

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! In St. Luke's Gospel today, we see Our Lord weep over His beloved Jerusalem, a figure for God's chosen people. Christ weeps because for the most part, the children of Israel have rejected God's many graces, and He foretells Jerusalem's destruction: "Thy enemies... shall not leave thee a stone upon a stone, because thou hast not known the time of thy visitation."

God gives me many graces each day. Am I able to recognize the times when Our Lord visits my soul? When I hear or read something about growth in holiness, and it seems to have been intended especially for me, do I recognize a visit from Our Lord? When the answer to a difficult problem of the spiritual life becomes more clear, do I see God's grace in it? Do I respond generously to these interior movements, bending my will to conform more closely with my heavenly Father's? Or do I put them out of mind, for fear of the sacrifices they may require? "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

What is to be done, then, as to resisting temptations, and corresponding to grace? We have helpful answers within the prayer Our Lord taught us, the *Pater Noster*. When we pray "*Fiat voluntas tua*" --"Thy will be done," we ought to intend to receive and cooperate with the grace that we will conform our wills to God's. That is to say that we love and intend God's will not because it happens to match our own, but because it is good and lovable in itself. We ask too, that He grant that we be docile to the movements of grace in our souls, and generous in our response.

Our Lord wept at the sight of Jerusalem, because she had not known the hour of her visitation. Let us pray that we never give cause for Christ to weep, having become unable to recognize His visits to our souls. He wants us to know and to have the "things that are to our peace," and we will have them if we grow daily in the practice of correspondence with grace. 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

NINTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 10-16, 2014

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 10, Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am The children of St. Francis Church
 10:00 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, August 11, Feria

7 am Allington Family

TUESDAY, August 12, St. Clare, Virgin

7 am Jennifer Wachter

WEDNESDAY, August 13, Feria

7 am David Wachter

THURSDAY, August 14, Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7 am Celebrant's Intention

FRIDAY, August 15, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holyday)

7 am Edward V. Hattrup+
 7 pm *Pro Populo*

SATURDAY, August 16, St. Joachim, Father of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 am For two deceased Popes

SUNDAY, August 17, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Peg Gaber
 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.

"Thank You" and "Farewell" Fr. Leung! We have been blessed with Fr. Leung's presence and priestly service at St. Francis since June. Tomorrow he leaves for his home in Hong Kong, and then to his assignment in Australia. Please be sure to offer your thanks to him, and your prayers for him, as he leaves us. Thank you, Father, and may God bless you!

Holyday of Obligation: This Friday, August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and a Holyday of obligation. Please note the additional mass for that day at 7 pm.

Confirmation Preparation Class: The classes for Confirmation preparation will begin this Wednesday, August 13 from 7-8 pm. Those with children who will by that time be 10 years old, and not yet confirmed, should please plan on having these children take part in Confirmation Catechism classes. Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop Bruskevitz on Wednesday, November 19, 7 pm.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will next be held Friday, September 5. 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!

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!

St. Francis Church Picnic: This year, rather than early in September, our picnic is tentatively planned for Sunday, October 5. This will place the picnic near the feast of our patron, St. Francis (October 4), and give the hope of enjoying a pleasant, early-Fall day.

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

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday, August 3: **\$2174.00**

Collection counters August 10: **John Quinto and John Pepino**

Collection counters August 17: **Frank Feuerborn and Philip McNeely**

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.