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Sunday Obligation: Saturday evening: 4:30 p.m. for Sunday

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday thru Friday 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday thru Thursday 5:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. Saturday

8:35 a.m. Wednesday during school year

Holy Day Obligation: Anticipated 5:30 p.m.

Holy Day 6:30 and 5:30 p.m.

EXPOSITION AND RECONCILIATION

4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. AND 3:00-4:00 p.m. Saturday,
 or call the Parish Office for an Appointment.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

MAY 18, 2025

Acts 14:21-27; Revelation 21:1-5a;
 John 13:31-33a,34-35

Times change. Personnel come and go. We pass from one phase of life to another. This weekend, many will graduate from college; they will then go on to something new in life. This summer, many priests will receive changes of assignment; both priests and people must adjust.

Today's first reading describes a change in the Churches of Asia Minor. Paul is going to leave; they probably won't see him again. He ordains priests there, and commends them to God's care.

We can't hang on to the old forever. Parents must let go of their children. Teachers must let go of their students. We must all have faith and hope that God will always be with us.

The second reading tells of another change: John sees a new heaven and a new earth. The old had passed away. There might be nostalgia for the old and the comfortable, but the new will be better. We of the older generation must trust that the younger generation will have wisdom and insight and divine guidance as they face a new world.

The Gospel selection is Jesus' last instructions to his disciples. The big change would happen soon: He would return to his Father through his death, resurrection, and ascension. Before he leaves, he gives us a new commandment. The new commandment is the moral imperative of every Christian. We are called to love each other as Christ Jesus has loved us!

With the power of God's spirit, let us always strive to do this. Then each day will be new and vibrant. Then we shall have peace of soul even in crisis and adversity. Then we shall see that God is with us, and that all will be well.

--Msgr. William Carr
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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This weekend the readings are great news for us! Paul and Barnabas are traveling around the gentile world preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. At the end of the reading, they proclaim “how [God] had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles,” which is good news for the majority of us. We are gentiles, at least most of us. We don’t have Jewish heritage. We gentiles are grafted onto the family tree of Jesus. We too then can follow Christ and rise with Him.

There is an old quip that Judas was the first to leave Mass early, as he left the Last Supper to go and betray Jesus. Maybe not a good idea to follow that lead and stick around a few minutes longer. Today in the scriptures after Judas leaves, Jesus exhorts His apostles about the glory of God. “How the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in Him,” and how we witness the glory of God in His death and resurrection. This glory is how we are called to love. We are called to serve and follow His example of laying down our lives. He exhorts us, “As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” How are we called to love? To serve and lay down our lives for Christ and one another? We will be known as His disciples by our love. May we then love as Jesus loved.

I surely felt that love these last few months from you all. As I said last Sunday, I do not think I would still be here if it wasn’t for the immensity of prayer from so many. Prayer is not always answered in the way we want. Sometimes the answer is no, and we need to learn for that to be ok. Sometimes the answer doesn’t look the way we want, but we need to learn for that to be ok. Surely, I did not want to need open heart surgery and was hoping for a miracle that all these blockages would just go away and be healed, but that wasn’t the answer, which is ok. I received the miracle of open-heart surgery and quadruple bypass. I was able to offer my suffering and pain as prayers for many. I was able to rely on the goodness of so many caring for me both in the medical field, as well as my family and friends, including you, my parishioners. Your cards, letters, gifts, generosity, prayers, and love were all felt. It is what got me through and kept me moving in recovery.

I thank you all. I thank Bishop Paprocki for his immense care and for visiting me so much. I thank my brother priests for caring for me. I thank my family and friends for nurturing me back to health. I thank the medical teams at Blessing and St. John’s for their wonderful healing care. I thank specifically Dr. Stephen Hazelrigg, my cardiothoracic surgeon, Dr. Steven Krause, for doing my heart catheterization, Dr. Mark Baker who was the Blessing Emergency Room physician who diagnosed my heart attacks, and Dr. Isidoros Vardaros the hospitalist who oversaw my care here at Blessing. I also want to thank Fr. Scott, Fr. Ken, Deacon Wayne, and Deacon Dennis for keeping the ship running. Thank you to Fr. Barko and Fr. Zehnle who filled in some while I was gone. Thank you to all the staff and anyone else I am missing. Thank you so much to all of you reading this for your prayers and love!

Fr. Arisman

Weekday Mass Intentions

May 19 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Lugering
May 20 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Robert Duesterhaus
	5:30 p.m.	Susan Schoonover
May 21 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Lugering
	5:30 p.m.	John Beck and Steve McNally
May 22 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	David Summers
	5:30 p.m.	John Blickhan
May 23 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Dan Richmiller
May 24 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Sally Andrews and Georgeann LaRoche
	4:30 p.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis
May 25 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Louis Demers and Pete and Betty Harman
	9:00 a.m.	Linda Blickhan and Marcia Tushaus
	11:00 a.m.	Rosie Madison and Robert Duesterhaus

This week in the Parish:

Monday, May 19

6:30 a.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. PSR
7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace
7:15 p.m. BEAR meeting

Tuesday, May 20

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters
11:00 a.m. QCS Pastors meeting
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Ladies of St. Francis meeting

Wednesday, May 21

6:30 a.m. Mass
8:35 a.m. SFS Mass
5:30 p.m. Mass
5:30 p.m. Parish Picnic meeting
6:30 p.m. Choir practice

Thursday, May 22

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion
6:30 p.m. OCIA
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion

Friday, May 23

6:30 a.m. Mass
12:00 p.m. QCS meeting
3:30 p.m. QCS meeting

Saturday, May 24

8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
4:30 p.m. Mass

Week of 5/11/2025

Week

YTD

Regular Collection	\$29,902.52	\$1,151,751.12
Loose Collection	\$1,863.05	\$77,283.44
Total Collection	\$31,765.57	\$1,229,034.56
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$1,440,000.00
Difference	\$-234.43	\$-210,965.44

Annual School Fund:

Week: \$3,823.08

YTD: \$175,210.75

Rest in Peace
Mary Kay Gustison
November 17, 1948—April 25, 2025

The annual **Memorial Day Mass** will be held at the Calvary Cemetery Chapel on Monday, May 26 at 9 a.m. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of rain, the service will be here at St. Francis.

Employment Opportunity: St. Francis School is looking for a **Cafeteria Coordinator** who also could do some cooking. For more information please contact Principal Julie Radel at jradel@stfrancissolanus.com or call the school at 217-222-4077.

Totus Tuus is coming up. Make plans to attend!
*St. Peter and St. Francis are working together to bring another Totus Tuus Camp to our area this summer. Totus Tuus is a week filled with fun and faith! The **Evening Camp** runs from Sunday, June 15 through Thursday, June 19 from 6:30—8:15 at St. Francis School. Teens who are entering 7th – 12th grade in the fall of 2025 are welcome to attend.*
*The **Day Camp** will take place Monday, June 16 – Friday, June 20 from 9:00—2:30. This camp is for students entering 1st grade through 6th grade this fall.*
The cost of the camp is \$25 per child or \$60 for three or more siblings. All area youth are welcome! To sign up please, use this link:
<https://dio.org/totus-tuus-camper-registration/>.

QND Job Opening: Full-Time English Teacher. Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference by Friday, May 23, to QND Principal Mark McDowell, mmcdowell@qndhs.org.

The Office for Vocations will be hosting its annual Called and Sent Retreat July 19-23 at the Villa Maria Retreat Center in Springfield. Called and Sent is open to all high school students, including those who have just graduated, and offers an opportunity for prayer, fellowship and formation. Students can register at go.dio.org/cas.



May is the Month of Mary
To honor the Mother of God, the Rosary will be recited before all weekend masses at St. Francis during the month of May. Please bring your rosary and pray along with the leader.

Welcome

*Dani Snyder
and her son Hunter Phillips
We are delighted you have chosen
St. Francis Solanus to be your new
parish home.*

Spring “Cleaning” for the Food Pantry

Please consider giving hygiene and cleaning items to the food pantry for the rest of this spring season. People in need struggle to find the extra money for hygiene and cleaning items, so let's help them out! Items may be left in the food pantry bins located at all entrances to church.

Explore how the early Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, spread the Good News to the world.

Join Victoria Holtschlag for a small group on Acts, every Monday **starting June 2** from 6-7 p.m. in the parish center. We'll look at how the Church's structure and authority took root, and how the challenges and triumphs of the early Christians relate to our lives today. Childcare is provided, but limited, so register now! Call or text Grant at

217-602-9293 or go to:

<http://bit.ly/saint-francis-acts-study>.

Holy Name News: The Holy Name banquet is scheduled for Ascension Thursday, May 29 at 6:30 p.m. All men of the parish are invited! We have a great meal planned and plenty of drinks to go with it! The dinner is also a good time to pay your \$10 Holy Name dues. Please make your reservations by May 26 to Secretary Mark Meyer at mjmeyer861@gmail.com or 517-862-1805.

Knights of Columbus News: The Thursday Night Raffle is up to \$32,872. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8:00. Ball season has started and there will be no more Friday night dinners until September.

The Hospitality Ministry is in need of one person to take over Monday visits to the hospital. We also would like to have three subs to fill in for vacations and sickness. Please contact Mary Fitzsimmons at 217-553-8871 if you would like to help.

Jesus and the Eucharist Study Summer Session

The Jesus and the Eucharist small group study is being offered one more time—on seven Wednesday evenings this summer. This video study provides an opportunity to grow closer to Jesus. Each session is full of rich theological content, powerful testimonies and unique and timely messages from some of the most brilliant voices in Catholicism today. This is a great opportunity to explore the mystery of the Eucharist anew, and to grow in community together.

Please join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30, June 11-July 23 in the parish center. You can register through the parish office by June 9. Study handouts will be provided at no charge. Facilitators are Bob and Jane Haas. You may call them at 217-257-0533 for more information.

Men of the parish are cordially invited to check out the **St. Francis Men's Morning Group**, which still has two more sessions of its video study. The **May 30** video is titled "Share Your Faith," and the **June 2** presentation is "The Meaning of Life." Doors open at 6 a.m., the program begins at 6:30 and finishes by 7:30. The goal of this ministry is to help men grow in their Catholic faith and become the men God is calling them to be.

Please join us!



Thank you!
To Frericks Gardens for their generous donation of plants during the Easter season and throughout the liturgical year

Ladies of St. Francis News:

- Our next and final dinner meeting of the spring will be Tuesday, May 20 after the 5:30 Mass. Cost of the dinner is \$10. Reservations can be made by calling or
- texting Helen Zimmerman, 217-242-6692. We will be celebrating the month of Mary and Mother's Day.
- The Holy Name men will be cooking, so we know it will be a great meal! Please plan to join us!



News from the Picnic Committee:

Please reach out to a committee member or visit stfrancissolanus.com/picnic-volunteer/ to volunteer. You'll meet new people and be part of a parish-wide effort to make a really successful picnic!

Envelopes that include picnic information, raffle tickets, etc. can be picked up from the back of church or the gathering space. Purchased tickets, baskets and donations can be turned in at the parish office or given to a committee member.

Raffle tickets can also be placed in the collection basket at Mass.

Remember! The picnic takes place Saturday, June 21, from 5:00 p.m. until midnight.

What: Live Music, Beer & Wine, Outside & Inside Food, 50/50, Cash & Basket Raffle, BINGO, Dunk Tank, Silent Auction, and more!

Please reach out to any committee member with questions or to volunteer. Feel free to email committee members at sfspicnic@gmail.com.

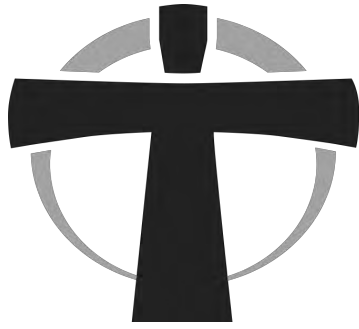
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St. Francis Solanus School

INSPIRING FAITH, KNOWLEDGE & SERVICE



Pictured are the St. Francis School students who participated in this year's school play, *The Enchanted Bookshop Musical*, May 2-3. Twenty-three students made appearances on stage and five worked backstage. The show was directed by Jane Ann Petty with assistance from Joshua Crawl and Rebecca Weir.



May 2025
BEAR

St. Francis Solanus Youth Apostolate
"Friends Who Bear the Love of Christ"

Monday, May 12 - 8th Grade Celebration

Let's celebrate the 8th grade moving onto High School!

Bring a snack to share. Root beer floats will be provided.

Monday, May 19 - 5th Grade Night

5th graders are invited to join BEAR! Bring a snack to share.

Who: 6th - 12th grades Where: Parish Hall When: Mondays 7:15 - 8:30
coordinator Jane Ann Petty (217) 222-2898 x101 jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com

School Summer Office Hours

June and August: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Monday through Thursday. Office closed in July. People may reach St. Francis School throughout the summer by leaving a voicemail message or sending an email; 217-222-4077 or school@stfrancissolanus.com. We will return your message. Principal Julie Radel's email is: jradel@stfrancissolanus.com.

May 24 & 25	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Makayla Patton Zayne Mitchell	Christina Ehrhart Barbara Girouard Amy Kaiser Jessica Vieth	Michael Bickhaus Jim Kaiser Edward Mitchell Russell Rohrer <u>Two Needed Please</u>	Stephen Davis Chryssia Hea	Betty Kaufmann Cindy Reichert Gift Bearer Connie Gordon
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Eli Terwelp <u>One Needed Please</u>	Craig Budde Kay Gallaher Aurie McGee Emilie Venverloth	Joyce Frericks Kevin Frericks Perry Terwelp James Wilper George Venvertloh Richard Zeidler	Rick Haugh Roseann Stuckman	Sandra Banning Jerald Meyer Gift Bearer Terry Niemann
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Damien Alonzo Michael Alonzo Philomena Alonzo	Carol Darnell Holly Hummel Jayna Klauser Anne Meyer	Rob Frese Robert Hastings Terry Kistner Mark Meyer John McDowell Michael Zanger	Bradley Hummel Donna Mangold	Prudy Patterson <u>One Needed Please</u> Gift Bearer Gary Bracy
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Aubree Fry Sophia Mason Elliott Ormond	Caitlin Kendrick Doris Karhoff Marvin Knuffman Rebecca Wear	Melissa Arnold Diann Cole James Doellman Marty Karhoff Evan Reichert Rose Willer	Alice Arnold Zachary Maas	Nancy Hufendick Brenda Wand Gift Bearer Dennis Greving
<u>Saturday Morning Mass Server</u> <u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u>		May 24, 8:00 a.m. May 25, 9:00 a.m.	Allison Ormond and Whitney Ormond Adayre Klauser		



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