



NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

SERVED BY THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS

Very Reverend John De La Riva, O.F.M. Cap., Rector

MOST REVEREND SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE, J.C.D.

ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO

September 13, 2020

Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

For this is why Christ died and came to life,
that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

— *Rom 14:9*



CONFESSIONS

MONDAY—SATURDAY:
11:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Also by appointment

NATIONAL SHRINE HOURS—FOR INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER

*VISITORS ARE EXPECTED TO OBSERVE FACE COVERING AND DISTANCING PRACTICES

HISTORIC CHURCH: 10:00AM - 5:00PM MONDAY - SATURDAY

10:00AM - 2:00PM SUNDAY

OPEN CERTAIN HOLIDAYS

SUSPENDED FOR PANDEMIC MITIGATION UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

- **HOLY MASS SCHEDULE**
- **PORZIUNCOLA NUOVA CHAPEL VISITOR HOURS**
- **SATURDAY ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

Marriages at the Shrine * Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, no new requests are being accepted for consideration until further notice

Baptisms No requests being taken until further notice

Church & Office: 610 Vallejo Street (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133

Office: (415) 986-4557 **Hours:** In-person visits suspended until further notice

Email: info@shrinesf.org **Website:** ShrineSF.org



ELEVATOR ACCESS: Please ask the Rector or one of our Shrine volunteers if you need assistance with our Main Church elevator, or automatic door for the Porziuncola Nuova chapel.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (*Sirach 27:30 — 28:7*).

Psalms — The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (*Psalms 103*).

Second Reading — Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (*Romans 14:7-9*).

Gospel — Forgive one another from your heart (*Matthew 18:21-35*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*
Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11;
Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: *Our Lady of Sorrows*
1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5;
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: *Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian*
1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22;
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: *St. Robert Bellarmine*
1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28;
Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15;
Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: *St. Januarius, B.V.M.*
1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14;
Lk 8:4-15

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Monday, September 14

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 617 The Council of Trent emphasizes the unique character of Christ's sacrifice as "the source of eternal salvation" and teaches that "His most holy Passion on the wood of the cross merited justification for us." And the Church venerates His Cross as she sings: "Hail, O Cross, our only hope."



Blessing of St. Francis of Assisi

"God bless you and keep you. May God smile on you, and be merciful to you; May God turn his regard towards you and give you peace. May God bless you."



The Porziuncola Nuova chapel remains closed until further notice during mitigation of the COVID-19 pandemic. Please check ShrineSF.org as developments occur.

Mass Intentions — September 13 to 19

Sunday	11:00 am	† Rene Cafferata
Monday	12:15 pm	Joseph & Liz Toonen (<i>Anniversary of Marriage</i>)
Tuesday	12:15 pm	Sarah Konecsni (<i>Intention</i>)
Wednesday	12:15 pm	Mary Jane Di Theodore (<i>Intention</i>)
Thursday	12:15 pm	† Fr. Domenico da Cese, OFM Cap.
Friday	12:15 pm	† Dorias Arias
Saturday	12:15 pm	† John Nham Linh

Feast of St. Padre Pio—September 23

NOVENA PRAYER

Beginning Sept 15



Dear God,
You generously blessed Your servant, St. Pio of Pietrelcina, with the gifts of the Spirit.

You marked his body with the five wounds of Christ Crucified, as a powerful witness to the saving Passion and Death of Your Son.

Endowed with the gift of discernment, St. Pio labored endlessly in the confessional for the salvation of souls.

With reverence and intense devotion in the celebration of the Mass, he invited countless men and women to a greater union with Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Through the intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, I confidently beseech You to grant me The grace of ...
(*here silently state your petition*).

Glory be to the Father...(3x). Amen.

The Capuchins

Reflections on the Wisdom from St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

“Lord, allow me to feel as much as possible in my body the pain which You went through for our sake, and feel as much as possible in my heart the love which led You to endure that passion.” (Prayer of St. Francis on Mount La Verna)

September 17 is the day on which Franciscans celebrate the Stigmata of St. Francis, the miracle by which he received in his body the marks of Christ’s wounds on the cross. But as his prayer shows, Francis wanted to be ‘marked’ even more by the great love of Jesus Christ. Saint Francis told his brothers: “Consider in what great excellence the Lord God has placed you, for He created and formed you to the image of His Beloved Son according to the body and to His Likeness according to the spirit.” God gave St. Francis the stigmata not for his sake, but as a gift to the whole church, to remind us all that we should give our lives, body and soul, into the hands of our loving and compassionate God, and let him transform us into the image of Christ. Few have been called to bear the physical marks of Christ’s wounds; all are called to be transformed by His love. May the Lord bless and keep you always!

Fr. Robert Barbato, OFM Cap. is the pastor of Old Mission Santa Inés in Solvang, CA.

MEET THE POSTULANT 2020

The new postulant for the Western America Province is **Marciano Agnelo Palha De Sousa**. Marciano will be spending his postulancy year at St. Conrad Friary in Berkeley under the direction of Fr. Hung Nguyen, our Postulant Director. We welcome Marciano and we pray that this year of postulancy may be a year of grace and blessing.



Marciano was born and raised in Zimbabwe in Africa. He is ethnically Indian with ancestry in Goa, a part of India with Portuguese, Catholic roots. After finishing high school in Zimbabwe he came to the US for college. His work experience has been in the tech industry and then in education as a math tutor. Over the last few years, he has enjoyed transitioning to a life of simplicity devoting more time to prayer (with a special devotion to the rosary) and being involved in church ministry. His most significant ministry experience was with The Goretti Group, a national chastity ministry. He has also experienced much joy ministering to the homeless and the marginalized over the years. Apart from praying, his hobbies include singing, piano, soccer, chess, and running.

COME & SEE

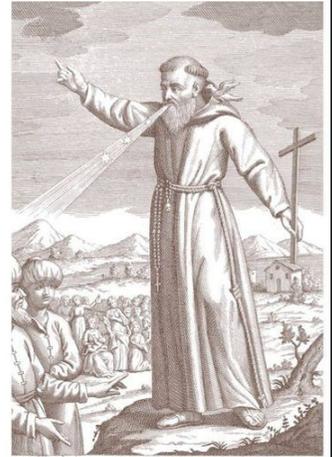
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PROVINCE FUNDRAISER CANCELLED



The 28th Annual Capuchin **Golf Tournament** held every September has been cancelled this year due to the coronavirus pandemic. The friars of the Western America Province appreciate all your support and look forward to seeing you on the course next year!



Order of Friars Minor Capuchins (O.F.M. Cap.)

Discerning a vocation?

Could a friar’s life be for you?

Contact: **Fr. Peter Banks, OFM Cap.**

Email: peterbanksofmcap@yahoo.com; Phone: 805.686.4127

Website: www.BeAFriar.com

Want to talk about your vocation questions?

Fr. John, the Shrine Rector can be available—contact the Shrine office. Peace

Be a Friar—Western
Capuchin Vocations



HOME AND FAMILY: RESOURCES FOR SPIRITUAL & EMOTIONAL LIFE

Ed Hopfner, Director - Office of Marriage and Family Life

415-614-5547 Hopfner@sarch.org
sfarch.org/covid

The COVID-19 crisis has caused a great deal of upheaval for most of us. However, there have been some unexpected positive trade-offs, and even benefits. While we wait for the authorities to allow indoor Masses, we are able to stream Masses not only from our own parish, but from around the world.

A great number of educational and other resources have come online recently. While "Zoom fatigue" is a reality, there are increasingly creative applications of streaming technology. The Archdiocese is co-sponsoring a retreat for divorced and separated Catholics on September 11-12 (newbeginningsevents.org), for which nearly 200 people have signed up so far, from a dozen countries. This would never have happened pre-pandemic. Another example is our popular annual Mother-Daughter event (sfarch.org/md) which will now be offering the program to mothers and daughters from around the state.

One of our latest partners is *Life-Giving Wounds*, a ministry for adults whose parents have divorced (lifegivingwounds.org) Our scheduled retreat had to be postponed, but there is now a virtual retreat, offered with weekly sessions beginning October 1. And our long-awaited retreat in Spanish for couples in struggling marriages (the Retrouvaille program) will likely be offered online this year as well.

These are just some of the programs to which our Office can link you: programs for couples, resources for families, healing retreats, help for people struggling with anxiety... the list is long, and is frequently updated on the Archdiocesan webpage, above. Questions, contact Ed Hopfner, above.

IMMIGRATION: THE IN-BETWEEN LIFE ISSUE

<https://www.sfarch.org/immigration-class>

The School of Pastoral Leadership in collaboration with the Office of Human Life & Dignity is pleased to announce an online course called **Immigration: The In-Between Life Issue**.



How is immigration a life issue? Isn't it simply a matter of political policy--over which Catholics may certainly disagree? The Church's position on provocative topics like abortion is well-known. However, the spiritual and intellectual sources behind the headlines--the Catholic social tradition (CST)--is less known. In fact, it has been called "the Church's best kept secret." CST provides the foundation for the Church's consistent life ethic, an understanding of life issues that extends beyond abortion to include physician-assisted suicide and capital punishment. The Church's view on immigration, and support for immigrants, draws on the same CST resources. This course will examine these sources--ranging from Scripture to papal encyclicals and recent bishops' statements--to appreciate immigration's position, particularly in the American context, as another "life issue" worthy of Catholic consideration.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Classes are on 6 consecutive Tuesdays beginning September 22 at 7:00 P.M. Classes are taught using Zoom.

- 9/22: Introduction
- 9/29: Catholic social justice, 7 principles (USCCB)
- 10/6: Vatican II and American Catholic historical examples
- 10/13: Recent papal statements (St. John Paul II to Francis)
- 10/20: USCCB documents on immigration (and current issues)
- 10/27: Summarizations (discussion of 2020 election, etc.)

CATHOLIC RESOURCES

RELEVANT RADIO: San Francisco—Bay Area—KSFJ — 1260 AM, plus now on 101.7 FM

Live Stream : www.relevantradio.com, Click  at the top of the webpage

TV MASS: Sundays at 6:00am on KTSF Channel 26 and KOFY Channel 20.

Archbishop Cordileone's New Video Channel:

Please visit: <http://sfarchdiocese.org/home/archbishop/video-series-with-archbishop-cordileone>

EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) Videos— Television, Online Live Streaming & Radio

<http://www.ewtn.com/multimedia/live.asp>

VATICAN YOUTUBE CHANNEL <https://www.youtube.com/user/vatican#p/a>

BIBLIACLERUS http://www.clerus.org/bibliaclerus/index_eng.html

"This program offers Sacred Scripture, its interpretation in light of Sacred Tradition and the teachings of the Magisterium, with appropriate theological commentary and exegesis."

CATHOLIC CATECHISM COMPENDIUM

http://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html

Any and all signs, posters, fliers, pamphlets, booklets, etc. must be submitted to the Rector for review, possible edit or revision, and necessary authorization before the desired materials can be properly posted, displayed or distributed on the properties of the *National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi. Furthermore, any and all Solicitation, petition signing, and promotion of any and all entities outside of the Nat'l. Shrine itself is prohibited without prior approval of the Shrine Rector. It is also Shrine Policy that the removal, altering, and or discarding of any and all approved signage, posters, pamphlets, booklets, etc. will be by Shrine Rector authorization only. Any and all materials that do not abide by this Policy of the Rector: Fr. John De La Riva, OFM Cap., will be removed and confiscated.

*Please note: The St. Francis Church, the Porziuncola Nuova Chapel, and the Rectory residence together constitute the properties of the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi.