

Dear Family & Friends of St. Francis ECC,

Here is some of the news and information which is being talked about all around the church for this first week in January:

- We will have our next Healing Mass on Wednesday January 25th at 7:00PM. You can come to the healing Mass for yourself for someone else in absentia. All are welcome and we hope you will be able to join us.
- As most of you know, a Friend of St. Francis, Mary Maier passed away on Christmas Day. There is going to be a Funeral Mass for her this Saturday January 14th at 11:00 at Holy Spirit SCC in Safety Harbor, Florida. A luncheon will be served immediately following the Mass.
- We will be having our next bowling night at Dunedin Lanes on Saturday January 21st. The cost is \$10 and there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the social hall. The payment for bowling is due to Cheryl no later than this Sunday January 15th. Please see Cheryl Velez if you should have any questions or for more information.
- On Sunday January 22nd, we will be going out to Finley's Irish Pub for lunch immediately after Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us for food, fellowship and fun. Corned beef is one of their specialties. Please sign up if you will be joining us so we have a rough idea of how many people will be joining us.
- We will be having a church Rummage sale here at the church on Saturday January 28th from 8:00AM to 1:00PM.
- We are also still looking for additional readers, greeters, ushers and acolytes. If you would like to help with the liturgical aspect of the Mass, please see Jim Villafana, our liturgical coordinator.
- We have some rosaries and religious items available in the lobby for a donation. Fr. Martin dePorres donated the items and all the proceeds go to the St. Francis Benevolence Fund.
- We are starting to run low of goodies to eat on some Sunday mornings after Mass. We would like to ask for your help please. If you could occasionally bring in something to share with everyone, it would be greatly appreciated.
- Prayers and Get Well Wishes are being sent to Ivy Villafana. She had a surgical procedure last week and she is now home and recovering. Prayers and Get Well Wishes also go out to Dee Spano, (of Dee and D.A.) as she has been under the weather this week as well as Chris Warner and Mark Talboom.
- Our snowbird members, Chris & Lorraine arrived here at 10:00PM on New Year's Eve as they had longed to get down here from the frozen tundra up north. As many of you know, Chris has been battling pancreatic cancer for 9 months. On a sad note, Chris was admitted to a Hospice Care Center in Palm Harbor this week. If you would like to send a card to Chris & Lorraine, we will send out their mailing address in an e-mail. Please keep them both in your prayers

Thanks for reading this week's Council letter. Please let us know if you should have any questions, concerns or comments. You are always free to e-mail us or contact any member of the church council. Thank you, and as always, we look forward to seeing you in church!!!

In God's Peace, Your Church Council,

Leo, Larry, Jon, Jim, Terry & Mike