

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, FSSP

FRATERNITAS SACERDOTALIS SANCTI PETRI

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



St. Francis of Assisi Church

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 21—27, 2016

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 21, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

MONDAY, August 22, Immaculate Heart of Mary

7 am Pascal Pepino+

TUESDAY August 23, St. Philip Benizi, Confessor

7 am Fr. Jacques Lency+

WEDNESDAY, August 24, St. Bartholomew, Apostle

7 am Sam Folt+

THURSDAY, August 25, St. Louis IX, King & Confessor

7 am Celebrant's Intention

FRIDAY, August 26, St. Zephyrinus, Pope & Martyr

7:00 am Arias Family
5:15 pm Celebrant's Intention

SATURDAY August 27, St. Joseph Calasance, Confessor

8 am Rosemary Bohaty+

SUNDAY August 28, Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Miss Marion
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.

“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, which began this past Monday, the Feast of the Assumption, and which ends 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. Even if you missed that start, please join in now! (One could continue his own novena to complete the 54 days.) 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 14:	\$2016.00
Collection for the Assumption:	\$ 304.00
Collection counters August 21:	Philip McNeely and Troy Butcher
Collection counters August 28:	Frank Feuerborn and Jeff Kohn

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.