Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.” — Jn 1:29

**Mass Times**

**Monday — Saturday:**
12:15 PM

**Sunday:** 11:00 AM

**Wednesday:** 7:00 PM

**Confessions**

**Monday—Saturday:**
11:00 AM—12:00 Noon

**Wednesday:**
5:30 PM—6:30 PM

Also by appointment

**National Shrine Hours**

**Historic Church:** 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  Monday - Saturday
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  Sunday

*Open Certain Holidays*

**Porziuncola Chapel:** 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Wednesday - Saturday
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  Sunday

**Saturdays in the Porziuncola Chapel:**
Holy Rosary Sodality at 2:30 PM & Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 PM

**First Saturdays in the Historic Church**
St. Padre Pio Prayer Group  10AM—1PM

Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 10:50 AM—12 PM

**Marriages at the Shrine**  • By special permission  • All inquiries: Please contact the Shrine office for Rector’s initial assessment  • Note: Arrangements at least six months in advance

**Baptism**  • Contact the Shrine office for details
SUNDAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The glory of the LORD shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

Gospel — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: St. Agnes
1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28;
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13;
Mk 3:7-12

Friday: St. Francis de Sales
1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: The Conversion of St. Paul
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
Mk 16:15-18

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY
Shrine Closure—Monday, January 20

The historic church, Porziuncola Nuova chapel and Shrine office will be CLOSED in observance of the holiday.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A MASS SAID IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF SOMEONE?

Simply visit the Mass Intentions page of the Shrine website to find and request available dates and make offerings online:
http://www.shrinesf.org/mass-intentions.html
or, email or call the Shrine office—admin@shrinesf.org,
(415) 986-4557.

Please provide: 1) the name of the person the Mass is for, 2) whether living or deceased, 3) your name and phone number, 4) your preferred date and we will try our best to accommodate, and 5) the suggested offering is $10 for one Mass. Intentions can also be used to remember someone’s birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion. Your donation is payable by credit card on the website. You may also mail cash or check (payable to Capuchin Franciscan Order) to the Shrine office.

Mass Intentions — JANUARY 19 to 25
Sunday 11:00 am Maryann Chupa (Intention)
Monday Shrine CLOSED—No Mass
Tuesday 12:15 pm Bert Hutchison IV (Intention)
Wednesday 12:15 pm † Dorsalean Fay Winn Prout
7:00 pm Julissa Salazar (Healing)
Thursday 12:15 pm James M. Flanagan (Intention)
Friday 12:15 pm † Teresa Walsh
Saturday Walk for Life—No midday Mass

SHRINE SCHEDULE—WALK FOR LIFE
Saturday, January 25

Church & Porziuncola CLOSED until 5PM

Please note there will be no morning Confession or 12:15PM Mass on Saturday, Jan. 25. We encourage our community to support the Pro-Life cause and our San Francisco Archdiocese by your participation:

Celebration of Holy Mass, 9:30AM @ Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St, San Francisco

Rally, 12:30PM—1:30PM at Civic Center Plaza
Walk, Begins 1:30PM, along Market Street ending at the Embarcadero Plaza

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
Saturday, January 25, 6:00 pm in the historic Church Missa solemnis

Following the Walk for Life, a Mass in the Extraordinary Form will be celebrated for life:

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Rocha, Archdiocese of S.F.
Homilist: Fr. Francisco Nahoe, OFM Conv.
Schola: St Anne’s (Palo Alto) Dr. William Mahrt PhD, director
Confessors: OFM Conventuals

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP
First Saturday of every month. The next meeting is February 1 at 10:00am in the Shrine church.
The Capuchins

OBITUARY FOR FR. MICHAEL O’SHEA, OFM Cap.

Fr. Michael James O’Shea was born in Cork City, Ireland on November 14, 1926 the son of Mortimer O’Shea and Catherine Mehigan. He entered the Capuchin Order on October 3, 1946 at Rochestown, Ireland where he received the habit and was given the religious name Venantius. He professed his Solemn Vows on October 4, 1950. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 23, 1954 at Capuchin Friary Co. Donegal.

He studied at the University in Cork and obtained a B.A. in History and Philosophy with a minor in English literature. After ordination he was sent to California in September of 1954. He taught religion at St. Francis High School in La Cañada-Flintridge, CA. He was Associate Pastor at St. Mary’s Church in Ukiah, CA, Old Mission Santa Ines in Solvang, CA, St. Francis of Assisi Church in Los Angeles, CA, Our Lady of Angels in Burlingame, CA, Our Lady of Good Counsel in Fort Bragg, CA, St Joseph Church in Hermiston, OR. In 1970 he taught Franciscan History at San Lorenzo Novitiate in Santa Ynez, CA. In 1977 he was appointed the first Provincial Secretary of the Province. In 1987 he obtained a M.A. in Applied Theology from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley. In 1988 he was a chaplain at the Federal Penitentiary in Lompoc, CA. In 1995 he was a chaplain at Nazareth House in Fresno, CA. In 2000 he was appointed Provincial Historian and resided at St. Conrad Friary in Berkeley, CA. In 2005 he was associate Pastor at Our Lady of Angels in Burlingame, CA where he ministered to the sick at Peninsula Hospital and heard Confessions in the parish. He retired in 2014 and was cared for at Mercy Care Center in Oakland, CA. His last few months were spent at Herman Health Care Center in San Jose, CA.

Fr. Michael James was a man of great intellect who did very humble tasks like cleaning toilets, hanging clothes to dry, mowing lawns and washing dishes. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was very child-like. He also suffered from terrible anxiety, panic disorders and severe depression but a man of tremendous faith. He was truly devoted to the Blessed Mother and prayed his rosary daily. He truly loved his priesthood, his Capuchin Order and the Church.

Fr. Michael James died peacefully at Herman Care Center in San Jose, CA on January 16, 2020. He was 93 years old. He is survived by cousins and by many nephews and nieces in Ireland.

Fr. Michael James' funeral arrangements are as follows: Rosary is Tuesday January 28, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Angels Church, 1721 Hillside Drive, Burlingame, CA. Mass of Christian Burial is Wednesday January 29, 2020 at 11 am also at Our Lady of Angels in Burlingame. Burial is at 10:30 am on Thursday January 30, 2020 at San Lorenzo Friary, 1802 Sky Drive in Santa Ynez, CA.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation in memory of Fr. Michael James to the Capuchin Franciscan Order, 1345 Cortez Avenue, Burlingame, CA 94010.

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

“The Rule and Life of the Lesser Brothers is this: to observe the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Rule of the Friars Minor, I.

Francis of Assisi had heard the gospel proclaimed at mass many times; his conversion came about when he listened to the Gospel and took the words of Jesus Christ seriously. He was not alone in this: many people in his time sought a renewal of the Christian faith and a careful following of the Gospel. One of Francis’ gifts was to make the Gospel appealing by living it in joy, so that the words of Christ became not so much burdensome prescriptions but rather life-giving challenges. Christ promised those who followed him eternal life. As a merchant, Francis knew a good deal when he found it. God bless and keep you!

Fr. Robert Barbato, OFM Cap. is the pastor of Old Mission Santa Inés in Solvang, CA.

WELCOME WALK FOR LIFE GUESTS

The National Shrine of St. Francis extends warmest greetings to the groups and visitors joining us for the Masses next weekend, and using our church as a place of gathering and prayer. We ask God’s blessings on those who travelled from outside the Bay Area and out of state to be a visible and vocal witness to the sanctity of life, may you continue the good work as you safely return home.

Pax et bonum! Peace and all good!
**ABORTION**

2270 Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person - among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life.

   Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you.
   
My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately wrought in the depths of the earth.

2271 Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion, that is to say, abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law:

   You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the newborn to perish.

God, the Lord of life, has entrusted to men the noble mission of safeguarding life, and men must carry it out in a manner worthy of themselves. Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes.

2272 Formal cooperation in an abortion constitutes a grave offense. The Church attaches the canonical penalty of excommunion to this crime against human life. "A person who procures a completed abortion incurs excommunication *latae sententiae,* "by the very commission of the offense," and subject to the conditions provided by Canon Law. The Church does not thereby intend to restrict the scope of mercy. Rather, she makes clear the gravity of the crime committed, the irreparable harm done to the innocent who is put to death, as well as to the parents and the whole of society.

2273 The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation...

2274 Since it must be treated from conception as a person, the embryo must be defended in its integrity, cared for, and healed, as far as possible, like any other human being.

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TV MASS: Sundays at 6:00am on KTSF Channel 26 and KOFY Channel 20.

Archbishop Cordileone's New Video Channel:

Please visit: **http://sfarchdiocese.org/home/archbishop/archbishop-video-series-with-archbishop-cordileone**

**EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) Videos—** Television, Online Live Streaming & Radio


**VATICAN YOUTUBE CHANNEL** https://www.youtube.com/user/vatican#p/a

**BIBLIACLERUS** http://www.elerus.org/bibliaclerus/index_eng.html

"This program offers Sacred Scripture, its interpretation in light of Sacred Tradition and the teachings of the Magisterium, with appropriate theological commentary and exegesis."

**CATHOLIC CATECHISM COMPENDIUM**


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**News and Events**

**CHINESE NEW YEAR MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL**

*Lunar Year of the Rat*

Saturday, February 1, 2020, 2:30 PM

Location: St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough Street @Geary, San Francisco 94109

The Chinese Ministry of the Archdiocese of San Francisco extends a warm invitation to all priests of the Archdiocese and their parishioners to join Bishop Wang, Bishop Walsh, Bishop Justice, and the Chinese community on the occasion of the Lunar New Year. All are welcome to the New Year Eucharistic Celebration and Ancestors Veneration Ceremony. Priests who wish to concelebrate the Mass are asked to bring a red stole. Following the Mass, a fundraising banquet will be served in Patrons’ Hall at 5PM.

To join in the banquet, please contact Fr. Peter Zhai, SVD, Director of Chinese Ministry, for tickets.

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**Blessing of St. Francis of Assisi**

“God bless you and keep you. May God smile on you, and be merciful to you; May God turn his regard towards you and give you peace. May God bless you.”

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Any and all signs, posters, fliers, pamphlets, booklets, etc. must be submitted to the Rector for review, possible edit or revision, and necessary authorization before the desired materials can be properly posted, displayed or distributed on the properties of the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi. Furthermore, any and all Solicitation, petition signing, and promotion of any and all entities outside of the Nat’l Shrine itself is prohibited without prior approval of the Shrine Rector. It is also Shrine Policy that the removal, altering, and or discarding of any and all approved signage, posters, pamphlets, booklets, etc. will be by Shrine Rector authorization only. Any and all materials that do not abide by this Policy of the Rector: Fr. John De La Riva, OFM Cap., will be removed and confiscated.

*Please note: The St. Francis Church, the Porziuncola Nuova Chapel, and the Rectory residence together constitute the properties of the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi.*