

WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

News for the Week of March 20

All School

Parents' Night Out Is This Friday

Parents' Night Out is this Friday, March 25, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. This fun evening is open to students in Primary II through grade 8. Dinner is provided, along with an evening of fun activities. The cost is \$35. To reserve a spot, please [email Explore and Extend](#).

Greetings and Farewells

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Sage Dining has named **Adriana Salinas as the Food Services Director** at St. Francis. Chef Adriana has spent eight years with Sage as an in-house baker and caterer for River Oaks Baptist School. Her first day at St. Francis will be tomorrow—Monday, March 21—and we look forward to welcoming her.

Festival 2022: Join us at the Biggest Birthday Bash of the Year!

Happy Birthday, Festival! Don't miss out on an opportunity to celebrate at Festival 2022! It just wouldn't be a birthday bash without you, so here are some important details to get you in the Festival spirit:

- St. Francis Festival Day is set for **Sunday, April 24, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**
- **Underwriting Opportunities:**
 - We are looking for more T-shirt sponsors. For \$2,000, your family name or company logo will be placed on the back of the event shirt—worn by the masses on Festival week and beyond.

- The ticket sponsorship is also available for \$1,000. Your logo will be printed on EVERY ticket used at Festival.
- Don't miss the boat on our underwriting opportunities—purchase yours [here](#) today!
- **Booth Sponsorship Opportunities:** Whether it offers food, fun, or games, every booth needs to be sponsored so the kids (and the kids at heart) will have a festive time at Festival.
- Click [here](#) to visit the event website and complete your “online packet.” **The deadline to submit has been extended to Friday, April 1.**
- Each spring, the St. Francis Episcopal Church and School communities have joined together to organize and celebrate Festival Day. This family event features games, food, and fellowship. Proceeds benefit the One Community Fund, which underwrites facility enhancements, landscape and infrastructure improvements, and joint efforts for both church and school.

Volunteers Needed: Couper Campus Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

We are looking for volunteers to help with the following events on **Friday, April 1:**

- **Primary School Teacher Appreciation Luncheon**—[Click here](#) to sign up to volunteer.
- **Upper School Teacher Appreciation Luncheon**—[Click here](#) to sign up to volunteer.

Thank you!

COVID Dashboard

St. Francis is updating the following COVID Dashboard weekly to track the number of active cases and total year-to-date cases for students and faculty/staff. This dashboard can also be found on the Parent Portal.

COVID Dashboard	
STUDENTS	FACULTY/STAFF
ACTIVE Cases	ACTIVE Cases
Total Active COVID+ Students	Total Active COVID+ Faculty/Staff
0	0
YTD Cases	YTD Cases
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136	48

*Updated 03/11/22 at 1:00 p.m.

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Tuesday, March 22

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary II and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Oteiza’s 2-Day class, Mrs. Lawhon’s class, and Mrs. Meriwether’s class
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Wednesday, March 23

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary I and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Britton’s class and Mrs. Oteiza’s 3-Day class

- *Primary I Sings in Chapel (Scriber and Peden)*
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Monday, March 28

- *Primary School Open Library: 3:00–4:00 p.m. in the Primary School Library*
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Tuesday, March 29

- *Chapel: 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary II and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Oteiza's 2-Day class, Mrs. Lawhon's class, and Mrs. Meriwether's class*
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Wednesday, March 30

- *Chapel: 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary I and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Britton's class and Mrs. Oteiza's 3-Day class*
 - *Primary II Fathers and Friends Picnic: 11:00 a.m.*
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Thursday, March 31

- *Primary II Field Trip to Midtown Arts and Theater Center Houston (MATCH)*
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Friday, April 1

- *Primary II Field Trip to Piney Point Campus*
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Monday, April 4

- *Primary School Open Library: 3:00–4:00 p.m. in the Primary School Library*
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Tuesday, April 5

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary II and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Oteiza's 2-Day class, Mrs. Lawhon's class, and Mrs. Meriwether's class
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Wednesday, April 6

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary I and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Britton's class and Mrs. Oteiza's 3-Day class
 - *Primary I Fathers and Friends Picnic:* 8:15 a.m.
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Friday, April 8

- *Primary II Plays*
 - **Hughes:** 9:00 a.m.
 - **Staller:** 10:00 a.m.
 - **Wiener:** 11:00 a.m.
 - **Owens:** 12:00 p.m.
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Monday, April 11

- *Primary School Open Library:* 3:00–4:00 p.m. in the Primary School Library
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Tuesday, April 12

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary II and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Oteiza's 2-Day class, Mrs. Lawhon's class, and Mrs. Meriwether's class
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Wednesday, April 13

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary I and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Britton's class and Mrs. Oteiza's 3-Day class
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Friday, April 15

- *Good Friday Holiday:* No school
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Monday, April 18

- *Primary School Open Library:* 3:00–4:00 p.m. in the Primary School Library
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Tuesday, April 19

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; for students in Primary II and for Pre-Primary students in Mrs. Oteiza's 2-Day class, Mrs. Lawhon's class, and Mrs. Meriwether's class
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Wednesday, April 13

- *Parent Conference Day:* Student holiday
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Sunday, April 24

- *St. Francis Festival Day:* 1:00–4:00 p.m. on Piney Point Campus

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- *Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Celebrating March 13–26 birthdays (for grades 3–4)
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Wednesday, March 23

- *LS Spring Parent Meeting*
 - 8:30 a.m. in the Hogan Board Room (HBR)
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Thursday, March 24

- *Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Celebrating March 13–26 birthdays (for grades K–2)
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Monday, March 28

- *Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Celebrating March 27–April 2 birthdays (for grades 3–4)
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Tuesday, March 29

- *Second-Grade Biome Bonanza (Wagner and Quine)*
 - 10:00 a.m.—Wagner
 - 1:00 p.m.—Quine
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Wednesday, March 30

- *Second-Grade Biome Bonanza (McCormick and Pena)*
 - 10:00 a.m.—McCormick
 - 1:00 p.m.—Pena
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Thursday, March 31

- *Chapel for Grades K–4*
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Monday, April 4

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 - Celebrating April 3–9 birthdays (for grades 3–4)
 - *Fourth-Grade Spring Performance (Rossey's and Hardee's Homeroom Classes): 12:30 p.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall*
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Thursday, April 7

- *Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
- *Fourth-Grade Spring Performance (Nelson's and Nguyen's Homeroom Classes): 12:30 p.m. in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall*
- *Lower School Trimester 3 Progress Reports Released*

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OLE for Grades 5–7: Completed Forms Due Tomorrow

Fifth- through seventh-grade students will go to [Camp Olympia](#) for an Outdoor Learning Experience (OLE) day trip on Friday, April 1. OLEs are required trips for all students in grades 5–7. Buses will depart St. Francis at 7:00 a.m. and return to campus at 6:00 p.m.

Camp Olympia requires all participants to complete two forms before the trip. Both are available [here](#). Completed forms must be returned to your child's advisor by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow—Monday, March 21. Advisors will accept hard copies or emailed PDFs.

Eighth-Grade Boston Trip: Mandatory Meeting on April 19

This year's eighth-grade trip to Boston, MA, will take place Monday, May 2, to Thursday, May 5, and requires registration for the trip. The registration process allows us to complete travel arrangements and confirm our itinerary. Please visit [this link](#) to register your child, if you have not already done so.

We are hosting a mandatory parent/student meeting on Tuesday, April 19, at 11:00 a.m. to review the final itinerary, trip logistics, and programming. Please contact the [Middle School Office](#) with questions.

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Reminder: Full Dress Uniform Required on Mondays

Mondays are dress uniform days unless noted otherwise. Please help your child(ren) come to school in their full dress uniform. If a child is missing one or more pieces of the dress uniform, please email [Marion Tolon](#) to help us be consistent with accountability.

Food Deliveries Prohibited Without Prior Approval

Students may not receive food deliveries from restaurants or fast-food establishments without prior approval from the Middle School Office. Per the *Middle School Handbook*: “We discourage parents or visitors from bringing fast food or any other commercially prepared food for their child.” Advisory-sanctioned celebrations are an exception to this guideline.

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- *Dress Uniform*
 - *Chapel: 10:05–10:30 a.m.*
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Tuesday, March 22

- *No Morning Tutorials Due to MS Division Meeting*
 - *Regular Uniform*
 - *Bible Studies (Grade 8 Girls/Grade 7 Boys and Girls): 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
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Wednesday, March 23

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Thursday, March 24

- *Regular Uniform*

- *Bible Studies (Grade 6 Boys and Girls): 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
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Friday, March 25

- *St. Francis Spirit Wear With **Uniform Bottoms or Blue Jeans** (No Athletic Shorts)*
 - *Bible Studies (Grade 5 Boys and Girls): 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
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Monday, March 28

- *Dress Uniform*
 - *Chapel: 10:05–10:30 a.m.*
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Tuesday, March 29

- *No Morning Tutorials Due to MS Division Meeting*
 - *Regular Uniform for Grades 5, 6, and 8*
 - *Special Uniform for Grade 7: Be on the lookout for an email with more details*
 - *Bible Studies (Grade 8 Girls/Grade 7 Boys and Girls): 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
 - *Seventh-Grade Art à la Carte Field Trip to BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir: 9:00–11:00 a.m.*
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Wednesday, March 30

- *Regular Uniform*
 - *Bible Studies (Grade 8 Boys): 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Christian Education rooms at the end of the Middle School hallway*
 - *Fifth-Grade Colonial Day Celebration: 8:00 a.m.–12:45 p.m.*
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Friday, April 1

- *Grades 5–7*
 - **St. Francis Spirit Wear With Athletic Bottoms:** More information to come
 - **Outdoor Learning Experience at Camp Olympia:** 7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
- *Grade 8*
 - **Regular Uniform**
 - **Art à la Carte Field Trip to The Menil Collection:** 10:15 a.m.–2:00 p.m.
- *Midpoint of Trimester 3*

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A Note About Course Selection for Next School Year

We have started conversations about course selection for next year. In next week’s *Wolf Watch*, Head of Upper School Marc Addison will be talking about the course-scheduling process. In the meantime, we would like to offer details about the scheduling “tickets” that were shared with students this week.

These tickets show which courses are required and which course and elective options are available to students. As you might expect, choices for sophomores are rather restricted, but juniors and seniors have many options. Here are the tickets in case you would like to start discussions with your child:

- [Rising Sophomore Ticket](#)
- [Rising Junior Ticket](#)
- [Rising Senior Ticket](#)

The present duty for students is to begin thinking about what they want to do next year.

Are they going to be involved in any productions?

For rising juniors and seniors, would they like to take [Advanced Placement courses](#)? If so, they will need a recommendation from their current teachers. Some courses also have prerequisites. Related to AP, we let students know which courses (AP or not) we recommend they take in advisory prior to spring break. While some communities hold rather fast to their recommendations, we have an appeal process. This involves the student exercising their initiative to have a conversation with their current teacher in order to discover how they might develop as a student and thereby earn a recommendation.

Looking forward to the week of March 28 to April 1, we will confirm course selections in advisory and require parent signatures so that all parties are informed. This process will allow us to begin our scheduling much earlier than in prior years so that we may deliver full-year schedules in early July. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to [Mr. Addington](#). Our course catalog will be forthcoming.

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Save the Date: Upper School Junior and Senior Events

Over the next few months, we will begin to celebrate our seniors and welcome the juniors as the new leaders of the Upper School. Please make note of several upcoming events that mark this transition. As we get closer, more details will follow.

- **Junior Ring Ceremony**
 - **When:** Thursday, April 7, at 6:00 p.m.
 - **Where:** St. Francis Episcopal Church on Piney Point Campus
 - **Who:** Juniors, their parents, and any guests
- **Upper School Awards Ceremony**
 - **When:** Wednesday, April 27, 10:00–10:45 a.m.
 - **Where:** Crum Gym
 - **Who:** All Upper School students
- **Prom**
 - **When:** Saturday, April 30, 8:00–11:00 p.m.
 - **Where:** Blossom Houston Hotel
 - **Who:** Juniors, seniors, and their guests
- **Senior Tailgate, Chapel, and Field Day**
 - **When:** Tuesday, May 3, at 10:00 a.m.
- **Baccalaureate**
 - **When:** Friday, May 13, at 6:00 p.m.
 - **Where:** St. Francis Episcopal Church on Piney Point Campus
 - **Who:** Seniors, parents, guests, and faculty
- **Senior Dinner**
 - **When:** Friday, May 13, after Baccalaureate
 - **Where:** Fine Arts Center on Piney Point Campus
- **Graduation**
 - **When:** Saturday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m.
 - **Where:** Couper Campus
 - **Who:** All are welcome

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, March 21

- *“A” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
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Tuesday, March 22

- *“B” Day*

- *Regular Uniform*
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Wednesday, March 23

- *“A” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
 - *Upper School Chapel: 10:00–10:35 a.m.*
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Thursday, March 24

- *“B” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
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Friday, March 25

- *“A” Day*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *Upper School Chapel: 10:00–10:35 a.m.*

Church

In-Person Worship

The Holy Eucharist is offered at 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m. on Sundays. We also offer an evening Eucharist on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing all those who are ready to return. For those who are not comfortable returning to in-person worship, we will continue to livestream our worship service on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Access the livestream via our church [website](#), [YouTube channel](#), or [Facebook page](#). Instructions for livestreaming are included at the bottom of this section.

Undiscovered Lent: Lenten Study Continues Wednesday

On Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. during Lent, join Fr. Price for Eucharist and a Lenten study—*Undiscovered Lent* by Dr. Peter Walker—followed by dinner in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall.

- The study follows Jesus’s historic journey up from Galilee to Jerusalem through four filmed sessions, with study guides and maps to help reflect on the videos and dig more deeply and imaginatively into the text of the Gospels.

- Cost of dinner is \$10 per person at the door.
- Contact [Fr. Price](#) for more information.

High School Bible Study: Next Meeting Is Wednesday

The high school Bible study will meet again this Wednesday, March 23, for its study on the parables of Jesus. The group meets monthly at 6:30 p.m. at the Houston Racquet Club for dinner and Bible study. All high schoolers are invited to attend. For additional information, please contact Allison Devlin [via email](#) or at 713.882.0725.

Lenten Concert Is April 6

Following the Parish Wednesday Supper on Wednesday, April 6, members of the St. Francis Choir and Instrumentalists will perform three notable works by three notable composers: Albinoni, Bach, and Barber. Come to Eucharist at 6:00 p.m., enjoy dinner (\$10/person), and then hear beautiful music—a concert of wonderful sacred and artistic works spanning 1700–1936—beginning at 7:15 p.m.!

Forgiveness Workshop Is April 9

Father Bates will lead a **forgiveness workshop on Saturday, April 9, from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Hogan Board Room**. This will be a time during Lent to consider whom you need to forgive, and to work through a process of learning to release others and yourself.

“Everyone says forgiveness is a lovely idea, until they have something to forgive.” — C.S. Lewis

Light snacks will be served. Please RSVP to Sally Jo Flores [via e-mail](#) or call the church office at 713.782.1270 if you plan to attend.

The Men of St. Francis: Next Meeting Is April 12

The Men of St. Francis continue their study of N.T. Wright’s *Simply Good News* on Tuesday, April 12.

- Led by Fr. Bates, the group meets at 8:00 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall.
- Breakfast is provided.
- Please contact [Fr. Bates](#) for additional information.

Moms, Join Us for Bible Study

There are now two opportunities each week to attend the **SFES Moms' Bible Study!** The group meets on Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m. in classroom CE212 and on Fridays at noon at the Houston Racquet Club. The new study is “Elijah: Faith and Fire.” Both studies will

be led by **Allison Devlin**, director of family ministry. Please contact Allison via [email](#) or at 713.882.0725 for more meeting details.

New GLOW Planned for Middle Schoolers

Director of Family Ministry Allison Devlin is planning a new monthly GLOW (God Lights Our Way) for middle schoolers. Watch for more details, and please contact Allison via [email](#) or at 713.882.0725 with questions.

Join Mrs. Devlin for In-Person Let It Shine!

Join Mrs. Devlin each Sunday for in-person Let It Shine! Children's Bible Breakout. All children from Pre-K to middle school are invited to participate.

Calling All Musicians—We Are Back!

All those who missed sitting with your peers in the Assisi Choir and playing instruments at the 11:00 a.m. service, we are meeting again! If you have ever sung in a choir, thought about singing in a choir, or played an instrument, now is the time to join us.

- Assisi Choir practice rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in the church.
- Instrumentalists are invited to join in a small rehearsal at 10:15 a.m. on Sundays in the church.
- The Praise Choir and Band meets to rehearse Sundays at 8:45 a.m. in the church.
- If you have a love of singing or playing, please [contact Richard Keith](#).

Help Meet MAM's Updated Supply Needs

Memorial Assistance Ministries let us know that your generous donations have been helping to keep the organization's pantry well supplied. Thank you! They do still have some urgent needs, so if you are able to help, please consider donating the following items:

- Laundry detergent
- Size 6 diapers

For additional information, contact our church liaison, Andrea Eubanks, [via email](#) or at 713.859.1448.

Fair Haven Food Pantry Needs Volunteers/Donations

The Fair Haven Food Pantry has been providing food to help people in the Spring Branch/Memorial area since 1975.

- Now operating under a client-choice model, **the pantry needs friendly volunteers** to help clients shop for their families, restock shelves, and assist with registration. Feeding the needy is part of serving one another, and as we serve others, we are serving Christ.
 - To volunteer, please [click here](#).
- **March Food Collection Item:** Size 5–6 diapers
 - Thank you for not donating any glass containers or expired items.
- For additional information, email [Jessica Antel](#).

Share Your Prayer Requests Online

Share your prayer requests with us using the “Prayer Requests” link on the [St. Francis Episcopal Church home page](#). Please feel free to submit prayer requests for yourself or for someone you know. All prayer requests are confidential and will not be added to the spoken prayer list, but will be prayed for by our staff and Pastoral Care Council over two months.

Upcoming Bible Studies at St. Francis

St. Francis is hosting the following Bible studies, either in-person, via Zoom, or both. To join a Zoom event listed below, please click the provided link or copy and paste it into your web browser’s address bar. Then, enter the meeting ID and passcode when prompted.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Wednesdays at 9:00–10:00 a.m.
 - **Study:** New Study on Acts of the Apostles
 - **Contact:** [Louise Richman](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/651248716>
 - *To participate, email Louise Richman.*

MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Tuesdays at 7:00–8:00 a.m.
 - **Study:** Hebrews and St. Augustine’s Enchiridion
 - **Contact:** [Martin O'Malley](#)
 - **Location:** La Madeleine (Exception: On the second Tuesday of each month, the group meets in the church's Guild Room. The next meeting in the Guild Room is April 12.)
- Second Tuesday of each month at 8:00–9:30 a.m. **(Next meeting is April 12)**
 - **Meeting:** The Men of St. Francis Breakfast and Bible Study
 - **Study:** Simply Good News
 - **Location:** Wheatcroft Parish Hall
 - **Contact:** [The Rev. Stuart Bates](#)
- Thursdays at 6:30–8:00 a.m.
 - **Study:** Acts of the Apostles

- **Contact:** [The Rev. Stuart Bates](#)
- **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84213782442>
 - **Meeting ID:** 842 1378 2442
 - **Passcode:** 1c6HEL

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.
 - **Study:** The Book of Revelations
 - **Location:** Hogan Board Room
 - **Contact:** [George Hippard](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81068388948>
 - **Meeting ID:** 810 6838 8948
 - **Passcode:** 767200

CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS—BIBLE STUDIES AND MEETINGS

- Wednesdays at 6:30–8:00 p.m. (**Monthly; next meeting is March 23**)
 - **Meeting:** High School Dinner and Bible Study
 - **Study:** The Parables of Jesus
 - **Location:** Houston Racquet Club
 - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AND PRAYER

- Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.
 - **Meeting:** Christian Meditation
 - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
 - **In-Person Meeting Place:** The Bride's Room
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298>
 - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
 - **Passcode:** 05741
- Wednesday Night Eucharist, Program, and Dinner (**\$10 per person**)
 - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
 - **Location:** Church and Wheatcroft Parish Hall
- Thursdays at 7:00 a.m.
 - **Meeting:** Christian Meditation
 - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
 - **In-Person Meeting Place:** The Bride's Room
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298>
 - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
 - **Passcode:** 057417
- Thursdays at 6:15–6:45 a.m.
 - **Meeting:** Prayer Session (We read Scripture and go through a prayer cycle of praise, confession, thanksgiving, and intercession.)
 - **Contact:** [Heather Burkhart](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79725936159>
 - **Meeting ID:** 797 2593 6159

- **Passcode:** 678123
- Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
 - **Meeting:** Spiritual Enrichment
 - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
 - **Location:** The Bride's Room

How to Watch Sunday Service Via Livestream

If you would like to join St. Francis Episcopal Church's 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Sunday service via livestream, here's how to watch:

1. Open an Internet browser on your computer, laptop, or phone. Type in the St. Francis website—sfch.org.
2. Click on the "Watch Live Stream Worship Services" button. Either the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service will be available. If you prefer to watch from Facebook or YouTube, click on the links to go to those streaming servers.

Prelude music will begin on the livestream 10 minutes before the service to allow time for your connection and your inspiration. If you miss the live video, a recording of the service will also be available on [St. Francis's YouTube channel](#).