that the greatest commandment is to love God and to love your neighbor as yourself. Keeping these commandments is what you already want to do if you love Jesus and see him revealed in your neighbor. "I will come to you...you will see me," he tells his disciples (John 14:18-19). Our challenge is to see him coming to us in the person in need, in the person we are willing to sacrifice for, in the one we come to love.

Whom do you love dearly? When have you put their will before your own?

—We Celebrate Worship Resource, Vol. 51, No. 1



**NO LOS DEJARÉ...
VOLVERÉ A USTEDES**

Pienso en alguien a quien ames profundamente. Quizás sea tu cónyuge o tu pareja. Tal vez sea un padre o un hijo. Dado que hoy es el Día de la Madre, es posible que estés pensando en tu madre o en alguien que sea como una madre para ti. Por ese ser querido, estás dispuesto a hacer sacrificios, ¿verdad? Idealmente, llegamos a desear lo que ellos desean, de modo que ya no se sienta tanto como un sacrificio. Lo que Jesús más desea es que se cumpla la voluntad de Dios y que nosotros también deseemos que se cumpla la voluntad de Dios. Cuando Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "Si me amas, guarda mis mandamientos" (Juan 14:15), no estaba tanto imponiendo una exigencia, sino recordándoles aquello que es el amor que inspira a una persona a hacerlo. Recuerda que ya les había enseñado que el mandamiento más grande es amar a Dios y amar al prójimo como a uno mismo. Cumplir estos mandamientos es precisamente lo que ya deseas hacer si amas a Jesús y lo ves revelado en tu prójimo. "No los dejaré huérfanos; volveré a ustedes" les dice a sus discípulos (Juan 14:18-19). Nuestro desafío consiste en verlo venir hacia nosotros en la persona necesitada, en la persona por la cual estamos dispuestos a sacrificarnos, en aquel a quien llegamos a amar.

¿A quién amas entrañablemente? ¿Cuándo has antepuesto su voluntad a la tuya?

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Our Catholic Appeal



Nuestro Llamado Católico

Our Catholic Appeal in 2026 is \$190,374.00.

Nuestro Llamado Católico en 2026 es de \$190,374.00.

Raised to Date \$154,196.00

Under GOAL (\$36,178.00)



Recaudado a la Fecha \$154,196.00

Por Debajo de la META (\$36,178.00)



Blessed are they who seek Him with all their heart.

Bienaventurados los que lo buscan con todo el corazón.



God Bless Our Mothers ♦ Dios Bendiga a Nuestras Madres

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Oh Dios de amor, al igual que la madre da vida y alimento a sus hijos, tu cuidas a tu Iglesia. Bendice a estas mujeres, para que sean fortalecidas como madres cristianas. Que el ejemplo de su fe y amor brille ante todos. Concédenos, que nosotros sus hijos e hijas, podamos honrarlas siempre con un espíritu de profundo respeto. Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. *Amen.*

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

THAT EVERYONE MIGHT HAVE FOOD

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



INTENCIÓN DE ORACIÓN DEL SANTO PADRE PARA EL MES DE MAYO:

PARA QUE TODOS TENGAN ALIMENTO

Oremos para que todos, desde los grandes productores hasta los pequeños consumidores, se comprometan a evitar el desperdicio de alimentos y a asegurar que todos tengan acceso a alimentos de calidad.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK • PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

THE STRENGTH OF FAITH

Reading I Philip In Samaria • Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17
 Reading II On Christian Suffering • 1 Peter 3:15-18
 Gospel Promise Of The Paraclete • John 14:15-21
Key Passage: Jesus said, "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever." (John 14:16)

Adult: *The Spirit gives us inner wisdom and strength. When have you experienced this?*

Kids: *The Holy Spirit makes you strong inside. When do you need to be strong?*

LA FUERZA DE LA FE

Lectura I Felipe en Samaria • Hechos de los Apóstoles 8:5-8, 14-17
 Lectura II Sobre el sufrimiento cristiano • 1 Pedro 3:15-18
 Evangelio La promesa del Paráclito • Juan 14:15-21
Pasaje clave: Jesús dijo: "Y yo le pediré al Padre, y él les dará otro Abogado, para que esté con ustedes para siempre." (Juan 14:16)

Adultos: *El Espíritu nos da sabiduría interior y fortaleza. ¿Cuándo has experimentado esto?*

Niños: *El Espíritu Santo te hace fuerte por dentro. ¿Cuándo necesitas ser fuerte?*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FATHER MATHEW!
As you celebrate, may we give thanks for all that you do.
God Bless You!

¡FELIZ CUMPLEAÑOS, PADRE MATEO!
Al celebrar, deseamos darle las gracias por todo lo que hace.
¡Dios Lo Bendiga!



BODAS COMUNITARIAS

La Boda Comunitaria de 2026 se llevará a cabo el
Sábado, 21 de noviembre.

Toda pareja que desee participar en la boda
comunitaria necesita iniciar su expediente en la
oficina de formación en la fe con
la Sra. Mercedes Henry.
Hay un límite total de 10 parejas

FAITH FORMATION • FORMACIÓN DE FE

2026-2027 REGISTRATIONS: In the Parish Center

- Monday, May 18th: 9:00am—1:00pm
- Tuesday, May 19th: 1:00pm—7:00pm
- Wednesday, May 20th: 1:00pm—7:00pm
- Thursday, May 21th: 9:00am—4:00pm
- Friday, May 22th: 9:00am—3:00pm

*Registrations are for NEW AND RETURNING students.
Even if your child was in the Faith Formation Program last year,
they will need to register again for the next year.*

WHAT TO BRING FOR REGISTRATION:

- Parent or legal guardian must be present to register child.
- Birth certificate for each child.
- Baptismal or First Communion certificate for each child.
- \$50.00 cash/check deposit for each child in non-sacramental classes.
- \$100.00 cash/check deposit for each child in sacramental prep classes.

INSCRIPCIONES 2026-2027: en el Centro Parroquial

- lunes, mayo 18: 9:00am—1:00pm
- martes, mayo 19: 1:00pm—7:00pm
- miércoles, mayo 20: 1:00pm—7:00pm
- jueves, mayo 21: 9:00am—4:00pm
- viernes, mayo 22: 9:00am—3:00pm

*Las inscripciones son para estudiantes NUEVOS Y LOS QUE REGRESAN.
Incluso si su hijo estuvo en el Programa de formación de fe el año pasado,
deberá registrarse nuevamente para el próximo año.*

QUE NECESITA TRAER PARA LA INSCRIPCION:

- Uno de los padres o encargado legal debe de estar presente.
- Certificado de nacimiento de cada niño.
- Certificado de Bautismo o Primera Comuni3n de cada niño.
- \$50.00 cheque/cash deposito por cada niño—NO clases sacramentales.
- \$100.00 cheque/cash por cada niño—preparaci3n sacramental.

PARISH EVENTS • EVENTOS PARROQUIALES
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- Monday, May 11**
 - 6:30 pm CCW Monthly Mtg (FF05)
 - 7:00 pm Juan XXIII (CHP/PC)
 - 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion (SC01)
- Tuesday, May 12**
 - 9:00 am Clases de Ingles/English Ministry (SC)
 - 7:00 pm Cenáculo Mariano (CHP)
- Wednesday, May 13**
 - 9:00 am Clases de Ingles/English Ministry (SC)
 - 9:15 am Bible Study w/ Dcn Greg (FF04)
 - 10:30 am Women's Faith Sharing (FF05)
 - 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (CHU)
- Thursday, May 14**
 - 9:00 am Clases de Ingles/English Ministry (SC)
 - 6:30 pm Citizenship Classes (FF02)
 - 7:00 pm Spanish Saturday Choir (SC02)
- Friday, May 15**
 - 9:00 am Open Food Pantry
 - 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion (CHP)
 - 8:00 pm Emmaus Jovenes Adultos (FF05)
- Saturday, May 16**
 - 7:30 am TOV Workshop (FF01, 05)
 - 8:00 pm Emmaus (PC)
- Sunday, May 17**
 - 9:00 am Camino de Fe (FF01,02,04,05)
 - 10:00 am Choir Sun Rehearsal (CHP)
 - 2:00 pm Emmaus Grupo (PC)
 - 2:00 pm Emmaus Clases de Biblia (FF05)

(CHU) = Church (CHP) = Chapel (NUR) = Nursery
(STG) = Stations Garden (PC) = Parish Center (FF) = Faith Formation
(CR) = Choir Room (CHUPL) = Church Pkng. Lot
(CHUF) = Church Front (SC) = St. Clare Hall
(SCFR) = St. Clare Fellowship Room (OF) = Office

PARISH INFORMATION • INFORMACIÓN DE LA PARROQUIA

READINGS AND MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 11

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a; 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a
8:00am Thanksgiving Mass

Tuesday, May 12

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
8:00am
✠Pablo Enrique Rojas Ome

Wednesday, May 13

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15
8:00am Health of Mary Ann, Liza, Marie, and GJ
12:15pm

Thursday, May 14

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Jn 15:9-17
8:00am ✠Anthony Ricciardi

Friday, May 15

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23
8:00am ✠Rosalinda Santiago, ✠Salvador Santiago, y por las Almas del Purgatorio

Saturday, May 16

Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28
5:00pm Health of Patricia Ann Golem
7:00pm ✠Jose Joaquin Holguin, ✠Maria Virgen Holguin, ✠Candelaria Zuriel de Holguin

Sunday, May 17

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a
7:30am ✠John Livingstone
9:00am ✠Lidelvina Laines, ✠Jesus Perez, ✠Sr. Theresa McElwee
11:00am ✠Angel G Soriano
1:00pm
✠Jose Guadalupe Ochoa
6:00pm ✠Petronila Vasquez

GIFT STORE

The St. Francis Gift Store is open before and after all weekend Masses. For more information, contact Ana by TEXT at 407-970-0746.

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Office is **OPEN**
Monday - Thursday, 8:30am to 4:00pm
and Friday, 8:30am to 3:30pm
Closed daily for lunch between 12pm—1pm

ESTAMOS AQUÍ PARA SERVIRLES

La Oficina Parroquial de San Francisco de Asís está **ABIERTA**
Lunes a jueves de 8:30am a 4:00pm
y los viernes de 8:30am a 3:30pm
Cerramos diariamente para el almuerzo de 12pm—1pm

CHAPEL HOURS

Daily Mass is celebrated in the CHAPEL from 8:00am to 8:30am.

The chapel is open Monday—Thursday from **8:30am to 4:00pm, Friday until 3:00pm** for private prayer.
The church is closed during the week.

HORARIO DE LA CAPILLA

Misa en Español los miércoles a las 12:15pm en la CAPILLA
La capilla está abierta de lunes a jueves de **8:30am a 4:00pm y los viernes hasta las 3:00pm** para oración privada.
La iglesia esta cerrada durante toda la semana.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays from 3:45pm to 4:45pm in English, in the church

CONFESIONES

Sábados de 6:00pm a 6:45pm en español, en la iglesia

ST. FRANCIS PRAYER CHAIN

To add a name or intention to the Prayer Chain, call Kathy Leigh at 407-536-0117 or by email at crabbekay1@gmail.com.

CADENA DE ORACIÓN

Para agregar un nombre o intención a la Cadena de Oración, envíela por correo electrónico a crabbekay1@gmail.com.

PRAYER SHAWLS

To pick up a shawl for yourself or a person in need, please call or text Sandy Bove at 407-463-9437.

MANTO DE ORACIÓN

Para recoger un manto para usted o para una persona que lo necesite, llame o envíe un mensaje de texto a Sandy Bove al 407-463-9437.

DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

La Despensa de Alimentos de San Francisco está abierta a todos los feligreses y sus familias. Para más información comuníquese a la Oficina Parroquial.

FOOD PANTRY

The St. Francis of Assisi Food Pantry is open on the **FIRST** and **THIRD** Friday of each month from 9am to 12pm. All parishioners and their families are welcome.
For more information contact 407-505-8507.

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¿DESEA CRECER EN SU FE Y PROFUNDIZAR SU CONOCIMIENTO DE LA BIBLIA?

Acompáñenos a las clases de Biblia con el Diácono George, que reanudarán el **lunes 18 de mayo a las 7:00pm en el salón #4 del edificio de formación de fe.**

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