

# BOLLETTINO DI SAN FRANCESCO



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**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:** 8 a.m., 10 a.m. (Italian) and 12 p.m.

**HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE:** 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**DAILY MASS:** 8 a.m. **SATURDAY MASS:** 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

**CONFESSIONS:** Friday Nights 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. or by appt.

**BAPTISMS:** Sunday at 1 p.m. or by appointment.

**MARRIAGES:** Check with Father six months before the wedding date for the office work and necessary instructions.



## May, 2021



### FORTITUDE

#### **Dear Parishioners & Friends of San Francesco Church:**

There is an uneasiness that runs right below the surface of our consciousness and that keeps us from fully enjoying the stirring of nature which we expect as springtime is firmly established. This uneasiness comes from a random mixture of breaking news, festering old issues, nauseating political spins and anything else thrown in, because we perceive it as a source of anguish or as threatening us and future generations.

Sadly, I am hereby adding another one that could intensify our concern as Americans. It is undeniable that we are witnessing the systematic dismantling of the fabric of our country at such a speed that, if we do not get directly involved, we might find it unrecognizable a few years from now.

I am referring to the softening of our younger generations, from millennials on down. You must have heard of "*snowflakes*." The Urban Dictionary defines a snowflake as "*A very sensitive person. Someone who is easily hurt or offended by the statements or actions of others.*" Their number has increased dramatically in recent years as political correctness has become akin to the gospel for those who are under the spell of ideologues and choose to live by zany tenets introduced by ideologies that insist on trumping the harshness of reality and the inflexibility of nature with PC run amuck.

Since it is impossible to sustain this global ideological battle against nature and reality, the *snowflakes*, those weakened and softened and easily hurt by statements and/or actions of others, need to be propped up and protected. Their three major sustainers are academia, the "woke" movement and the liberal media.

Alas, too many parents spend hefty sums of money to send their children to prestigious colleges and universities and wind up with a son or daughter placed in an intellectually sanitized bubble or kept in safe havens free of the contamination of opposing views.

Void of valid arguments and dead set against honest and open dialogue with proponents of different approaches to the inevitable challenges of life, the liberal media and the activists of the "woke" movement intimidate their weaker opponents with exposure to shame. They force those who are not easily intimidated into submission by vicious methods including ways that "cancel" them and target their livelihood.

As disciples of Christ Jesus we are called to truly respect nature as God's Creation declared by Him as being "very good." But we cannot forget that we are also living within the super-reality of the Body of Christ enlightened, sustained and guided by God's Word.

It is God's Word that offers us the means to face and deal successfully with the challenges of life that would otherwise overwhelm us because they are the consequences of sin. In the wake of original sin and of all other sins, nature confronts us with breathtaking beauty but also with harshness so dire that our human frailty needs to be constantly sustained by grace. God doesn't provide safe havens or sanitized bubbles for us, but the Spirit of His Risen Son who fills our minds with the light of truth and our hearts with fortitude. Indeed, those who have been confirmed received the gift of fortitude from the Holy Spirit.

Fortitude is ranked as the fourth gift of the Holy Spirit because it gives us the strength to follow through on the actions suggested by the gift of counsel. While fortitude is sometimes called *courage*, it goes beyond what we normally think of as courage. Fortitude is the virtue of the martyrs that allows them to suffer death rather than renounce the Christian Faith.

Fortitude keeps us lightyears away from the softness that has infected so many people completely ill-equipped to be victorious over the challenges of life and the harshness of nature.

The whole Bible is so rooted in reality that it can be considered God's manual on how to make us victorious in our lifelong battle against sin, falsehood, self-centeredness, apathy and evils of all kinds:

*From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent are taking it by force. **Matthew 11:12***

*"Do not think that I have come to bring peace upon the earth. I have come to bring not peace but the sword." **Matthew 10:34***

*Then he said to all, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." **Luke 9:23***

*In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

**1 Peter 1:6-7**

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## **Fortitude**

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*Therefore, put on the armor of God, that you may be able to resist on the evil day and, having done everything, to hold your ground. Ephesians 6:13*

*Endure your trials as "discipline"; God treats you as sons. For what "son" is there whom his father does not discipline? Hebrews 12:7*

The discipline that our Heavenly Father uses on us is the same He used first on His Son Jesus Christ for the salvation of the whole world.

We should welcome it as a sign of His infinite love and foreknowledge of things to come. Discipline leads to endurance. Endurance, enhanced by fortitude, enables us to implement the new commandment that Jesus gave us of loving each other as he loved us from the cross (Cf. John 13:34). This is the only correct way of making this world a better place for everyone.

**Fr. Dino Vanin, Pastor of San Francesco Church**

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:**



The 12:00pm Holy Mass on **May 2nd** will mark a special occasion for the children of our CCD Program as they will receive the Lord Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. We congratulate them on such a great day in their lives. First Communion is always a memorable event that touches our hearts and reminds us of the special love that Jesus has for all children. The innocence of these little ones shows in their eyes. I am sure that not only the children are excited on this day, but also their parents on preparing them for their first encounter with Jesus. I take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the teachers who work so hard for this wonderful event, and may God Bless each of you!

**Ann Burrell, CCD Coordinator**

## **Mass Intentions**

### **May 1- Saturday**

For Mary Mother of God Prayer Group & Holy Souls  
Special Intention for Chet Hayes, Jr. by father Chet, Sr.

**6pm** Paul Tocco by Paupert family

**6pm** Mario Signorelli by wife & family

**6pm** Evandro & Sally DiMichele by family

**6pm** Special Intentions for DiMichele family by family

### **May 2-Sunday**

8am Bob Ruggioli by wife Sharon

8am Rosemary & Anthony Marino by Ron & Michelle

10am Ladies Pescosolido Society Club-Memorial Mass

10am Peter Fallone by family

10am Loris & Germano Costa by family

10am Vito & Domenica Manzella by Rosa Manzella

10am Vincenzo & Concetta Armetta by Rosa Manzella

10am Roberto Cicchelli by wife & family

10am Daniele Sabetti by wife & family

12pm Michele Santangelo by family

12pm Living & deceased members of Misuraca & Mertz families by Deanna Mayle

12pm Liv & dec members of Gallerani fam by Lelia Bosca

**12pm First Holy Communion Mass**

### **May 3-Monday**

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Jamie McCarty

### **May 4-Tuesday**

Marcello Del Serrone by wife Franca & family

Special Intent-Angelina Nevaeh Yaro by Ilean Hajgato

### **May 5-Wednesday**

Special Intention for Kelsey

### **May 6-Thursday**

Leonard Zatelli by wife Marlene

### **May 7-Friday**

Artemio Del Serrone by wife Linda & family

Spiritual well-being of Bianca Mutti

Lucia Strazzulla by family

### **May 8-Saturday**

Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

Alex Calderone by wife Geraldine

Salvatore Manzella by wife Rosa

Charles Scott by Maria Scott

Mary Hickey by William Hickey

**6pm** Victor Kunarski by family

**6pm** Theresa & Salvatore Gallo by sister Rosa

### **May 9-Sunday (Mother's Day)**

8am Charles & Theresa MacDonald by son Mike

8am Joanne Nowc by family

10am Antonino Badalamenti by wife & family

10am Anna Martinelli-26 year Anniversary by family

10am Diva Bonaldi by Cecilia Marshall

10am Dominic Swoish by family

10am Angelo Flumian by family

10am Pompeo & Carmela Russo by grandchildren

12pm Frank & Elvira Bizzocchi by son & daughter

12pm Diva Bonaldi by Bonaldi family

12pm Rose & Jack Alu by daughter Carmela

12pm Rose Mazzuchelli by family

12pm Ezio Verticchio by Nick Fuciarelli

12pm Lucia Pinelli by Sam & Alice Pinelli

12pm Maddalena Tiseo by Tiseo family

12pm Living & deceased members of Bosca family by Lelia

12pm Deceased members of Makea family by C & N Butros

12pm Deceased members of Kattula family by C & N Butros

### **May 10-Monday**

Special Intention for Fr. Dino by Deanna Mayle

### **May 11-Tuesday**

Mario & Rosa Rocchino by family

### **May 12-Wednesday**

Germaine Door by Jeremy Meyersiecks family

### **May 13-Thursday**

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Deanna Mayle

### **May 14-Friday**

Armando Gennari by wife Savina

### **May 15-Saturday**

Special Intention for Fr. Giulio by Deanna Mayle

Mary Hickey by William Hickey

6pm Jerry & Joan Kozak by sisters

6pm Evandro DiMichele by family

### **May 16-Sunday**

8am Pietro Badalamenti by family

10am Antonino & Filippa Passalacqua by son Joe

10am Vilma Farquhar by family

10am Lisa Fabbri by Costa family

10am Angelo & Anna Castiglione by Lena Catanzaro

10am Jennie Clara Coppola by Andrea & Maria Sugameli

10am Tina Russo by sister-in-law Joanna Sabetti & family

12pm Maria & Joseph Bosca by Lelia Bosca

12pm Theresa Primo-Bulgarelli by son Robert

12pm Gino Del Pup by Bob & Mary Tome

12pm Antonio & Annunziata Moscone by Maria

12pm Holy Souls in Purgatory by Rosalia Kehrig

12pm Francesco & Evelina Ferrera by Maria

### **May 17-Monday**

Angelo Gallerani by Lelia Bosca

Evandro DiMichele by family

### **May 18-Tuesday**

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Jamie McCarty

### **May 19-Wednesday**

Fortunato Valerio by family

### **May 20-Thursday**

Salvatore Ventimiglia by family

### **May 21-Friday**

Deceased members of Santi family by Marino & Silvana

Deceased members of Giulianelli family by Marino & Silvana

### **May 22-Saturday**

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Deanna Mayle

Katherine Iannuzzi by Laura & family

**6pm** Gerry & Joan Kozak by sisters

### **May 23-Sunday**

8am Joseph Badalamenti by family

8am John Marino by Ron & Michelle

8am Special Intention by Patricia Vermader

10am Pasquale & Maria Lucci by family

10am Armando Boschian by family

10am Francesco & Elvira Di Cicco by family

10am Luisa Fallone by family

10am Giacomo Sedessi by Casali family

10am Donato Russo by niece Joanna Sabetti

12pm Bruno Casale by Nick Fuciarelli

12pm Mary Frabotta-Kolis by Ron Kolis

12pm Vincent & Annunziata Frabotta by Pierina & fam

### **May 24-Monday**

In Thanksgiving to St. Jude by Nancy Butros

### **May 25-Tuesday**

In Thanksgiving by Deanna Mayle

### **May 26-Wednesday**

Mario Borrelli by friends

### **May 27-Thursday**

Louise R. & Eugene Mancini by Harry & Roselyn Crespi

### **May 28-Friday**

Jerry & Joan Kozak by sisters

### **May 29-Saturday**

Special Intentions

**6pm** Antonietta Biundo by family

### **May 30-Sunday**

8am Annetta Lupi by Geraldine Calderone

10am Giulia Borrelli by friends

10am Marino Pandori by son Luigi

10am Leo Moriconi by wife & son

10am Artemio Del Serrone by wife Linda & family

10am Maria Paganelli by nephew Luigi Pandori

10am Maria Pompeo & Pasqua Marsilio by Virginia Silvestri

10am Maureen & Mauro Silvestri by Virginia Silvestri

10am Cecilia & Giuseppe Silvestri by Virginia Silvestri

12pm Special Intent-CCD Teachers & Ann Burrell by D. Mayle

12pm Liv & Dec members of Soave fam by Anita & fam

12pm Gino Del Pup by Cugini dal' Italia

12pm Germaine Door by Patrick & Dorothy Degens

### **May 31-Monday (Memorial Day)**

Antonio Zito by Rosa

Bruno Brunicardi by wife & son

### **LECTORS FOR MAY:**

**May 02**-P. Graebert, L. Pietrantonio, A. Perugi

**May 09**-J. Nowc, M. Sugameli, N. Butros

**May 16**-P. Graebert, T. Silverio, S. Santilla

**May 23**-J. Nowc, V. Amaro, A. Perugi

**May 30**-P. Graebert, L. Pietrantonio, N. Butros

### **Saturday, 6:00pm**

**May 1**-D. Brosky, **May 8**-J. Foglyano, **May 15**-D. Brosky

**May 22**-J. Foglyano, **May 29**-D. Brosky

**Your commitment is deeply appreciated!**



**Fr. Dino** would like to thank you for the Easter greetings, prayers, and donations. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is much appreciated.



**Mark Your Calendar**



Remember to register your child for next year! You must do this every year to attend again in the fall.



**May** is the most loved month of the year, the month of roses, flowers and of full spring. No wonder **May** is called the month of **Mary**, the most beautiful of creatures, the masterpiece of God, the mother of all mothers.



**Mother's Day** **IS MAY 9th**

May the Lord shower His blessings on all our moms living and deceased, on this day and beyond.

Have a wonderful day!

### **MAY 31st IS MEMORIAL DAY**



Remember -  
our fallen heroes.  
They are the reason  
that we are free.

Keep all those who defend our country and give their lives for us in your thoughts & prayers. God Bless our men and women in service and **God Bless America**.

### **CSA 2021**

You will be receiving information and instruction from the Archdiocese of Detroit by mail this year for your CSA pledges and payments. Our target figure is **\$19,033.00**. Please mail your payments directly in the pre-addressed envelope to the Archdiocese Processing Center as directed on your letter. Envelopes will be provided in the pews of the church as well for you to take and mail in. Thank you for your support.

### **MARY MOTHER OF GOD PRAYER GROUP**

Due to the recent rise in covid cases our prayer group will have information at a later date on when they will resume prayer meetings.



**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



**Carissimi parrocchiani e amici di San Francesco Church.**

Una penosa constatazione che adulti e anziani fanno spesso è quella che tanti giovani oggi giorno sembrano fragili e molli, quasi che non avessero la spina dorsale. In inglese sono ironicamente definiti “fiocchi di neve” tanto sono delicati. Sono così sensibili che si turbano per un niente e sono profondamente offesi da parole e azioni non di loro gradimento o provenienti da una visione diversa della realtà e del mondo.

Al college sono messi in “bolle sterili” a prova di eventuali contaminazioni intellettuali... Invece di essere forti abbastanza da accettare di dialogare con chi pensa e agisce diversamente da loro e così poter affrontare le difficoltà della vita e le sfide che sorgono normalmente, devono essere protetti da ideologi che li rimpinzano di idee completamente fasulle senza nessuna base nella realtà della vita che, come sappiamo tutti, può spesso essere crudele e spietata.

Sono sostenuti da un’informatica atea completamente di sinistra e da chi sottoscrive a un’estrema correttezza politica.

Stia a noi come credenti di mostrare loro l’importanza assoluta della forza, dello spirito di sacrificio, del coraggio e della perseveranza che furono inculcati in noi dai nostri genitori, sacerdoti, suore e insegnanti fin da quando eravamo piccoli.

Nella S. Cresima, lo Spirito Santo ci diede il dono della forza così da poter far fronte alle asprezze e alle difficoltà della vita senza venir meno. Anzi la forza ci assiste nel metter in pratica il nuovo comandamento che Gesù ci ha lasciato durante l’Ultima Cena: di amarci gli uni gli altri come egli ci amò dalla croce.

Sostenuti dalla virtù della forza e dalla grazia di Dio, siamo già ben equipaggiati per lasciare questo mondo un po’ migliore di quanto lo fosse quando nascemmo.

**P. Dino Vanin, PIME**

**Recycle Bins** are located in the parking lot of the church for you to drop off your papers, mail, & catalogs! Thanks for supporting our church!

**Check our website:** [sanfrancescochurch.org](http://sanfrancescochurch.org) to keep current on information and also go to the facebook page as well for changing events. The facebook link is at the top left of our website home page, just click on the **f** emblem!



For all the generous donations made to our church during the collections, we thank you sincerely.

Please know that your support is always appreciated.

**God Bless you all.**