

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! In the Collect for today's mass, we ask God to grant to all of us professing the name of 'Christian' that we would pursue the things befitting that name, and reject those opposed to it. In doing so, we address Him as one who shows the light of his truth to those wandering astray. God will give us the light to recognize when, by our thoughts, words, deeds, or omissions, we stray from the path of Christ, but we must ask Him also to grant us the humility, docility, and good will to return to that path. If we are faithful in doing so, we will have good hope of fulfilling St. Peter's desire for others who see us, that "they may, by the good works which they shall behold in you, glorify God in the day of visitation." May the good God bless you and your families!

In the Love of our Risen Lord,

Fr. McCambridge, FSSP



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"Qui seminant in lacrimis, in exsultatione metent" (Ps 125, 5)



St. Francis of Assisi Church

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

APRIL 17 - 23, 2016

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, April 17, Third Sunday after Easter

8:30 am Nathan Biren
10:00 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, April 18, Feria

7 am Joseph F. Kessler+

TUESDAY April 19, Feria

7 am Fr. James Fryar, FSSP

WEDNESDAY, April 20, Feria

7 am Confraternity of FSSP

THURSDAY, April 21, Anselm, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

7 am Celebrant's Intention

FRIDAY, April 22, Ss. Soter & Caius, Popes & Martyrs

7 am Jonathan Rowe+
5:15 pm Celebrant's Intention

SATURDAY, April 23, Saturday of Our Lady

8 am Bernard Pothier+

SUNDAY April 24, Fourth Sunday After Easter

8:30 am Marilee Thorburn+
10:00 am *Pro Populo*

Regular Mass Schedule (For exceptions, see above.)

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| Monday-Thursday | 7 am |
| Friday | 7 am, 5:15 pm |
| 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 (unless otherwise noted). 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—4:50 pm, Dolorosary at 4:30 pm, Benediction at 5:00 pm.

Other Fridays: Holy Hour at 6 pm, 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 (October-May)

Monday 7 - 8 pm

Confraternity of Christian Mothers (September-May)

After Mass on the second Saturday of the month

St. John Bosco Youth Group

Not organized for this year.

Altar Boys' Meeting (September-May)

Second Saturday of the month 9 am

Choir

Wednesday 6 - 7:30 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Welcome, Visitors to St. Francis Church! Please join us after the 10:00 mass for our Coffee Social.

No Vespers at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary Today.

Catholics Come Home: This program provides Catholics who no longer practice their faith a chance to share and have a priest and supportive team listen. This is a confidential environment offering encouragement, and help along the journey home. All are welcome. You may attend, or submit the name of someone whom you would like to be invited. There is no cost or commitment; come to all or any of the three sessions, as your schedule allows. The three-part series begins on Sunday, April 17, from 2:00-4:30 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament School meeting room, 1725 Lake Street, Lincoln, and will continue on April 24 & May 1. For questions or more information, please call Rena Smith at 435-8055, Father Sullivan at 474-4249, or check on-line at <http://www.blessedsacramentlincoln.org/>.

Special Schedule for First Friday Adoration in May: The next First Friday will next be May 6, 2016. There will be an extra morning mass that day at 9 am, which the fifth graders from St. Joseph School will attend. Exposition will begin at 10 am, and continue until 6 pm. (There will be no 5:15 pm mass that day.) 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!

"Parish List": The Superior for the FSSP's North American District has asked that a list of households (name and address) be sent to the District Headquarters for each apostolate, similarly to how the Diocese of Lincoln receives such information for all Catholic households within the diocese. Fr. McCambridge will soon send this list to the District Headquarters. The FSSP does not share or sell any such information, but rather uses it to send the District Newsletter, as well as several mailings throughout the year, including the annual Seminarian Tuition Campaign — the largest single source of support for the seminarians' tuition. (Anyone receiving mailings from the FSSP is able to opt out at any time by phone, email, or postal mail, using the contact information included in each month's bulletin.)

St. Gregory the Great Seminary invites you to its Groundbreaking Ceremony on Sunday, April 24th at 2 p.m. The ceremony will take place at the Seminary in Seward (Hwy 15 and Fletcher Road, 3 miles North of I-80) and will be followed by a reception around 3 p.m. Bishop Conley will bless the ground for the new dormitory and classroom wing, and local and state dignitaries will speak. You will have a chance to see the plans for the expansion which will allow the Seminary to accept up to 80 seminarians in the Fall of 2017. Thank you for your generosity in giving to the Joy of the Gospel Campaign which makes this expansion possible!

Please Pray for the Sick: Shirley Bauer, Michael Ostry, Tim Ecoff (son of Tim and Cindy Ecoff), Ruth Phelan (mother of Mrs. Cindy Ecoff), Barbara McMeekin (mother of Mrs. Jennifer Butcher), Rev. Mr. Philip Gerard Johnson, and for all the sick of our congregation.

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased: Fr. Lucian Astuto (who taught Pastoral Theology for a number of years at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary).

FINANCES

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| Collection for Sunday April 10: | \$1780.75 |
| Collection counters April 17: | Frank Feuerborn and Dan Fix |
| Collection counters April 24: | John Pepino 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.