

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

JULY 21-27, 2013

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, July 21, Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Michael Bruns
10 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, July 22, St. Mary Magdalene, Penitent

7 am A Priest of the Fraternity of St. Peter

TUESDAY, July 23, St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr

7 am Douglas McNeely+

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THURSDAY, July 25, St. James the Greater, Apostle

7 am Fr. James Gordon, F.S.S.P.

FRIDAY, July 26, St. Anne, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7 am Annie Pfeifer

SATURDAY, July 27, Saturday of Our Lady

8 am Joseph Bennier

SUNDAY, July 28, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Jack Thompson
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 7:30 pm

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

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, August 2. 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!

Catholic Evangelization: The Legion of Mary is sponsoring a Catholic Evangelization Booth at the Lancaster County Fair. One more volunteer is needed to man the booth from 11:30 am-1:00 pm, Saturday, August 3, to distribute Catholic literature and religious items, and to answer questions about the Catholic faith. Please see the sign-up sheet in the vestibule for details.

Catholic Woman Seeking Temporary Housing: Anyone aware of possible arrangements for a Catholic woman temporarily without housing, please speak with Fr. McCambridge. The woman has only adult children who live away from her, and is on her own. Thank you, and may God bless you!

Avoiding Encounters with Sin on the Internet: Are you and your family protected from harmful material on the internet? Much of the material available on the internet is dangerous to purity and chastity. Your child's innocence is fragile — every family with internet in the home needs an internet filter, without exception. Free filtering software is available at www.k9protection.com, and free accountability software at www.covenanteyes.com.

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: Shirley Bauer, Therahlee Guevara, Sr. Angela, O.C.D., Philip Gerard Johnson, Br. Bernard Marie, O.S.B.

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday, July 14: **\$ 3267.00**

Collection counters July 21: **Dan Fix and John Quinto**

Collection counters July 28: **Sr. Stephen Larson, O.S.B., and Phillip 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.