

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, 2023



Dark Boldness

Dear Parishioners & Friends of San Francesco Church:

At first, it seems as if satanism has gotten a firm hold only on the Grammys and other raunchy shows; so many may still live with the illusion that its ugly influence and devastation are contained and relegated to limited venues. However, those who know that the devil is THE liar par excellence and the father of lies (cf. John 8:44) sound the alarm as they see how satanic influence is much a more direct, in-your-face, out-in-the-open type of boldness.

With increased frequency, the devil doesn't need to prowl stealthily. He can count on his minions to operate boldly relying on conniving, godless media outlets that unleash their attacks while reassuring the gullible and the lazy that everything is cool, harmless, and innocent fun.

Jesus warns us to be afraid of the one (the devil) who can destroy the whole person. *And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.*

Matthew 10:28

Satan's success might be the fulfillment of this prophecy: *When the thousand years are completed, the devil will be released from his prison. Revelation 20:7* and his clever, well-tested method of applying all facets of what constitutes lying: from repackaging something evil in a wrap of innocent fun to allying fears through reassuring words from "experts;" from inventing a new vocabulary of terms that carry easily-overlooked insidious connotations to imposing acceptance of what had been considered wrong and objectionable for millennia as welcomed progress, while presenting what had been considered virtuous, natural and good as evil and as a hate-filled stance; from shaming all those who invoke their religious upbringing for their refusal to comply to forcing them into submission.

This is the devil's *modus operandi* which is getting bolder and bolder by the day. Satan targets the soul by first destroying the human body, which he hates intensely. He, incorporeal spirit, hates the human body which is God's handiwork (cf. Psalm 139) because, with all its limitations, it "slows down" our decision-making process, thus inviting God's infinite mercy to be applied generously and because a human body is what the Father prepared for His Son as he entered in this world (cf. Hebrews 10:5).

Satan is busy destroying human bodies from before birth to soon after birth, all the way to terminal illnesses and each of their intermediate stages.

While euphemisms adopted by those who embrace the "culture of death" are still used (reproductive healthcare, removal of unwanted tissue, a woman's control over her own body) there is a frightening display of dark boldness due to some successes, but mainly to the inaction of those who subscribe to the "culture of life."

In many states, abortion is legal throughout the nine months of gestation and beyond... How can we forget the unemotional, matter-of-fact words of Dr. Ralph Northam in 2019?

"If a mother is in labor, I can tell you exactly what would happen. The infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and the mother." So, the devil has succeeded in setting one human being as judge over the life and death of another innocent, defenseless human being...

While there is insufficient evidence that ritualistic human sacrifices are consummated in our "civilized" world, we cannot deny that the devil has found sanitized, legal ways to be offered a very large number of victims.

Pornography is the devil's indirect, most efficient tool to destroy human bodies. In relatively mild cases, the human body is objectified and turned into a sex toy for someone else's pleasure. But as people are enslaved by pornography, they demand more intense stimuli such as those found in bestiality and "snuff pornography" in which the victim is tortured and then, snuffed out...

Now, we need to take a deep breath and go back to God's Word to find our spiritual bearings again... Our Creator God gave humankind the tremendous gift of sex so that complementary human beings could become co-creators of new life with Him. However, the devil is busy misleading people from early childhood to oppose God's life-giving design. Children are taught to question their complementarity as male and female and slide into a fluidity that is purposely directed towards self-indulgence, narcissism, barrenness, and, alas, even death.

Ask yourselves: why is there a proliferation of *Satan's After School Clubs* but no *Angels' After School Clubs*? Why are many women consumed by intense regret over the children they have lost to abortion? Why are a number of trans teenagers bearing the scars of mutilated once perfectly healthy bodies ending their lives so tragically? Why are so many aging people opting for assisted suicide? Has somebody convinced them that they have become a burden to the rest of society and/or they have no relevance left in this world?

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We should all be deeply concerned about the level of dark boldness displayed by the devil, especially because of the devastation he causes in the minds, bodies, and souls of so many children.

Without delay, we should all get fully engaged in the task of restoring the order and beauty that our Creator God had placed in His creation, keeping in mind that: *You belong to God, children, and you have conquered them, for the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.* **1 John 4:4**

Fr. Dino Vanin, PIME



May 1-Monday

Mario Signorelli by wife & family
Albert Cataldi by family
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
Special Intentions of DiMichele family by family
Holy Souls in Purgatory

May 2-Tuesday

Mike Pisa, Sr. by daughter Michele Jones

May 3-Wednesday

Lucille Cataldi by family

May 4-Thursday

Special Intentions

May 5-Friday

Piera Franklin by Assunta Society
Spiritual well-being of Bianca Mutti by mom
Armando Gennari by wife Savina
Eric Peters by DiMichele family

May 6-Saturday

Special Intentions for Mary Mother of God Prayer Group

6pm Victor Kunarski by wife Lia

6pm Joseph Tocco by Paupert family

May 7-Sunday

8am Bob Ruggioli by wife Sharon
8am Rosemary & Anthony Marino by Ron & Michelle
8am Donna Barrett by Ken & Diane Kish
8am Jerry DiMaggio by wife Grace
10am Sant' Nicola Di Bari-Puglia Club Memorial Mass
10am Luisa Fallone by family
10am Vincenzo & Concetta Armetta by Rosa Manzella
10am Vito & Domenica Manzella by Rosa Manzella
10am Ottavio Zicarelli by wife & family
10am Cesare D'Aristotile by family
10am Michele DiCicco by Carmen & Assunta Pozzi
10am Anna Martinelli-28th anniversary by family
10am Angela Grignano by Maria & Andy Sugameli
10am Karen Busignani by family
12pm Anita & Marco Soave by Gerarda & family
12pm Pescosolido Society Club-Memorial Mass
12pm First Holy Communion Mass

May 8-Monday

Alex Calderone by wife Geraldine
Salvatore Manzella by wife Rosa

May 9-Tuesday

Danny Angeli by Savina Gennari

May 10-Wednesday

Special Intentions

May 11-Thursday

Special Intentions

May 12-Friday

Frank Servitto by family

May 13-Saturday

Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family
Maria Luisa Ellero by DiMichele family
6pm James & Ida Marino by daughters
6pm Rosa Spadafora by Spadafora family
6pm Lucia Pinelli by Sam & Alice
6pm Frances Puzzuoli by family & friends
6pm For Peace in families

May 14- Sunday (Mother's Day)

8am Pietro & Josephine Badalamenti by family
8am Mary Hickey by son William
8am Theresa MacDonald by son Mike
8am Anabelle MacDonald by Mike MacDonald
8am Angelina Slongo by Mike MacDonald
8am Piera Franklin by Assunta Society
8am Lucille Cataldi by family
10am Maria Pizzo by family
10am Franca Esposito by husband & family
10am Maria Gonino by Ida Zicarelli & family
10am Emilia Zicarelli by Ida & family
10am Antonietta & Mena Maiuri by Teresa
10am Armando Gennari by wife Savina
10am Carmela & Pompeo Russo by grandchildren
10am Tina Russo by sister-in-law Giovanna Sabetti
12pm Diva Bonaldi by family
12pm Francesco & Evelina Ferrera by Maria
12pm Antonio & Annunziata Moscone by Maria
12pm Thomas & Benedetta Sabatini by Maria & Joe
12pm Josephine Serra by family
12pm Andrea & Rosa D'Angelo
12pm Rosa Spadafora by daughter Maria Provencher/fam
12pm Rose Mazzuchelli by family

May 15-Monday

Evandro DiMichele by DiMichele family

May 16-Tuesday

Special Intentions

May 17-Wednesday

Frank & Antonia Cогnetto by family
Evandro DiMichele by DiMichele family

May 18-Thursday

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Brenda Rivard
Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family

May 19-Friday

Special Intentions

May 20-Saturday

6pm Salvatore Ventimiglia by family

May 21-Sunday

8am Catherine Iannuzzi by Laura & family
8am John Marino by Ron & Michelle Marino
10am Carlo & Rosa Badalamenti by family
10am Rocco Ruggirello by family
10am Antonino & Filippa Passalacqua by son Joe
10am Lorenzo Russo-6 yr. anniv. by wife Marina & family
10am Pete Fallone by family
10am Vilma Farquar by family
12pm Special Intentions

May 22-Monday

Matilda Marchese by Barger family
Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family

May 23-Tuesday

Special Intentions

May 24-Wednesday

Special Intentions

May 25-Thursday

Special Intention-Stella & Luke Bates by grandmother

May 26-Friday

Francesco & Elvira DiCicco by Sandra Biundo

May 27-Saturday

Special Intentions

6pm Joe Peardon by brother Paul

6pm Antonietta & Gaetano Biundo by family

May 28-Sunday

8am Piera Franklin by daughter Mary

8am Josephine & Pietro Badalamenti by family

8am Special Intentions of DiMichele family by family

8am Holy Souls in Purgatory by DiMichele family

8am Special Intention by Pat

10am Armando Boschian by family

10am Germano & Loris Costa by family

12pm Mark & Anita Soave by Gerarda & family

May 29-Monday (Memorial Day)

Special Intentions

May 30-Tuesday

Special Intentions

May 31-Wednesday

Holy Souls in Purgatory by Brenda Rivard

Evandro & Sally DiMichele by DiMichele family

Holy Souls in Purgatory by DiMichele family

The protection of the Unborn by DiMichele family

Special Intentions of the DiMichele family by family



LECTORS FOR MAY:

May 07-J. Nowc, M. Sugameli, L. Sawyer

May 14-P. Graebert, L. Pietrantonio, A. Perugi

May 21-J. Nowc, T. Silverio, N. Butros

May 28-P. Graebert, G. Buttacavoli, L. Sawyer

Lectors for Saturday, 6:00pm

May 6-J. Foglyano, **May 13**-D. Brosky, **May 20**-J. Foglyano

May 27-D. Brosky

Fr. Dino would like to thank you all for the Easter greetings, prayers, and donations. God's Blessings to all.



Mark Your Calendar



Mother's Day IS MAY 14th

With all its flowers and sunny days, the month of May is the perfect month to honor the Blessed Mother and all mothers living and deceased on this day and beyond. Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers, have a wonderful day!



CARNATION SALE-MAY 13th & 14th



At all weekend Holy Masses the proceeds from the free-will donation for this sale of carnations will benefit our Church and Central Macomb Right to Life.

PASTA DINNER-SUNDAY, MAY 21st

Our Church will be hosting a Pasta Dinner after 12pm Holy Mass. Adults **\$20** Children under 10 years of age **\$10**.

All proceeds to benefit our Parish and Fr. Daniele Criscione's programs for children in the missions of PIME. Please save this date and join us! For reservations/information contact Ann Burrell (586) 242-1981.

MEMORIAL DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



MAY 29th

Let us honor with our thoughts and prayers, all those who made the supreme sacrifice to defend our country & protect our civil rights. God Bless America & all who serve it in the military.

MARY MOTHER OF GOD PRAYER GROUP

Join this group that meets every Monday @ 1pm for prayers followed by fellowship and refreshments.

CSA 2023

We are aware in these difficult times it may be burdensome to contribute, but even a small donation would help us reach our target figure which is \$20,257.00. Any donation is truly appreciated by our Community of Faith and well known to our generous God.

Supporting Our Own Seminarian, Antonio La Barbera

Antonio is humbly asking us for our prayers and donations. To donate to defray the considerable debt he incurred at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, please go to <https://rescuevocations.org/antonio>. Make sure that you donate in "honor of Antonio La Barbera." He will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Lubbock, Texas in three years. May the Lord reward your generous heart.

Heartfelt thanks to the Vitale, Kehrig, & Nowc families, their helpers, and all donors who contributed to make our St. Joseph celebration on March 18th such a great success! Their dedication and generosity are deeply appreciated by our entire Parish.

Celebration of St. Joseph 2023



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Tenebre sfrontate

Carissimi Parrocchiani e Amici di San Francesco Church,

Fino a circa dieci anni fa, il demonio e i suoi seguaci conducevano le loro azioni tenebrose di nascosto, ma in questi ultimi anni le fanno con sfrontatezza incredibile alla luce del sole.

Gesù ci avverte di temere colui che ha il potere di distruggere sia l'anima che il corpo (Cf. Matteo 10:28). A me sembra che il demonio miri a distruggere le anime sì, ma iniziando con la distruzione del corpo perché, egli, spirito incorporeo, invidia il corpo umano che è un capolavoro di Dio che, nella sua fisicità, "rallenta" di molto il nostro potere di decidere tra il bene e il male e, pertanto, porta Dio a riversare la sua misericordia infinita su di noi.

L'altro motivo per cui il demonio mira a distruggere il corpo è perché un corpo umano è quanto Dio Padre preparò per il suo Figlio Gesù quando venne in mezzo a noi per salvarci.

In tempi antichi ai demoni venivano fatti sacrifici umani di bambini. Ai nostri giorni i sacrifici umani gli sono offerti in modo del tutto legale con l'aborto.... e in alcuni stati, anche dopo la nascita, i bambini possono essere lasciati morire se la madre ciò decidesse.

Essendo il Menzognero per eccellenza, il demonio tranquillizza tutti i creduloni e i pusillanimi che i doposcuola club di satana sono per divertimento innocuo e che non si nasce maschi o femmine ma che ogni bambino può decidere per conto suo quale sia il suo sesso; vere follie che, noi persone con buon senso, consideriamo pazzie d'altro mondo.

Il demonio continua la sua strage di corpi umani istigando adolescenti suscettibili a farsi mutilare il corpo

sano se insoddisfatti cosicché assomigliasse di più al corpo del sesso con cui si identificano. La dissacrazione del corpo umano, Tempio dello Spirito Santo, continua per tutte le età. Chi è schiavo della pornografia richiede eccitazioni sempre più intense e allora ecco che il demonio spinge a far video dove le vittime vengono torturate e poi uccise.

La distruzione coinvolge anche persone anziane e malate se il demonio le convincesse che sono di peso agli altri e che la soluzione migliore a por fine a tutte le loro traversie fosse l'eutanasia.

Davanti a tanta sfrontatezza di satana non possiamo restare a guardare. Il Signore della vita ci chiama a lottare in difesa della vita dal concepimento alla morte naturale. Sta a noi il chiedere la luce e la forza dello Spirito Santo per il trionfo della vita e la gloria di Dio. **P. Dino Vanin, PIME**



Browse our website: sanfrancescochurch.org to keep current on information. You can also go to the facebook page as well for changing events.



Remember to register your child for next year! You must do this every year to attend again in the fall. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church in the magazine rack or you can print one online through our website.

Join us for any of our services offered each day, we enjoy seeing your faces and having your presence in our church!