

## THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! Today's Gospel presents us with the fact that we must choose whom (or what) we will serve as our master in this life. We "cannot serve both God and mammon." We know that we are to serve God, and yet we face a struggle:

"The struggle is hard sometimes, even in souls that are decidedly advanced in the things of God. Why? Because the path that leads to the kingdom of God is rough and tiring; it is often shrouded in darkness, rendering it impossible for the soul to discern the progress already made. Then the soul must proceed in the night, believing and hoping. Meanwhile, its gaze falls on the other road, which is broader and more comfortable, strewn with sensible goods which can be seen and touched, gathered and enjoyed immediately, by merely stretching out one's hand. The soul feels the temptation and realizes that alone it could not resist, but if it takes refuge in God, if it yields to the guidance of the Spirit, it will be saved, although not without sacrifice. 'I say then, walk in the Spirit,' continues St. Paul, 'and you shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh.... Now the works of the flesh are manifest...' and the Apostle gives a very unattractive list of them. It is always true: material goods present themselves like flowers, attractive, yes, but doomed to quickly vanish and decay; it is not worthwhile to stop and enjoy them. That is why 'they that are Christ's have crucified their flesh, with the vices and concupiscences.'" (Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D., *Divine Intimacy*, pp. 859-860.)

If we walk in the Spirit, as St. Paul exhorts us in today's Epistle, we will yield good fruit, the fruits of the Holy Ghost. These are good works performed under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost and with a certain delight. They are twelve in number: charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity (kindness and gentleness of character), goodness, long-suffering (the disposition to bear wrongs patiently), mildness, faith, modesty, continency, and chastity. Which of us does not wish to grow in these ways? Let us then seek first the Kingdom of God and His justice. We can trust that if we do so, God our heavenly Father will give us also of the things the world seeks, and in the measure which is best for our happiness, both in this life and in the next. 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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 25-31, 2013

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, August 25, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Robert A. Bruns, Sr.+  
10 am *Pro Populo*

### MONDAY, August 26, Feria

7 am Marci Azaroff

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

7 am Michael Lydon

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

7 am Celebrant's intention

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

7 am Cynthia Judd

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

7 am Dorothy Judd

### SATURDAY, August 31, St. Raymond Nonnatus, Confessor

8 am Jacob Butcher

### SUNDAY, September 1, Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Corey Martinez  
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, 6:05 - 6:30 pm. 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 5:30 pm (for the Summer)

#### Altar Guild

As announced

**Coffee and rolls:** After the High Mass on Sunday

#### Catechism

Wednesday (academic year) 7 - 7:45 pm

#### St. Joseph Men's Group (September-May)

Second Tuesday of the month 7:30 pm

#### Confraternity of Christian Mothers (September-May)

After Mass on the Third Saturday of the month

#### St. John Bosco Youth Group

Fourth Tuesday of the month 7 pm

#### Altar Boys' Meeting

Second Saturday of the month 9 am

#### Choir

Wednesday 6-7 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, September 6; 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!

**St. Francis Church Picnic:** Our Church Picnic will be held Sunday, September 8, 12:00 noon, at Pioneers' Park. The church will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, and drinks. (No alcohol is permitted in Lincoln City parks.) Please sign up using the list in the vestibule, giving the number who will attend, and which kind of side dish you will bring. Please plan to come!

**Maintenance Position at Sacred Heart Church:** Sacred Heart is seeking a full-time employee to perform maintenance for the buildings and grounds of Sacred Heart Church and School. Applicant should have basic carpentry skills and some plumbing and electric knowledge. Position includes snow removal and some cleaning. Applicant must be proficient in English. Please send inquires to Laura Knaus at [laura-knaus@cdolinc.net](mailto:laura-knaus@cdolinc.net) or call (402) 476-1783.

**Confraternity of St. Peter:** The Confraternity of St. Peter is a society which gathers those who feel close to the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter and who wish to support its charism through prayers and sacrifices. Thus, the Confraternity contributes to the service of the Church through supporting numerous vocations, the sanctification of priests, and their pastoral endeavors. Information and enrollment forms are available in the vestibule; please consider joining this important spiritual work, and may God bless you!

**Greeters Sought for 10:00 Mass:** For the sake of assisting visitors to St. Francis, the Legion of Mary has established a plan for greeters at the Sunday masses. Volunteers are requested for the 10:00 mass; for further information, please speak with Michael Bruns, (402) 423-1283.

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

## FINANCES

Collection for the Assumption:	<b>\$738.00</b>
Collection for Sunday, August 18:	<b>\$1931.00</b>
Collection counters August 25:	<b>Phillip McNeely and Jeff Kohn</b>
Collection counters September 1:	<b>Troy Butcher and Sr. Stephen Larson, O.S.B.</b>

## 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.