



# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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## OUR MISSION

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is a community living out Christ's mission by extending our hearts to those in need through evangelization, nourished by the word and bread of life and with a **full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage**, to become witnesses in faith and strive to empower our community to live as Disciples of Christ.

### PASTOR :

Rev. Fr. Innocent Eziefule

### PARISH SECRETARY:

Mrs. Joanne Herrera

### CRE:

Mrs. Jennifer Lopez

### DEACONS

Dcn. Marc Main

## NUESTRA MISIÓN

*La iglesia católica de San Francisco de Asís es una comunidad que vive a cabo la misión de Cristo mediante la ampliación de nuestro corazón a los necesitados a través de la evangelización, alimentada por la Palabra y el pan de la vida y con el corazón lleno enriquecida por un servicio honesto, amor, sacrificio y valor, a convertirse en testigos de la fe y se esfuerzan por capacitar a nuestra comunidad a vivir como discípulos de Cristo*

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Wed, & Fri. 9:00AM—5:00PM

Tues. & Thurs. 9:00AM—3:00PM

Closed for Lunch from 12:00PM to 1:00 PM

Saturday, Sunday: Closed

Bulletin Deadline Wednesday @ Noon

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**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
June 30, 2024**

Pastoral Council	John Ford.....676-3708
Finance Council	Jose Corral .....
Vocations	Rev. Innocent Eziefule Rosalba Serrato.....201-3102
Funeral Meals	Parish Office.....672-6695
Religious Education	Jennifer Lopez.....338-0139
Knights of Columbus	Ismael Fernandez.....338-5591
Cursillo de Cristianidad	Faviola Corral.....665-4887
Guadalupana Society	Rosalba Serrato.....201-3102
Hijos de Maria	Socorro Hernández.....721-1709
Mens Rosary Group	Kenneth Duncan.....956- 206-0392
Youth Ministry	Rebecca Arredondo.....660-4177
Lectors	John Ford..... 518-3997
Eucharistic ministers	Brad Stone.....701-4745
Altar Servers	Rev. Innocent Eziefule.....672-6695 Maria Elena Devora-Portillo.....518-4600 Linda Castillo.....325-455-6746

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Saturday, June 29

Vigil Mass 4pm.....+Camelo Rodriguez  
.....by Angie Ramon  
.....Poor Souls in Purgatory  
.....by Hortencia Diaz

### Sunday, June 30

#### Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 9:00am .....FAP  
.....+In memory of Isabell Corona  
.....by Ken and Lucetti Duncan  
Mass 11am.....+Elia Lopez & +Isabel Quiroz  
.....by The Legion of Mary  
.....Poor Souls in Purgatory  
.....by Hortencia Diaz

### Monday, July 1

Private Mass.....Poor Souls in Purgatory [Novena]  
.....by Hortencia Diaz

### Tuesday, July 2

Mass 6:30pm....Poor Souls in Purgatory  
.....by Hortencia Diaz  
.....+In memory of Martin Molina Arcos  
.....by Alma Beatrice Molina

### Wednesday, July 3

#### Saint Thomas, Apostle

Mass 8:30am.....Anna Rosa Villa for Celebrating her 8th birthday  
.....by Angelica Acebedo

### Thursday, July 4

#### Independence Day

Mass 8:30am.....

### Friday, July 5

#### FIRST FRIDAY

#### Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

Mass 6:30pm.....

### Saturday, July 6

Vigil Mass 4pm.....FAP

### Sunday, July 7

#### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 9:00am .....+Roberto Magdaleno  
.....by Marco & Bertha Garcia  
Mass 11am.....++Erasmo Robledo  
.....+Ramon Robledo  
.....+Filemon Navejas  
.....by La Familia Robledo

### STEWARDSHIP

**06/08/2024 and 6/09/2024**

Weekend Masses	\$	3754.30
Children's	\$	70.00
Building Fund	\$	20.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3844.30</b>

Thank you for your continuous contributions and sacrifices you make to our church community. You are greatly appreciated.

**GOD BLESS YOU ALL**



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Saturday, June 29

3-3:45pm Confessions  
4:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, June 30

9am Mass  
11am Mass (Spanish)

### Monday, July 1

6:30pm Men's Rosary  
7:00pm Legion of Mary

### Tuesday, July 2

6:00pm Prolife Rosary  
6:30pm Weekday Mass  
7:00pm Ultrella

### Wednesday, July 3

8:30am Weekday Mass

### Thursday, July 4

8:30am

**HAPPY 4TH OF JULY  
OFFICE CLOSED  
Weekday Mass**

### Friday, June 28

6:30 pm  
7:pm

**FIRST FRIDAY  
Weekday Mass  
Adoration until 1am**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Weekday [13] Saint Junipero Serra, Priest</b> Am 2: 6-10, 13-16 Ps 50: 16b-23 Mt 8: 18-22
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Weekday [13]</b> Am 3: 1-8; 4: 11-12 Ps 5: 4b-8 Mt 8: 23-27
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Weekday [13] St. Thomas, Apostle</b> Eph 2: 19-22 Ps 117: 1-2 Jn 20: 24-29
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Weekday [13] Independence Day</b> Am 7: 10-17 Ps 19: 8-11 Mt 9: 1-8
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Weekday [13] Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest, Saint Elizabeth of Portugal, FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH</b> Am 8: 4-6, 9-12 Ps 119: 2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131 Mt 9: 9-13
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Weekday [12] Saint Maria Goretti, Virgen &amp; Martyr, BVM</b> Am 9: 11-15 Ps 85: 9ab, 10-14 Mt 9: 14-17

### LAY MINISTERS SCHEDULE

#### June 29-30

##### Lectors

Sat 4pm	Lupe Aguirre	James Vasquez
Sun 9am	O'Brien Virdin	Francisco Soto
Sun 11am	Erika Soto	

##### Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 4pm	Emma Catteral	Brad Stone
Sun 9am	Angie Aubin	Richard Aubin
Sun 11am	Maria Flores	Esther Gallegos
	Socorro Hernandez	Cesar Gallegos

#### July 6 & 7

##### Lectors

Sat 4pm	Angie Rodriguez	Joanne Herrera
Sun 9am	Pat Fitzgerald	Kenneth Duncan
Sun 11am	Janet Garcia	Ramon Maldonado

##### Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 4pm	Concha Argumaniz	Joanne Herrera
Sun 9am	Berta Fernandez	Mayo Fernandez
Sun 11am	Norma Rodriguez	Erika Soto
	Esther Gallegos	Francisco Soto

- June 29 & 30                      Special Collection Peter's Pence  
(Collection for the Holy Father)
  
- July 3, 2024                        VBS registration 5:30pm-7pm  
In the Church Hall
  
- July 4, 2024**                        **Happy Fourth of July**  
**Office Closed**
  
- July 14, 2024                        Cursillista's Breakfast Sunday
  
- July 20 & 21, 2024                Special Collection  
Honduran Partnership Diocese  
Weekend Masses



### Prayer for Independence Day

Father of all nations and ages,  
 We recall the day when our country claimed its place among  
 the family of nations;  
 for what has been achieved we give you thanks,  
 for the work that still remains we ask your help,  
 and as you have called us from many peoples to be one  
 nation,  
 grant that, under your providence,  
 our country may share your blessings with all the peoples of  
 the earth.  
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
 who lives and reigns with you  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
 Amen.

### Faith in Freedom: Nurturing Spiritual Growth on Independence Day

As we gather together to celebrate the 4th of July, let us  
 remember that this day holds not only historical  
 significance but also spiritual meaning. Beyond the  
 fireworks and festivities, it is an opportunity to reflect on  
 the importance of freedom and the role of faith in our  
 lives.

The 4th of July serves as a reminder of the struggles and  
 sacrifices made by our ancestors in pursuit of  
 independence. It also reminds us of the freedom we  
 have to practice our faith without fear of persecution. As  
 people of faith, we can use this day to express gratitude  
 for the religious liberties we enjoy and recommit  
 ourselves to living out our beliefs with courage and  
 conviction.

Moreover, the principles of freedom and faith intertwine  
 in profound ways. Our spiritual journey is one of seeking  
 liberation from the chains of sin and finding true  
 freedom in Christ. The 4th of July can inspire us to  
 reflect on the freedom we have received through faith  
 and to share that freedom with others through acts of  
 love, justice, and compassion.

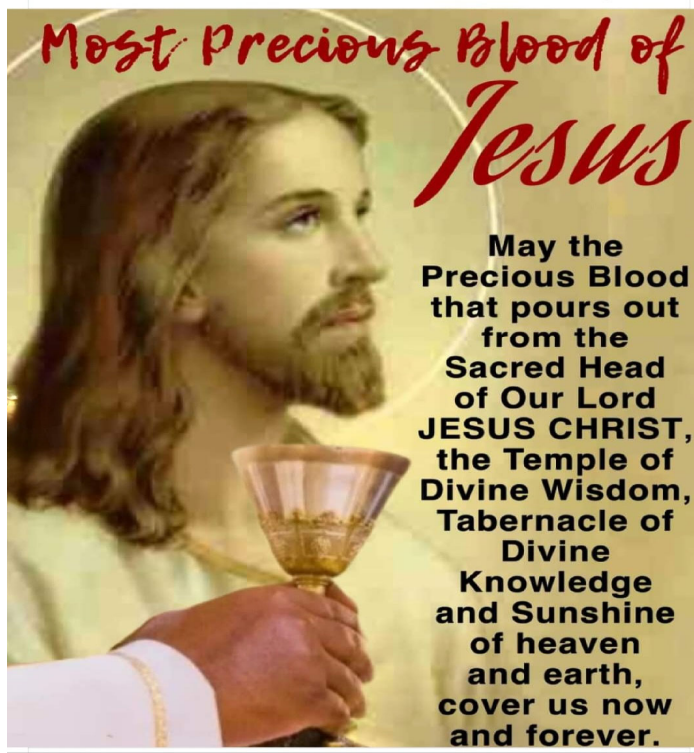
As we commemorate the 4th of July, let us remember  
 the intertwined nature of freedom and faith. May this day  
 serve as a reminder of the blessings we enjoy, the  
 responsibilities we bear, and the opportunity to live out  
 our faith in service to others. Through gratitude,  
 reflection, and action, may we honor both the sacrifices  
 of our forefathers and the divine freedom that guides our  
 spiritual journey.

### Please pray for our brothers and sisters, especially for:

Tristan Sanchez, Guillermina Ortega, Berta Fernandez ,  
 Lola Sanchez, Robert Carrion, John Danel Holguim,  
 Rosa Chavirra, Laura Amador, Sylvia Urban,  
 Jason Murillo, Olga Valdez, Angie Aubin,  
 Ramon Aguirre, Lupe Aguirre, Juanita Siller,  
 Alex Martinez, Mario Carrillo, Linda Sanchez, Lupe  
 Ledesma, Robert Trujillo



### July is the Month of the PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST



## ABILENE "DEPENDENCE" DAY JULY 3, 2024 3:00-10:00pm

FESTIVAL GARDENS AT NELSON PARK  
 (ACROSS FROM THE ZOO)

ACKNOWLEDGING OUR DEPENDENCE ON GOD  
 BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR AND STAY!

FREE FOOD  
 FREE DRINKS AND PIZZA  
 (Courtesy of Pepsi and CICI'S)

Games, beach balls, coloring books, and even  
 A Bouncy House for the kids!

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
MONICA TORRES  
BY  
ROGER & JOVITA TORRES

IN MEMORY OF ALL OUR  
LOVED ONES  
BY  
ANTONIO & JOANNE  
HERRERA



IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF  
+HILIARY "LALA" LOZA  
*By the family of LALA*

**Ultreya Abilene**  
¡Te invitamos!  
A nuestra Ultreya  
Todos los Martes  
A las 7pm  
En Salon de San Francisco de Asis  
826 Cottonwood, Abilene, TX.



IN LOVING MEMORY  
Elena Armendariz  
Nellie Balderas  
Linda Rodriguez  
*By Rebecca Martinez*

VICKI B. RODRIGUEZ  
ETERNAL REST GRANT  
UNTO HER O LORD  
*By the Rodriguez, Biera, Valdez, White  
Lucas and Graciano Families*

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**Pro-Life Rosary**

Every Tuesday  
6:00 -  
6:30 pm

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Let us lift our  
thanks to God and His  
Blessed Mother for  
answered prayers and  
continue to pray for  
all those working  
to protect life at  
the state level.



Hosted by  
the Catholic Pro-Life Committee of the Abilene Deanery  
-Dr. Jim Sulliman, Chairman



**BECOME A KNIGHT**

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