# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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#### **Entrance Antiphon** (Cf. Revelation 21.2)

I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

# **First Reading** (*Ezekiel 47.1-2,8-9,12*)

Then the Angel of the Lord brought me back to the entrance of the temple; there, water was flowing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the temple faced east; and the water was flowing down from below the right side of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me around on the outside to the outer gate that faces toward the east; and the water was coming out on the right side.

He said to me, "This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes.

"On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Psalm 46)

# R. The streams make glad the city of God, the habitation of the Most High.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea. **R**.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. **R**.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what awesome things he has brought on the earth. **R.** 

# **Second Reading** (1 Cor 3:9b-11, 16-17)

Brothers and sisters, you are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it.

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (2 Chronicles 7.16)

**Alleluia.** Alleluia. I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there forever. **Alleluia.** 

# Gospel (Jn 2:13-22)

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables.

Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

They then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But Jesus was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## SUNDAY'S REFLECTION: Our Body is the Holy Spirit's Temple!

St. John Lateran church, being the oldest basilica in the world and the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome, is considered the mother and head of all the churches in the world. We honor this church as a sign of our love and communion with the church. Moreover, this feast is personally our own for the true temple, which Christ referred to in the Gospel, is Himself. The new temple is the Body of Christ, which is us. It was already in the plan of God from the beginning to dwell in us.

We received the Spirit of the Lord during our baptism. However, we can easily drive away this Spirit whenever we sin. One of the most powerful idols we have is money, which is what incited the anger of Jesus in today's Gospel. Jesus wants to defend us from the traps of being attached to money because this can enslave us. He knows that this attachment often prevents us from loving God.

We worship God in the temple of our body. We put the foundation of our life on a firm rock, which is Christ. This is the rock from which water flows, as Ezekiel says in the first reading. This water is the Spirit of Christ, water that gives life to us, allowing us to bear fruit. May the water pour out on us to purify us from our sins.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for November 2025:** For the prevention of suicide: "Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life."

#### PRAYER FOR OUR BELOVED SICK



Robert de Luca, Diedrie Margaret Mackay, Agnes Rosales, Meg Anano, William Snyder, Mara Nealy, Haanah, Patricia Jayme, Liko Victor Sales, Ricardo Tan, Agnes Rosales, Lance S., Esther Mejia, Priyanti Djuhana, Remy Remedios Pamittan, Leah Manguera, Gerry Hay

# **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)**

The Church dedicates the month of November for the commemoration of all the faithful departed. During this special time, we are invited to write the names of departed loved ones in the Remembrance Book. These names will be remembered during Mass throughout the month of November.

# Our Parish Life of Service

#### **Mass Times**

WEEKDAYS: Tuesday-Friday: 12:05 PM.

WEEKENDS: Saturday: 5:30 PM; Sunday: 9 AM • 11 AM • 4:30 PM

Baptism: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month - Parent preparation session required

Marriage: a minimum of six months before the desired date.

Contact: E-mail: info@stfranciscalgary.com or Tel: 403-266-2512.

Confessions: 20 minutes before all masses or after.

**Rosary:** 30 minutes before Mass.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** after Wednesday Mass.

Eucharistic Divine Mercy Adoration: 20 Minutes before Mass, every 1st

Friday of the month.

#### **OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD**

for the week of Oct 28 - Nov 02, 2025

Regular Collection: Loose: \$ 1,137.00

Envelopes: \$ 2,410.00

TIA: \$ 180.00

# **TOGETHER IN ACTION (TIA)**

Our Parish 2025 Goal: \$ **13,861.99** Raised to date: \$ **8,351.00** 

To raise: \$ **5,510.99** 

Please help our parish reach the TIA goal by online or by contribution by envelopes. Thank

you very much. May God bless you for your generous donations.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our parish.

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