

THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 25th - 31st, 2015

~ *Sunday Mass* ~

11:00

~ *Daily Mass* ~

No Saturday Mass

12:15

~ *Reconciliation* ~

Monday - Friday

11:30

NATIONAL SHRINE VISITATION

CHURCH: 10:00AM - 5:00PM MONDAY - FRIDAY

PORZIUNCOLA CHAPEL: 10:00AM - 5:00PM DAILY

ASSISTED BY DOCENTS AND KNIGHTS OF SAINT FRANCIS

OPEN ON CERTAIN HOLIDAYS

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NATIONAL SHRINE INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

Saint Francis quote of the week:

On the Holy Eucharist, Saint Francis said:

“They should receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ with great humility and reverence, remembering what the Lord says: Whoever eats and drinks my blood has eternal life. Do this in memory of me.”

MASS INTENTIONS January 25th - January 31st

Sunday	11:00	+ Samuel J. and Mary Rose Mantione
Monday	12:15	+ Katherine McGinnis
Tuesday	12:15	Sister Marie Therese
Wednesday	12:15	Chris McKinnon
Thursday	12:15	+ Jack D'Alba
Friday	12:15	+ Samuel J. and Mary Rose Mantione
Saturday	12:15	Fr Harry (Monsignor Harry G. Schlitt)

RECONCILIATION Confessions are gladly accepted **Monday-Friday at 11:30.**

Gracious thanks to all of our part-time staff (musicians, cantors, maintenance) and to all of our volunteers (docents, knights, board of trustees) for the positive assistance they provide helping our National Shrine prosper.

~ ~ **Please ask a Docent or Knight if you need assistance with our elevator or automatic door.** ~ ~

Recognition:	Sunday	Saint Peter Thomas, Carmelite Latinpatriarch; papal legate; Archbishop
	Monday	Saint Timothy, Confidant of Saint Paul; first Bishop of Ephesus; stoned by pagans
	Tuesday	Saint Angela Merici, Educator and founder of the Company of Saint Ursula
	Wednesday	Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest & doctor of Church; patron of all universities / students
	Thursday	Saints Sarbelius & Barbea, Legendary brother & sister Christian martyrs
	Friday	Saint Aldegunais, Virgin; abbes; parents: Sts Walbert & Bertila; sister: St Waldetrudis
	Saturday	Saint John Bosco, Teacher and founder of Salesians

Be forever a part of the Shrine's history by contributing to the needs of our Hall, Stained Glass, and Murals.

Open House celebrating the Year of Consecrated Life: February 8, 2015

Dominican Sisters of San Rafael: Saint Rose Convent, 2515 Pine Street, San Francisco: 3:00pm - 4:30pm,

Dominican Sisters of San Rafael: Dominican Convent, 1540 Grand Avenue, San Rafael: 3:00pm - 4:30p,

Sisters of Mercy: 2300 Adeline Drive, Burlingame: 9:30am – 11:00am plus Sunday Liturgy at 11:15.

Reserve your spot now to volunteer during Lent by **Practicing Compassion with Catholic Charities.**

As the Season of Lent approaches, Catholic Charities is offering one-time volunteer opportunities for you to put your faith into action during the six weeks of Lent. It's not too early to sign up and reserve your place. You can choose from a number of volunteer activities such as serving brunch to homeless families, distributing food to seniors, or reading to children. To sign up and for more information contact Clint Womack at 415-972-1297.

On behalf of Archbishop Cordileone as principal celebrant and the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the Order of Malta is very pleased to invite you to the annual **World Day of the Sick Mass.**

This year the Mass is being celebrated on Saturday February 7th at 11:00am in Saint Mary's Cathedral. This special Mass, which is always held near the Feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, will include anointing of the sick, blessing of the caregivers' hands, and a blessing with Lourdes water for all. Please help us spread the word and encourage all caregivers and those who are sick to come to this celebration. Contact Ken Ryan at 415 865-6718.

Do you speak Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin, or Russian? Volunteer or Attend a Free Naturalization Clinic with Catholic Charities in support of the San Francisco Pathways to Citizenship Initiative on **Saturday, February 7th** in the City College of San Francisco's Chinatown/North Beach Campus at **808 Kearn Street** from 9:00am to 12:00pm. In addition to helping interpret applications for those seeking access to these resources, volunteers will also be needed to assist with setup and cleanup. For more information call 415 972-1307, or sign-up at tinyurl.com/natzvolunteer.

CATHOLIC TV MASS is broadcast Sundays at 6:00am on the Bay Area's KTSF Channel 26 and KOFY Channel 20, and is produced by God Squad Productions with Msgr. Harry G. Schlitt (Fr. Harry), as celebrant.

There's nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time.

It is a time set aside for reflecting on and celebrating our call to follow Jesus day by day.

Celebrate Eucharist The Feast of Corpus Christi

Every Mass is a commemoration of Jesus's Last Supper and a proclamation and participation on this mystery. Because we can sometimes get lost in the routine each Sunday, the feast of Corpus Christi helps us focus once again on what we are called to do at Mass. Parishes (and Shrine's) celebrate the feast day in a variety of ways but regardless of the activity, its purpose is the same:

To remember the night on which Christ celebrated his Last Supper, during which he shared his own Body and Blood with his friends;

To proclaim and participate in the Eucharist as a mystery at the heart of the Catholic faith, as the source and summit of our lives as Disciples of Christ;

The Feast of Corpus Christi reminds us that at every Mass, we are called to:

CELEBRATE what we believe. We express our faith in the risen Christ, who gave his life for us out of love.

LIVE what we believe. We give witness to the risen Christ by our way of life.

BECOME what we receive. We become Christ-like, so that others might see in us, and in what we do, for the one who gave his life for us.

Reformations: Dürer & the New Age of Print

Thacher Gallery exhibit at the University of San Francisco.
Gleeson Library – Geschke Center (Golden Gate and Parker Avenues)
2130 Fulton Street, SF 94117

A collaborative, student-curated exhibition that focuses on the earliest moments of print and printed book culture in Europe, particularly concentrating on the impact of new print technologies and their uses in and around Nuremberg, Germany in the late fifteenth and early sixteenth centuries.

At its core, the Reformations exhibit highlights the distinctive character of early sixteenth-century engravings and woodcut prints executed by German-born artist Albrecht Dürer (1472-1528).

This exhibition highlights how the new production and circulation of early prints and printed books, including devotional woodcuts, pamphlets, and fine, collectible prints reflects and contributed to religious and cultural change during a transformative period in Western history.

This is said to be a remarkable collection of an impressive and historically important grouping of early European books and prints, including a leaf from the Gutenberg Bible and an early printed Book of Hours.

The exhibition includes Dürer's complete Life of the Virgin woodcut series (20 prints), the Engraved Passion series (16 prints), the Small Passion woodcut series (36 prints), and a selection of other single Dürer prints all around 1510.

Dates: January 26th – February 22nd

Time: Noon to 6:00pm daily

Price: Free

Information: 415 422-5178 or www.usfca.edu/library/thacher

World Meeting of Families

The World Meeting of Families is an international event, which was begun by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1994.

The last 3 editions (2006, 2009, 2012) were held in Valencia, Mexico City, and Milan. In 2015, the World Meeting of Families will be held in the United States for the very first time, and will take place from September 22nd to September 27th in Philadelphia, PA.

From noon on Tuesday to noon on Friday (September 22nd to 25th) there will be a Congress with speakers and breakout sessions, and participants numbering from 10,000 to 15,000 are expected.

The highlight of this meeting will be a Papal visit from Friday to Sunday, culminating in a Papal Mass on Sunday, which is expected to draw over a million people. Registration for the Congress is \$350.

The National Shrine of Saint Francis of Assisi,

as with our Archdiocese of San Francisco, has a mission that is rooted in the Gospels and the social teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. Central to that teaching is the inherent dignity and sacredness of each human being.

We educate and advocate on this dignity in relation to the unborn child, the prisoner on death row, the homeless and hungry person on our streets, the elderly, the ill and disabled faced with the threat of assisted suicide, the stranger in our midst, and the poor and marginalized in our society and throughout the world. We are neither right nor left, Republican nor Democrat, but we formulate our agenda by the standard of human dignity that is reflected in our faith tradition.

1 It is the purpose of the National Shrine of Saint Francis of Assisi to provide more abundant means of salvation, through the rich liturgical and devotional life of the Roman Catholic Church for the Christian faithful, including those who come as pilgrims from around the world to the City of San Francisco and the greater San Francisco Bay Area, who seek to encounter the living God through religious worship and special devotion to Saint Francis of Assisi and the Franciscan saints.

2 It is the further purpose of the National Shrine to welcome, share and extend this same spiritual experience and devotion to St. Francis of Assisi and the Franciscan saints to pilgrims and visitors of all faiths, religions, denominations, and nationalities.

3 The Capuchin Franciscan Friars (OFM Cap.) and Staff of the National Shrine, therefore, provide a pastoral (ie: welcoming and prayerful) environment with the hope that in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi, spiritual nourishment healing and reconciliation will be found by all who visit the Shrine.

Across California, **church leaders greeted with joy the news that this coming September Pope Francis** intends to canonize one of our state's most well-known figures and founder of many of our state's Catholic missions, Blessed Junipero Serra. The pope said that he would beatify the Spanish Franciscan when he comes to the United States in September and explained that, just as he had done in canonizing Saint Joseph Vaz in Sri Lanka, he would bypass the usual requirement of a second authenticated miracle attributed to Blessed Serra's intervention in an effort to promote and celebrate evangelization.

Already in his mid-50s when he arrived in California, Serra left behind a career in Spain as a respected professor and well-known preacher to come to the New World to be a missionary, spending about 20 years evangelizing in central Mexico before taking on the role as president of the Franciscans' missionary efforts on the Pacific coast. Biographies explain that Blessed Serra was known for his ascetic lifestyle, including his insistence on walking great distances, even after sustaining a painful leg injury that plagued him for decades. The Franciscan friar, who served in California (which was then a part of New Spain) from 1768 through his death in Carmel in 1784, is credited with directly founding nine missions in the present-day state of California, one in Baja California in Mexico, and also with reinvigorating established missions in central Mexico. Friars under his tutelage founded many missions across CA. Los Angeles Archbishop, Jose Gomez, celebrated the news noting Blessed Serra as one of his spiritual heroes associated with the origins of Los Angeles and its original name, El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora de Los Angeles de Porciuncula. Two of the missions Serra founded are within his archdiocese: San Gabriel Arcangel and San Buenaventura. "It's wonderful to think that this new saint once walked the road that is now the Hollywood Freeway and called it El Camino Real, The King's Highway," the archbishop said. He added that he thinks the canonization will help the church's current evangelization efforts and "remind us that our state and our country and all the Americas are built on Christian foundations."

In Ventura, the news was welcomed with great joy by Father Tom Elewaut at San Buenaventura, which was founded on Easter Sunday, March 31, 1782. "Considering that we are the ninth and last mission personally founded by Blessed Serra and one of six he personally consecrated, the joy and blessing is personal and extended," said Father Elewaut, who since 2011 has been pastor of the parish in downtown Ventura.

Archbishop Cordileone had a video statement posted on the archdiocesan website in which he thanked Pope Francis for the decision to canonize Blessed Serra. The archbishop noted that he himself grew up a short distance away from Blessed Serra's first mission in what became the state of California, San Diego de Alcalá. He said he's "hopeful that the blessings that will come from this recognition" will include that others will be encouraged to imitate the heroic virtues Blessed Serra exhibited.

Asked if would visit the US-Mexico border on the same trip, Pope Francis said "entering the United States by crossing the border from Mexico would be a beautiful thing, as a sign of brotherhood and of help to the immigrants." But he said making such a visit would raise expectations that he would visit Mexico's shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and he joked that "war could break out" if he failed to do so.