



NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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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 25, 2018

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord / Holy Week

Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Take this cup away from me,
but not what I will but what you will.

— *Mark 14:36*

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

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (*Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16*).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (*Isaiah 50:4-7*).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (*Psalms 22*).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (*Philippians 2:6-11*).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (*Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: *Holy Thursday*

Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15

Friday: *Good Friday*

Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

Saturday: *Holy Saturday*

Mass for the Vigil of Easter not held at the Nat'l Shrine

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



Mass Intentions— MARCH 25 to 28

Sunday	11:00 am	† Betty Testani
Monday	12:15 pm	† Edward Schleider
Tuesday	12:15 pm	† Mother Mary Angelica of the Annunciation, PCPA
Wednesday	12:15 pm	† Thanh Thi Le
	7:00 pm	In Thanksgiving and for Peace
Holy Thursday	12:15 pm	Lucy Nguyen (<i>Birthday</i>)
	7:00 pm	Tina Mai (<i>Thanksgiving</i>)
Good Friday	3:00 pm	<i>Commemoration of the Lord's Passion</i>
Holy Saturday		NO MASS

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 an 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.)

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

WELCOME TO "MISSION YOUTH S.F."

The National Shrine this week is accommodating a group of young adults who will be spending Holy Week evangelizing around San Francisco, accompanied by Father Justin Kielhorn, L.C. Mission Youth is a pastoral program directed by Regnum Christi, an apostolic movement recognized by the Universal Church. Their mission statement:

"Mission Youth, engaging young people, adults and families, exists to spread Christ's love through missions in the U.S. and abroad serving communities in their specific needs. The encounter with Christ, others, and ourselves transforms and empowers us and those we serve."

M.Y. provides week-long and day-long opportunities for youth and college students to embrace the true meaning of encounter, bringing the life and reality of the Gospel to the streets.

Please include these bold young men and women in your prayers.



DEAR GUESTS & VISITORS

We thank those whose ongoing support and generosity assist us in maintaining the life of the Shrine. To further our efforts in making capital improvements around the facilities such as an upgrade to our church audio system and the renovation of our lower Hall, your financial contributions go a long way toward meeting these goals. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Pace et Bene



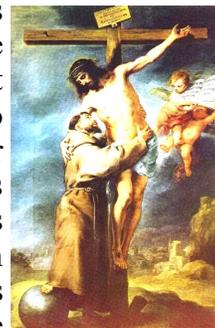
The Capuchins

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

"Let all of us consider the Good Shepherd, Who bore the suffering of the cross to save His sheep. The Lord's sheep followed Him in tribulation and persecution, in shame and hunger, in weakness and temptation." St. Francis, Admonition VI

St. Francis knew it was important to gaze upon the crucified one, to ponder the great love which motivated our savior to embrace His passion for our salvation. But Francis knew it was useless to merely gaze upon this love if we did not let it transform us. Our meditation on Christ's passion should lead us to "give ourselves totally to Him who gives Himself totally to us." The cross may lead us to embracing the leper, clothing the naked, showing compassion for sinners. It was in these things that Francis found "sweetness of body and soul," and so was able to join in the salvific love of Jesus on the Cross. During this Holy Week may we all come to know and experience the sweetness of God's love, even when it entails suffering and pain. May the Lord bless and keep you!



Fr. Robert Barbato, OFM Cap. is the Formation Director for the Capuchin Franciscans—Western America Province, and pastor of Old Mission Santa Inés in Solvang, CA.

Br. Victor's Music and Social Media Ministry

"Dear Brothers, Sisters, Family and Friends: I was on EWTN radio last Friday (March 16) and did a 45 minute interview in which I talked about Capuchin life, my discernment and conversion, God's mercy, and my music ministry. They also played two of my songs on the radio." Br. Victor

Br. Victor's latest single is titled "I Rep Christ". To watch the music video visit his website:

www.BroVicTheRapper.com



Holy Week with Pope Francis

EWTN SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, March 25, (replay 5:00pm)

Solemn Mass of Palm Sunday from Rome

Francis celebrates the Solemn Mass of Palm Sunday, followed by the Angelus from Vatican City.

Holy Thursday, March 29, 12:30am

Chrism Mass in Rome

Pope Francis celebrates the Chrism Mass, live from Rome.

7:30am

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

The Holy Father celebrates the Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday, March 30, 8:00am (replay 9:00pm)

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

His Holiness presides over the Solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion, live from Vatican City.

3:30pm

Way of the Cross from Rome

Pope Francis presides over The Stations of the Cross, from the Colosseum.

Holy Saturday, March 31, 11:30am (replay 9:00pm)

Easter Vigil Mass

Pope Francis celebrates the Easter Vigil Mass, live from Rome.

Easter Sunday, April 1, 1:00am (replay 4:00pm)

Solemn Mass of Easter from Rome

3:00am (replay 3:00pm)

Urbi et Orbi: Message and Blessing

From St. Peter's Square in Rome, The Holy Father gives the traditional message and blessing for the Christmas and Easter seasons, "Urbi et Orbi" - 'to the city of Rome and to the world'.

News and Events

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

*Are you Discerning a Call
to Religious Life or to the Priesthood?*

Encounter

What might God be saying?
What are you seeking?
What does your heart desire?

April 14, 2018

2:00pm – 8:00pm

Dominican Sisters Center

1520 Grand Ave, San Rafael, CA 94901

\$10 at the door for Dinner and Snacks

Registration DUE: Saturday, April 7th

Register Online: <http://bit.ly/Encounter2018>

SPEAKER: Sister Mary Finlayson, RSCJ

CELEBRANT FOR VIGIL MASS: Father Paul Gawlowski

*Prayer * Adoration * Reflection Walks * Circle Conversations
Journaling * Vocation Stories by Priests and Sisters * Vigil Mass*

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

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For Young Adults (Women and Men; ages 18-35)

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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.”



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

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.