

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 26—AUGUST 1, 2015

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, July 26, Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Mary Kline (in petition)
 10:00 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, July 27, Feria

7 am Mary Kline (in thanksgiving)

TUESDAY, July 28, St. Nazarius & Celsus, Martyrs, St. Victor I, Pope & Martyr, St. Innocent I, Pope & Confessor

7 am Luke Attea

WEDNESDAY, July 29, St. Martha, Virgin

7 am Celebrant's Intention

THURSDAY, July 30, Feria

7 am Mary Kline (in thanksgiving)

FRIDAY, July 31, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Confessor

7 am Mary Kline (in thanksgiving)

SATURDAY, August 1, Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

8 am Lawrence VanTreck

SUNDAY August 2, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Betty Norlund
 10:00 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>High 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: 6pm Holy Hour, Dolorosary at 6:30 pm, Benediction at 6:50 pm.

First Saturday: Simple Exposition for fifteen minutes following Mass.

Altar Guild

As announced

Coffee Social: After the 10:00 mass on Sunday

Catechism for Children (September-May)

Wednesday 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 (September-May)

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

Bake Sale Today: Enjoy delicious baked goods, and support our Youth Group as well! This sale after both masses is a fundraiser for an August trip for Youth Group members to work with the Missionaries of Charity in Chicago.

Sunday 10 am Low Masses: The choir will be on recess through August, and so on Sundays both masses will be low masses through that time.

Possible Time Change for Sunday Early Mass? Fr. McCambridge is considering whether a change from 8:30 am to 8:00 am might be desirable for the early mass on Sundays, to allow a bit of "breathing space" between the masses for both priests and faithful, and to allow the priests to visit with the faithful who attend the early mass. Father is especially concerned that any possible change not be burdensome to regular early-mass-goers. Your thoughts are welcome; please call the Church Office extension to make them known. If leaving a message, please include your name, as Father wishes to give appropriate weight to the desires of those who most often attend the early mass. God bless you!

Weekly Prayer Intention for Religious in the Diocese: July 26—August 1, Sr. Regina of the Holy Infant of Prague, and Sr. Francisca of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Jr. Professed Novices, and Sr. Caroline, Postulant, Carmel of Jesus, Mary & Joseph.

Gregorian Chant Camp for Youth: A Chant Camp will be held for those ages 8-14 from August 3-7, 2015. Daily sessions will be held on M-F from 9 am-2 pm at the UNL Newman Center, at the corner of 16th & Q Streets. No experience is necessary; singers strongly encouraged! Cost: \$50 per child (\$125 per family of 3+). For more information or to register contact Mr. Nicholas Lemme at nlemme@olgseminary.org (402-797-7700 x141). Space is limited; sign up today! Registration Deadline is July 29, 2015.

Volunteer request for Chant Camp: Parent and/or young adult volunteers are needed for the Gregorian Chant summer camp to be held at the UNL Newman Center, August 3-7, M-F, 9am-2pm. Volunteers can sign up for a certain time of day, or for the full week. Please contact Mrs. Elizabeth Lemme for more details: Elizabeth.lemme@gmail.com, 402-417-5173. If you are unable to volunteer, but are interested in donating a simple snack during the week or a dish for the reception, please contact Elizabeth. Thank you and God bless you!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will next be held Friday, August 7. 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.

Please Pray for the Sick: Shirley Bauer, Michael Ostry, Barbara McMeekin (mother of Mrs. Jennifer Butcher), Sr. Angela, O.C.D., Philip Gerard Johnson, Br. Bernard Marie, O.S.B.

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday July 19:	\$3250.07
Collection counters July 26:	John Quinto and Jeff Kohn
Collection counters August 2:	Frank Feuerborn and Rex Mulholland

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.