

St. Francis of Assisi as Image of Christ

In Word, Painting, and Music: A Lenten Meditation



Presented by Dr. Christina Labriola, ThD

Wednesdays, February 17 to March 24, 2027 | 11:00 AM to 12:45 PM

In person (St. Joseph Chapel), livestream, & recording



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