

## THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St Francis Church,

It is with some trepidation that I replace my good friend Fr Jared McCambridge as the rector of St Francis of Assisi Church. Fr McCambridge and I were seminarians together at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary. I know that he is a good and holy priest. He has labored hard for the flock here at St Francis and has provided wise counsel and instruction and much needed stability. He is much loved and will be much missed, and rightly so.

I come from my previous assignment in Atlanta, GA, a parish dedicated to St Francis de Sales. That was my first and only assignment after priestly ordination. I was there for six years, five as pastor. I very much enjoyed my time in the south. Now by God's providence as manifested through the will of my religious superiors, I am to tend to the flock here at St Francis of Assisi. This I am happy to do within the bounds of my limited abilities.

Any change of this nature brings with it problems and requires a period of settling in. I hope to be able to minimize any disruption and to continue with the wise and stable leadership of Fr McCambridge. To that end, I ask for your prayers and understanding as I accustom myself to a new environment and new people.

May God bless you all,

Rev. Matthew J. McCarthy, FSSP



FRATERNITAS SACERDOTALIS SANCTI PETRI

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



## St. Francis of Assisi Church

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 9-15, 2017

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, July 9, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Larry Vilda+  
10:30 am *Pro Populo*

### MONDAY, July 10, Seven Holy Brothers, Martyrs, Ss Rufina & Secunda, Virgins & Martyrs

7 am Elise Clarke

### TUESDAY, July 11, Feria, (Commemoration St. Pius I, Pope)

8 am Elise Clarke

### WEDNESDAY, July 12, St. John Gaulbert, Abbot

7 am James Patrick Gordon II+

### THURSDAY, July 13, Feria

8 am Elise Clarke

### FRIDAY, July 14, St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

5:15 pm Doris Rowe+

### SATURDAY, July 15, St. Henry, Emperor & Confessor

8 am Jonathan Rowe+

### SUNDAY, July 16, Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Members of St. Michaels' Defense Guild  
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 25, 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!

**Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph:** Our Blessed Mother and the Carmelite Sisters invite you to an evening pilgrimage to their chapel at 9300 West Agnew Road in Valparaiso, and to participate in their annual Solemn Preached Novena, this year conducted by Rev. James Gordon from July 8-15. Holy Sacrifice of the Mass each evening is at 7:00pm, except Sunday at 9:30am. On July 16, the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Solemn Pontifical Mass at 9:30am.

**Construction Notes:** A contractor has been engaged for repairs to concrete and masonry on the handicapped-access ramp, and on the walkway at the rear of the church, to be done in the first half of July. A second contractor has been engaged for a four-to-six-week project to repaint and repair masonry on the bell tower, planned to begin in late July.

**Basement Renovation Notes:** Good progress has been made in planning the basement renovation, with architectural drawings now being prepared for review by the City of Lincoln. The architect opined that volunteer help could be used for demolition of existing, damaged plaster in the east wall of the basement. Any man interested in organizing such an effort, please speak with the Rector.

**First Friday Eucharistic Adoration** will next be held Friday, August 4, 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!

**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 July 2:	<b>\$2759.60</b>
<b>Peter's Pence Collection:</b>	<b>\$ 271.00</b>
Collection counters July 9 :	Troy Butcher and Rex Mulholland
Collection counters July 16:	John Quinto and Phil McNeely

## 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.