



NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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

MOST REVEREND SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE, J.C.D.

ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO

September 6, 2020

Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Love does no evil to the neighbor;
hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

— *Rom 13:10*



CONFESSIONS

MONDAY—SATURDAY:
11:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Also by appointment

NATIONAL SHRINE HOURS—FOR INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER

*VISITORS ARE EXPECTED TO OBSERVE FACE COVERING AND DISTANCING PRACTICES

HISTORIC CHURCH: 10:00AM - 5:00PM MONDAY - SATURDAY

10:00AM - 2:00PM SUNDAY

OPEN CERTAIN HOLIDAYS

SUSPENDED FOR PANDEMIC MITIGATION UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

- **HOLY MASS SCHEDULE**
- **PORZIUNCOLA NUOVA CHAPEL VISITOR HOURS**
- **SATURDAY ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

Marriages at the Shrine * Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, no new requests are being accepted for consideration until further notice

Baptisms No requests being taken until further notice

Church & Office: 610 Vallejo Street (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133

Office: (415) 986-4557 **Hours:** In-person visits suspended until further notice

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 — Warn the wicked and try to turn them from their ways (*Ezekiel 33:7-9*).

Psalms — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (*Psalms 95*).

Second Reading — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (*Romans 13:8-10*).

Gospel — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (*Matthew 18:15-20*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Wednesday: *St. Peter Claver*
1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17;
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab,
23-24; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12;
Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: *The Most Holy Name of Mary*
1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;
Lk 6:43-49

SHRINE CLOSURES THIS WEEK

Monday, September 7

Saturday, Sept. 12

The historic church will not be open for private prayer and Confession, in observance of the U.S. Labor Day Holiday.

The scheduled open hours will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8 through Friday, Sept. 11.

The church will be CLOSED all day on Saturday the 12th.

SHRINE RECTOR WILL BE AWAY

Fr. John is on vacation this week. Please pray for his safe & restful travels.

He will celebrate the daily mass intentions wherever he is on the particular date.

Father will return on Monday, Sept. 14



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Saint Francis of Assisi



Mass Intentions — September 6 to 12

Sunday 11:00 am † Clarence & Agnes Toonen

Monday Shrine CLOSED—No Mass

Tuesday 12:15 pm † Pat Barringer

Wednesday 12:15 pm Nham Family (*Intention*)

Thursday 12:15 pm † Rosita Mandujano

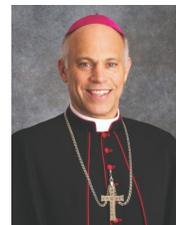
Friday 12:15 pm † Jude Ware

Saturday 12:15 pm Joseph Price (*Intention*)

Health & Safety in the Pandemic

ARCHBISHOP CORDILEONE CALLS ON MAYOR TO LIFT UNFAIR RESTRICTIONS ON THE MASS

On Monday, August 31, Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone released this statement calling on Mayor London Breed; Director of Public Health Dr. Grant Colfax; and San Francisco Health Officer Dr. Tomás Aragón to ease unfair restrictions on public worship in San Francisco:



"I am grateful that the Mayor and other government leaders in San Francisco acknowledge the importance of mental and spiritual health to the overall well-being of our people, in addition to physical and economic health. I am therefore calling on the Mayor and her public health officials to, at a minimum, remove the excessive limits on outdoor public worship.

Particularly for us as Catholics, attending the Mass and receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in person is the source and the summit of our faith, and we have shown we can celebrate the Mass safely. As three major infectious disease specialists recently pointed out, "over one million public [M]asses have been celebrated following guidelines to prevent the spread of the virus... for Catholic churches following these guidelines, no outbreaks of COVID-19 have been linked to church attendance."

San Francisco is the only government in the entire Bay Area that restricts public gatherings to 12 people out of doors. Ours and others' faith is being treated as less important than a trip to the hardware store, or a nice dinner out on the patio. This denial of access to safe outdoor public worship is a serious deprivation of our rights as Americans under the First Amendment and our spiritual needs as people of faith. One million public Masses without any Covid outbreaks demonstrates that it is just as safe in San Francisco as in other parts of the state, such as San Mateo County, to permit large gatherings for outdoor public worship with reasonable safety precautions.

The Capuchins

Reflections on the Wisdom of St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

“Let the brothers who know how to work do so and exercise that trade they have learned, provided it is not contrary to the good of their souls and can be performed honestly.” (Earlier Rule, Chapter VII)

Though Francis of Assisi told his brothers that at times they would have to rely on alms begged from people, he did not want them to be “sponges,” living off the work of others. He wanted them to work. However, he did not want them to work for profit or status. He did not want them to be in charge of others. They were to give an example of the place of work in the evangelical life: an honorable thing, but something that should contribute to the “spirit of prayer and devotion,” and allow them to be charitable and servants of others. The Lord bless and keep you!

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

PROVINCE FUNDRAISER CANCELLED



The 28th Annual Capuchin **Golf Tournament** held every September has been cancelled this year due to the coronavirus pandemic. The friars of the Western America Province appreciate all your support and look forward to seeing you on the course next year!

POSTULANCY 2020



Marciano will begin his Postulancy at the Capuchin House of Studies in Berkeley, September 2020. Fr. Hung Nguyen, OFM Cap. will be his Postulancy Director.



Order of Friars Minor Capuchins (O.F.M. Cap.)

Discerning a vocation?

Could a friar's life be for you?

Contact: **Fr. Peter Banks, OFM Cap.**

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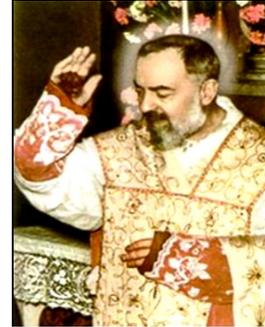
Website: www.BeAFriar.com

Want to talk about your vocation questions?

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

NOVENA PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF SAINT PADRE PIO, SEPTEMBER 23

Beginning Sept 15



Dear God,
You generously blessed Your servant, St. Pio of Pietrelcina, with the gifts of the Spirit.

You marked his body with the five wounds of Christ Crucified, as a powerful witness to the saving Passion and Death of Your Son.

Endowed with the gift of discernment,
St. Pio labored endlessly in the confessional for the salvation of souls.

With reverence and intense devotion
in the celebration of the Mass,
he invited countless men and women
to a greater union with Jesus Christ
in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Through the intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, I
confidently beseech You to grant me The grace of ...
(here silently state your petition).

Glory be to the Father...(3x). Amen.

WRAPPING UP A SUMMER IN SOLVANG



Fr. Peter Banks, OFM Cap. (*left*) sees off Br. Austin (*center*) and Br. Artie as they depart Mission Santa Ines after completing their summer assignment. The student friars have returned to the Capuchin House of Studies in Berkeley.

News and Events

HEALING AFTER ABORTION—MEN'S RETREAT

NEW! For men only – a one-day retreat for healing after abortion, on Sept. 19, in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Led by Contemplatives of St. Joseph Father Vito Perrone. For more information or to sign up:

<https://sfarch.org/healing-for-men>

or projectrachel@sfarch.org or call 415-614-5567



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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.”



IMMIGRATION: THE IN-BETWEEN LIFE ISSUE

<https://www.sfarch.org/immigration-class>

The School of Pastoral Leadership in collaboration with the Office of Human Life & Dignity is pleased to announce an online course called **Immigration: The In-Between Life Issue**.



How is immigration a life issue? Isn't it simply a matter of political policy--over which Catholics may certainly disagree? The Church's position on provocative topics like abortion is well-known. However, the spiritual and intellectual sources behind the headlines--the Catholic social tradition (CST)--is less known. In fact, it has been called "the Church's best kept secret." CST provides the foundation for the Church's consistent life ethic, an understanding of life issues that extends beyond abortion to include physician-assisted suicide and capital punishment. The Church's view on immigration, and support for immigrants, draws on the same CST resources. This course will examine these sources--ranging from Scripture to papal encyclicals and recent bishops' statements--to appreciate immigration's position, particularly in the American context, as another "life issue" worthy of Catholic consideration.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Classes are on 6 consecutive Tuesdays beginning September 22 at 7:00 P.M. Classes are taught using Zoom.

- 9/22: Introduction
- 9/29: Catholic social justice, 7 principles (USCCB)
- 10/6: Vatican II and American Catholic historical examples
- 10/13: Recent papal statements (St. John Paul II to Francis)
- 10/20: USCCB documents on immigration (and current issues)
- 10/27: Summarizations (discussion of 2020 election, etc.)

CATHOLIC RESOURCES

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
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.

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