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MASSSES

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.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 20, 2025

Genesis 18:1-10a;

Colossians 1:24-28;

Luke 10:38-42

In the nomadic culture of the ancient Middle East, *hospitality* was the principal virtue. Even an enemy had to be treated as a brother as long as he was under your tent. In the first reading, Abraham shows this kind of hospitality to three “strangers.” He was rewarded by the promise that his free wife, Sarah, would have a son.

But, as important as hospitality was, Jesus says that there is something even more important: Listening to and reflecting on his word are more important than the details of hospitality.

Someone must do the cooking and cleaning up. We must never permit others to work while we play. But when a friend visits, we should pay attention to the friend, and not to minute details of hospitality. How much more should we pay attention to our friend, Jesus, who is always with us? Martha is the ideal church worker; Mary is the ideal disciple.

The second reading teaches the value of our crosses when offered in union with Christ. We are one with him in the Mystical Body, the Church. Our words, works, and prayers, take on a new and infinite dimension when offered through and with Christ.

We participate in the very redemptive act of his cross. In this reading, Paul also marvels at the great “mystery” of God’s mercy. Jews hated non-Jews (Gentiles), and non-Jews (Gentiles) hated Jews. The “mystery” is that God has brought the two together in Jesus Christ.

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

On the Gift of Priesthood

The readings for this Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time present for our reflection the theme of hospitality. Where hospitality is well shown, the beneficiary is very happy, feels loved and experiences the sense of tranquility. In the first reading from Genesis, Abraham and his family showed a classical example of hospitality to three men on a journey. In the gospel passage, Mary and Martha showed hospitality to Jesus according to their individual natures. Martha was more concerned about material hospitality – what to eat, what to drink, a befitting place to host Him, etc. Mary on the other hand was more concerned about spiritual hospitality – listening to the innermost concerns of Jesus.

I write simply to appreciate your hospitality and love since I came into this wonderful and beautiful parish last September to minister to you. One of the earliest things that caught my attention is the politeness of the people of Quincy. You received me with enthusiasm and ever since, it has been all joy flowing along with you. Your hospitality as people and individuals has kept my ministry smooth and juicy.

Last Monday, July 14, marked the 13th anniversary of my priestly ordination. The way you greeted the news and the continuous outpouring of congratulations and prayers were quite exhilarating. I write to thank you all.

Priesthood is a gift. The job of the receiver is to be appreciative to God, the giver of the gift, by total dedication of oneself to God's service. It is not easy, but the beautiful news is that the same giver of the gift gives enabling graces for the best use of the gift. God is ever ready to give that gift for the good of His Church but He needs those who will accept it with their whole heart. Having taken hold of this gift for 13 good years, I testify that it is one of the best things that can happen to a soul. To be a priest is wonderful. I invite men and boys to open up for the possibility of receiving this wonderful gift. A "yes" wholeheartedly said is the fundamental step to receiving it. Encourage your sons and grandsons, relatives and friends, if it is the will of God.

Fr. Kenneth Ahanonu

Weekday Mass Intentions

July 21 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Dick Gengenbacher and Dorothy Shea
July 22 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Dan Richmiller
	5:30 p.m.	Louis Demers
July 23 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Lugering
	5:30 p.m.	Marcia Tushaus
July 24 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Harvey Fitzsimmons
	5:30 p.m.	Virginia Paben and Don Wiemelt
July 25 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Carlene Waterkotte and Sharon Kuhlman
July 26 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Donna Kerkhoff
	4:30 p.m.	Carl, Connie and Fr. Gary Bernhardt
July 27 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis
	9:00 a.m.	Harry Malinski and Donna Kerkhoff
	11:00 a.m.	Todd Schutte and George Barry

This week in the Parish:

Monday, July 21

6:30 a.m. Mass
8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
6:00 p.m. Acts Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace

Tuesday, July 22

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:15 p.m. Stewardship meeting
7:00 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

Wednesday, July 23

6:30 a.m. Mass
1:00 p.m. QCS meeting
4:00 p.m. Adoration
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Jesus and the Eucharist study
7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group

Thursday, July 24

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion
1:30 p.m. QCS meeting
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion

Friday, July 25

6:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, July 26

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

Week of 7/13/2025

Week

YTD

Collections to Support the Church

Regular Collection	\$18,336.68	\$44,278.40
Loose Collection	\$1,717.65	\$3,729.16
Holy Days, Special Collections	\$0.00	\$0.00

Total Collection \$20,054.33 \$48,007.56

Budget Needed Support	\$27,850.00	\$55,700.00
Difference	-\$7,795.67	\$-7,692.44

School Support Goal

Annual School Fund	\$1,379.10	YTD: \$19,108.65
Budget Goal for School Support	\$3,650.00	YTD: \$7,300.00

Women of the Quincy Deanery Parishes: Our Women's Summer Gathering is **Wednesday, August 13 at Holy Family Parish in Mt. Sterling.** The theme is: Woman as daughter, sister, bride, and Mother. The featured speaker is Sr. M. Clementia Toolson, FSGM, from our diocese office of Catholic Education, Evangelization and Faith Formation. Registration begins at 7:45 a.m. Cost is \$10. Mass begins at 8:30, with Adoration before and the rosary. 10 o'clock breakfast, followed by the meeting and lunch, ending around 2 o'clock. Contact Claudia Coggeshall, QDCCW president, at 217-653-6716 or rccogg@adams.net.

There will be an hour of Adoration for Priests followed by Benediction at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 2223 St. Anthony Rd. in Quincy **today from 3-4 p.m.** All are invited to come and pray for your priests.

White House Men's and Women's Annual Retreat

Join the men of our parish signing up for the 2025 Annual Silent Retreat at the White House Retreat Center in St. Louis, starting **Monday, September 29** at noon and ending **Thursday, October 2** at noon. Call or email your name and phone number for your reservation to John Venegoni, 217-430-2234 or jvenegoni6808@comcast.net.

Deadline to register is August 15.

The Women's White House Annual Silent Retreat starts **Monday, October, 6** and ends **Thursday, October 9.** Call or email your name and phone number for your reservation to Debra Schulte, 217-430-5144 or dschulte2424@gmail.com. **Deadline to register is August 21.**



Gifts from the Garden: The St. Francis Food Pantry would like parishioners to share produce from their gardens this summer to be passed on to the clients who use the pantry. Please bring produce to the North Entrance of church and place it in the Food Pantry bin. This is a wonderful way to serve those in need!

Thought for the Week: Every Holy Mass, heard with devotion, produces in our soul marvelous effects, abundant spiritual and material graces which we cannot fathom. It is easier for the earth to exist without the sun than without the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!
Padre Pio.



9th Annual DJ Memorial Golf Tournament **Saturday, August 9 at**

Spring Lake Country Club in Quincy.

Register online today at 7memorialgolf.com or on Facebook at 7memorialgolf.

\$100 per person, \$400 per team.

Registration and lunch at noon, shotgun start at 1 p.m. Scramble format.

All proceeds help fund the DJ Venvertloh Memorial Scholarship at QND. DJ was a lifelong Quincy resident, a 2002 graduate of QND and a major advocate for Catholic schooling. He passed away in 2014 from a brain tumor.

We're Hiring a Small Group Missionary!

Are you passionate about building community and fostering faith? St. Francis is seeking a Small Group Missionary to manage and grow our small group program. In this role you will: Find opportunities to connect with parishioners; make invitations to start or join small groups and help leaders grow their groups. This part-time position offers \$15-\$17 per hour, depending on your experience. Hours must be mutually agreed upon with the Director of Religious Education. This role is supported by grant funding, so continued employment is contingent upon the availability of these funds.

Qualifications: Active and faithful member of the Catholic church, with a strong understanding of Catholic teaching; demonstrated experience in outreach, recruiting, and training; excellent interpersonal and communication skills; ability to work independently and collaboratively. Prior experience with small group leadership is a plus.

To Apply: Go to bit.ly/smallgroupmissionary.

Questions? Call or text Grant Wilson, 217-602-9293.

Holy Name News: There will be no Holy Name meeting in July. It's not too late to pay your \$10 Holy Name dues. You can drop them in a marked envelope in the collection basket.

Knights of Columbus News: The Thursday Night Raffle is up to \$39,367. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8:00. Mark your calendars for the K of C BBQ, August 8-10 this year!

Calling All Classic Cars Enthusiasts!

*The fourth annual Allison Holbrook Memorial Car and Truck Show will take place on **Sunday,***

August 24 from 7:30 a.m.-noon at St. Francis.

*We're looking for **parishioners only** to enter a car, truck, tractor, boat, motorcycle, or other vehicle that is at least 30 years old. For more information contact Deacon Dennis Holbrook, 217-257-4384 or Alan Blickhan, 217-257-1445.*

Victim Assistance and Child Abuse Reporting

To report child sexual abuse by church personnel or to inquire about the Safe Environment Program in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois call 217-321-1155 or Quanaa Sexual Assault Program, 2707 Maine St., Quincy, 217-223-2030.

Server Training: We are offering Server Training on the following dates and times. All training is done in the church.

Monday, August 4 — 5-6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 5 — 2-3:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 9 — 8:30-10 a.m.

Please call Deacon Wayne Zimmerman at 430-7792 to register. We are limiting each session to six new servers. This training is for new servers in fourth through eighth grade who have received First Eucharist and Confirmation. A parent or guardian is required to stay for the training to help fit your child with a cassock and surplis.

Advanced Server Training is being offered

Monday August 11 from 5-7 p.m. We will cover the use of incense, especially the issue of safety. All who attend will receive a "hands-on" experience. We also will cover the use of candles in procession. This session is not limited in size. All who have received initial server training are welcome.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

- We hope everyone will join us when meetings resume in September. Until then, we wish you
- all a healthy and blessed summer.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Explore OCIA at St. Francis Solanus

Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Program is for:

- Those who are unbaptized
- Christians baptized in other denominations
- Catholics who haven't received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist
- Anyone curious about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches.

OCIA is a journey of conversion, guiding participants toward a deeper relationship with Jesus and his Church. Our sessions explore what Catholics believe and why through discussion, prayer and fellowship.

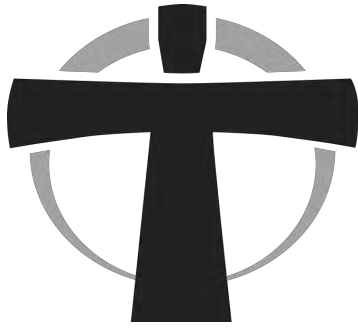
Join us for sessions held every other Thursday evening from 6:30-8:15 in the parish center.

We'll begin on Thursday, September 4.

Interested, but not ready for a class? Contact Grant Wilson at gwilson@stfrancissolanus.com or call/text at 217-602-9293 with questions.

QND Soccer Camp— The QND Boys Soccer Team will be hosting their annual summer camp for incoming Kindergarten-6th grade boys, **July 28-31**. Come learn soccer skills and have fun with your friends. Please scan the QR code to register.





St. Francis Solanus School

INSPIRING FAITH, KNOWLEDGE & SERVICE



Thea Gengenbacher (left) and Belle Wiemelt (right) are this year's recipient's of the Marilyn and Steven Prater Family Fund scholarship, which was founded in 2008 in memory of Marilyn Prater, who taught elementary school for over 40 years. The fund is dedicated to cultivating reading and the fine arts in St. Francis Solanus School students, and these two students were chosen because they share Marilyn's passions for reading and fine arts.

St. Francis Solanus School August Events

Wednesday, August 6 is Play in the Park from 6:30-8 p.m. at Upper Moorman Park off N. 36th St.

Tuesday, August 12 is Preschool Orientation from 6:30-7:30 p.m. This is for parents and caregivers only.

Wednesday, August 13 K-8 New Family orientation 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Sunday, August 17 Blessing of the Backpacks starts at 4 p.m. in the church.

St. Francis School Job Openings:

After School Childcare Coordinator—Must be at least 21 years old. Hours are 3-5:30 p.m.

Childcare Workers - Must be at least 16 years old by the time school begins. Hours are 3-4:30 p.m.

Assistant Cook— Hours will be approximately 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on days when school is in session. Please contact Principal Julie Radel at 217-222-4077 or jradel@stfrancissolanus.com.

All people will have a background check with fingerprinting from the Springfield diocese at their expense.

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July 26-27	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer	
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	David Bickhaus Jacob Collins Piper Steward	Marsha Collins Jane Dietrich Darlene Mayes <u>One Needed Please</u>	Michael Bickhaus Edward Mitchell John Obert	Russell Rohrer Greg Ehrhardt Michael Eling	Steve McMillen Roseann Stuckman	Kristine Bickhaus Logan Callahan Gift Bearer Kimberly Zecchel
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Alexandra Gengenbacher Nathan Steinkamp	Jane Gregory Gary Hilgenbrinck Craig Budde Aurie McGee	John Benz Emilie Venvertloh George Venvertloh Timothy Venvertloh	Terrence Obert Roch Schulte	Carolyn Briddle	Kay Gallaher Larry Klauser Gift Bearer Bradley Soebbing
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Damien Alonzo Michael Alonzo Philomena Alonzo	Anne Betts Vieve Veith Marty Steinkoenig Leila Weppler	Jason Costigan Sam Zanger Karl Venvertloh	Michael Patterson Aaron Kerkhoff Gary Darnell	John McDowell <u>One Needed Please</u>	Brian Dreier Mary Fitzsimmons Gift Bearer Joseph Darnell
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Benjamin Eling <u>Two Needed Please</u>	Alice Arnold Caitlin Kendrick Carol Steinbrecher Marcia Steinkamp	Rose Willer James Doellman Ron Gengenbacher	Zachary Maas Marty Karhoff Steven Obert	Kayleigh Ketchum Dennis Steinkamp	Nancy Hufendick Doris Karhoff Gift Bearer Connie Gordon
<u>Saturday Morning Mass Server</u> <u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u>		July 26, 8:00 a.m. July 27, 9:00 a.m.	Quinn Wiewel (<u>One Needed Please</u>) Not offered during the summer			

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