

THE BRIDGE



*With open
arms for all!*

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

AUGUST 15, 2021

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Parish Office
(609) 494-8813
Mon. - Fri. 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
(Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 PM)

Family Faith Formation
(609) 494-8813 ext. 153
Community Center
(609) 494-8861

Counseling Services
(609) 494-1554

Read our bulletin online at
www.stfrancisparishlbi.org

 Daily gospel reflections can be found on Facebook at:

www.facebook.com/stfrancisparishlbi

 Follow St. Francis Parish on Instagram:
[StFrancisChurchLBI](https://www.instagram.com/StFrancisChurchLBI)

Franciscan Sisters of Philadelphia, PA
Vocation Office
vocations@osphil.org

St. Francis is a sending Parish to
St. Mary Academy
609-597-3800 or visit:
www.stmaryknights.org



St. Francis of Assisi Parish offers ONLINE GIVING
Parishioners who prefer to donate through our Online Giving Service, a secure and personalized way to give to the Parish, can visit our website at:
<http://www.stfrancisparishlbi.org>

St. Francis of Assisi, 4700 Long Beach Blvd., Brant Beach, NJ

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS	EVENTS
Saturday, August 14	<u>(L) Living +Deceased</u> 3:30 - 4:30 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM <i>Assumption of Mary - Vigil</i> +Edward & Dolores Pottichen	Rv. 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor. 15:20-27; Lk. 1:39-56	
Sunday, August 15	<i>Assumption of Mary Mother of God</i> 7:15 AM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i> 8:30 AM +Mary Margaret Mintz +Richard Finan +Kathryn & Angelo Fiore 10:00 AM +Ann McGowan +Paula Mustachio +Noel & Judy Sharkey 11:30 AM +Anthony Aquino +Molly Trabisco	Rv. 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor. 15:20-27; Lk. 1:39-56	10:00 AM <i>Live-Streaming Mass</i> www.facebook.com/stfrancisparishlbi
Monday, August 16	9:00 AM +Kathleen Kaczynski +Louis Musto	Jgs. 2:11-19; Mt. 19:16-22	
Tuesday, August 17	9:00 AM +Judy & Joe Lee	Jgs. 6:11-24a; Mt. 20:1-16	
Wednesday, August 18	9:00 AM +Eugene & Lucille D'Amico +John T. Lawler +Andrew Noll	Jgs. 9:6-15; Mt. 20:1-16	
Thursday, August 19	9:00 AM +Thomas Lally +John Michael Swayze	Jgs. 11:29-39a; Mt. 22:1-14	
Friday, August 20	9:00 AM +Joseph Maccalusso	Ru. 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt. 22:34-40	
Saturday, August 21	9:00 AM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i> 3:30 - 4:30 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM +Jim Morrison +Joseph Volaric	Ru. 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt. 23:1-12 Jos. 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph. 5:21-32; Jn. 6:60-69	
Sunday, August 22	7:15 AM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i> 8:30 AM +Todd Barbuto 10:00 AM +Edward Shanley +Helen Nakoneczny +Jim Reeder 11:30 AM +Gustavo Acosta	Jos. 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph. 5:21-32; Jn. 6:60-69	10:00 AM <i>Live-Streaming Mass</i> www.facebook.com/stfrancisparishlbi

St. Thomas Aquinas Church 2ND & Atlantic Ave., Beach Haven

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday, August 14	<u>(L) Living +Deceased</u> 5:00 PM +Duffy Family +Margaret Lawton
Sunday, August 15	8:30 AM +Noah Butler +Paula Snyder 10:00 AM +Joseph Reynolds +Mary & Angelica Lanni +George Hamill & Michael Clarke 11:30 AM +Joseph & Sam Valentino
Saturday, August 21	5:00 PM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i>
Sunday, August 22	8:30 AM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i> 10:00 AM +Joseph Reynolds +George Hamill & Michael Clarke +Francis Brian Reilly 11:30 AM +Rose & Lawrence Barone +Molly Trabisco

St. Thomas of Villanova Church 13th & Long Beach Blvd., Surf City

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday, August 14	<u>(L) Living +Deceased</u> 9:00 AM +Gladys Mazar 3:30 - 4:30 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM <i>Assumption of Mary - Vigil</i> +Hodulich Family
Sunday, August 15	<i>Assumption of Mary Mother of God</i> 8:30 AM +Joan Karl 10:00 AM +James M. Kempfski 11:30 AM +Robert J. Reilly
Saturday, August 21	5:00 PM +Thomas Keuper +Frank Troy
Sunday, August 22	8:30 AM +Mary Minnella +Lucia Minnella 10:00 AM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i> 11:30 AM + <i>Franciscan Mass League</i>

Parish Information - (609) 494-8813

Emergency Information: Available on our answering machine (609) 494-8861 and on the following website: schoolclosingsnj.com and facebook.com/stfrancisparishlbi.

Evacuation Information: In the event of a hurricane, severe weather, or extreme high tides, please do not call the Parish Office for assistance and note that **none** of the parish buildings (churches, community center, residences or maintenance facilities) has been designated as an evacuation site. Evacuate as soon as you can, following the direction of local officials.

Parish Registration: The Parish Office is located on the second floor of St. Francis Community Center, 4700 Long Beach Blvd., Long Beach Twp., NJ. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The office is closed for lunch from 12:00 to 1:00 PM. Please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible if you are moving.

Baptism: The sacrament is celebrated three times a month at St. Francis Parish. Group Baptisms are the 2nd Saturday at 10:00 AM and the last Sunday at 12:45 PM each month at St. Francis Church in Brant Beach. Baptisms during Mass are celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of each month at the last Mass in each Church. Call the Parish Office for availability and requirements: (609) 494-8813 ext. 154 or 155.

Faith Formation and Education: For children ages six through high school. Please call Judith Clayton at (609) 494-8813 ext. 153 for more information.

Marriage: In accordance with the Common Policy of the five Dioceses of New Jersey, arrangements must be made ONE YEAR in advance. Couples are required to attend Marriage Preparation classes. Weddings are performed on Friday or Saturday. Weddings are NOT performed on Sundays, the beach, Memorial Day, Fourth of July or Labor Day weekends.

Pastoral Visitations: Please notify the Parish Office if you or any of your loved ones are ill, homebound, in SOMC, nursing homes or rehabilitation centers.

St. Clare Church 56th St. & the Boulevard, Loveladies	
DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
	<u>(L) Living +Deceased</u>
Saturday, August 14	5:00 PM <i>Assumption of Mary - Vigil</i> +Eugene & Eleanor Patten +Frank Esposito
Sunday, August 15	<i>Assumption of Mary Mother of God</i> 8:30 AM +Franciscan Mass League 10:00 AM +Jo Vennwald +Elizabeth & Joseph Gilchrist
Saturday, August 21	5:00 PM +Margaret & Jean "Peggy" Doorly- McCully
Sunday, August 22	8:30 AM +Franciscan Mass League 10:00 AM +Franciscan Mass League

Appeals Box

Second Collection Today:

Assumption Envelope

Last Week's 2nd Collection

St. Francis Parish Ministries: Music

Collected: \$10,927.08

This Week We Need:

Budgeted: \$39,000

Last Week's Collection

Budgeted: \$39,000

Collected: \$33,988.58



Online Giving totals are included in the above figures)

**** Thank you for your generosity! ****



**St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Online Giving!**

stfrancisparishlbi.org

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Goal: **\$100,000.00**

Gift Count: **335**

Donors: **264**

Raised: **\$50,344.00**

Collected: **\$47,309.24**

Pledge Balance: **\$ 2,524.76**



Currently we are at:

\$27,850

in sponsorships
for the *Festival of the Sea*.

We are no longer accepting
sponsorships.

Thank you for your generosity.

Franciscan Spiritual Center Presents:



Spiritual Direction

Are you interested in a deeper relationship with God? Do you experience a desire to pray always? Are you searching for a better understanding of the actions of God's grace in your life?

Spiritual Direction is not about problem solving. It is neither counseling nor therapy. It is about enhancing one's prayer life. Directors help people recognize and respond to God's will in their life experiences. One Director summed up the process this way, "All I do is listen. People already have a spiritual life; they are not starting here. Often they need relief from the pressure that they are not doing the right thing. I help them see the goodness in where they are on their journey, not where they think they're supposed to be." God is the real spiritual director.

The Diocese of Trenton has several training programs called an internship. These are two or three year programs focusing on deepening one's own spiritual life and on learning the dynamics of Spiritual Direction. Upon completion of the program a person receives a Certificate from the Diocese.

Our parish has five certified Spiritual Directors.

There is no charge for Spiritual Direction. If you think this might be a way for you to recognize God's actions in your life please call:

Maryann Barrek, ofs, (609) 661-4441,
Anne Bock, ofs, (609) 204-3835,
Kathy Egan, (215) 694-4651,
Mary Lou Jacoby, (732) 995-6917
Pat Simmons, ofs, (609) 661-1361.

An Invitation to Contemplative Living

This program calls out to those who desire to live more contemplatively in the world, to grow in union with God and others, and to become more aware, intentional and free. God liberates us and heals us through the practice of contemplative prayer. We will continue meeting by *zoom* on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM for Centering Prayer and Lectio along with resuming our in-person sessions with presentations on the 2nd Saturday in September, October and November from 9:45 AM to noon. Email Kathy Egan for more information at: klegan.chaplain@gmail.com

Next scheduled sessions: **Zoom: September 1, 10:30 AM and**
In-person: September 11, 9:45 AM, Sr.

Men's Spirituality Group

The Men's Spirituality Group meets in the Senior Lounge on Saturday morning from 10:00 - 11:00 AM. Seating is limited.

Please contact Deacon Bob of Father Steve to reserve your place.

The August 21 meeting is cancelled.

Next scheduled meeting: **September 18, 10:00 AM**

Peace Prayer Project

Remember to pray the
Peace Prayer of St. Francis
every Wednesday at noon!



Meetings:

St. Francis Center unless otherwise noted.



Book Club

September through November 2021 we will meet in person at St. Francis Center in either Room 102 or the Knight Wing Conference Room, (Room 212) on the last Tuesday of the month from 1:30-2:30 PM. Next scheduled meeting: **September 28, Room 102.**

Order of the Franciscans Secular ofs

Sunday, **September 12**, 12:30 PM, Brant Beach Church,
Election of Officers.

Scripture Study

Meets **Bi-monthly on Wednesdays**, at 7:00 PM via "Zoom" to learn, discuss and reflect on passages of the Sacred Scriptures.

Call Tom Troyano at (732) 261-4721 or email:

tomtroyano@comcast.net for more information.

Next scheduled *zoom* meeting: **September 1.**

Survivors of Suicide

Meets the **2nd Thursday** of each month at 7:00 PM via "Zoom".

Call Sr. Pat McNiff, ofs at (609) 494-8813 for more information.

Next scheduled *zoom* meeting: **September 9.**

Summer Mass Schedule through September 4/5

St. Francis of Assisi, Brant Beach

9:00 AM Daily Mass

Reconciliation: 3:30-4:30 PM

Saturday, 5:00 PM; Sunday, 7:15, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM

Live-Streaming Mass - Sundays 10:00 AM

www.facebook.com/stfrancisparishlbi

St. Thomas of Villanova, Surf City

Reconciliation: 3:30-4:30 PM

Saturday, 5:00 PM; Sunday, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM

St. Thomas Aquinas, Beach Haven

Reconciliation: 3:30-4:30 PM

Saturday, 5:00 PM; Sunday, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM

St. Clare, Loveladies

Saturday, 5:00 PM; Sunday, 8:30, 10:00 AM

Praying the Rosary

St. Francis of Assisi Church

Brant Beach

Monday through Saturday

8:20 AM



Family Faith

Judith Clayton, Director of Family Faith (Ext. 153)

jclayton@stfrancislbj.org

Angie Graiff, Elementary Coordinator (Ext. 150)

Mary Lou Ligus, Administrative Assistant (Ext. 179)

Marion Pierri, Registration & Tuition Coordinator (Ext. 177)



Dear families: don't forget to register your children for the upcoming Family Faith year! We look forward to welcoming you all back in September.

Contact Marion Pierri at mpierri@stfrancislbj.org or (609) 494-8813 ext. 177 for more information on the registration process.

New families to our programs should contact our Director, Judy Clayton at jclayton@stfrancislbj.org or (609) 494-8813 ext. 153.



Celiac Disease and Holy Eucharist

If you have Celiac disease and wish to receive Holy Eucharist, we now have low gluten hosts in all the churches. Please bring your own pyx [*host container*] to mass. If you forget your pyx, please tell the priest. We have some extras in the safe. Please see the priest before mass and he will provide you with a low gluten host. Complete directions are posted in the vesting sacristy.

Embrace Our Way of Life

THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF HOLY NAME PROVINCE

Franciscan Vocation Ministry

Br. Basil Valente, OFM

129 West 31st Street, 2nd Fl., New York, NY 10001-3403

1-800-677-7788 www.BeAFranciscan.org



St. Francis of Assisi Parish is a Franciscan Faith Community of *Holy Name Province* in the Diocese of Trenton. Find out more about Holy Name Province online at: www.hnp.org

2021 Car Raffle

Sponsored By:
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
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 Long Beach Township, NJ 08008
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 FB: StFrancisParishLBI • Instagram: StFrancisChurchLBI

	2021 Jeep Renegade Valued at: \$28,075
	2021 Jeep Compass Valued at: \$28,150
	2021 Jeep Cherokee Valued at: \$29,305
	2021 Jeep Wrangler (yellow) Valued at: \$31,675
	2021 Jeep Wrangler (blue) Valued at: \$31,675

Only 3,000 Books Available
Five chances to win in each book. Tickets sold in booklets only.
Books cost \$100.
 Bearer is entitled to win all five vehicles. Each book may carry more than one name. Joint ownership is possible at the discretion of the bearer. The drawing for all five vehicles will be Saturday, **October 9, 2021** at the Annual Spaghetti Dinner, St. Francis Community Center Gymnasium. Winner need not be present. No substitution of prize or cash in lieu of prize. Proceeds benefit St. Francis of Assisi Parish.

Please make your check payable to St. Francis Parish & indicate "Car Raffle" on the envelope.

2021 Car Raffle

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

of Books Requested (\$100 each) ____ Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Credit Card purchase must be presented in person. NO PHONE PURCHASES.

Cell Phone Drop Off



Please help
St. Francis Parish & Center
 by dropping off your old *Cell Phones*
 in the lobby at St. Francis Center.
Please NO accessories, chargers, etc.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Diocese of Trenton 701 Lawrenceville Rd., Trenton, NJ



Giving thanks for God's blessings

Did you know that this August marks the 140th Anniversary of the Diocese of Trenton? In 1881, Pope Leo XIII established the

Diocese of Trenton to serve the Catholics of the southern part of New Jersey and named Father Michael J. O'Farrell of New York as its first bishop. At the time, the Diocese had 68 churches, 23 parochial schools and 51 priests spread out across Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, as well as all of the territory that is now part of the Dioceses of Camden and Metuchen. For more on the history of the Diocese, go to dioceseoftrenton.org/our-history, and watch for a special feature in the August issue of The Monitor Magazine and on TrentonMonitor.com.

Women's Cornerstone Retreat

Rejoice!



Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, endure in prayer
Romans 12:12

SAVE THE DATE
WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT
OCTOBER 22 & 23, 2021

Women's Cornerstone Retreat Invitation for the women (18+) of St. Francis Parish & Friends, Friday, October 22 to Saturday, October 23, Maris Stella Retreat House, Harvey Cedars.

Please contact Lauren Finelli with questions or for information:
lgf_finelli@hotmail.com or (609) 332-8366

All prevailing COVID-19 regulations will be observed.

Amazon Smile - Fundraiser



You Shop....Amazon Gives!

You can support **St. Francis Community Center** by doing your regular shopping with Amazon. Amazon will **donate 0.5%** of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to Long Beach Island Community Center, Inc. (St. Francis Community Center) whenever you shop on Amazon Smile.

It is the same products and the same great prices!

The *only thing you need to do differently* is **log onto Amazon Smile:**

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2003458>

and sign in using your normal Amazon login and password. That's it! Amazon will automatically make the donation.

Employment Opportunity



Preschool Teacher's Assistant *(Toddler & Preschool)*

Seeking individuals with a warm, nurturing, and friendly personality, able to relate well with children and families. Be willing to fulfill his/her responsibilities in accordance with the Center's/Children's Services Philosophy/Mission Statement. Prefer a background in early childhood education and/or experience working with children. Must be 18 or older. First Aid & CPR Certified and Bi-Lingual a plus.

Positions: Year-round- Full-time (with Benefits), Part-time, and substitute

Pay: \$12.00 per hour

Days: Monday-Friday

Counseling Services

Positions: Full-time Bilingual (Fluent English/Spanish) Licensed Counselor

Days: Monday through Friday (Some evening hours required) Must complete 40-hour Confidential Sexual Violence Advocate Training (provided free of charge by the agency). On-site clinical supervision is provided.

Must have Current Professional License: LSW, LAC, LPC or LCSW.

Summer Camp 2021- Seasonal Employment

Seeking self-motivating, understanding, creative, fun, and responsible individuals to care for children 5 years to 13 years of age. First Aid & CPR Certified and Bi-Lingual in Spanish a plus. Experience preferred, but not required. It is preferred that applicants are 18 or older, individuals 17 years old may apply for camp counselor position.

Positions: Camp Counselor Full-time (40 plus hours) and Part-time (29 hours)

Pay: Camp Counselors- \$12.00 per hour

Days: Monday-Friday

Senior Services

Position: Full time Caseworker (Outreach and Information Assistance Worker)

Days/Hours: 40 hours a week- Monday-Friday

Pay: \$12 per hour

Must have Phone/Communication, Computer & Organization skills Must have valid driver license. Due to COVID-19 restrictions all work is being conducted from the office however normally the position requires home visits with clients.

Front Desk

The Front Desk is seeking an afternoon/evenings and weekend Receptionist. Applicants must have experience with customer service, answering telephones, and basic computer software knowledge. Bilingual (Fluent English/Spanish) is a plus. Applicants must be able to lift at least 40 pounds.

Position: Year round part-time

Day/Hours: Approximately 15 to 26 hours per week, including some weekends.

Pay: \$12 per hour

Part-time employees are eligible for employee discounts and paid sick time.

****All full-time positions are offered benefits including Health Care, Paid time off, life insurance, 403B Matching and more.**

Please send resumes to
abodine@stfrancislbj.org

St. Francis Center is an EOE/AA Employer

Senior Services

For information call ext. 108 or 109.



During these uncertain times, although we do not know when our exercise, socialization and recreation programs will resume, please keep in mind we are here for you.

We are still providing the following:

Information and Assistance, Telephone Reassurance Calls,
Caregiver Assistance

Options Counseling:

Application Assistance for PAAD (Pharmaceutical Assistance for the Aged and Disabled), Meals on Wheels, SHIP Counseling (State Health Insurance Program), Energy Assistance, JACC (Jersey Assistance for Community Caregivers) and many more.

Please call (609) 978-6220 if you are in need of services.

Jersey Cares - Senior Shoppers Program

If you are 60 years or older and in need of food shopping services, you should know that the Ocean County Office of Senior Services and St. Francis Senior Services has partnered with a reputable nonprofit, Jersey Cares, to provide this service.

You can be assured your safety is our top priority and that all volunteers are fully vetted including background checks.

If you are interested in participating in this program please call St. Francis Senior Services at (609) 978-6220 or St. Francis Senior Services Berkeley Office at (732) 244-9600.

Fundraiser for St. Francis Community Center!

We now have blue Recycle America bins located:

St. Francis Community Center

4700 Long Beach Blvd., Brant Beach

St. Thomas Aquinas Church

2nd & Atlantic Ave., Beach Haven

St. Clare Church

56 St. & Long Beach Blvd., Loveladies



These bins can be filled with clothes, purses, shoes, bedding and pillows. Recycle America will collect the items and redistribute them to those in need. In turn, this is a Fundraising opportunity for us – we receive a percentage of every pound collected.

Counseling Service by appointment (609) 494-1554

Services are currently being offered via telephone or various online platforms. We have openings for new clients at this time. Please call (609) 494-1554.



When survivors of sexual assault present to the hospital, their clothing is often taken for evidence. St. Francis Counseling Service, in collaboration with the Ocean County Sexual Assault Response Team, is accepting donations of **NEW** clothing items so survivors have clothes to go home in. This includes towels, washcloths, hair ties, women's yoga pants, t-shirts, underwear, sports bras, men's sweatpants, t-shirts, and boxer briefs in all sizes.

A link to our Amazon Wish List can be found at <https://a.co/1JR3Qcq> which is also linked on our Facebook. Donations will only be accepted by mail through Amazon or a similar retailer. We are not accepting donations in person due to COVID-19 restrictions.

All donations can be sent to:

St. Francis Community Center
ATTN: Delaney Cronin
4700 Long Beach Blvd.
Long Beach Township, NJ 08008

For questions please contact Delaney Cronin at (609) 494-1554 or dcronin@stfrancisbi.org. Thank you for your support!

Find our wish list here: <https://a.co/1JR3Qcq>

Journey Through Grief

This program is designed to help men and women, of all ages, work through the normal stages of grief with education and group support. The program stresses that grief is a journey, a natural and normal reaction to a significant loss in our lives. Education and support can ease our way on this journey.

The group is open to all members of the community regardless of religious affiliation.

Registration is required.

There is NO FEE for this program.

Recreation & Aquatics

For info. please call ext. 105. Visit the **Summer Brochure** online at www.stfranciscenterlbi.org or pick up a Brochure at the Center lobby.

Aquatics

Water Tots,

Beginner Level 1 and 2, Intermediate & Advanced Swim Lessons, Aquatic Aerobics, Deep Water Aerobics, Arthritis Water Exercise and Splash Dance

Soccer Skills & Drills

August 16 - 20

Monday - Friday

Ages 4-6: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Ages 7-12: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM



Pool Birthday Parties

Are you looking for a place to hold a birthday party?

For more information please contact the pool reception desk at: (609) 494-8861 ext. 187.



Daily Guest Pool Fees:



\$10 Per Person

Book of 5 Passes: \$45

Book of 10 Passes: \$80

Open Swim Only

(Space Permitting) Open Swim Hours subject to change without notice.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!
<https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/LongBeachTownship/18milerun>



Family Support Services

Human Concerns Food Pantry Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Walk-ins are welcome!

Everyone who enters the building will have their temperature taken & will be asked to wear a mask.

*The St. Francis Food Pantry has a variety of food options, personal hygiene products, and cleaning supplies available. Please ask about our Dairy-Free Milk alternatives, Gluten-Free or Vegan options, Baby Food, Formula, & Diapers. *Spanish-speaking staff is available to translate.*

*Join our text message alert system to receive alerts about the food pantry and annual projects. **TO ENROLL TEXT "PANTRY" TO 833-511-0760** **carrier text message rates may apply***

Donations needed for the Food Pantry:

Canned Fruit, Ziti or other Pasta, Pancake Mix, Syrup.

Check out our Amazon Wish list at <https://a.co/00HTAhy>
We are NOT in need of Peanut Butter, Jelly, and Cereal. We have an overabundance of it right now.

Donations for the Food Pantry can be left in the bins marked "donation" in the front of the Community Center. If you would like to make a monetary donation to the Food Pantry it can be made through our website: <http://stfranciscenterlbi.org/donate> via PayPal.

Current Project:

Back to School Project 2021

Sign-ups are currently running during Food Pantry Hours.

We are in need of School Supply Donations! Back to School Amazon Wish list: <https://a.co/2sBWcec>

Family Support Services:

To learn more about our programs visit our website at <http://stfranciscenterlbi.org>

- *Parenting & Anger Management Groups*
- *Auto Ownership*
- *Parents As Teachers*
- *Maintaining the Integrity of Spanish Speaking Families*



Auto Ownership Program

The Auto Ownership Program at St. Francis Community Center is looking for donated vehicles. Donated vehicles are provided to TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) recipients for whom transportation is a major barrier to employment. Cars are donated, repaired, and turned over to clients involved in a work or training activity of the Ocean County TANF program. All donations will receive a letter and 1098c form for tax purposes.

Please call (609) 494-8861 ext. 197 if you are interested in donating.

Children's Services

For information call ext. 114.



St. Francis Community Center's Preschool and Childcare are fully accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

www.naeyc.org/our-work/for-families.org. We are also a Grow NJ Kids 4 Star Program. www.grownkids.gov.

Masks will be required for 2 years and up - they will be encouraged to wear a mask throughout the day.

Year-round Childcare for Children

TODDLER & PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Available Care 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM, 5 Days a Week

Full Day and Work Day

Toddlers: Ages 13 months to 2 1/2

Preschoolers: Ages 2 1/2 to 5

Community Center Donations



St. Francis Center/LBICC is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Donations are tax-deductible. Our federal tax ID number is 22-2003458. We have provided supportive services to the community for over 45 years and with your help we will continue to do so. Our online donations are processed by *PayPal* so it's fast, easy and secure. We are only able to process online donations from NJ residents only.

If you would like to recognize a donation to the Center in someone's name, donation cards are available at the front desk of the Center and at the Parish Office.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Cultural Competency Statement

The St. Francis Center recognizes a culturally diverse community and makes a commitment to the principles of multiculturalism as a means of understanding, accepting, valuing, and supporting cultural diversity. The term Multicultural is applied broadly to include issues of minority or marginalized status as it relates to race, ethnicity, culture, socioeconomic status, use of English as a second language, gender, sexual orientation, disability, religion, spirituality, and the elderly. The St. Francis Center proposes to develop programs and practices that assist staff, board members, and volunteers to recognize, accept, and affirm differences and similarities among people and provide services that are supportive and inclusive of all members of the community.

Community Bulletin Board

Soroptimist Clothes Closet

Stafford Community Center, 25 Pine St., Manahawkin

The Soroptimist Clothes Closet

is now open

the first and third Wednesday of each month
from 4:00 - 6:00 PM and

every Saturday from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Free clothing to any women having trouble
making ends meet and in need of clothing.

Call Madelyn at (609) 276-3308 for more information.

St. Francis Travel

Home Town Travel

128 Bartlett Ave., Bartlett Commons,

Rt. 9 South, West Creek, NJ 08092

Call Nancy at Home Town Travel (609) 597-5100

Email: hometowntravel@comcast.net



Sightseeing Trips & Cruises



Painted Canyons of the West

(featuring Utah's five National Parks)

October 3-11, 2021

Rate of \$3,649 double occupancy will include: round trip air from Newark, eleven meals, all sightseeing, and some unique culinary inclusions.

St. Francis Ireland with Father Kevin

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