

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well, having received an abundance of God's graces in Eastertide. Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, the joy of Easter is extended in what, since the earliest years of Christianity, has been a most-beloved image of Him. We all, like sheep, have gone astray in one way or another. But Christ is our Shepherd, who leaves the ninety-nine safe to seek the one lost in the wilderness. He is our Shepherd, who lays down His life for us, His sheep. Christ's victory over sin was by His death on the Cross, and His victory over death by His resurrection. We His sheep share in these victories. What could better inspire a loving trust in Jesus than the knowledge that He has done these things for us? May the good God bless you and your families, and grant you His peace!

In the Joy of Our Lord, the Risen Christ,

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

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
(GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY)

APRIL 30—MAY 6, 2017

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, April 30, Second Sunday after Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

8:30 am Annetta Whitney+
10:30 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, May 1, St. Joseph the Worker

7 am Annetta Whitney+

TUESDAY, May 2, St. Athanasius, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

8 am Allington Family

WEDNESDAY, May 3, Feria in Paschaltide (Comm. St. Alexander & Companions)

7 am Catherine Kocs

THURSDAY, May 4, St. Monica, Widow

8 am Catherine Kocs

FRIDAY, May 5, Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 am Celebrant's Intention
5:15 pm Nathan & Molly Snarr

SATURDAY, May 6, Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

8:00 am Catherine Kocs

SUNDAY, May 7, Third Sunday after Easter

8:30 am Catherine Kocs
10:30 am *Pro Populo*

Regular Mass Schedule (For exceptions, see above.)

Monday & Wednesday	7 am
Tuesday & Thursday	8 am
Friday	5:15 pm
Saturday	8 am
Sunday	<i>Low Mass</i> 8:30 am
	<i>High Mass</i> 10:30 am

Confessions are heard one half-hour before each Mass. 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.

Coffee Social: After the 10:30 mass on Sunday

St. Martha's Guild (Care of Altar, vestments and linens, flowers, and hospitality)

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 16, 7:00 pm

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

One Saturday evening per month, plus a monthly service activity, each as announced.

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!

Mass Requests: For the time being, anyone desiring to request a mass, please contact Fr. McCambridge.

Lincoln Marathon: Please be aware that the Lincoln Marathon will be held next Sunday, May 7, 2017. Please plan your travel route and times accordingly. You can view a map of the route at www.lincolnmarchon.org/course

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will be held this Friday, May 5, 2017. 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!

Sign up for Church Cleaning: With Fr. McCambridge having consulted with the members of the St. Martha Guild, a new plan for church cleaning has been devised, accounting for the fact that the variety of cleaning tasks calls for completion of them on various intervals — weekly, monthly, or several times per year. The board in the downstairs hallway, between the kitchen and the dining room, has been designated the place for housekeeping information. Please visit that board, and sign up for cleaning duties. Please direct questions to the president of St. Martha's Guild, Miss Rebecca Montag: <rebecca@montagmfg.com> or (712) 480-0743. May God reward you!

Summer Etiquette Camp for Girls: Camp Mater Dei is a summer camp for girls 13-16 years of age, designed to teach girls how to model themselves after the Mother of God. Girls have the opportunity to meet other girls with similar interests, while having fun in the Black Hills of South Dakota. **The dates for Camp Mater Dei will be August 14—23, 2017.** Fr. Terrence Gordon, FSSP will be the chaplain again this year. The camp is sponsored by Immaculate Conception Church, the FSSP parish in Rapid City, South Dakota. For more information visit www.campmaterdei.weebly.com.

Easter Flower Donations: Thank you to those who donated toward the purchase of the beautiful Easter flowers! For those still wishing to donate, please find envelopes for this purpose in the vestibule. God bless you!

Please Pray for the Sick and Suffering: Elise Clarke, Debra Bergfeld, Jennifer Wachter, Shirley Bauer, Michael Ostry, Fr. Calvin Goodwin, FSSP, Patrick Hornback (brother of Mrs. Liz Feuerborn), Mr. Whitfield (father of Mrs. Nicolette Spicer), Ruth Phelan (mother of Mrs. Cindy Ecoff), Barbara McMeekin (mother of Mrs. Jennifer Butcher), Fr. Philip Gerard Johnson.

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased: Larry Vilda, Jerry Vilda (son of Larry+ and Joann Vilda).

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday April 23:	\$2294.00
Holy Land Collection:	\$ 25.00
Collection counters April 30:	John Pepino and Troy Butcher
Collection counters May 7:	Philip McNeely 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.