



# 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**

**June 3, 2018**

## **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

“This is the blood of the covenant the Lord has made with you  
in accordance with all these words of his.”

— *Ex 24:8*

### 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<sup>AM</sup> - 5:00<sup>PM</sup> MONDAY - SATURDAY**

**10:00<sup>AM</sup> - 2:00<sup>PM</sup> SUNDAY**

*OPEN CERTAIN HOLIDAYS*

**PORZIUNCOLA CHAPEL: 10:00<sup>AM</sup> - 4:00<sup>PM</sup> MONDAY - SATURDAY**

**10:00<sup>AM</sup> - 2:00<sup>PM</sup> SUNDAY**

**SATURDAYS IN THE CHAPEL:**

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

### 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](mailto:info@shrinesf.org) **Website:** [ShrineSF.org](http://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** — This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you (*Exodus 24:3-8*).

**Psalms** — I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord (*Psalms 116*).

**Second Reading** — Christ is the mediator of a new covenant (*Hebrews 9:11-15*).

**Gospel** — This is my body. This is my blood of the covenant (*Mark 14:12-16, 22-26*).

## DAILY MASS READINGS

**Monday:** 2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-12

**Tuesday:** *St. Boniface*

2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16;  
Mk 12:13-17

**Wednesday:** *St. Norbert*

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday:** 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;

Mk 12:28b-34

**Friday:** *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-6; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

**Saturday:** *The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

2 Tm 4:1-8; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 2:41-51

## "MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK"

**VOLUNTEERS:** The Rector is looking for people willing and able to assist with light house-keeping: \*(sweeping, dust mopping, mopping, emptying trash cans) for the Shrine church and chapel. It would be helpful to have regular assistance from volunteers from one to three times a week. If interested and would like more information - please contact the Shrine office by phone (415) 986-4557 or e-mail [info@shrinesf.org](mailto:info@shrinesf.org).

• Please visit us on the Web at: [www.ShrineSF.org](http://www.ShrineSF.org)

• The website includes an online Gift shop: **SHOPPE AT THE**



National Shrine of  
Saint Francis of  
Assisi

## *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."



## Mass Intentions— JUNE 3 to 9

Sunday	11:00 am	† Diane Achermann
Monday	12:15 pm	Maria Del Carmen Cordero ( <i>Intention</i> )
Tuesday	12:15 pm	† Dominico Pham Van Hieu
Wednesday	12:15 pm	† Maria Nguyen
Thursday	12:15 pm	† John Pete Amado
Friday	12:15 pm	Fr. Michael di Rocco ( <i>Intention</i> )
Saturday	12:15 pm	Elizabeth Reilly ( <i>Intention</i> )

## SPRING CONCERT

Sunday, June 3 at 2:30PM

Church of the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi



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All are welcome. Free admission  
Goodwill offering gratefully received

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

June 16 & 17

Weekend of the North Beach Festival

2:30 PM both days in  
the Shrine Church



Mark your calendar!

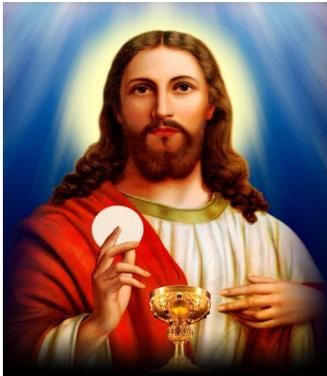


## Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

*“Behold, each day He humbles Himself as when He came down from the royal throne into the Virgin’s womb; each day He Himself comes to us, appearing humbly...Let us see bread and wine with our bodily eyes, but see and firmly believe with the eyes of the Spirit that they are His most holy Body and Blood, living and true.”* Admonition 1.

When Francis of Assisi embraced the leper, he found that “what was bitter was changed into sweetness of soul and body.” After that, he lived his life awed by the power of God and the presence of Jesus Christ, amazed by the power and beauty of God’s love. Nowhere was this love more evident



than in the Blessed Sacrament, in which Jesus gives Himself to us under the appearance of bread and wine. Francis experienced in this sacrament the depth and power of the love of God, God’s tremendous Mercy for all his creatures. Francis learned, also, that this Sacrament was not only to be admired. It calls forth a response. He told the friars: “Brothers, look at the humility of God, and pour our hearts before Him! Humble yourselves that you may be exalted by Him! Hold back nothing of yourselves for yourselves that He Who gives Himself totally to you may receive you totally!” On this wonderful feast, may we also do the same. God bless and keep you!

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## BLESSED FRA NICOLA DA GESTURI

Feast: June 8

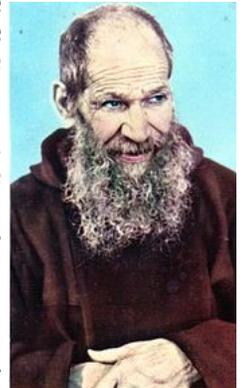
Giovanni Angelo Salvatore Medda was born on 4 August 1882 in Cagliari as the sixth of seven children to Giovanni Medda and Priama Cogoni Zedda. His siblings were Rita, Maria Antonia, Peppino, Giovanni and Salvatore. He received the sacrament of Confirmation in 1886.

He was five when his father died on 10 June 1887 and thirteen when his mother died on 6 June 1895. As a result of this Medda was put in the care of his father's sister, Rita, who regarded and used him as her servant. He spent his time between work in the fields and the cattle guard. His aunt - and "master" - died sometime after this. He received his First Communion on 18 December 1896. Medda practiced self-mortification as a stimulus to respond to his vocation in becoming a professed religious.

In March 1911 he entered a Capuchin institution in Cagliari and made his novitiate and first solemn profession. He soon took the habit and assumed the name of "Nicola". He fluctuated between monasteries in Sanluri to Sassari as well as in Oristano. He was in charge of the kitchens. He was removed from this position in 1924. He took to the streets and devoted himself to charitable acts in the name of Saint Francis of Assisi. Despite this he still received insults from those who saw him as a mere beggar.

He became popular as time went on and people approached him for advice and to talk with him. He was invited to visit hospitals and provide comfort to the sick. Sudden healings started and so his fame increased. During World War II he cared for the displaced and those separated from their families. He ensured each person was fed and looked after.

On June 1, 1958 he was exhausted and approached the Father Superior. He asked to be relieved from his duties and was allowed this. He was admitted to the clinic and required an operation due to his health which took a sharp decline at this point. He died on June 8, 1958 and was beatified by St. Pope John Paul II in 1999.



## 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.)

### EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP

Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 11:00 am  
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

Rev. Robert Christian, O.P., will be ordained a bishop and begin his service as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Following the Mass, a reception will be held in the Cathedral Event Center. All events are open to the public.



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### POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

For the month of June, the Holy Father asks the faithful to especially remember:



#### Universal – Social Networks

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects the other for their differences.

### HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Sunday, June 10, 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
[sfarchdiocese.org/events](http://sfarchdiocese.org/events)

On June 10, Catholics throughout the archdiocese are asked to join in prayer for vocations to the priesthood in this archdiocese. One church in each of the three counties of the archdiocese will be the site for a holy hour of prayer. Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone will preside at the hour of prayer in San Francisco:

- San Francisco County: St. Cecilia Church, 2555 - 17th Ave., San Francisco (Archbishop Cordileone presiding)
- Marin Country: St. Isabella Church, 1 Trinity Way, San Rafael (Fr. Andrew Ginter presiding)
- San Mateo County: St. Matthew Church, 1 Notre Dame Ave., San Mateo (Fr. Tom Martin presiding).

Early June is the time when the ordination of new priests would normally take place. As we have no such ordination this year, we will take this opportunity to beseech God to send us holy men to serve his people. If you cannot be present at one of the three churches, please join in the prayer in spirit, wherever you are. A flyer is here. The Archdiocese of San Francisco Office of Vocations has information and resources at its website, [sfpriest.org](http://sfpriest.org).

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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.