



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 23, 2026



Christ Giving the Keys to Saint Peter

by Pietro Perugino

Sistine Chapel, Vatican Museums

In the foreground, Christ hands the Keys of Heaven to Peter, who kneels reverently before Him. Peter is surrounded by the other apostles, who witness the sacred moment. One key is golden and the other silver, symbolizing divine authority and temporal authority.

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PARISH CLERGY

Rev. Father Nicholas Zrallack
Parochial Administrator
Rev. Father Edivaldo Da Silva Oliveira
Parochial Vicar
Rev. Father Alexis Joseph
Priest in Residence
Deacon Gregory Quinn

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Saturday: 8:00 AM
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
12:45 PM SPANISH MASS

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:15 PM
or by Appointment

BAPTISM

Please make arrangement a month in advance; baptismal preparation for parents required.

MARRIAGES

Contact the Parish Office six months in advance.

Prayer for the Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi

Saint Francis, our brother,
you who eight hundred years ago
went to meet Sister Death
as a man at peace,
intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognized true peace
in the Crucifix of San Damiano,
teach us to seek in Him
the source of all reconciliation
that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed,
crossed the lines of war
and misunderstanding,
give us the courage to build bridges
where the world raises up boundaries.

In this time afflicted by conflict
and division,
intercede for us so that
we may become peacemakers:
unarmed and disarming witnesses of
the peace that comes from Christ.

Amen.

written by Pope Leo XIV

FATHER'S Corner



PARISH IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

- Installing spotlights to illuminate our church
- Painting and restoring our beautiful sacred images
- Painting the fence gate with a fresh white color
- Repainting the interior of the church
- and many more projects to come!

Join us in this mission.

*God will bless you a
hundredfold!*

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
100 W 21st St., Riviera Beach, Florida
WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	August 22
	<i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
8:00 AM	Thomas Sheplock (+) by Family
4:00 PM	Gouse Family (L) by Family
Sunday	August 23
8:00 AM	Sullivan Family (L) by Family
9:30 AM	Charlie Wissen (+) by Family
11:00 AM	Reilland Otchengco (L) by Family
12:45 PM	People of the Parish
Monday	August 24
8:00 AM	Mary Alice Sheplock (+) by Family
Tuesday	August 25
8:00 AM	Michelle Sheplock (+) by Family
Wednesday	August 26
8:00 AM	Michael Sheplock (+) by Family
Thursday	August 27
8:00 AM	Leo & Mary Beierle (+) by Family
Friday	August 28
8:00 AM	Michael & Margaret Sheplock (+) by Family
Saturday	August 29
8:00 AM	Irene & Olie Thomas (+) by Family
4:00 PM	Lori Ann Swisstack (+) by Family

August 23, 2026 - 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

The preacher was in town. His fame was ahead of him and everyone in the town was excited including he master who brought his disciples to town to listen to him.

The preacher took the podium and with an imposing voice he shook the audience with a pounding proclamation. He exclaimed, "Today I come to you with a good news for your salvation. The good news is that our God is an awesome God, who rewards those who are worthy of him for the kingdom of heaven; and those who are not worthy will be sent to eternal condemnation."

The disciples of the master, later on, asked him what he thought of the preacher's message; the master said: "What the preacher tried to present does not sound a good news to me at all."

Today's scripture's message for our liturgical worship mentions "the KEY", the keys to heaven, the keys to eternal life. What is it about the keys that God wants to talk to his children? In the oracle of the Prophet Isaiah, the key is given to Eliakim for the house of David; in the Gospel reading, Jesus gives the key to Peter upon whom Jesus builds his Church, the key of the kingdom of heaven. This key is entrusted to the men chosen by God for the sake of God's people.

Giving the key of heaven to Apostle Peter, Jesus also gives the Church the authority and the power to forgive sins. Therefore, the name of the Key is the Merciful Love of God, and no one on earth has authority to set a limit for this divine mercy.

The key of heaven has been entrusted to men, who are called to be the shepherds of the flock, and authority is given for them to serve, not to dominate; therefore they should receive the key at their own risk, lest they fail to maximize the use of it and be punished. Any man and woman of God, who has the mind and the merciful heart of Christ, has the key.

We should respect the authority of the Church, but we should better know that we are called to build the kingdom of heaven and let its door always open. That is the Good News of Christ our Savior and Redeemer.



The Catholic Church really cares

With the prayer of the faithful and the power of the Holy Spirit, the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Palm Beach continues to commit to the safety of children.

For more information you can always call the parish office or search on line at www.diocesepb.org

Reporting Line 1-833-710-0909

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Do you want to serve your church?

Do you want to be an altar server?

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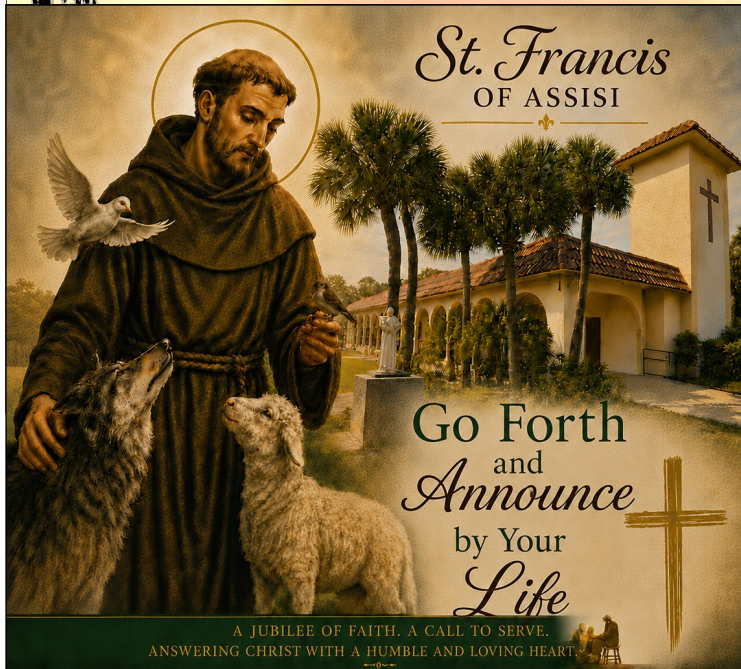


AUGUST 23, 2026 - 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Riviera Beach, Florida

Following the footstep of St. Francis of Assisi, we worship God with acts of Charity, and we love our neighbors with faith in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer.

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES

NO PRAYER IS MORE PLEASING TO GOD THAN THE PRAYER OFFERED BY THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST IN THE HOLY MASS - FILL THE CHURCH CALENDAR WITH YOUR **MASS INTENTIONS**.



St. Francis
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A JUBILEE OF FAITH. A CALL TO SERVE.
ANSWERING CHRIST WITH A HUMBLE AND LOVING HEART.



JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL MASS
commemorating Saint Francis of Assisi
in celebration of the 800th Jubilee
Year of St. Francis of Assisi.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
CATHOLIC CHURCH
100 W 21st St., Riviera Beach, FL 33404



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026



4:00 PM

All are welcome to gather in prayer and thanksgiving
as we honor and celebrate the enduring spiritual legacy of St. Francis of Assisi.

COME, LET US SERVE THE LORD WITH JOY!



Be mindful of donating items to
Parish Bazaar. Every thing you give will
help the parish to stand financially for
services and ministries.

Contact (561) 512-0312 or (561) 312-4533

Support the Outreach Ministry

The Outreach Ministry of St. Francis of Assisi provides ongoing support to families in need throughout the year. We are currently seeking donations of canned goods and other non-perishable food items. Your generosity is a beautiful expression of love for God through service to others, it truly makes a difference!

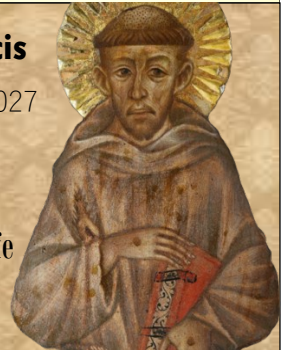
To donate or learn more, please contact the Parish Office at (561) 842-2482.



The Jubilee Year of St. Francis

January 10, 2026 to January 10, 2027

Follow the example of
Saint Francis,
becoming models of holiness of life
and constant witnesses of peace.



To pilgrims: please call (561) 842 2482 to gain access to the church

Please take some time to remember the following in your prayers:

For the Healing of

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For Eternal life of

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DICK MONTEZON - DIANE LAFERIERE
MARIE E. ST. JOUR - JOAQUIM DESOUSA
MARC DE SANCTIS - FRANK LEWIS

PARISH SUPPORT

Offertory of Aug. 15-16, 2026: \$ 2, 776.00

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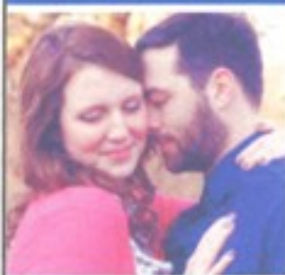
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