

Get to know us some more

Established on June 24th 2014, Jumuiaa of St Francis received its official blessing on April 22nd 2018. With official blessings taken charge of, Jumuiaa St Francis continued to celebrate Swahili masses (at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Capuchin College and virtually), and host after mass receptions. Additionally, Jumuiaa members came together in prayers and memorial mass celebrations, to support those recently bereaved or those experiencing challenges.

Jumuiaa of St Francis has supported a number of charitable initiatives including food drives (Nyeri, Laikipia and Kitui) and Naro Moro disabled children's home. It has also participated and financially supported the Kenya Catholic Community in America (KCCA) annually, for Swahili mass and retreats.

Additionally, Jumuiaa of St Francis hosted masses presided over by archbishop Maurice Muhatia Makumba (Aug 2018) and archbishop Anthony Muheria (Feb 2019) from Kenya, in collaboration with Kenya Catholic Community in America. And most recently by Bishop Wolfgang Pisa (July 2023) from Tanzania.



Jumuiaa (small Catholic Christian community) of Washington DC, Maryland and Virginia (DMV).

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On 24th Oct 2021, Jumuiaa of St Francis DMV celebrated Swahili mass in a new location, the Marymount University (Sacred Heart of Mary Chapel, 2807 North Glebe Rd, Arlington VA 22207). It has since continued to celebrate Swahili mass at the same venue @ 2:00 p.m., on fourth Sundays of even months except for Dec when mass is celebrated before people break for Christmas holidays. Jumuiaa of St Francis also holds a small reception after mass, at same venue. On Oct 13th 2021, Jumuiaa of St Francis DMV started hosting virtual rosaries which have since continued. Members recite the rosary together at 8:30 p.m., every Wednesday. They also have virtual bible study sessions, on Tuesdays of every week, at 8:00 p.m.

In Nov 2021, Jumuiaa of St Francis DMV identified its goals and objectives. On August 2022, Jumuiaa of St Francis DMV had its first jumuiaa fun day and its first Christmas party on Dec 2022.

For communications with one another, members use "DMV St Francis Home" WhatsApp group, which has 100+ members who all reside in the DMV (Washington DC, Maryland and Virginia) area, and who meet for prayers, mass celebrations, socials, to support one another and for other jumuiaa activities.

Additionally, Jumuiaa ya St Francis has a separate WhatsApp group (Jumuiaa ya St Francis), which functions as a virtual platform where people post catholic prayers, daily reflections, daily bible readings etc. This group has about 100+ members from numerous states in the US as well as from Kenya.

Jumuiaa of St Francis also uses its Facebook page ([Jumuiaa Washington DC](#)), to share information such as daily mass readings, daily gospel, Saint of the day, prayer of the day, Jumuiaa events etc., with 1000+ Facebook friends. Additionally, it also uses its gmail account: jumuiaadc@gmail.com to broadcast jumuiaa events.

The sincerest prayer of members of Jumuiaa of St Francis DMV is their Jumuiaa continues to strive to do what is necessary, as urged by St. Francis Of Assisi "Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible."



Let us Introduce Ourselves!



Jumuiaa of
St Francis of
ASSISI
DMV

Jumuiaa ya mtakatifu Fransisko wa Asizi

*'Lord, make me an instrument of thy
peace. Where there is hatred, let me
sow love.'*

St Francis of Assisi