

THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St. Francis Church,

I pray that you and your families are well! This past Friday was the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Our Lord appeared many times to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Among the things He told her was this: "Behold this Heart, Which has loved men so much, that It has spared nothing, even to exhausting and consuming Itself in order to testify to them Its love; and in return I receive from the greater number nothing but ingratitude by reason of their irreverence and sacrileges, and by the coldness and contempt which they show Me in this Sacrament of Love." To help banish any such ingratitude from our hearts, let us contemplate the words of St. Bonaventure, from which the Ninth Lesson of Matins of this feast is taken:

"For this, O Jesus, was Your sacred side pierced, that it might give us an easy entrance. Your Heart was opened that we might dwell there, safe from exterior disturbances. In addition to this, You were pierced by a spear, so that through the visible wound, we could see the invisible one which love inflicted on You, for he who burns with love is wounded by love. What better evidence of Your ardent love could You have given us than by permitting the lance to pierce not only Your body, but even Your Heart? The wound in Your flesh then shows forth the wound in Your spirit.

Who will not love that Heart so deeply wounded? Who will not return love to One who so loved us? Who will not embrace a Spouse so chaste? Certainly the soul loves You in return, O Lord, who, knowing itself to be wounded by Your love, cries to You, 'Your charity has wounded me!' We too, pilgrims in the flesh, love as much as we can, and embrace the One who was wounded for us, whose hands, feet, side, and heart were pierced. Let us love and pray: 'O Jesus, deign to bind our hearts, still so hard and unrepentant, with the chain of Your love, and wound them with its dart.'"

As a sure means of growing more like Our Lord, let us resolve to recall and pray often this brief prayer from the Litany of the Sacred Heart: "Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make our hearts like unto Thine." May the good God bless you and your families!

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. McCambridge, FSSP

FRATERNITAS SACERDOTALIS SANCTI PETRI

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



St. Francis of Assisi Church

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 25 - JULY 1, 2017

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 25, Third Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am John Prezzia
10:30 am *Pro Populo*

MONDAY, June 26, Ss. John & Paul, Martyrs

7 am Garret Van Beek

TUESDAY, June 27, Feria

8 am Zachary Van Sant

WEDNESDAY, June 28, Vigil of Ss. Peter & Paul, Apostles

7 am Larry Vilda+

THURSDAY, June 29, Ss. Peter & Paul, Apostles

8 am Fr. Matthew Vierno, FSSP

FRIDAY, June 30, Commemoration of St. Paul, Apostle

5:15 pm Fr. Anthony Dorsa, FSSP

SATURDAY, July 1, Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ

8 am Danielle Schmidt

SUNDAY, July 2, Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Rojas Family
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 (Suspended for Summer and, hopefully, basement renovation.)

St. Martha's Guild

(Care of Altar, vestments and linens, flowers, and hospitality)

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 18, 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!

Thank you to all who assisted with or took part in the Corpus Christi Procession! The large turnout and beautiful singing were a wonderful sign of love for Our Lord in the Eucharist; may God bless you and your families richly for this!

Farewell for Fr. McCambridge: There will be a farewell party for Fr. McCambridge next Sunday, July 2, 5:30 pm, at the home of Andrew and Megan Livingston (6263 Waters Edge Drive, Lincoln., NE 68526). Please bring a potluck dish to share, drinks will be provided.

Peter's Pence Collection: The annual Peter's Pence Collection will be taken next Sunday, July 2. Please be generous in your support of the Holy Father in his care for the poor throughout the world; God bless you!

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will next be held Friday, July 7, 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!

Knights of Columbus Council at St. Francis: Fr. McCambridge requests that all St. Francis associates who are currently Knights of Columbus please notify Michael Bruns of the fact, (402) 613-1568. There is interest in, and a strong possibility of forming a Council at St. Francis. Men who would be interested in becoming Knights and joining such a council, are also requested to speak with Michael Bruns. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed for Ushers and Collection Counters: Fr. McCambridge requests that there be more volunteers to serve as ushers and collection counters on Sundays. Currently, there are few of either, leaving the men who now serve to be called upon too frequently. He would like to see the workload more evenly distributed. Please call Mr. Dan Fix, (402) 310-3321. Thank you!

Deo Gratias! Bill and Debra Bergfeld offer their thanks to God that Debra no longer has cause to be remembered in prayers for the sick. They offer their humble and heartfelt thanks to you, their friends of St. Francis, for the charity of your prayers during her illness. God bless you!

Please Pray for the Sick and Suffering: Sr. Frances, O.C.D., Elise Clarke, 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.

FINANCES

Collection for Sunday June 18:	\$3043.00
Collection counters June 25 :	John Pepino and John Quinto
Collection counters July 2:	Philip McNeely and Dan Fix

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.