



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**

April 15, 2018

Third Sunday of Easter

But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous one.

— 1 John 2:1

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

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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 — The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus (*Acts 3:13-15, 17-19*).

Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

Second Reading — The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you" (Luke 24:35-48).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

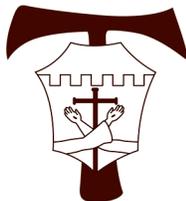
Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: *St. Anselm*
Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

RECTOR'S EASTER APPEAL LETTER

Dear friends and visitors to the National Shrine,

Our staff prays for a blessed & joyous Easter season for you and your loved ones as we celebrate the Risen Jesus. If you are not on our Shrine mailing list, you can pick up a copy of Fr. John's Easter message from the baskets in the rear tables of the church and the table in front of the Porziuncola chapel. The letter is also on our website, www.ShrineSF.org. Please consider supporting the Shrine in its mission and ongoing maintenance. Thank you for your generosity.



ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

First Saturday of every month

The next meeting is May 5 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— APRIL 15 to 21

Sunday	11:00 am	† Armida Johnson
Monday	12:15 pm	† Daw May Kyi
Tuesday	12:15 pm	† Merrill Farnsworth
Wednesday	12:15 pm	† Joan Cloutier
Thursday	12:15 pm	† Catherine Win
Friday	12:15 pm	Aunt Mary (<i>Healing</i>)
Saturday	12:15 pm	† Julia Clark



MISSION YOUTH AT THE NAT'L SHRINE

One of the more uplifting aspects during this year's Holy Week was the presence of Mission Youth S.F., a sizeable group of young people who positioned themselves around North Beach and Fisherman's Wharf and greeted passersby as a means of evangelization. With a cheerful and enthusiastic approach, these students were able to "break the ice" with the locals and tourists to plant the seeds of the Gospel message. In between outings were periods of reflection, prayer and Eucharistic adoration. They also participated in Masses with Archbishop Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral and the Holy Triduum liturgies at the Shrine.

Many thanks to the priests and seminarians of the Legionaries of Christ, notably Fr. Justin Kielhorn, L.C. who was the primary facilitator for the entire week. Please pray for the continued growth and success of their ministry, and go to www.Mission.love to learn more about them.

Pictured are three priests of the Legionaries of Christ, concelebrating midday Mass with Fr. John.

The Capuchins

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

"You are all are riches. You are enough for us."
—Praises of God.

Francis of Assisi was raised as a merchant. He learned how to be a good businessman. So when he decided to turn his life over to God, he knew the best way to make a profit was to cut out the middleman. So he did not look for happiness in riches or honor or glory from this world, but sought it directly from God. Once he gave himself to God, he found all the other things he was looking for. This was his great secret, a secret he was happy to share with the whole world. In the Risen Christ we can find all that matters. May God help us to do so. Happy Easter!

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.

FR. BOBBY'S PASTORAL RITE OF INSTALLATION

Old Mission Santa Inés, Solvang, CA
Sunday, April 29, at 9:00 AM

Please pray for Fr. Bobby Barbato, OFM Cap., who shares with us his insights on the sayings of St. Francis in his weekly bulletin piece. Fr. Bobby will be formally installed as pastor of Old Mission Santa Inés in Solvang, CA at the end of the month.



Prayer for Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people.

Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.

Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.

Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

COME AND SEE WEEKENDS

Gentlemen, do you wonder what it's like to serve God as a Capuchin Franciscan?

The Western Province offers several "Come & See" weekends throughout the year, offering single Catholic men a chance to discern a possible Capuchin vocation.

A vocation retreat is a great opportunity to meet Capuchin Franciscan priests and brothers, talk to some of our students in formation and see first hand what our life is like.

These retreats are held at **San Lorenzo Seminary in Santa Ynez, California** and typically begin on a Friday at 5:00 PM and end by noon on the following Sunday. The next Come & See weekend is scheduled for **April 27—29, 2018**. For more information contact:

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News and Events

SAVE THE DATE—SPRING CONCERT

On the afternoon of Sunday, June 3, the National Shrine will host another performance of the Golden Gate Boys Choir and Bellringers, and Changed Voices Mens' Choir. More details will be provided in upcoming bulletins, so mark your calendar!



FESTIVAL OF MARIAN HYMNS

Mothers' Day Sunday, May 13, 4:00 pm

St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

benedictinstitute.org/festival-marian-hymns

The Benedict XVI Institute for Sacred Music and Divine Worship invites you to a Mother's Day Festival of Marian hymns at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, offering an innovative "Lessons and Carols" format to honor Our Mother. The congregation (not merely an audience) will sing together simple versions of classic and new hymns to Mary. The songs will be followed by spiritual reflection. And then the gorgeous sacred polyphonic form of the hymns will be sung by a 16-voice professional choir, affectionately dubbed "The Benedict Sixteen."

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.)

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GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE

"Rejoice and Be Glad"

On Monday, April 9 Pope Francis released his third apostolic exhortation titled "Gaudete et Exsultate: On the Call to Holiness in Today's World." The purpose of this lengthy document is spelled out clearly in the second paragraph.

What follows is not meant to be a treatise on holiness, containing definitions and distinctions helpful for understanding this important subject, or a discussion of the various means of sanctification. My modest goal is to repropose the call to holiness in a practical way for our own time, with all its risks, challenges and opportunities. For the Lord has chosen each one of us "to be holy and blameless before him in love" (Eph 1:4).

The Holy Father says he hopes that this document will aid the Christian faithful in their personal journey of holiness and that they will use its practical suggestions to form their way of life.

One of the ways Pope Francis encourages others to respond to the call to holiness is by highlighting various men and women who have already attained that crown in heaven and urge us on to the finish line. He mentions a total of 40 saints in *Gaudete et Exsultate*, pointing out holy examples that are particularly relevant for the 21st century.

In mentioning St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) Pope Francis noted about her example of holiness:

Let us be spurred on by the signs of holiness that the Lord shows us through the humblest members of that people which "shares also in Christ's prophetic office, spreading abroad a living witness to him, especially by means of a life of faith and charity." We should consider the fact that, as Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross suggests, real history is made by so many of them. As she writes: "The greatest figures of prophecy and sanctity step forth out of the darkest night. But for the most part, the formative stream of the mystical life remains invisible. Certainly the most decisive turning points in world history are substantially co-determined by souls whom no history book ever mentions. And we will only find out about those souls to whom we owe the decisive turning points in our personal lives on the day when all that is hidden is revealed."

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Easter Flowers

DEDICATIONS

The National Shrine expresses its thanks to those who assisted financially to adorn both the St. Francis church and the Porziuncola chapel for the Easter season:



Ross Adkins *Intention*

Sandy & Mario Garcia for † Homero Garcia, † Margot Garcia
McCourt and † David Von Hatten

Gemino & Reyes Families for Thanksgiving & Health

Mia Gleason for † Mother

Jaclyn Gordillo for the Intention of Gabriella Gordillo

Kathleen B. Haack for † Victor Bertolani

Michael S. Hebel *Intention*

Liam Hennessy *Intention*

Tito & Cora Lorenzo for † A.C. Lorenzo

Steve & Delia Mizwa for † Mary Jane Mizwa

Virginia Muller in Thanksgiving

Maria Odonoghe for the Intention of Odonoghe & Suarez
Families

Francisco Perez for † Maria Del Carmen Cordero Perez and
† Ricardo Lucio Perez Dominguez

Maria Sacramento for † Beatrice Castro, † Lucio Jarin,
† Sonny & Rebecca Alcantara and † C.M. Sacramento

Patty Wilson for † Terry Smith

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

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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.