Welcome to the NSA Monterey Chapel
St Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Community

15 October 2017
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

~ Pastoral Advisory Council 2017 ~

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Attendance & Financials

Sunday, October 1st, 2017: 137
Weekday: 42
Offering: $447.23

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Sunday Mass: 0900
Weekday Mass (Mon – Thurs): 1205
Holy Days of Obligation: 1205 & 1715
Sacrament of Penance
Confession/Reconciliation

Available by Appointment & the
First and Third Sunday of each month 0830-0900
WANTED: Preschool teacher for Religious Education.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Founder of the Franciscan Order, born at Assisi in Umbria, in 1181. In 1182, Pietro Bernardone returned from a trip to France to find out his wife had given birth to a son. Far from being excited or apologetic because he'd been gone, Pietro was furious because she'd had his new son baptized Giovanni after John the Baptist. The last thing Pietro wanted in his son was a man of God -- he wanted a man of business, a cloth merchant like he was, and he especially wanted a son who would reflect his infatuation with France. So he renamed his son Francesco -- which is the equivalent of calling him Frenchman. Francis enjoyed a very rich easy life growing up because of his father's wealth and the permissiveness of the times. From the beginning everyone -- and I mean everyone -- loved Francis. He was constantly happy, charming, and a born leader. If he was picky, people excused him. If he was ill, people took care of him. If he was so much of a dreamer he did poorly in school, no one minded. In many ways he was too easy to like for his own good. No one tried to control him or teach him. As he grew up, Francis became the leader of a crowd of young people who spent their nights in wild parties. Thomas of Celano, his biographer who knew him well, said, "In other respects an exquisite youth, he attracted to himself a whole retinue of young people addicted to evil and accustomed to vice." Francis himself said, "I lived in sin" during that time. Francis fulfilled every hope of Pietro's -- even falling in love with France. He loved the songs of France, the romance of France, and especially the free adventurous troubadours of France who wandered through Europe. And despite his dreaming, Francis was also good at business. But Francis wanted more..more than wealth. But not holiness! Francis wanted to be a noble, a knight. Battle was the best place to win the glory and prestige he longed for. He got his first chance when Assisi declared war on their longtime enemy, the nearby town of Perugia. Most of the troops from Assisi were butchered in the fight. Only those wealthy enough to expect to be ransomed were taken prisoner. At last Francis was among the nobility like he always wanted to be...but chained in a harsh, dark dungeon. All accounts say that he never lost his happy manner in that horrible place...

SOURCE: http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?id=50

WEEKDAY READINGS

Mon 16th: ROM 1:1-7; PS 98:1BCDE, 2-3AB, 3CD-4; PS 95:8; LK 11:29-32
Tue 17th: ROM 1:16-25; PS 19:2-3, 4-5; HEB 4:12; LK 11:37-41
Thu 19th: ROM 3:21-30; PS 130:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6AB; JN 14:6; LK 11:47-54
Fri 20th: ROM 4:1-8; PS 32:1B-2, 5, 11; PS 33:22; LK 12:1-7
Sat 21st: ROM 4:13, 16-18; PS 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43; JN 15:26B, 27A; LK 12:8-12