



# 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**

**May 12, 2019**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

“For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them  
and lead them to springs of life-giving water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

— Rev. 7:17

## MASS TIMES

MONDAY — SATURDAY:  
12:15 PM

SUNDAY: 11:00 AM



## CONFESIONS

MONDAY—SATURDAY:  
11:00 AM—12:00 Noon  
Also by appointment

## **NATIONAL SHRINE HOURS**

**HISTORIC CHURCH: 10:00AM - 5:00PM MONDAY - SATURDAY  
10:00AM - 2:00PM SUNDAY  
OPEN CERTAIN HOLIDAYS**

**PORZIUNCOLA CHAPEL: 10:00AM - 4:00PM MONDAY - SATURDAY  
10:00AM - 2:00PM SUNDAY  
SATURDAYS IN THE CHAPEL:**

**HOLY ROSARY SODALITY AT 2:30PM & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AT 3:00PM**

**FIRST SATURDAYS IN THE HISTORIC CHURCH:  
ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP 10AM—1PM**

**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 word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region (*Acts 13:14, 43-52*).

**Psalm** — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (*Psalm 100*).

**Second Reading** — I had a vision of a great multitude (*Revelation 7:9, 14b-17*).

**Gospel** — My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life (*John 10:27-30*).

## DAILY MASS READINGS

**Monday:** *Our Lady of Fatima*

Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday:** *St. Matthias*

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Wednesday:** *St. Isidore the Farmer*

Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Jn 12:44-50

**Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;  
Jn 13:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday:** *St. John I*

Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

## PRAYER FOR ALL MOTHERS

Sunday, May 12

Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

On this Mothers day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you. Amen.

## Mass Intentions — MAY 12 to 18

Sunday	11:00 am	† Samuel & Mary Rose Mantione
Monday	12:15 pm	Cezanne Tocchini ( <i>For successful surgery</i> )
Tuesday	12:15 pm	Cezanne Tocchini ( <i>Healing</i> )
Wednesday	12:15 pm	Darren Lingard ( <i>Healing</i> )
Thursday	12:15 pm	† Frank C. Maglio
Friday	12:15 pm	Ester Baldovino ( <i>Health</i> )
Saturday	12:15 pm	† Fr. Paul Caporali

## SHRINE RECTOR'S VACATION TIME

Please note from May 13—28 Fr. John will be away on break. Emails and phone messages over the next two weeks will be addressed upon his return to the office on May 29th.



For routine Shrine business please direct all inquiries to the office c/o: Rodney Esperanza, Admin. Assistant, at the phone number and email listed on the cover of this bulletin.

## FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Monday, May 13

*Pardon Prayer given by the Angel of Peace to the three shepherd children:*



**My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.**

## MEMORIAL DAY SCHEDULE

Monday, May 27

Porziuncola chapel and Shrine office will be CLOSED



Church visiting hours: 10AM—1PM

Confession: 11:00AM

Mass: 12:15PM (*Doors close immediately at conclusion*)

## 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 August 2nd, the Feast of Our Lady of the Angels (in the Shrine Porziuncola chapel); 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.)

## Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

*Wherever the brothers may be and meet one another, let them show that they are members of the same family. Let each one confidently make known his need to the other, for if a mother loves and cares for her son according to the flesh how much more must someone love and care for his brother according to the Spirit! (Rule of the Friars Minor, Chapter VI)*

Francis of Assisi loved his parents, and it is good to remember that he learned a lot from them. His mother, Pica, taught him to pray and to sing and also to be kind to the poor. His father, Pietro, taught him how to be persevering and strong in his convictions. Although Francis did have to break from his father because they disagreed about his vocation, he did not lose the gifts God had given him in his boyhood home. From his experiences in his family Francis learned how to call God his Father, and his followers his brothers, and eventually even the creatures like Brother Sun and Sister Moon became family for him. The ultimate lesson of the Gospel life was this for Francis: to learn by the Spirit of God to love others as God our Father and Jesus our brother has loved us. May the Joy of the Risen Christ fill you all!

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



Order of Friars Minor  
Capuchins (O.F.M. Cap.)  
[www.olacapuchins.org](http://www.olacapuchins.org)

Discerning a vocation?

Could a friar's life be for you?

Contact: Fr. Peter Banks, OFM Cap.

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Website: [www.BeAFriar.com](http://www.BeAFriar.com)

Want to talk about your vocation questions?

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

## 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."



## Easter Greeting

General Minister of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin to the friars worldwide

Dear Brothers!

I hope that each of you in this Easter (*season*) will have eyes that shine with the light of the salvation that comes from the Lord, a heart that expands with love for the people, for the brothers – they will know right away if we have that! This is my wish for each of you, to experience this in your lives.



Thank you for your journey, brothers. All the best and happy Easter!

Fr. Roberto Genuin, OFM Cap.

## ST. JOSEPH PROVINCE CAPUCHINS ORDAIN TWO DEACONS AND A PRIEST

At a Mass of Ordination last month at St. Clare of Montefalco Parish in Chicago, three Capuchin friars were ordained to Holy Orders of the Catholic Church by Capuchin Bishop Paul Schmitz of Bluefields, Nicaragua.



Br. Fred Cabras (*top picture*) and Br. M.J. Groark (*middle*) were ordained to the diaconate. Br. Anthony Kote-Witah (*bottom*) was ordained a priest.



Fr. Anthony currently ministers at the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit, a pilgrimage and spiritual center dedicated to Blessed Solanus Casey. Br. Anthony has ministered at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit. In addition, Br. Anthony serves the congregation of St. Ambrose Parish in Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan as a deacon.



"I'm so excited to become a father of many children," said Fr. Anthony. "That's a great way to describe the priesthood... It's really about sharing God's love with his people."

Fr. Anthony is a native of Nigeria.

He left his homeland as a refugee and was eventually granted asylum in the United States. He entered the order of Capuchin Franciscans in 2013 and took his perpetual vows in 2018. Br. Anthony was ordained a deacon in 2018 and has completed his formation for the priesthood through Catholic Theological Union, Chicago.

From the website of the [Province of St. Joseph - The Capuchins.org](http://ProvinceofStJoseph.org)  
Serving the region of Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Montana, Arizona, Nicaragua, and Panama.

## News and Events

### MOTHERS' DAY SPECIAL EVENT



### MARIAN MUSIC WITH ARCHBISHOP

The Marian Hymn Festival is a celebration of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ. It is a glorious and prayerful Mothers' Day celebration that honors the Mother of us all, and all mothers. The Benedict XVI Institute welcomes all to St. Mary's Cathedral. There is no charge. **Doors open at 3:30 p.m.** We sing hymns together. Archbishop Cordileone will lead us in prayers and reflections on the Virgin Mary, with sacred music by the Benedict XVI Festival Choir.

Admission is free. Parking available in the Cathedral lot.

1111 Gough Street @Geary, San Francisco

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### PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS

Three to be consecrated for the Archdiocese of San Francisco

**Saturday, May 18, 2019, 10:00 AM**

St. Mary's Cathedral

1111 Gough Street @Geary, San Francisco 94109

The Archdiocese of San Francisco announces the ordination to the priesthood:

**Kyle Joseph Faller**

**Ernesto M. Jandonero**

**Michael Pimentel Rocha**

All are welcome to attend, and a reception will follow the ceremony.



### CATHOLIC RESOURCES

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

Live Stream : [www.relevantradio.com](http://www.relevantradio.com), Click **LISTEN LIVE** 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](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](http://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html)

### POPE MAKES HISTORIC FIRST VISIT TO NORTH MACEDONIA

SKOPJE, North Macedonia (AP) — Pope Francis made the first-ever papal visit to North Macedonia on Tuesday and sought to encourage its efforts to integrate into European institutions after its name change resolved a decades-long dispute with Greece.

In a meeting with government authorities, Francis praised North Macedonia's multi-ethnic and multi-faith culture and said its example of being a bridge between East and West showed that peaceful coexistence can exist in a country rich with diversity.

"These particular features are also highly significant for increased integration with the nations of Europe," he said. "It is my hope that this integration will develop in a way that is beneficial for the entire region of the Western Balkans, with unfailing respect for diversity and for fundamental rights."

After landing at Skopje's airport, Francis went by car — a typically small Volkswagen Jetta — for talks with outgoing President Gjore Ivanov. His 10-hour visit also included a prayer at the memorial of North Macedonia's most famous native daughter, Mother Teresa, as well as a Mass for the tiny Catholic community in the country of 2.1 million.



Francis was surrounded by Mother Teresa's sari-clad Sisters of Charity nuns in praying before the memorial, a giant statue of the tiny nun, located outside the remains of the church where Anjeze Gonxhe Bojaxhiu was baptized in 1910.

In his homily at Mass, Francis praised Mother Teresa's dedication to the poor, saying it quenched her hunger for God.

"She went to the Lord exactly as she went to the despised, the unloved, the lonely and the forgotten," Francis said to a crowd in a central Skopje square that organizers estimated at 15,000 gathered.

*Excerpted from story by Konstantin Testorides and Nicole Winfield; May 7, 2019*

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.