



St. Francis de Sales

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Last Sunday I asked a question in my homily that I would like to pose once again. “How do we be Church when we are not able to go to Church?” This is an important question because our identity and mission do not end during this time that we cannot gather in our church building. We continue to be the mystical Body of Christ who have received and live in the Holy Spirit. Our mission continues in that we are called to pray, to grow in our faith and give witness to Christ is all that we do, and as we continue to take care of those in need around us. In last Sunday’s powerful reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:42-47) that’s precisely what the early Christian community dedicated themselves to.

I am amazed at the multitude of ways that I see this happening in our parish. The generosity to the St. Vincent de Paul center is amazing and the additional people that have stepped up to help the great need that exists in our community is inspiring. I am amazed to know that so many of our bible study groups, small communities and Alpha continue to meet through electronic means. I am so happy to know that so many continue to participate in Mass through the live stream. Also, it is wonderful to hear about the many ways that families are praying together, serving together, and taking this time to grow in their faith and in their closeness to Jesus.

Our parish team will continue to find ways to assist you with this in the ways that we can. Be assured of our prayers and support as we live as living members of Christ’s Body.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Charlie

Queridos hermanos y hermanas:

El domingo pasado en mi homilía hice una pregunta que me gustaría plantear una vez más. “¿Cómo podemos ser Iglesia cuando no podemos ir a la Iglesia?” Es una pregunta importante porque nuestra identidad y misión no terminan durante este tiempo que no podemos reunirnos en el edificio de nuestra iglesia. Seguimos siendo el Cuerpo místico de Cristo que ha recibido y vive en el Espíritu Santo. Nuestra misión continúa en que estamos llamados a orar, crecer en nuestra fe y dar testimonio de Cristo en todo lo que hacemos, y a medida que continuamos sirviendo a los necesitados que nos rodean. En la poderosa lectura del domingo pasado en Hechos de los Apóstoles (Hechos 2:42-47), eso fue precisamente a lo que se dedicó la primera comunidad cristiana.

Estoy muy contento ver la multitud de formas que esto sucede en nuestra parroquia. La generosidad hacia el centro de San Vicente de Paúl es impresionante y la gente adicional que se han presentado para ayudar a la gran necesidad que existe en nuestra comunidad es inspiradora. Me sorprende saber que muchos de nuestros grupos de estudio bíblico, pequeñas comunidades y Alpha continúan reuniéndose por medios electrónicos. Estoy muy feliz de saber que tantos continúan participando en la misa a través de la transmisión en vivo. Además, es maravilloso escuchar acerca de las muchas formas en que las familias oran juntas, sirven juntas y aprovechan este tiempo para crecer en su fe y en su cercanía con Jesús.

Nuestro equipo parroquial continuará buscando formas para ayudarlos con esto de la manera que podamos. Tengan la seguridad de nuestras oraciones y apoyo mientras vivimos como Iglesia; miembros vivos del Cuerpo de Cristo.

Sinceramente en Cristo,
P. Charlie

Worship | Rendir Culto

Sunday Mass Live Stream Schedule

10:30 am – Mass (English) & 12:30 pm – Mass (Spanish)
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Our live streamed liturgies can be accessed at www.stfrancisholland.org/live, on our [Facebook page](#), or our [YouTube channel](#).

Horario de Misas del Domingo por Internet

10:30 am – Misa (Ingles) y 12:30 pm – Misa (Español)
Sacramento de la reconciliación

Se puede acceder a nuestras liturgias en vivo en www.stfrancisholland.org/live, o en nuestra [página de Facebook](#) o en nuestro [canal de YouTube](#).

Grow | Crecer

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Join us for "Exploring Encyclicals: *Spe Salvi*"

David Sacha, our resident seminarian will be leading a series called "Exploring Encyclicals: *Spe Salvi*". Join David and other parishioners for a chance to reflect upon the virtue of hope, what it looks like as a Catholic, and how important it is in our world today beginning this Thursday online! Visit our parish website to learn more and to register. *Solo disponible en ingles.*

[Registration](#)

Family Pandemic Bingo | Bingo para la Familia

Strengthening the faith in our families during this time is important, so our faith formation staff have put together a fun way to go about this. Pandemic Bingo! Visit our parish website to learn more including how our elementary children can earn a prize.

Fortalecer la fe en nuestras familias durante este tiempo es importante, por lo que nuestro personal de formación de fe ha creado una forma divertida de hacerlo. Bingo pandémico! Visite el sitio web de nuestra parroquia para obtener más información, incluido cómo nuestros niños de primaria pueden ganar un premio.

[Bingo!](#)

Bingo

For families, kids, and middle schoolers!
From Faith Formation

Color Index:
Purple - Liturgy
Blue - Introductory Prayer
Red - Family Service
Green - Service outside the Family
Light Blue - Growing in Faith

Underlined phrases link
to videos on our parish website or the internet

Once you complete a square, X it off!
Want a challenge? Go for the entire board!
Turn in like a prize or email to Susan Higgins shiggins@franciscandland.org

Name(s): _____

Find a new prayer to pray regularly (find links on the USCCB website)	Call or write a card for an extended family member or friend	Help your family make dinner	Pray a Rosary or the Victim-Mercy Chaplet	Participate in a live stream of <u>Broadcast Sunday Mass</u>
Learn about the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, which one do you think you most need right now?	Help your family with the dishes or the laundry	If you don't have one already, set up a family prayer space. Change the purple from Lent to white for Easter.	If you are a family who is financially able, give to the church or donate to St. Vincent de Paul!	Pray for doctors, nurses, and all those who work in the medical field
Try praying Lectio Divina together as a family, using the gospel for the next Sunday (resource here)	Pray Liturgy of the Hours Night Prayer in the quietest place in your home (resource or use lectio.com)	Watch together this 5 minute video explaining the Eucharist	Play a game with a sibling or with your whole family	Clean up trash in your neighborhood (the safe and wear gloves, of course!)
Pray for those who are out of work or have lost part of their income due to the virus	Watch something appropriate for your age on FORMED	Check your walk or decorate a window to bring joy to others	Practice "The Gift of Silence" in your family prayer time. Resource here (in English)	Clean part of your house
Watch a daily Mass online. (Many live-streams available) Talk with your family how this differs from a Sunday Mass.	Pray in Eucharistic Adoration (many live-streams available)	Pray for those who have contracted the virus and their family members	Write a card to one or both of our parish priests and pray for them	Practice (or learn) as a family how to find a Bible passage

*Items with an ** may be limited to who can complete them. If you are unable to complete these because of the conditions, they can be a free space.
Some items might be able to be completed simultaneously
** Thank you to St. Francis of Assisi parish in Manitowish, Wisconsin, for the original idea**

Services and Volunteer | Servicios y Voluntariado

We continue to update our parish website with ways to help and be helped during this pandemic along with community information related to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Continuamos actualizando el sitio web de nuestra parroquia con formas de ayudar y recibir ayuda durante esta pandemia junto con información de la

comunidad relacionada con la respuesta a la pandemia de COVID-19.

[Learn more | Mayor información](#)

St. Vincent de Paul Center | Centro de San Vincente de paul

Our center continues to serve a record number of families. The board and Tom Eggleston continue to evaluate procedures including on boarding new volunteers and ways to better serve those in need at this time. Thank you to all those who have been able to donate during this time to support the center and the many volunteers. We ask you to keep this ministry and all those it is serving in prayer.

Nuestro centro continúa sirviendo a un número récord de familias. El con junto del centro y Tom Eggleston continúan evaluando procedimientos que incluyen el abordaje de nuevos voluntarios y formas de servir mejor a los necesitados en este momento. Gracias a todos los que han podido donar durante este tiempo para apoyar al centro y a los muchos voluntarios. Le pedimos que mantenga este ministerio y todos aquellos a los que sirve en oración.

[Visit our website](#)

Other News | Otras Noticias

Offertory

The tithes and offerings collected at weekend Masses provide the largest source of funding to St. Francis for the on-going operation of our parish and it's mission. We encourage you to prayerfully consider one of the following alternatives if you are accustomed to providing your offertory during the weekend Mass collection.

[Learn more online](#)

Ofertorio

Los diezmos y ofrendas recogidos en las misas de fin de semana proporcionan la mayor fuente de financiamiento a San Francisco para la operación cotidiana de nuestra parroquia y nuestra misión. Le animamos a considerar con espíritu de oración una de las siguientes alternativas si está acostumbrado a proporcionar su oferta durante la recolección de la misa de fin de semana.

[Mayor información](#)

Parish Office | Oficina Parroquial

Parish office will be close to he public through, May 4th. Be sure to check out our facebook page and websites for updates and resources.
La oficina parroquial está cerrada al publico, hasta el 4 de mayo.

[Staff Information | Información del personal](#)

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To Love
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