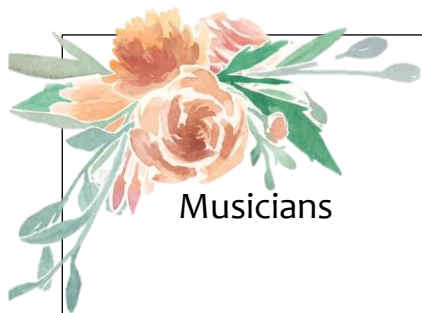




Credits

Musicians

Sister Carol Juckem, keyboard

Sister Carol Ann Gambsky, flute

Composer of Music

Sister Carol Juckem

Robes courtesy of Roncalli High School

The image on the cover of this program is of the marriage of Saint Francis and Lady Poverty, located in the ceiling above the altar in the lower basilica of St. Francis, in Assisi. It is part of the paintings depicting the Triumph of St Francis and three allegories of Obedience, Poverty and Chastity by the so-called Maestro delle Vele (Master of the Assisi vaults), a pupil of Giotto (about 1330).

Closing Prayer

Please pray with cast

Humbly receive the grace offered you.

Always use it worthily for the praise and glory and honor
of Him Who died for you, Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Who lives and reigns, conquers and rules with the Father
and the Holy Spirit, God eternally glorious, forever and ever.

Amen.

No Applause



THE DIALOGUE OF SAINT FRANCIS AND LADY POVERTY

A Sacred Reading



Holy Family Convent
St. Mary Chapel
September 6, 2026

The Dialogue of Saint Francis and Lady Poverty is a Reader’s Theatre adaptation of “The Sacred Exchange between Saint Francis and Lady Poverty”. According to Father Regis Armstrong in Francis of Assisi, vol. 1, page 523, the essay was written as an appeal to the friars to return to the idealism of poverty on which the community of Francis and his early followers was built. Saint Francis’ biblical vision of poverty is presented by Lady Poverty and Francis in the story of salvation history.



The Story

Prologue: Poverty, the most excellent virtue

Francis seeks Lady Poverty in Assisi

Francis asks others to join the search

Lady Poverty welcomes Francis and his brothers

Lady Poverty tells the story of God’s love

Christ Jesus comes to establish the Covenant

Greed tempts some Brothers

Francis and Brothers accept Lady Poverty

Brothers prepare a banquet for Lady Poverty

Lady Poverty asks for Heaven’s blessing

Readers

(In order of appearance)

Narrators	Sister Adrianna Schouten Sister Natalie Binversie
Lord God	Sister Greta Peter
Francis	Sister Myra Jean Sweigart
Angelina, Citizen of Assisi	Sister Mary Kaye Winkler
Sophia, Citizen of Assisi	Sister Mariella Erdmann
Isabella, Country Woman	Sister Marlita Henseler
Paola, Country Woman	Sister Mary Frances Maher
Lady Poverty	Sister Julie Ann Sheahan
Brothers	Sister Laura Wolf Sister Carol Seidl Sister Theresa Feldkamp Sister Kay Klackner Sister Sue Ann Hall Sister Elaine Turba
Adam	Sister Jan Villemure
Angels	Sister Helen Marie Paul Sister Ann Carla Baumann Sister Caritas Strodthoff Sister Carolee Vanness
Greed	Sister Pamela Biehl
Apostles	Sister Mariadele Jacobs Sister Michelle Marie Ozuna Sister Maria Goretti Scandaliato