

# *Saint Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church*

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## *Pastor*

Reverend Monsignor Victor F. Finelli, V.J., J.C.L.

## *Permanent Deacons*

Deacon Robert Young  
Deacon Ricardo Reyes



## *Mass Schedule*

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Daily: see Mass Schedule

Holy Day: (Vigil 7:00 PM) 8:00 AM & 12:05 PM



## *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Saturday: 3:15-4:00 PM

Anytime by appointment



## *Adoration Chapel*

Please consider spending some time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Our Adoration Chapel is open daily from 6:00 AM—9:00 PM.



*May 30, 2021*  
*The Most Holy Trinity*



*Year of Real*  
**PRESENCE**  
CENTERED IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST





## SACRAMENTAL AND PARISH INFORMATION

### **New Members**

Welcome to Saint Francis Parish. Please call the Parish Center Office in order to register in our parish, or stop in during office hours or on the weekend after all Masses. One needs to be a member of our parish three months in order to receive a certificate of eligibility. Please notify the office if you change your address or move away.

### **Religious Education (PREP)**

All children of the parish should be receiving religious instruction through our parish school or through our Parish Religious Education Program offered on a Sunday morning from 9:00 to 10:15 AM. Please contact Mrs. Camille Stockdale, our Director of Religious Education, for more information regarding our PREP (610-435-0364).

### **Marriage**

We look forward to celebrating God's gift of love in the sacrament of marriage for any registered and practicing parishioner. Diocesan policy states that contact should be made one year, but no later than six months, prior to the proposed date of marriage in order to begin pre-nuptial instructions. Call the Parish Center Office for further information.

### **Baptisms**

Baptisms are held for our registered and practicing parishioners normally the first Sunday of the month immediately after the 10:30 Mass. Parents are to register for a Baptismal Preparation Class held normally on the Wednesday before each baptism in the Parish Center. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic for the valid reception of baptism. That person must also be able to receive a certificate of eligibility from their Catholic parish. A Non-Catholic Christian is permitted to act as a witness. Parents should begin to make arrangements for a baptism during pregnancy.

### **Ministry to the Sick**

Visits to the hospital are made on a regular basis. Please notify the Parish Center Office when a parishioner is in the hospital or home and would like to receive communion or the anointing of the sick. Visits can also be made to those parishioners who are homebound and would like to receive communion.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

We welcome and support all whose faith journey brings them to seek full communion with the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Center Office for further information.

### **Saint John Vianney Regional School**

We encourage all our parents to consider sending their children to our parish school, Saint John Vianney Regional School. Our school is located at 210 North 18th Street in Allentown. Please contact our school principal, Mr. Brian Mansfield (610-435-8981), to register your child for a faith based, middle-states accredited, Catholic education.

### **Allentown Central Catholic High School**

We encourage our high school students to consider attending our local Catholic high school - Allentown Central Catholic. Please contact Cara Meskill, the Director of Admissions, at (610) 437-4601 for more information.

### **Wills and Memorials**

As a lasting remembrance or final gift to your parish, all parishioners are encouraged to include St. Francis of Assisi in their wills or as a beneficiary on an insurance policy. At the time of passing of a relative or friend, consider enrolling them in the Sanctuary Memorial Fund. Memorials are available in the Parish Center Office and are often used in lieu of flowers.

### **Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator**

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS  
610-871-5200, Ext. 2204

### **Victim Assistance Coordinator**

Wendy Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC  
Direct Telephone Number (800)791-9209

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

# Mass Schedule

**Monday, May 31st** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
*Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-56*

No Mass

**Tuesday, June 1st** Saint Justin  
*Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17*

**8:00 AM** Victor Finelli, Sr.

**Wednesday, June 2nd** Saint Marcellinus and Peter  
*Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12:18-27*

**8:00 AM** Mary Susan Tranick

**Thursday, June 3rd** Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions  
*Tb 6:10-11, 7:1bcde; Mk 12:28-34*

**8:00 AM** Olga Miller

**Friday, June 4th**  
*Tb 11:5-11; Mk 12:35-37*

**8:00 AM** Frieda Gyory

**Saturday and Sunday, June 5th & 6th**  
**The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**  
**(Corpus Christi)**

*Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26*

**4:30 PM** Nicholas Troccola  
People of St. Francis of Assisi Parish

**8:30 AM** Louis J. Gerancher

**10:30 AM** Sanctuary Memorial Fund Members

8:30 AM Mass Returns

We are happy to announce that the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass will return on Sunday, June 6th. Also, the Friday 8:00 AM public Mass will return on Friday, June 4th.



## Sanctuary Lamp Memorials

If you would like to memorialize the red sanctuary lamp next to the tabernacle for a week, the cost is \$10 for the seven day candle. Please contact Stephanie Epler at the Parish Office, 610-433-6102, for information.

The Sanctuary Lamp Memorial for the week  
May 30, 2021 is

***In Memory of Rhonda Santilli***  
***By Joe and Anita Santilli and Family***

## Sanctuary Memorial Fund

We acknowledge these contributions in memory of:

***JoAnne Kenney***

by: Theresa M. Racek

*Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord*



## Recitation of the Rosary

**The Rosary will be recited before both the Masses next weekend, June 5th & 6th, 2021. The Rosary begins about 25 minutes before each Mass.**

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## GRADUATION NOTICE

We would like to recognize the graduates from our parish. Please let us know the names of graduates, the school they graduated from, and any further education planned by submitting it in writing to the Parish Office **no later than June 20th**. We will print names of graduates and their schools in the June 27th bulletin.

## Attention All Women! "Women Walking in Faith"

Our group of faith-filled women will begin **in person** meeting starting June 2nd @ 7 PM! We meet on the first and third Wednesdays each month. The group takes time to pray, reflect, learn, and to support one another in the faith. Women 18 and over are invited to participate. Guests are welcome so don't hesitate to ask your friends and neighbors! Sign up thru Flocknotes for updates and meeting details or call Michelle Evans 610-737-9469.



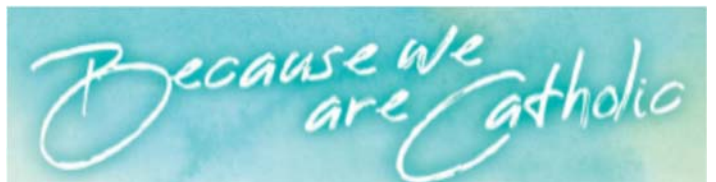
## Parish Office Closing

**Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Memorial Day, May 31st.**



## Public Rosary Hours

We have once again begun the public rosary Holy Hours in the Adoration Chapel, as of May 22nd. Please join us on Saturdays at 12 noon, and Sundays at 7 PM as we pray for our families, our country and our world. In addition, we will have a Rosary Holy Hour for Priests and Vocations on Thursdays at 7 PM. Your presence is requested. Any questions, please call Karin at 610-351-0835.



As of today, our parishioners have raised \$20,708.00 from 70 parishioners representing 6.1% of our total number of registered families in our parish. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach 100% participation. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at [BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://BecauseWeAreCatholic.org).



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Please permit me the opportunity to share some of the wonderful things that are occurring at St. John Vianney. In addition to uninterrupted 5 day in person instruction for the entire academic year, SJV has many wonderful blessings to celebrate.

First, I would like to congratulate our Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Teresa Lohr-Wenner, who recently received the Keystone State Literacy Association's "Celebrate Literacy Award". We value literacy at SJV and this skill begins, of course, in kindergarten

We began May with our annual Golf Tournament at Woodstone Country Club. This year we had an impressive turnout of 95 golfers - our highest turnout ever! Golfers enjoyed a 4 person scramble, breakfast, lunch, a prize raffle and a putting contest for \$5,000. Thanks to all who participated and a special thanks to our sponsors. Please consider joining us next year at one of the Lehigh Valley's premier golf courses!

On May 21st, we had our socially distant and safe walk-a-thon. This event allowed our students a chance to walk together in an outdoor setting with the added benefit of raising funds for our school.

As we approach the end of the school year we are planning some great events for our students, particularly our 8th graders as they enter their final weeks with us. We are also continuing our outreach and welcome to new students, especially from the Sacred Heart Community.

As always, thank you for all your support and prayers for our school. We are blessed to have so many wonderful people associated with St. John Vianney School.

God Bless,

*Mr. Brian Mansfield*

Principal



## Online Giving

Our Online Giving system provides you the opportunity to give to our special collections in addition to regular offerings. You can set up regularly scheduled contributions that are withdrawn on the date you specify in the system. Even if you typically use your offering envelopes, you may wish to contribute online to a particular collection. It's easy and it's convenient! Go to our parish website at [www.stfrancisallentown.org](http://www.stfrancisallentown.org) for information to sign up.



## Our Weekly Stewardship

Weekend of May 22nd & 23rd

Sunday in Pew	\$ 3,968.35
Sunday Online	\$ 2,524.50
Second Collection in Pew	\$ 455.00
Second Collection Online	\$ 40.00

**Thank you for your continued contributions to our parish. We appreciate all that you do, financially and other ways, to make our parish great. Please consider online giving. It's safe, easy and secure. Visit our website for more information.**

### Outreach Committee Meeting

The Outreach Committee will meet on Monday, June 7th at 6:30 PM in Heritage Hall. Please enter through the Cedar Street ramp. New members are welcomed!



### Come and See Invitation

Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Allentown? If so, you and your family are invited to a COME AND SEE Event at Saint Joseph the Worker Parish Church on Friday evening, June 25, 2021, at 6:00 PM. Registration is required. Please register by emailing [jsteward@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:jsteward@allentowndiocese.org) or calling the Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation at 610-332-0442 Ext. 2031.

### Care Packages for the Troops

Blue Star Mothers of America, Lehigh Valley Chapter PA201 is planning to send care packages to deployed military members in June. We'd love to send a package to your family members or friends. If you know someone deployed, serving overseas, or even stateside and would like them to receive a package, please email their name and address to Joan Glover; [jglover@ptd.net](mailto:jglover@ptd.net) or give her a call at 610-349-7791, by June 10th. If you'd like to know more about the Blue Star Mothers, please call or email Judy Miller, President of the LV Chapter @ 610-428-0778 or [jmillerbsmx2@gmail.com](mailto:jmillerbsmx2@gmail.com).





**Monthly Food Drive**  
Sponsored by the  
Outreach Committee

**Our monthly food drive will be next weekend, June 5th & 6th**

This month, we particularly need jelly, fruit, and spaghetti sauce. (We do not need pasta or cereal at this time.) Please note: We cannot accept any glass jars. Collection bins will be available at the entrances of the church for your donations. *Help is needed on collection weekends to help move the food donations from the vestibule area to the pantry after each Mass.*



ACCHS Vikette Girls Basketball Camp  
Vikette Girls Basketball Camp Registration...any current 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th grade girl interested in attending Allentown Central Catholic's Girls Basketball Camp this summer should email Coach Kopp at mkoppccchs@gmail.com

Camp will be held June 14th -17th at the St. John Vianney Gymnasium Allentown from 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM.

**Feed Your Faith Monthly Order**

There are 40 different stores in stock every day, and once a month, hundreds of different stores and denominations are available through our monthly order program. To see the entire list of retailers, go to [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) and click home page. The next monthly order will be placed on **Tuesday, June 1st**. To order, call the Parish Office at 610-433-6102.



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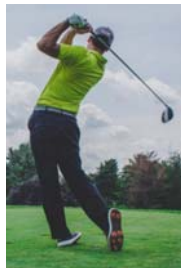
*Golf Outing*

FRIDAY, JUNE 18th

provides a home where every resident receives the best possible physical, social, emotional, and spiritual care with respect, dignity, and compassion.

For golf and sponsorship information, visit [www.holyfamilysl.org/golf2021](http://www.holyfamilysl.org/golf2021)

for a day of golf, fun, and fellowship in support of Holy Family Senior Living at Southmore Golf Club on Friday, June 18th! Serving more than 1,000 seniors every year, Holy Family Senior Living



**Holy Family Helping Hands Kid's Clothing Closet**  
In the Wortmann Center, 421 W. Center Street, Nazareth. Clothing Closet will be open every first Saturday of the month (June 5th) from 10 AM to Noon. No prices are set! Families can choose what they need and make any donation they can afford to give. Come select great kids clothes sizes infant to teen.

Donations needed: Infant to teen size clothing may be brought to the Wortmann Center on the first Saturday of each month when the clothing closet is open or on the second Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:30 PM, or call/text Kathi for porch pickup if needed (484)542-9637. Monetary donations are accepted.



**WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA, USA**

*Our Lady's Blue Army*

The National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, 674 Mountain View Rd. E., Asbury, NJ, invites your participation on June 4th - First Friday of Reparation to the Sacred Heart: Confessions 10 AM, Rosary 11:30; Holy Mass 12 PM. June 5th - First Saturday of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart: Year of St. Joseph virtual presentation by Donna Marie Cooper O'Boyle: The Holy Family: A Solution to the Breakdown of the Family. Confessions 10 AM; Virtual presentation 11 AM; Rosary with meditation, 11:30; Holy Mass, 12:15 PM, Divine Mercy Chaplet and brown scapular enrollment. First Saturday events can be viewed online at [BlueArmy.com/YearofStJoseph](http://BlueArmy.com/YearofStJoseph). Contact [service@bluearmy.com](mailto:service@bluearmy.com) or 908-689-1700, ex. 210

**PREP Teachers Needed**

Can you help?

PREP is STILL looking for 2 teachers to share their faith with our Parish Children.

We are presently looking for a 2nd and 4th grade teacher. Perhaps you and a family member or friend could co-teach to lessen the load.

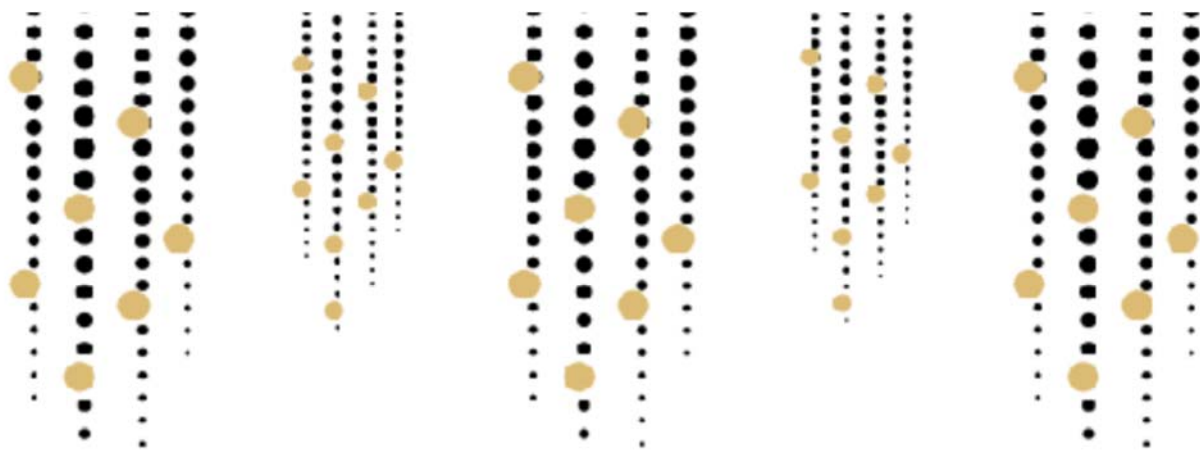
Interested individuals do NOT need to have a child or grandchild in the program. We welcome anyone who would enjoy spending their Sunday mornings during the school year with our wonderful parish children.

All that is required is a love of your Catholic faith, a commitment of time and background check. PREP will meet on Sunday mornings IN PERSON from 9:00 to 10:15 AM. Interested individuals please see Msgr. Finelli or Mrs. Camille Stockdale.



**Liturgical Ministers Schedule—Saturday and Sunday, June 5th & 6th**

	<u>4:30 PM</u>	<u>8:30 AM</u>	<u>10:30 PM</u>
<b>Lector</b>	M. Florentino	R. Granitz	F. Lenahan
<b>Cantor</b>	J. Fignar		D. Lamparella
<b>Organist</b>	D. Badesso	D. Badesso	D. Badesso



# *Farewell Gathering*

TO HONOR MONSIGNOR VICTOR FINELLI

*Sunday, June 6, 2021*

Join us for refreshments  
in the Parish Hall  
immediately following the  
10:30 AM Mass until 1:30 PM



*A "meet and greet" with our new Pastor,  
Father Richard Brensinger, will be held in the church  
vestibule after all Masses the weekend of  
June 19 & 20, 2021.*

*Light refreshments will be served.*

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## "Feed Your Faith" Gift Card Program

"*Feed Your Faith*" is the Parish's easiest fundraising program. It costs you nothing extra, but it benefits the Parish immensely! Each gift card you buy has a return of 1% to 14% profit to the parish. **The number in parenthesis represents the percentage of profit the Parish makes.** Please consider buying the gift cards to do your grocery shopping, give as gifts, or just to purchase instead of using cash at the retailers. Please see the list below for our participating retailers. *These gift cards are usually available every day in the Parish Office!*

**Amazon.com (2.25%): \$25, \$100**

**Applebees (8%): \$10, \$25**

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**Bath and Body Works (12%): \$10, \$25**

**Bed, Bath & Beyond (7%): \$25**

**Buy Buy Baby (7%): \$25**

**Bethlehem Gallery of Floors: mention St. Francis**

**Bonefish Grill (8%): \$25**

**Boscov's (8%): \$25**

**Carrabbas (8%): \$25**

**Christmas Tree Shop (7%): \$25**

**Dunkin Donuts (3%): \$10**

**Gap (14%): \$25**

**Giant (10%): \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100**

**Home Depot (4%): \$25, \$100**

**Kohl's (5%): \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100**

**Longhorn Steakhouse (8%): \$25**

**Lowe's (4%): \$25, \$100**

**Macy's (10%): \$25**

**Old Navy (14%): \$25**

**Olive Garden (8%): \$25**

**Outback Steakhouse (8%): \$25**

**Panera Bread (8%): \$10**

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**Red Lobster (8%): \$25**

**Redner's Warehouse (5%): \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100**

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**Starbucks (7%): \$10**

**Target (2.5%): \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100**

**Texas Roadhouse (8%): \$25**

**Visa (1.25%): \$50, \$100 (no activation fee!)**

**Wal-Mart (2.5%): \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100**

**Wawa (1%): \$25**

**Wegman's (5%): \$25, \$50, \$100**

**Weis (5%): \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100**

**Wendy's (6.5%): \$10**

