

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! As we progress through the cycle of Sundays after Pentecost, our Holy Mother Church teaches us of Christ's action upon our souls in our own day, which is lived literally in the time after Pentecost, the time after the Church's birth.

"The passage in the Gospel (*Lk 17, 11-19*) chosen for today's Mass is especially effective in making clear the chief purpose of the Redemption: the healing of souls from the leprosy of sin. From ancient times leprosy has been considered the most fitting figure to represent the hideousness of sin, and indeed it would be difficult to picture anything more horrible and repulsive. Yet, while everybody has such a great dread of leprosy of the body, how indifferent and easy-going even Christians are in regard to leprosy of the soul. How far we are from the deep realization that the saints had of what an offense against God really is! 'Oh!' St. Teresa of Avila exclaimed, 'why can we not realize that sin is a pitched battle fought against God with all our senses and the faculties of the soul; the stronger the soul is, the more ways it invents to betray its King' (*Exclamations of the Soul to God*, 14). One of the fruits of today's Gospel is that of awakening in us a great horror of sin, of arousing in our souls a lively and efficacious repentance for the sins we have committed and a feeling of profound humility upon recognizing our misery. Let us go with the ten lepers to Our Lord and cry out: 'Jesus, Master, have Mercy on us!'" (*Divine Intimacy*, #280, p. 838).

Let us meditate upon the significance of today's Gospel passage, remembering the need to have recourse to Christ, in order to be healed of our spiritual sickness. When realizing that I have offended God, let me run quickly to Our Lord, in the person of the priest, as the lepers did. Once having been healed by confession and absolution, let me remember to return and give thanks to Christ, as did the one leper. 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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 7—13, 2014

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, September 7, Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

MONDAY, September 8, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7 am Julie Ann Messerly+

TUESDAY, September 9, St. Peter Claver, Confessor

7 am Julie Ann Messerly+

WEDNESDAY, September 10, St. Nicholas of Tolentino, Confessor

7 am Julie Ann Messerly+

THURSDAY, September 11, Feria

7 am Celebrant's Intention

FRIDAY, September 12, Most Holy Name of Mary

7 am Julie Ann Messerly+

SATURDAY, September 13, Saturday of Our Lady

8 am Confraternity of Christian Mothers

SUNDAY, September 14, Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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)

To be determined

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.

St. Michael's Defense Guild is now established at St. Francis Church, responding in a positive way to defend our families against the onslaught of impurity on the internet, and to fight back with the power of grace. See the bulletin insert or the notice in the vestibule for details. St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle!

Free Book on Modesty: Copies of the book *Dressing With Dignity* are available for free in the vestibule. This book is highly recommended for anyone interested in learning about the subject of modest dress.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue: Anyone knowing the current whereabouts of the statue, please inform Fr. McCambridge.

Volunteers Requested: Anyone interested in assisting the needy by running errands, for example, going to a thrift shop or grocery store, or making deliveries, please call Father McCambridge. God bless you!

Confraternity of Christian Mothers Meetings will resume Saturday, September 13 at 9:00 am, following the 8:00 am Mass. The Confraternity of Christian Mothers is open to all the mothers of St. Francis, and is designed to help Catholic mothers to grow in holiness through mutual prayer and study.

Altar Boy Practice will be held Saturday, September 13 at 9:00 am, following the 8:00 am Mass.

St. Francis Church Picnic: Our picnic will be held on Sunday, September 21, 12:00 noon, at Pioneers' Park. Hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks will be provided (no alcohol is permitted in Lincoln City parks.) Please use the sign-up list in the vestibule, giving the number who will attend, and which kind of side dish you will bring. Please plan to come!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will next be held Friday, October 3. The sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to give some time in adoration of Our Lord, and in reparation to His Sacred Heart!

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!

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

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased: Marilyn Brazil (daughter of Margaret Montag).

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday, August 31:	\$ 2082.75
Collection counters September 7:	Tom Fritts and Sr. Stephen Larson, O.S.B.
Collection counters September 14:	John Quinto 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.