



NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

SERVED BY THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS

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

**MOST REVEREND SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE, J.C.D.
ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO**

March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent

But whoever lives the truth comes to the light,
so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

— *John 3:21*

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

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} MONDAY - SATURDAY

10:00^{AM} - 2:00^{PM} SUNDAY

SATURDAYS IN THE CHAPEL:

HOLY ROSARY SODALITY AT 2:30^{PM} & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AT 3:00^{PM}

Baptism

- Contact the Shrine office for details

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

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 wrath and the mercy of the LORD are revealed in the exile and liberation of the Chosen People (*2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23*).

Psalms — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (*Psalms 137*)

Second Reading — God, who is rich in mercy, brought us to life with Christ (*Ephesians 2:4-10*).

Gospel — The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life (*John 3:14-21*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: *St. Patrick*
Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

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

Intentions are available with the addition of 7:00pm masses on the Wednesdays and Fridays of 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.

Mass Intentions— MARCH 11 to 17

Sunday	11:00 am	† John Gorski
Monday	12:15 pm	Albert Lewis (<i>Birthday</i>)
Tuesday	12:15 pm	† Mr. & Mrs. J.H. Collins, Jr.
Wednesday	12:15 pm	<i>No Intention</i>
	7:00 pm	<i>No Intention</i>
Thursday	12:15 pm	† Josefina & Francisca Esperanza
Friday	12:15 pm	Darren Lingard (<i>Birthday</i>)
	7:00 pm	<i>No Intention</i>
Saturday	12:15 pm	† Julia Clark

If you would like a Mass scheduled on a day with No Intention listed this week, please contact the Shrine office.

EASTER FLOWERS

As the Solemnity of Easter approaches, 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.



YOUR DONATIONS will assist the Shrine in adorning both the St. Francis church and the Porziuncola chapel with beautiful flowers.

Please consider making an Offering for the intention of: a deceased or sick loved one or for prayers for yourself or others.

On a blank envelope, please identify your donation for “EASTER FLOWERS”.

Along with your gift by cash or check *(payable to National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi), please provide: 1) the name of the person who is the intention of the offering, 2) whether deceased, sick, etc., and 3) your name and number.

OFFERING ENVELOPES may be placed in the Collection basket at Mass or deposited in the center aisle Donation box in the rear of the church. You may also mail your donation.

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

In gratitude, the Shrine will post the names that are dedicated in our Bulletin and in the back of the Church in the weeks following Easter Sunday.

ASSISI PARDON

PORZIUNCULA PARDON is always available under the conditions the Catholic Church has stipulated.

The conditions for receiving the Porziuncula Pardon are:

To receive the Porziuncula Indulgence, one must receive sacramental absolution and receive Holy Communion at Mass. Additionally, one must visit a church where one prays at least the Creed and an Our Father for the intentions of the Pope. Additionally, one must be completely free of any attachment to sin; if this condition is not met, the indulgence is partial rather than plenary.

At the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi, the Pardon of Assisi may be received on October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (in the Shrine Church); on any two days of one's own choosing during the year (one day in the Church and one day in the Porziuncula Nuova); and as often as one makes a formal pilgrimage as part of a group to the Shrine Church or to the Porziuncula Nuova. (One may receive a plenary indulgence only once a day and it may be applied to oneself or to the soul of one of the faithfully departed.)

SHRINE SCHEDULE ON MARCH 21 & 22

Wednesday, Mar. 21

Church, chapel & office CLOSED from 9am—3pm
NO 12:15pm Mass

Church OPEN: 3pm—8pm

Evening confession: 5:45pm—6:45pm
Mass: 7:00 pm

Thursday, Mar. 22

Church, chapel & office open from 10am—4pm

National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi



Lent Schedule - 2018

REGULAR SCHEDULE

Confession: Monday – Saturday 11:00am – 12:00pm

Mass: Monday – Saturday, 12:15pm

Sunday Mass: 11:00am

IN ADDITION TO REGULAR SCHEDULE

Wednesdays of Lent

Confession: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, and 5:45 pm – 6:45 pm

Mass: 12:15 pm and 7:00 pm

Shrine Church hours: 10:00 am – 8:00 pm

Fridays of Lent * Except Good Friday

Stations of the Cross: 5:00pm

Confession: 6:00pm–7:00pm and 8:10pm–9:00pm (*during Exposition*)

Mass: 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction: 8:00pm–9:00pm

Shrine Church hours: 10:00am – 9:00pm

Holy Week and Triduum Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 25—Holy Mass: 11:00 am
Blessing & distribution of palms

Holy Thursday, March 29

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 8:00 pm—10:00 pm

Altar of repose in the Porziuncola Nuova chapel

Good Friday, March 30

Confession: 11:00 am—11:45 am

Stations of the Cross: 12:00 pm

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 pm

*Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Holy Cross,
Holy Communion*

Confession: 6:00 pm—8:00 pm

Church hours: 10:00 am—8:00 pm

Holy Saturday, March 31—No Easter Vigil Mass

The Shrine church, chapel & office will be CLOSED

Easter Sunday, April 1

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord: 11:00 am

Church hours: 10:00 am—1:00 pm

The Shrine chapel & office will be CLOSED

Easter Monday, April 2

The Shrine church, chapel & office will be CLOSED

The Capuchins

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

"The body receives the gift of light for the sake of the spirit." St. Francis in the Major Life, V.8

Daylight Saving Time. Many people love this change, despite losing an hour's sleep and not actually "saving" any daylight. St. Francis loved the gift of light, but always remembered what Jesus says to Nicodemus: "And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light because their works were evil." He knew it was important that he seek the spiritual light, the light of God's grace calling him from sin into the sunlight of God's mercy. As Francis told one of his companions: "God is powerful; if it pleases Him in His sweetness, He will disperse the darkness and give us the benefit of light." Francis always sought to be open to the light of God's Spirit, so that every day was part of "saving time." God bless!

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WESTERN AMERICA PROVINCE

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

First Saturday of every month

The next meeting is April 7 in the Shrine church

10:00am Open church

10:15am Begin

10:30am Relic Veneration

Padre Pio prayers

10:50am Exposition/Adoration;

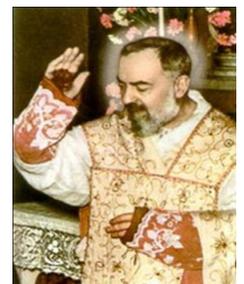
Confession, Rosary

11:50am Benediction

12:15pm Holy Mass

Brief meeting after mass

All are welcome. Questions, call the Shrine office at (415) 986-4557, or email info@shrinesf.org



News and Events

MERCY NIGHT TO PREPARE FOR EASTER

Tuesday, March 20, 7pm to 9pm

St. Dominic Parish, 2390 Bush St., San Francisco
Ed Hopfner, (415) 614-5547

The archdiocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life and St. Dominic Parish are sponsoring an evening of Adoration, quiet prayer, and reflection, in the beautiful worship space that is St. Dominic Church, with contemplative music and candlelit illumination. Anyone seeking God's presence is welcome. Confession is available, as well as prayer teams to pray with or for you. Come for five minutes, or the whole two hours—and bring a friend. Complete information is on Facebook: [Bit.ly/stdmercy](https://www.facebook.com/Bit.ly/stdmercy).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Lenten Tours and Volunteer Opportunities

Regina O'Connor, Volunteer Manager 415- 972-1297
volunteer@CatholicCharitiesSF.org
catholiccharitiessf.org/all-opportunities

During Lent, Catholic Charities invites you to practice compassion by: Touring one of our programs serving the poor and vulnerable; sharing your time by volunteering; tutoring; serving food or leading activities; donating to those in need. To sign up for a program tour in San Francisco, Marin, or San Mateo, or to volunteer, please contact Regina O'Connor, above. Also visit the "opportunities" page of their website, above.



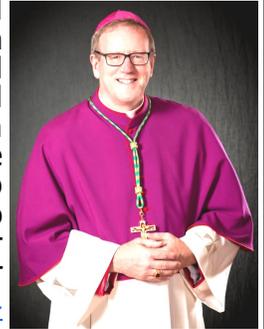
BISHOP ROBERT BARRON AT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

"Looking at the World Through the Catholic Lens: Principle Themes in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition"

Wednesday, March 21, 7:30-9 pm

Main Chapel on the campus of Saint Mary's College of California, 1928 Saint Mary's Road, Moraga

In this talk, widely acclaimed theologian and author Bishop Barron will explore the beauty, wisdom, and vitality of our rich Catholic intellectual tradition and how it can be a rich resource for the renewal of culture today. The event is free and open to the public; guests are advised to arrive early to secure admission. For more information, contact Father Dave Gentry, dgentry@stmarys-ca.edu, (925) 631-4790



ARCHDIOCESE PODCASTS

Fans of podcasts are now able to listen to the Archbishop's homilies, as well as talks by other notable speakers in the Archdiocese, on their podcast. Search for 'Archdiocese of San Francisco' in iTunes, Google Play, or your preferred podcasting platform, and follow. This makes it possible to attend Mass in one's own parish, and later listen to the Archbishop's homily as delivered by him in St. Mary's Cathedral. (These are also available on the website at sfarch.org/homilies.)



RELEVANT RADIO

San Francisco—Bay Area—**KSFB – 1260 AM**, plus now on **101.7 FM**

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

CATHOLIC 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 Portiuncola Nuova Chapel, and the Rectory residence together constitute the properties of the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi.