

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! We hear today the first somber notes -and see the violet color- of a penitential season. Septuagesima has arrived, as our Holy Mother Church prepares us, her children, for the rigors of our Lenten combat. I need not fear if, before now, I have not been so diligent in the spiritual life: today's Gospel shows me that the Master of the Vineyard will take on willing laborers even at the eleventh hour. Let us resolve to do the best work we are able in the Lord's vineyard, and make wise use of this time before Ash Wednesday, just over two weeks from now, planning well and prayerfully our efforts for a good Lent. 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

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 16—22, 2014

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, February 16, Septuagesima Sunday

8:30 am An associate's client
10 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, February 17, Feria

7 am Celebrant's Intention

TUESDAY, February 18, St. Simeon

7 am Darrel Hute

WEDNESDAY, February 19, Feria

7 am Paul Mollard

THURSDAY, February 20, Feria

7 am Michael Ostry

FRIDAY, February 21, Feria

7 am Michael Ostry

SATURDAY, February 22, Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

8 am Mrs. Peg Schernikau+

SUNDAY, February 23, Sexagesima Sunday

8:30 am Amelia Ecoff
10 am *Pro Populo*

Regular Mass Schedule (for exceptions, see above)

Monday through Friday 7 am
Saturday 8 am
Sunday *Low Mass* 8:30 am
Highb Mass 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 5 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 (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 - 7:30 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.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will next be held Friday, March 7, 2014. The sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule; please be generous in devoting your time in adoration of Our Lord, and in reparation to His Sacred Heart!

School Teacher Position Available: Ashland St. Mary Preschool position open for director / teacher for the 2014-2015 school year. Persons qualified for the position should send resume to St. Mary Church, 1625 Adams St., Ashland, 68003, or email stmaryashland@windstream.net. Application deadline is March 1. Info on the preschool can be found at <http://home.windstream.net/stmaryashland>.

The Catholic Quiz Bowl will be held again this year at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary on Saturday, March 22, 2014. The ages for team members are between 12 and 18, in junior and senior divisions. For further information, please see the posting in the vestibule, which includes contact information for Mrs. Linda Bennier.

Boycott of Girl Scout Cookies: In recent years, the Girl Scouts USA and many local Girl Scouts Councils have been supporting and promoting pro-abortion groups like Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion chain. Recently, Girl Scouts USA has praised Texas state Senator Wendy Davis, who became famous for filibustering a Texas law banning late-term abortions. The Girl Scouts have similarly praised the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Kathleen Sebelius, responsible for the mandate forcing employers to provide abortion-inducing drugs in their health plans. A boycott of Girl Scout cookies has begun. Get more information, including how local cookie sales support Girl Scouts USA, at CookieCott.com.

Pro-Life Poster Contest and Essay Contest: In cooperation with the Knights of Columbus, the Diocese is sponsoring a Pro-Life Poster Contest for children in grades 1-8, and a Pro-Life Essay Contest for children in grades 7-11. Information is available in the vestibule.

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

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday, February 9: **\$5390.50**
Collection counters February 16: **Philip McNeely and Dan Fix**
Collection counters February 23: **Frank Feuerborn and John Thompson**

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.