



NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

SERVED BY THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS

Very Reverend John De La Riva, O.F.M. Cap., Rector

MOST REVEREND SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE, J.C.D.

ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO

February 9, 2020

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You are the light of the world.
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.”

— Mt 5:14

MASS TIMES

MONDAY — SATURDAY:

12:15 PM

SUNDAY: 11:00 AM



CONFESSIONS

MONDAY—SATURDAY:

11:00 AM—12:00 Noon

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 10^{AM}—1^{PM}

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

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ELEVATOR ACCESS: Please ask the Rector or one of our Shrine volunteers if you need assistance with our Main Church elevator, or automatic door for the Porziuncola Nuova chapel.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading — If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (*Isaiah 58:7-10*).

Psalm — The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright (*Psalms 112*).

Second Reading — My message to you, says Paul, was the proclamation of Christ crucified (*1 Corinthians 2:1-5*).

Gospel — You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (*Matthew 5:13-16*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: *St. Scholastica*

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;
Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: *Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick*

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;

Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40;

Mk 7:24-30

Friday: *Ss. Cyril and Methodius*

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19;
Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: *B.V.M.*

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;
Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

SHRINE CLOSURE FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY

Next Monday, February 17

The Church, Chapel and Shrine office will be CLOSED in observance of the United States Holiday.



WEDNESDAY EVE. MASS DISCONTINUED

Due to lack of attendance the **7PM Wednesday Mass** has been removed from the weekly schedule. The last Mass was celebrated on January 29th. The intentions that were already scheduled for upcoming Wednesday evenings will be moved to 12:15PM on the closest available dates.

* A reformulation of another possible day for an additional Mass is being undertaken. Please check future bulletins and ShrineSF.org for announcements.

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."



Mass Intentions — FEBRUARY 9 to 15

Sunday	11:00 am	† Antonio De La Riva
Monday	12:15 pm	† Bernadette Toal
Tuesday	12:15 pm	Mary Jane Di Theodore (<i>Intention</i>)
Wednesday	12:15 pm	Darren Lingard (<i>Healing</i>)
Thursday	12:15 pm	† Concetta Di Theodore
Friday	12:15 pm	Marie Claire Curran (<i>Intention</i>)
Saturday	12:15 pm	† Willa Spina

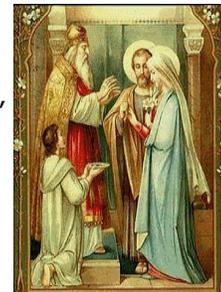
NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

WASHINGTON—National Marriage Week will be observed from February 7-14, 2020, in the United States. World Marriage Day will be observed on Sunday, February 9; it is annually celebrated on the second Sunday of February.

Each year, National Marriage Week and World Marriage Day provide the opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting, promoting, and upholding marriage and the family.

The theme chosen by the USCCB to celebrate National Marriage Week, "Stories from the Domestic Church," was announced by **Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of San Francisco** and chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth in a letter to his brother

bishops. The theme was chosen to demonstrate how "spouses are consecrated and by means of a special grace build up the Body of Christ and form a domestic church" as Pope Francis reminded the faithful in his apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* (n. 67).



USCCB.org

Catechism of the Catholic Church

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

1601 "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."

I. MARRIAGE IN GOD'S PLAN

1602 Sacred Scripture begins with the creation of man and woman in the image and likeness of God and concludes with a vision of "the wedding-feast of the Lamb." Scripture speaks throughout of marriage and its "mystery," its institution and the meaning God has given it, its origin and its end, its various realizations throughout the history of salvation, the difficulties arising from sin and its renewal "in the Lord" in the New Covenant of Christ and the Church.

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

I counsel, admonish and exhort my brothers in the Lord Jesus Christ not to quarrel or argue or judge others when they go about in the world, but let them be meek, peaceful, modest, gentle and humble, speaking courteously to everyone as is becoming.” Rule of the Friars Minor, Chapter III.

Francis of Assisi lived in a world of conflict, of different forces seeking to get on top. He participated as a young man in the battles between Assisi and Perugia, between merchants and nobles, between pope and emperor. Nothing good came out of such conflicts, and Francis sought a different way to live. He found a clue in the practice of chivalry: treat others with respect, which led him to the Gospel, where Jesus said, “Love your enemies, and pray for your persecutors.” He wanted to live this not just as a nice saying, but as the foundation of his relationship with the world. And he asked his friars to do the same, and still invites us all into this gospel way of life. God bless and keep you!

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

LENT BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 26

Septuagesima, Lent and Holy Week 2020

	Septuagesima Sunday 09 February <small>(Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Novus Ordo)</small>
	Ash Wednesday 26 February
	First Sunday of Lent 01 March
	Passion Sunday 29 March <small>(Fifth Sunday of Lent - Novus Ordo)</small>
	Palm Sunday 05 April <small>(Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Novus Ordo)</small>
	Maundy Thursday 09 April
	Good Friday 10 April
	Holy Saturday 11 April
	Easter Sunday 12 April

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Upcoming Shrine bulletins and the ShrineSF.org website will carry the schedule of liturgies & confession during the holy season.

VISIT OF THE KENYAN FRIARS

Fr. Peter Mwanzia and Fr. Enock Ongeru

On Thursday, February 6 the most recent of the Kenyan brothers to join the Western America Province toured the National Shrine and the city of San Francisco as part of experiencing the various Capuchin locations. They concelebrated the 12:15PM Mass with Fr. John. The friars will spend several days in the Bay Area before returning to Los Angeles and their assigned ministries.



At left is Fr. Peter Mwanzia, OFM Cap. born in Machakos, Kenya on March 7, 1975. Fr. Peter entered the Capuchins and lived his postulancy in 1996 at the Umoja Friary and formation house in Mpeketoni subcounty, Lamu county, coastal Kenya. Fr. Peter was perpetually professed on 8/7/04. He was ordained a Deacon on 12/11/04, and a Catholic Priest on 7/22/05 at the St. Paul Catholic Parish Church, Machakos Diocese, located in Kenya. He completed his studies in April 2009.

Fr. Enock Ongeru, OFM Cap. (pictured right) was born in Kisii, Kenya on September 20, 1983. Fr. Enock entered the Capuchins and lived his postulancy in 2006, novitiate in 2007 in Kasita, Tanzania, and completed his apostolate in his post-novitiate year between 2008 and 2009 at the Hola Catholic Church, located in Kenya. In April 2009, Fr. Enock completed his post-novitiate year, and after completing studies was perpetually professed on October 12, 2014. He was ordained a Deacon on May 9, 2015, and a Catholic Priest on February 5, 2016 at the Suneka Parish, Kenya.

We welcome our brothers with open arms and pray that their time with us will be one of grace and many blessings both for them and for our province.



Left—right: Fr. Enock, Fr. Peter, Fr. John, in red vestments celebrating the Feast of St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

News and Events

VATICAN DONATES FACE MASKS TO CHINA AMID CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

By Courtney Mares—Vatican City, Feb 4, 2020 / The Vatican has donated hundreds of thousands of face masks to China to help limit the spread of coronavirus, which has killed 361 people since the start of the new year.

The masks have been sent to the Chinese provinces of Hubei, Zhejiang, and Fujian, according to Vatican News. The medical supplies were donated as part of a joint initiative of the Office of Papal Charities and the Missionary Center of the Chinese Church in Italy, in partnership with the Vatican City Pharmacy.

Originating in Wuhan in Hubei province, the virus has spread to 23 countries with more than 20,000 confirmed cases. At least 427 people have died of coronavirus, all of them in mainland China, except one in Hong Kong and one in the Philippines.

Pope Francis prayed for people infected by the coronavirus during his Sunday Angelus prayer on Jan. 26. Since that date, the number of confirmed cases of the virus has increased by tenfold.

The Vatican has sent between 600,000 to 700,000 face masks to three provinces in China—Hubei, Zhejiang and Fujian since Jan. 27, according to the Global Times.

As the virus spreads, church closures have also affected other parts of Asia. Vietnam's Sacred Heart Cathedral has been closed to visitors since Jan. 26 with a notice that it will reopen as soon as the epidemic is contained. Another parish in Vietnam, which currently has 8 confirmed cases, distributed free face masks during Sunday Masses.

"Pray to God to heal those who have been infected and for other people not to contract the epidemic," Bishop Peter Nguyen Van Kham of My Tho said Feb. 2.

Article excerpts, CatholicNewsAgency.com

WORDS SPOKEN BY THE BLESSED VIRGIN AT LOURDES

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes—Feb. 11

It is extraordinary, considering its importance, how little was said at Lourdes by Mary. Her words could certainly be contained on a single side of notepaper.

"It is not necessary." (*On being offered pen and paper by Bernadette and asked to write down what she wanted*)

"Would you have the graciousness to come here for fifteen days?"

"I do not promise you happiness in this world, but in the next."

"Pray for sinners."

"Go drink at the spring and wash yourself in it."

"Penance! Penance! Penance!"

Bernadette was also told to eat some leaves from a green herb.

"Kiss the ground as a penance for sinners."

"You will tell the priests to have a chapel built here."

A reiteration of the request for a chapel and a further one that people should come to the grotto in procession. Mary explained to Bernadette why she had not seen her because, "there were people here who wanted to see your face in my presence, and they were unworthy of it. They spent the night at the Grotto and profaned it."

"I am the Immaculate Conception."

Sources: Laurentin, Bernadette of Lourdes; Deery, Our Lady of Lourdes; de Saint-Pierre, Bernadette and Lourdes.



CATHOLIC RESOURCES

RELEVANT RADIO: San Francisco—Bay Area—KSF 16.7 AM, plus now on 101.7 FM

Live Stream: www.relevantradio.com. Click  at the top of the webpage

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/video-series-with-archbishop-cordileone>

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

<http://www.ewtn.com/multimedia/live.asp>

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

BIBLIACLERUS http://www.clerus.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

http://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html

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.