

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! As we progress through the cycle of Sundays after Pentecost, our Holy Mother Church teaches us of Christ's action upon our souls in our own day, which is lived literally in the time after Pentecost, the time after the Church's birth.

"The passage in the Gospel (*Lk 17, 11-19*) chosen for today's Mass is especially effective in making clear the chief purpose of the Redemption: the healing of souls from the leprosy of sin. From ancient times leprosy has been considered the most fitting figure to represent the hideousness of sin, and indeed it would be difficult to picture anything more horrible and repulsive. Yet, while everybody has such a great dread of leprosy of the body, how indifferent and easy-going even Christians are in regard to leprosy of the soul. How far we are from the deep realization that the saints had of what an offense against God really is! 'Oh!' St. Teresa of Avila exclaimed, 'why can we not realize that sin is a pitched battle fought against God with all our senses and the faculties of the soul; the stronger the soul is, the more ways it invents to betray its King?' (*Exclamations of the Soul to God*, 14). One of the fruits of today's Gospel is that of awakening in us a great horror of sin, of arousing in our souls a lively and efficacious repentance for the sins we have committed and a feeling of profound humility upon recognizing our misery. Let us go with the ten lepers to Our Lord and cry out: 'Jesus, Master, have Mercy on us!'" (*Divine Intimacy*, #280, p. 838).

Let us meditate upon the significance of today's Gospel passage, remembering the need to have recourse to Christ, in order to be healed of our spiritual sickness. When realizing that I have offended God, let me run quickly to Our Lord, in the person of the priest, as the lepers did. Once having been healed by confession and absolution, let me remember to return and give thanks to Christ, as did the one leper. 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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 14—20, 2016

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 14, Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Members of St. Michael's Defense Guild
 10:00 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, August 15, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7 am Sr. Carmen Rose of the Assumption
 8 am Celebrant's Intention

TUESDAY August 16, St. Joachim, Father of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7 am Molly Ratigan+
 12:10 pm Celebrant's Intention

WEDNESDAY, August 17, St. Hyacinth, Confessor

7 am Annetta Whitney
 8 am Celebrant's Intention

THURSDAY, August 18, Feria

7 am Celebrant's Intention
 12:10 pm Celebrant's Intention

FRIDAY, August 19, St. John Eudes, Confessor

7:00 am Rex and Kristine Mulholland
 5:15 pm Celebrant's Intention

SATURDAY August 20, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Abbot & Doctor

8 am Confraternity of Christian Mothers

SUNDAY August 21, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Pascal Pepino+
 10:00 am *Pro Populo*

Regular Mass Schedule (For exceptions, see above.)

Monday & Wednesday	7 am, 8 am
Tuesday & Thursday	7 am, 12:10 pm
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.

Feast of the Assumption: Monday August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Bishops of the United States have the permission to lift the obligation of hearing mass on certain Holydays, when they fall on Mondays or Saturdays. The Feast of the Assumption is such a day, there is no obligation to assist at mass tomorrow. Nonetheless, to honor God and Our Lady by assisting at mass on this feast will be most pleasing to them!

"Novena For Our Nation": Raymond Cardinal Burke has endorsed a nation-wide call to join in praying a 54-day Rosary Novena for the good of our nation, to begin tomorrow, the Feast of the Assumption, and ending on the Feast of the Holy Rosary, October 7. This kind of novena was revealed by Our Lady in 1884, and consists of three novenas of rosaries prayed in petition for a particular intention, and three novenas in thanksgiving. A flyer about the Novena For Our Nation is posted in the vestibule, as are Novena Record sheets for keeping track.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered at St. Francis on Saturday, November 12, 10:00 am. Those not yet confirmed, going into fifth grade or above, as well as unconfirmed adults, are candidates. Instruction will begin in September; please phone Fr. McCambridge at his office to register, (402) 477-5145, ext. 101.

Mass Intentions: There are openings for Mass intentions available. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular intention, please fill out one of the envelopes in the vestibule that are available for this purpose. These envelopes should please be deposited in the black mailbox outside of the church office.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration: will be next held Friday, September 2, 2016. The sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule; there are several hours with only one adorer signed up. Please be generous in devoting your time in adoration of Our Lord, and in reparation to His Sacred Heart!

Photos for our Website: Anyone having good, digital photos of parish life and events at St. Francis, please consider sharing them for posting to our website. Please send your photos to the email address <webmaster@stfrancislincoln.org>. Thank you; God bless you!

Please Pray for the Sick and Suffering: Debra Bergfeld, Jennifer Wachter, Jerry Vilda, Shirley Bauer, Michael Ostry, , Ruth Phelan (mother of Mrs. Cindy Ecoff), Barbara McMeekin (mother of Mrs. Jennifer Butcher), Rev. Mr. Philip Gerard Johnson.

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased: Lucy del Real (grandmother of John Quinto).

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday August 7:	\$3594.04
Collection counters August 14:	Dan Fix and John Quinto
Collection counters August 21:	Philip McNeely and Troy Butcher

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.