



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

March 8, 2020

Second Sunday of Lent

From the cloud came a voice that said,

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

— *Mt 17:5*

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

12:00^{PM} - 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

Church & Office: 610 Vallejo Street (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133

Office: (415) 986-4557 **Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Email: info@shrinesf.org **Website:** ShrineSF.org



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 — The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (*Genesis 12:1-4a*).

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (*Psalms 33*).

Second Reading — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (*2 Timothy 1:8b-10*).

Gospel — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (*Matthew 17:1-9*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: *St. Frances of Rome*

Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS—MARCH 2020

Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.



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

Additional Masses at 5:15pm on Wednesdays & Fridays in Lent

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.

National Shrine of
Saint Francis of Assisi



Mass Intentions — MARCH 8 to 14

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| Sunday | 11:00 am | Judy Fung (<i>Intention</i>) |
| Monday | 12:15 pm | Vuktilaj Family (<i>Intention</i>) |
| Tuesday | 12:15 pm | Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus |
| Wednesday | 12:15 pm | † David Colter |
| | 5:15 pm | <i>Open Intention</i> |
| Thursday | 12:15 pm | Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus |
| Friday | 12:15 pm | † Mr. & Mrs. J.H. Collins, Jr. |
| Saturday | 12:15 pm | Drew Mariani (<i>Intention</i>) |

If you would like a Mass scheduled on a day with an Open Intention listed this week, use the form on:

ShrineSF.org/mass-intentions.html

You may also contact the Shrine office.

2020 LENTEN GENERAL SCHEDULE

Mass:

Monday - Saturday 12:15 pm
Weds. & Fri. 5:15 pm

Confessions:

Monday - Saturday 11 am to 12 noon
Weds. & Fri. 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
& 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross:

Friday: 3:00 pm

Please Note:

There will be no evening Mass, Confessions, nor Stations of the Cross on the evening of Friday, March 13, 2020.

LITURGY DURING THIS COLD & FLU SEASON

*** * At the National Shrine Communion will be temporarily restricted to the reception of Consecrated Hosts.**

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill. It is a sign of consideration for others that those with flu-like symptoms remain at home.

If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace.

Use common good sense in the reception of Holy Eucharist during the annual cold and flu season.

EASTER FLOWER DONATION APPEAL

The Shrine of St. Francis offers you an opportunity to assist in beautifying the Church – as a sign of our praise of the Risen Lord.

Identify your donation for “**EASTER FLOWERS**” on an envelope available at the back of the church.

Write your intention: for a deceased or sick loved one or for special prayers.



Gifts are accepted by cash or check (payable to **National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi**)



- Place your donation envelope:
- ◆ In the **Collection basket** at Mass,
 - ◆ the center aisle **Donation box** in the rear of the church, or
 - ◆ send to the **Shrine office**.

Note: Credit Card donations may be submitted on-line at ShrineSF.org

The names in dedication will be posted in our Bulletin and in the back of the church in the weeks following Easter Sunday.

Pillar of Lent—Almsgiving

ST. ANTHONY'S
Hope Served Daily



FREE CLOTHING PROGRAM

121 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco

St. Anthony's Free Clothing Program is San Francisco's largest free clothing program, providing warm clothes, interview apparel or workwear, and children's clothing to homeless and low-income families and individuals. The Free Clothing Program at a glance:

- More than \$3,000,000 in clothing donations from individuals and corporate partners per year and nearly 1,200 volunteer hours each month
- 36,000 pieces of new and like-new clothing distributed for free to nearly 10,000 guests each year (including more than 2,500 children)

For a full list of items that the Free Clothing Program can and cannot accept, visit: <https://www.stanthonysf.org/clothing-donation-san-francisco/>

Donation Drop-off

Daily from 9:00am – 2:00pm.

Donations may also be made daily 2:00pm – 4:00pm by entering the Dining Room at 121 Golden Gate, where a staff person will assist you.

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.”



The Capuchins

Lenten Reflections on St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

And He wishes all of us to be saved through Him and to receive Him with our heart pure and our body chaste. But even though His yoke is easy and His burden light, there are few who wish to receive Him and be saved through Him. Second Letter to All the Faithful.

Francis from his own experience knew that it was not easy to focus on the gospel in the midst of the distractions of daily life and the values the world offered. This is why his preaching focused on *penance*, or better *metanoia*, which mean a change of mind. Francis wanted to get through to people the great love of God which many ignored though the signs of that love were all around them. Francis offered the message in dramatic ways, with words and gestures, so that, as one source says, “his whole body became a sermon.” His goal was always the same: to share with others the treasure of the Gospel and so help them give thanks to the God who so loved the world that He sent His only Son. May that God bless and keep you always!

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

FR. DAVID BEAUMONT, OFM Cap. TALK

Monday, March 16, 7:30pm

Our Lady of Angels Parish

1721 Hillside Drive, Burlingame

(650) 347-7768

Fr. David, ministering in the Capuchin Missions in Northern Mexico, will be visiting O.L.A. from March 14-17. Fr. David will also host a Lenten Prayer Retreat on Monday, March 16 after the 8:00 am Mass and again at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.



Capuchin Franciscans
WESTERN AMERICA PROVINCE

Order of Friars Minor Capuchins (O.F.M. Cap.)

www.olacapuchins.org

Discerning a vocation?

Could a friar's life be for you?

Contact: **Fr. Peter Banks, OFM Cap.**

Email: peterbanksofmcap@yahoo.com; Phone: 805.686.4127

Website: www.BeAFriar.com

Want to talk about your vocation questions?

Fr. John, the Shrine Rector can be available—contact the Shrine office. Peace

News and Events

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

March 21, 2020 - St Pius Parish
(1100 WOODSIDE ROAD, REDWOOD CITY)
9:00AM - 3:30PM (8AM REGISTRATION)



Featured speaker: Fr. Donald
Calloway, MIC



Mass with his Excellency
Archbishop
Salvatore Cordileone
Confessions available - Lunch included

Register online:
[www.sfarch.org/
sfbaymen](http://www.sfarch.org/sfbaymen)

For questions contact:
Ed Hopfner,
hopfnere@sfarch.org

ST. CECILIA PARISH LENTEN LECTURES

Tuesdays in March, 7:30pm—9pm
2555 17th Ave, San Francisco
\$10. Visit stcecilia.com

Topics for Reflection

March 10: "Mind the Gap: A Faith Perspective"

Presenter: Sister Mary Greenan

March 24: "Spiritual Poverty and the Spirit of Lent"

Presenter: Dr. Margaret Turek

VATICAN LENTEN MEDITATION OFFERED ONLINE AMID CORONAVIRUS CONCERNS

ROME - The Friday Lenten meditation for priests who work at the Vatican turned into an online event March 6 as Vatican officials continued to study precautions for avoiding the spread of the coronavirus.

While top officials of the Roman Curia were concluding their annual Lenten retreat outside of Rome, priests who work at the Vatican originally were invited to begin their day with a half-hour Lenten meditation in the Clementine Hall of the Apostolic Palace.

But, in response to the coronavirus spread, the Vatican adopted the recommended health precaution of discouraging large meetings and gatherings, and so offered the meditation online instead.

The Friday reflections in Lent, like in Advent, usually are led by the official "preacher of the papal household," who, for the past 40 years, has been **Capuchin Father Raniero Cantalamessa**.

However, the 85-year-old friar was unwell - not with the coronavirus, the Vatican press office said - so the March 6 meditation was given by Jesuit Father Marko Rupnik, the mosaic artist and theologian.

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ECUMENICAL SERVICE "SALUTATIONS TO THE HOLY CROSS"

His Excellency Archbishop
Cordileone, Homilist
and

His Eminence
Metropolitan Gerasimos



Thursday, March 26, 2020 – 7:00 pm

Church of the Holy Cross, 900 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont, Ca

Commemorating the 13 Year Anniversary
of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Cross and the
Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
joining together in Salutations and Veneration
of the relic of the Holy Cross of our Lord.

Reception with refreshments and discussion immediately to follow.

CATHOLIC RESOURCES

RELEVANT RADIO: San Francisco—Bay Area—KSFJ – 1260 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.