

HAPPY FEAST of the PORTIUNCULA



THIS PLACE

*The Portiuncula housed within a huge basilica
(Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli)*

THE HOLY MAN LOVED MORE THAN OTHER PLACES IN THE WORLD;

*he stayed there regularly out of his reverence for the angels
he sensed and his special love for the mother of Christ;*

FOR HERE HE BEGAN HUMBLY, abandoned and deserted he repaired it;

HERE HE PROGRESSED VIRTUOUSLY, moved by warm devotion toward Mary, he first came to know perfectly the way of truth;

HERE HE ENDED HAPPILY. where Francis wanted to give back his soul to God.

THIS PLACE In this place, "The Little Portion,"

HE ENTRUSTED TO HIS BROTHERS AT HIS DEATH from this place from which the friars were sent on mission to the world,

AS THE MOST BELOVED OF THE VIRGIN. from Saint Mary of the Angels.

**SACRED HEART PROVINCE
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**ST. BONAVENTURE, THE MAJOR LIFE OF ST. FRANCIS (LGMaj2.8)
Reflection by Sr. Sarah Manchester, Vicar**