

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! We have come to the beginning of the Church's year, the holy season of Advent, that of preparation for the coming of the Christ-child, Our Infant Lord. Knowing that the season will bring with it much business (or "busy-ness") and many things to do, let us resolve now to take time for frequent reflection on what is most important, and for frequent prayer. This is the time for us to make room in our hearts for Christ, Who will find no room in the inn at Bethlehem. Because Advent is a penitential season, let us remember that, in addition to prayer, almsgiving and fasting are the traditional means of doing penance. By joining earnestly in the spirit of penance and mortification during Advent, we dispose ourselves to better participate in the joy of Christmas. May the good God bless you and your families!

In the Love of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,

Fr. McCambridge, F.S.S.P.



*"When you shall see these things come to pass,
know that the kingdom of God is at hand."*

FRATERNITAS SACERDOTALIS SANCTI PETRI

"Qui seminant in lacrimis, in exsultatione metent" (Ps 125, 5)



St. Francis of Assisi Church

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1-7, 2013

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 1, First Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Michael Capossi+
10 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, December 2, St. Bibiana, Virgin & Martyr

7 am Anna Iuranich+

TUESDAY, December 3, St. Francis Xavier, Confessor

7 am Fr. Henry O'Meara+

WEDNESDAY, December 4, St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Confessor, & Doctor

7 am Fr. Paul O'Sullivan+

THURSDAY, December 5, Feria of Advent

7 am James Gisi+

FRIDAY, December 6, St. Nicholas, Bishop & Confessor

7 am Robert Anthony Bruns, Jr.

SATURDAY, December 7, St. Ambrose, Bishop, Confessor, & Doctor

8 am Celebrant's intention

SUNDAY, December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception

8:30 am In Honor of Our Lady
10 am *Pro Populo*

Regular Mass Schedule (for exceptions, see above)

Monday through Friday	7 am
Saturday	8 am
Sunday	<i>Low Mass</i> 8:30 am
	<i>Highb Mass</i> 10:00 am

Confessions are heard one half hour before each mass in the Regular Mass Schedule, and on Fridays for the first half-hour of evening devotions. Confessions will be heard at other times by a reasonable request.

The Rosary is prayed a half-hour before each Sunday Mass.

Sorrowful Mother Novena (Dolorosary):

Friday 6:30 pm

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Fridays: 8 am - 6:50 pm, Dolorosary at 6:30 pm, Benediction at 6:50 pm.

Other Fridays: 6 pm Holy Hour, Dolorosary at 6:30 pm, Benediction at 6:50 pm.

First Saturdays: Simple exposition for fifteen minutes following mass.

Legio Mariae (Legion of Mary)

Monday 7 pm

Altar Guild

As announced

Coffee and rolls: After the High Mass on Sunday

Catechism for Adults

First and third Tuesdays 7 - 8 pm

Catechism for Children

Wednesday (academic year) 7 - 8 pm

Confraternity of Christian Mothers (September-May)

After Mass on the second Saturday of the month

St. John Bosco Youth Group

Second and Fourth Tuesday of the month 7 pm

Altar Boys' Meeting

Second Saturday of the month 9 am

Choir

Wednesday 6 - 7:45 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Welcome to Newcomers and Visitors to St. Francis Church! Please join us after the 10:00 mass for our Coffee Social.

Thank You for your generosity in relieving those suffering after the typhoon in the Philippines; the collection amounted to over \$800. May God reward you!

Christmas Cards from the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter are available in sample packets in the vestibule. Each packet contains four cards, and each card tells the recipient of his remembrance in a novena of masses to be offered at the seminary of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Should they be desired, information on ordering more is included. Please feel welcome to take several packets for your family!

Catechism for Adults continues this Tuesday evening at 7 pm, on the topic of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please join us!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will next be held Friday, December 6; the sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule. Please note that from 11 am-12 pm will be a Children's Holy Hour. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to give some time in adoration of Our Lord, and in reparation to His Sacred Heart!

St. Nicholas Day Party: Friday, December 6, is St. Nicholas Day. There will be a Children's Holy Hour from 11 am-12 pm, followed by the party downstairs for the children. There will be a potluck lunch, so please bring food to contribute for that, as well as bringing some candy or treats to share to fill the children's shoes.

Public Consecration to Jesus through Mary: Next Sunday, December 8, following the 10 a.m. mass, there will be the opportunity to make or renew one's consecration to Jesus through Mary, according to the form taught by St. Louis Marie de Montfort.

Indulgence for Visit to Schoenstatt Shrine: Holy Mother Church has granted a worldwide privilege to the International Schoenstatt Movement during the 100th anniversary year of its founding. Upon visiting a Schoenstatt shrine, a plenary indulgence can be merited by the visit, under the usual conditions. The Cor Mariae Schoenstatt Shrine is located at 340 State Highway 103, Crete, NE 68333. More information can be obtained by calling the Sisters at (402) 826-3346 or emailing Sister Barbara: <srbarbara@schrsmmary.org>.

Please Pray for the Sick: Shirley Bauer, Sr. Angela, O.C.D., Philip Gerard Johnson, Br. Bernard Marie, O.S.B., Ernie Sabatka, Ray Syslo.

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday, November 24:	\$1760.55
Collection for Typhoon Victims:	\$843.00
Collection counters December 1:	Daniel Fix and Frank Feuerborn
Collection counters December 8:	Jeff Kohn and John Quinto

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI DRESS CODE

To dress becomingly for God and neighbor, and in keeping with the reverence due to the Blessed Sacrament, kindly refrain from wearing shorts, tee-shirts, tank-tops, revealing blouses, sleeveless or backless dresses, or form-fitting clothing of any sort. Please do let dresses and skirts fall below the knee. With due regard to time and circumstance, all are encouraged to wear decorous attire befitting sacred and divine worship.