



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**

September 22, 2019

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is also one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as ransom for all.

— 1 Tm 2:5

MASS TIMES

MONDAY — SATURDAY:
12:15 PM

SUNDAY: 11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 PM



CONFESSIONS

MONDAY—SATURDAY:
11:00 AM—12:00 Noon

WEDNESDAY:
5:30 PM—6:30 PM

Also by appointment

NATIONAL SHRINE HOURS

HISTORIC 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} WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY

10:00^{AM} - 2:00^{PM} SUNDAY

SATURDAYS IN THE PORZIUNCOLA CHAPEL:

HOLY ROSARY SODALITY AT 2:30^{PM} & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AT 3:00^{PM}

FIRST SATURDAYS IN THE HISTORIC CHURCH

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP 10^{AM}—1^{PM}

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 10:50^{AM}—12^{PM}

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 Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (*Amos 8:4-7*).

Psalms — Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (*Psalms 113*).

Second Reading — God our savior wills everyone to be saved (*1 Timothy 2:1-8*).

Gospel — The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (*Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: *St. Pius of Pietrelcina*

Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5;
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8;
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: *Sts. Cosmas and Damian*

Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: *St. Vincent de Paul*

Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: *St. Wenceslaus; Blessed Virgin Mary
St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions*

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;
Lk 9:43b-45

Knights of Columbus

FATHER MCGIVNEY'S VISION

THE KNIGHTS' FOUNDER RECOGNIZED THAT EVANGELIZATION AND CHARITABLE WITNESS BEGIN IN THE PARISH AND DEPEND ON THE LAITY

We most likely think of Father Michael Joseph McGivney as Pope Benedict XVI did in his 2008 homily in New York's St. Patrick's Cathedral as that "exemplary American priest" whose legacy is so much a part of the "impressive growth" of the Catholic Church in America during the 19th century. But we also do well to recall that many of the struggles Father McGivney faced were similar to those we face today.

Father McGivney responded in a very personal way to the problems confronting his immigrant parish community, including homelessness, substance abuse, violence and family break-ups.

In his first encyclical, *Deus Caritas Est*, Pope Benedict wrote about the need to cultivate a "heart that sees" where love is needed. Such a charitable heart was at the center of Father McGivney's ministry as a parish priest and was the basis for his founding the Knights of Columbus.



Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Knight, 7/01/13; KofC.org

Mass Intentions — SEPTEMBER 22 to 28

Sunday	11:00 am	† Evelyn M. Zaciewski
	5:00 pm	† Bernadette Rose Trainor
Monday	12:15 pm	† Mr. & Mrs. J.H. Collins, Jr.
Tuesday	12:15 pm	James F. Tocchini (<i>Birthday</i>)
Wednesday	12:15 pm	† Christina Harlett
	7:00 pm	Laura de Lara (<i>Healing</i>)
Thursday	12:15 pm	Jeremiah Merle & Alejandra Ayala (<i>Intention</i>)
Friday	12:15 pm	† Edward Gorski
Saturday	12:15 pm	Myra Johnson (<i>Birthday</i>)

Shrine Events

"FEASTING WITH FRANCIS" EVENT— SOLD OUT

- ◆ Please note due to the generous consideration of many Shrine benefactors, all tables to the Oct. 13 dining and parade experience are sold.
- ◆ No more seats are available for reservation at this time.
- ◆ The Shrine thanks those who already reserved, and those who expressed interest but were unable to secure seats. We encourage everyone who seeks to participate in 2020, reserve early, as soon as the event announcement is made!

God Bless

FLOWERS FOR THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

As **October 4** approaches, the National Shrine offers you an opportunity to assist in decorating the Church – as a sign of esteem for the Lord's faithful servant Francis of Assisi.

YOUR DONATIONS will assist the Shrine in adorning both the historic 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 a blank envelope, please identify your donation for "ST. FRANCIS 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.

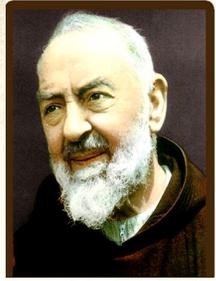
OFFERING ENVELOPES may be placed in the Collection basket at Mass or deposited in the center aisle Donation box in the rear of the church. You may also mail your donation to the Shrine office.

Note: **Credit Card donations may be submitted on-line at ShrineSF.org**

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 Porziuncola Nuova Chapel, and the Rectory residence together constitute the properties of the National Shrine of

The Capuchins



FEAST VIGIL OF SAINT PADRE PIO

**Blessing & Dedication of a
New Statue of
Pio of Pietrelcina**

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 22, 2019**

MASS: 5:00 PM

At the Historic Shrine Church

Organist and Choir to accompany the liturgy.

Concelebrating priests are welcome.

Bring Stole & Alb.



Reception to follow Mass in church-lower hall.

**The beautiful choir: "Praise and Glorify" will serenade
guests at the Reception.**



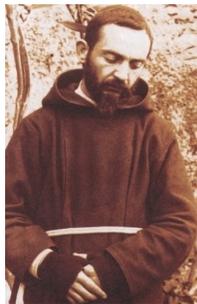
ALL ARE WELCOME!

ADA elevator available for disabled and elderly.

ST. PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA

Feast—September 23

- Born: May 25, 1887 in Pietrelcina, Benevento, Italy as *Francesco Forgione*
- Died: September 23, 1968 in San Giovanni Rotondo, Foggia, Italy of natural causes
- Venerated: December 18, 1997 by Pope John Paul II (decree of heroic virtues)
- Beatified: May 2, 1999
- Canonized: June 16, 2002 by Pope John Paul II in Rome, Italy



Born to a southern Italian farm family, the son of Grazio, a shepherd, and Maria Giuseppa. At age 15 he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin friars in Morcone, Italy and joined the order at age 19. Suffered several health problems, and at one point his family thought he had tuberculosis. Ordained at age 22 on August 10, 1910.

While praying before a cross, he received the stigmata on 20 September 1918, the first priest ever to be so blessed. As word spread, especially after American soldiers brought home stories of Padre Pio following WWII, the priest himself became a point of pilgrimage for both the pious and the curious. He would hear confessions by the hour, reportedly able to read the consciences of those who held back. Reportedly able to bilocate, levitate, and heal by touch. Founded the *House for the Relief of Suffering* in 1956, a hospital that serves 60,000 a year. In the 1940's he started a series of prayer groups that continue today with over 400,000 members worldwide.

Novena Prayer

September 15—23

For the Intercession of St.

Pio of Pietrelcina



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.

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except in the Holy Spirit; *and* "There is not one who does good, not even one. *Therefore, whoever envies his brother or sister the good that the Lord says or does in him incurs a sin of blasphemy because he envies the Most High Himself, Who says and does every good thing.* (Admonition VIII)

Francis of Assisi, like all of us, spent a lot of time searching for the good things of life. Nothing satisfied him until the day God turned "what was bitter into sweetness of soul and body." In his encounter with the leper, Francis learned that the Lord was the source of all real good. Francis did not, like some of the people of his time, reject the goodness or beauty of this world, but he did not look for true satisfaction in any good or beautiful thing. Rather, he let the good things of God lead him into the heart of the Divine Goodness whose love undergirds all creation. Opening himself to this Goodness was what kept him going in good times and bad, and led him to sing, as he lay ill and blind, "Praised be You, my Lord, with all Your creatures!" The Lord bless and keep you!

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THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Please join us in Celebrating the Feast of St. Francis - 2019



Novena prayer:

Will be recited at all masses from September 26th — October 4th, 2019

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 — Feast Vigil

HISTORIC CHURCH	PORZIUNCOLA CHAPEL
CONFESSION: 11AM - 12PM	ROSARY: 6PM
HOLY MASS: 12:15 PM	EVENING PRAYER: 6:30 PM
CONFESSION: 4PM - 5 PM	HOLY MASS: 7PM
	TRANSITUS MEMORIAL: 8PM



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 — Feast day

HISTORIC CHURCH	PORZIUNCOLA CHAPEL
CONFESSION: 11AM - 12PM	ROSARY: 5PM
HOLY MASS: 12:15 PM	EVENING PRAYER: 5:30 PM
CONFESSION: 4PM - 5 PM	CONFESSION: 6PM - 7PM
	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: 6PM - 7PM
	HOLY MASS: 7PM



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 HISTORIC CHURCH

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: 2PM

News and Events



WE ARE ALL ONE IN THE FAMILY OF GOD

FAMILY ROSARY RALLY

And solemn procession with the Blessed Sacrament to U.N. Plaza

10:00 am, Saturday, October 5, 2019

Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption
1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

RALLY SPEAKER: Carmelite Father Robert Elias Barcelos, OCD

- 11:00 am Mass at Cathedral celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone, Investiture with the Scapular of Our Blessed Mother, and Renewal of Consecration to Immaculate Heart of Mary
Mass will be livestreamed via www.sfarch.org
- 11:30 am Procession to U.N. Plaza at Hyde and Market Streets
- 12:15 pm Adoration with Rosary/Confessions
- 12:30 pm Homily by Father Robert Elias Barcelos, OCD
- 12:45 pm Benediction



FOR INFORMATION: RosaryRallySF.com (415) 419-9477

NOVENA PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS



Feast Day—October 4th

Novena: Sept. 26th to Oct. 4th

O beloved Saint Francis, gentle and poor, *your obedience to God and your simple, deep love for all of God's creatures led you to the heights of heavenly perfection and turned many hearts to follow God's will *Now in our day, pray also for us, * in our ministry to the many who come searching for peace* and intercede for us as we come before the Lord with our special requests. (Mention your special intention in silence.)

O blessed Saint of God, * from your throne among the hosts of heaven * present our petitions before our faithful Lord. * May your prayers on our behalf be heard * and may God grant us the grace to lead good and faithful lives. Amen. - St. Francis, Pray for us.

THE ASSISI PARDON

INDULGENCES GRANTED for the Historic St. Francis Church & Porziuncola Nuova Chapel

1. On October 4th of each year, the Solemnity of Saint Francis of Assisi, principal co-patron of the Archdiocese of San Francisco,
2. On August 2nd, each year, the Solemnity of Our Lady of the Angels * (within the Porziuncola Nuova itself)
3. and once a year, on a day chosen by the Christian faithful,
4. and as often as they assist in a group pilgrimage visiting the National Shrine of Saint Francis of Assisi itself.

CONDITIONS TO OBTAIN THE Plenary Indulgence

(for oneself or for a departed soul)

- Sacramental Confession to be in God's sanctifying grace *(to be received within eight days before or after initiate "appeal" for the Plenary Indulgence);
- *Participation in the Holy Mass with reception of the Holy Eucharist.
- Visit to a Catholic Church, followed by the Profession of FAITH (Nicene Creed or Apostles Creed),
- Recite the OUR FATHER, in order to reaffirm and give witness to one's Christian dignity, as a child of God, that one received in Baptism;
- Pray for the Pope's intentions: as Vicar of Christ, Shepherd of the Universal Church, and visible sign of unity among the Faithful.

WHAT IS AN INDULGENCE?

"An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints."