

## THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! This Sunday is known in tradition as the “little Pasch.” In the Epistle, St. Paul mentions Christ’s death, burial, and resurrection, recalling the events of the Sacred Triduum. St. Paul writes: “By the grace of God I am what I am.” This is true for each of us, as well, baptized, by the grace of God, like St. Paul.

The miracle told in the Gospel has always been considered by the Church to be a symbol of baptism. As you may know, Sunday masses are often called by the first word of the Introit, some well-known examples being those of *Gaudete*, *Laetare*, and *Quasimodo* (the Sunday after Easter, or “Low Sunday”). But because of the word by which Christ commands the miracle of today’s Gospel, this Sunday was often called “Ephphetha Sunday.” This word means “Be thou opened,” and it has been incorporated in the rite of baptism, whereby the ears are opened to the faith, “which comes by hearing,” and the nostrils to the “odor of sweetness.”

Let us recall today with thanksgiving the grace of baptism, and the incorporation to the Mystical Body of Christ and the admission to the life of grace which it brings about. 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



FRATERNITAS SACERDOTALIS SANCTI PETRI

*“Qui seminant in lacrimis, in exsultatione metent” (Ps 125, 5)*



## St. Francis of Assisi Church

ELEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 24—30, 2014

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, August 24, Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Duggar Family  
10:00 am *Pro Populo*

### MONDAY, August 25, St. Louis IX, King & Confessor

7 am Luke Attea

### TUESDAY, August 26, Feria

7 am Marvin Norlund+

### WEDNESDAY, August 27, St. Joseph Calasance, Confessor

7 am Julie Ann Messerly+

### THURSDAY, August 28, St. Augustine, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

7 am Celebrant's Intention

### FRIDAY, August 29, Beheading of St. John the Baptist

7 am Julie Ann Messerly+

### SATURDAY, August 30, St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

8 am For the Relief of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

### SUNDAY, August 31, Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Julie Ann Messerly+  
10:00 am *Pro Populo*

(For exceptions, see above, and the "Announcements" section.)

#### Regular Mass Schedule

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 one 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 after mass.

#### Legio Mariae (Legion of Mary)

Monday 6:15 pm

#### Altar Guild

As announced

#### Coffee Social: After the High Mass on Sunday

#### Catechism for Adults

First and third Tuesdays 7 - 8 pm

#### Catechism for Children

Wednesday (September-May) 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 - 7:30 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.

**Adorers Needed for First Friday, September 5:** There are still a number of adorers lacking for the upcoming First Friday, including two for regular adorers unable fulfill their normal commitments. The sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to spend time with Our Lord!

**Volunteers Requested:** At St. Francis Church, we often receive visits or calls from the homeless and the poor, seeking assistance. We have some financial means to assist them, because of your generosity. What is often lacking, though, are those available to spend time rendering this help, for example, going to a thrift shop or grocery store, or delivering things to the ones in need. Anyone interested in offering some time to help these people, please call Father McCambridge. God bless you!

**Pray for Life on Tuesdays:** Planned Parenthood continues to end about **twenty innocent, human lives** each Tuesday in Lincoln. The mothers come from all over our state. Please pray the rosary, fast, and offer sacrifices for the unborn on that day. Please consider spending some time in prayer at the Planned Parenthood facility between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm on Tuesdays; God bless you!

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue:** The Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will travel for home visits once again. Hosting families will have the statue in their homes for three weeks each. Further information and a sign-up sheet are available in the vestibule. Please consider honoring Our Lady's image in your own home!

**Please Pray for the Sick:** Fr. Joseph Terra, FSSP, Shirley Bauer, Michael Ostry, Marvin Phelan, Marilyn Brazil, Ed McMeekin, Sr. Angela, O.C.D., Philip Gerard Johnson, Br. Bernard Marie, O.S.B., Ernie Sabatka.

## FINANCES

Collection for Sunday, August 17: **\$ 2066.00**

Collection for the Assumption: **\$623.00**

Collection counters August 24: **Dan Fix and Sr. Stephen Larson, O.S.B.**

Collection counters August 31: **Troy Butcher and Doug Pfeifer**

## 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.