



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**

October 6, 2019

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree,
'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

— *Lk 17:6*

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 just ones, because of their faith, shall live (*Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*).

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

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (*2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14*).

Gospel — The apostles said to Jesus, “Increase our faith” (*Luke 17:5-10*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: *Our Lady of the Rosary*

Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: *St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi*

Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: *St. John XXIII, Pope*

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: *B.V.M.*

Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

“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. Thank you and God bless
- ◆ There will be street closures around North Beach beginning at 8am on Sunday, Oct. 13 to clear the parade route. Please plan accordingly your visit and Mass attendance at the Shrine.

SHRINE HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Please note the National Shrine will be **CLOSED** all day on Monday, October 14th in observance of the Columbus Day holiday:

- No Confession and Mass
- The historic church, Porziuncola chapel and office will be closed.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASSES

- ◆ Evening Holy Mass on 7PM on Wednesdays, is an addition to the weekly schedule.
- ◆ Please spread the word!

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 St. Francis of Assisi.

Mass Intentions — OCTOBER 6 to 12

Sunday	11:00 am	Patrick Rooney (<i>Intention</i>)
Monday	12:15 pm	† Lucila Rangel
Tuesday	12:15 pm	† Imelda Todd
Wednesday	12:15 pm	Steve Sicher (<i>Health</i>)
	7:00 pm	Yvonne Karczewski (<i>Health</i>)
Thursday	12:15 pm	Yasmin Yamat (<i>Thanksgiving</i>)
Friday	12:15 pm	Joseph Gilbert (<i>For employment</i>)
Saturday	12:15 pm	† Rosa Cecchi

Shrine Events

“St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us!”

Images from the three-day commemoration of Saint Francis at the National Shrine, Oct. 3—5. Many thanks to the participants and our volunteers! Many who attended made use of the Sacrament of Confession and prayerful liturgies.



*Feast Vigil—
Transitus Memorial,
Oct. 3*



*Feast Day—Evening
Prayer, Oct. 4*



*Above:
Blessing of the
Animals—Oct. 5
Fr. John makes
a new winged-
friend*

Group photo with all the recipients of the blessing

ST. FRANCIS AND POPE FRANCIS

By Pat Marrin, National Catholic Register, Oct. 3, 2019

“Whoever listens to you listens to me” (Luke 10:16).

After his election as pope, it was revealed that Pope Francis had been the runner-up in the previous conclave in 2005 that elected Pope Benedict. But in 2013 it was generally thought that Jorge Bergoglio was too old to be considered again, and he must of thought so himself, because he bought a round-trip ticket from Buenos Aires to Rome for the election.

Yet, as the conclave proceeded, Bergoglio had to think again what being pope could mean, and what name he would choose if he were elected. By becoming Pope Francis, he managed to express in that name much of what he hoped to accomplish during his papacy. St. Francis of Assisi was synonymous with themes Pope Francis quickly made his own: He was devoted to the poor, he preached God’s mercy, he sought to reform the church and he was passionate about caring for Creation.

The annual feast of St. Francis invites us to reflect on the life of the saint and to ask if his namesake has succeeded in advancing his vision for the Church.

Within hours of his election, Pope Francis quoted Pope John XXIII’s wish to bring the global church closer to the poor and to its original mission expressed by Jesus when he began his ministry in Nazareth quoting the prophet Isaiah, saying he was “anointed to bring good news to the poor.”

Pope Francis has worked steadily to address the needs of the poor by challenging income inequality, the exploitation of workers, by pleading for migrants displaced by war, changing weather, industrial pollution, dumping and the indiscriminate and unequal consumption of natural resources. He proclaimed a Year of Mercy to promote God’s unconditional love and to focus on reconciliation within the church as the face of God’s mercy to sinners.

Jesus told St. Francis to “repair my church,” and Pope Francis has been tireless in seeking to reform governance and internal structures, financial accountability and by addressing the scandal of child sexual abuse that has so damaged the church’s credibility and its ability to evangelize.

Perhaps Pope Francis’ most urgent task has been pleading with nations and world leaders to protect the planet, “our common home,” as the one goal and challenge that will determine all other changes needed to avert disaster now and for future generations.

The ordinary readings assigned to today’s liturgy may seem remote from the life of St. Francis on his patronal feast, but they speak directly to the prophetic nature of his life and ministry and to the challenges facing Pope Francis. St. Francis modeled simplicity and evangelical poverty as the antidote to a medieval church losing its identity because of wealth and corruption. His community of friars grew rapidly as young people found a way to live purposely and free of material greed and preoccupation with status and power. St. Francis imitated the poor Jesus and his passionate love for the poor.

The Word of God issues its own challenge to us today as Jesus chastizes the towns of Chorazin and Bethsaida for not responding to his preaching and miracles. Their failure to repent had consequences. The failure of the world to respond to crises now will also have consequences, and Pope Francis has not shied away from sounding the alarm and probing the consciences of our age about what history will say of those who knew what was coming but did nothing.

St. Francis, who died at age 44, exhausted by his efforts to repair God’s church and protect the planet and God’s poor, now speaks again to us on his feast and through his beloved and courageous brother, Pope Francis.

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

The apostle says: 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)

There is an anonymous saying: “There is no limit to the amount of good you can accomplish if you don’t care who gets the credit for it!” In his early life, Francis was all about getting the credit, being the center of attention. As he learned to get away from this need, he was able to see what good things God was doing through other people. This was especially true as Francis began to have brothers, to watch the growth of his Order of Friars Minor. At first, perhaps, he was a bit jealous when one of his brothers shone, but the Lord helped to learn to rejoice in whatever good happened, whether or not he was part of it. He learned to admire the brothers for their various gifts and rejoice as if those gifts were his own, for as he says, in each of us it is God who “says and does every good thing.” May the Lord bless you and all of us!

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



Discerning a vocation?

Could a friar’s life be for you?

Contact: Fr. Peter Banks, OFM Cap.

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Want to talk about your vocation questions?

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

MOSAIC TV—THE FRANCISCANS: HISTORY, CHARISM, AND MISSION

Sunday, October 13, 2019, 5:30 AM

KPIX television Channel 5, CBS Bay Area

The Archdiocese of San Francisco has a deep relationship with St. Francis and his followers: The city is named for Francis, and the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi is located here. The archdiocese (created about 160 years ago) and the mission church at its heart (founded by Franciscans about 250 years) are young in Franciscan history. Francis himself was born close to 850 years ago, and for more than eight centuries his followers have been among the spiritual, pastoral, and even intellectual leaders of the Catholic faith and Catholic Church.

But Franciscan leadership is of a particular kind: a leadership of service; of humility, of brotherhood, and of self-sacrifice for others, particularly for those on the margins of society.

On this episode of *Mosaic*, Sister Ellen McCabe, of the Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity, based here in Redwood City, discusses the Franciscan mission and charism and way of life.

News and Events

CARDINAL WILLIAM J. LEVADA, 1936-2019



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

All are welcome.

Wednesday, October 23, 2019
Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption
1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

VISITATION: 5:00-7:00 pm

VIGIL: 7:00 pm Office for the Dead - Evening Prayer
Presider: Most Reverend Steven J. Lopes, Bishop of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter
Vigil will be livestreamed: <https://youtu.be/DHSLyXPiPHM>

Thursday, October 24, 2019
Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

FUNERAL MASS: 10:00 am

Celebrant: Most Reverend Salvatore J. Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco
Homilist: Most Reverend John C. Wester, Archbishop of Santa Fe
Doors open for the public at 9:30 am.
Parking will NOT be available at the Cathedral for the Funeral Mass.

Funeral livestream: <https://youtu.be/8eCsxgsSQo>

COMMITAL: will take place at a later time
Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery

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.”

National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi



NIGERIA BENEFIT



Thursday, October 24, 2019, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Holy Name of Jesus Church, Flanagan Hall, 1555 39th Ave, San Francisco, Admission: \$50

Fr. Edward Inyanwachi returns to the San Francisco Bay Area to share for one evening only his experiences as a parish priest and as the director of education for the diocese of Abakaliki. He will explain how he has worked through the Mother of Mercy Charitable Foundation (“MMCF”) to fulfill its ongoing mission to transform the lives of Nigeria’s rural poor. Authentic African refreshments served. Your tax deductible contribution will be used to further MMCF’s work. Cash or checks made payable to Mother of Mercy Charitable Foundation accepted at the door. For further details, see: www.mmcharitablefoundation.org

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

This Sunday is Respect Life Sunday!

The Respect Life Program kicks off this Sunday with the Essay Contest.

Your children or grandchildren are encouraged to participate! Students Grades K-12 are invited to submit work (essay and other art for older kids) to the 2019-2020 Respect Life Essay Contest. Contest deadline is Oct. 31. Winners receive an Amazon gift card! Learn more at <https://sfarch.org/essay-contest>

“RED MASS” FOR THE LEGAL PROFESSION

Thursday, October 17, 2019, 5:30PM

“Red Mass” for the Legal Profession with Archbishop Cordileone

Sts. Peter and Paul Church, 666 Filbert St., San Francisco

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone will be celebrant and Archbishop Bernard Hebda of St. Paul-Minneapolis will be homilist at the annual Red Mass sponsored by the St. Thomas More Society of San Francisco. All are welcome to attend. A reception and dinner will follow Mass, and the Thomas More Award for 2019 will be presented to Alameda Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Brand. For information and tickets for the dinner and reception, Contact Amelia M. Lancaster, 530-635-0981, stthomasmoresf@gmail.com.

The Red Mass is a seven-century-old tradition of prayer, seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit for those in the legal professions and all those who seek justice. The St. Thomas More Society of San Francisco, founded in 1937, is the oldest fellowship of Catholic lawyers and judges in the West, and is named for the 16th century lawyer, judge, diplomat, Chancellor of England, martyr, and saint.

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