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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.

## *Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

JULY 27, 2025

Genesis 18:20-32;

Colossians 2:12-14;

Luke 11:1-13

A general theme for today's Mass might be: "Persevere in prayer." Quite often, the theme of the Mass is summed up in the Responsorial Psalm. Today, the refrain for the psalm is: "Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me."

The first reading is a very primitive account of "Semitic bargaining" between Abraham and God. The cities of Sodom and Gomorrah were proverbial for their corruption. Evil demands the judgment of God. But Abraham keeps reminding God how good he is. Surely God wouldn't want anyone to say that he destroyed the innocent with the guilty!

Abraham keeps bargaining and pleading. Unfortunately, there were not even ten good people in Sodom. In the Gospel, Jesus gives the Lord's Prayer as the model of all prayer. We pray that God may be recognized by all people, that his will be done, that he will give us our needs, that he will forgive us as we forgive others, and that he will protect us from the final cataclysm.

Jesus says that if we, as bad as we are, know how to give good things to our children, how much more will God give us his blessings, if we have faith. We must always keep asking; we must keep knocking on the Lord's door.

The second reading gives us confidence in our prayer: We don't ask God to hear us because of our merits. Rather, we ask him to hear us because of Christ, and because we belong to Christ.

--Msgr. William Carr

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# 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

The readings of this seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time brings to our consideration the importance of perseverance in prayer. God is not in a hurry; He is ever ready to listen to our prayers no matter how irritating we may consider it in human terms. From the book of Genesis, Abraham took advantage of this empathic listening nature of God to intercede for the righteous people living in Sodom and Gomorrah, cities marked for destruction. In Luke's gospel, the same perseverance in prayer is highlighted with the parable of a friend in need. His needs were granted not simply because he went to his friend but because he persevered in asking.

The Church is replete with devotional practices that help us to persevere in prayer. A very good example is the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This devotion which places us in proximity to the heart of Christ is very simple and can be practiced by anybody. It helps us to experience His love and share it with whoever we come in contact with. The devotional practices to the Sacred Heart of Jesus include the First Friday devotion, Holy Hour or Eucharistic Adoration, celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart, devotional prayers to the Sacred Heart especially in the month of June, Consecration and enthronement, and praying for the Pope's intention.

Many Catholics are more concerned with the First Friday devotion. It centers on honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the first Friday of nine consecutive months through some specific practices: attending Holy Mass, and receiving Holy Communion in the state of grace with the intention of making reparation for sins and ingratitude, especially to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Confession is necessary if one is not in the state of grace. Devotional prayers to the Sacred Heart are also necessary for reparation. A holy hour, often called Eucharistic Adoration, is often observed. It is a period of prayer and meditation before the Blessed Sacrament.

The practice of First Friday devotion has a promise. The twelfth of the twelve promises of the Sacred Heart to those who practice the devotion states: "In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

Here in the parish, we observe the First Friday devotion with Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. We celebrate the Holy Mass at 6:30 a.m. every Friday. The Eucharistic Adoration is in the evening from 5:30 to 6:30. This is to enable those who go to work in the morning and families who need to prepare their children for school to be able to participate. Unlike the Eucharistic Exposition on Wednesdays targeted solely for private prayer, the First Friday Eucharistic Adoration is communitarian. It features the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, some moment of silent prayers and adoration, hymn, reflection, praying the pope's intention for the month, First Friday devotional prayers, and benediction.

This coming month of August, the First Friday devotion, nay the first Friday of the month is on the first of August. You are all invited. The Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5.30 p.m. here in the church. We shall stay in the friars' chapel where we celebrate daily Masses. See you there.

Fr. Kenneth Ahanonu

## *Weekday Mass Intentions*

|                              |                   |                                                 |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <b>July 28<br/>Monday</b>    | <b>6:30 a.m.</b>  | Juanita Dutt and Ruby Wait                      |
| <b>July 29<br/>Tuesday</b>   | <b>6:30 a.m.</b>  | Anna Mae Hoebing and Bob Mejer                  |
|                              | <b>5:30 p.m.</b>  | Stan Musholt and John Horman                    |
| <b>July 30<br/>Wednesday</b> | <b>6:30 a.m.</b>  | Dirk Bonebrake and Joyce Weiss                  |
|                              | <b>5:30 p.m.</b>  | Gerald Favre                                    |
| <b>July 31<br/>Thursday</b>  | <b>6:30 a.m.</b>  | Richard Rakers and<br>Will and Katie Altgilbers |
|                              | <b>5:30 p.m.</b>  | Kathleen Schullian Leo                          |
| <b>August 1<br/>Friday</b>   | <b>6:30 a.m.</b>  | Albert Linken family                            |
| <b>August 2<br/>Saturday</b> | <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | Michael Happekotte and Verna Jacobs             |
|                              | <b>4:30 p.m.</b>  | Samuel Massey and<br>Mary Kay Gustison          |
| <b>August 3<br/>Sunday</b>   | <b>7:00 a.m.</b>  | Nancy Terwelp and<br>Pete and Betty Harman      |
|                              | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | The Parishioners of St. Francis                 |
|                              | <b>11:00 a.m.</b> | Dick Gengenbacher and<br>Roberta Marema         |

### This week in the Parish:

#### Monday, July 28

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

#### Tuesday, July 29

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

#### Wednesday, July 30

6:30 a.m. Mass  
4:00 p.m. Adoration  
5:00 p.m. Picnic Committee meeting  
5:30 p.m. Mass

#### Thursday, July 31

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

#### Friday, August 1

6:30 a.m. Mass  
5:30 p.m. First Friday Eucharistic  
Adoration

#### Saturday, August 2

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

### Week of 7/20/2025

### Week

### YTD

#### Collections to Support the Church

|                                |             |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Regular Collection             | \$18,547.67 | \$62,826.07 |
| Loose Collection               | \$1,525.05  | \$5,254.21  |
| Holy Days, Special Collections | \$15.00     | \$15.00     |

**Total Collection      \$20,087.72      \$68,095.28**

|                       |                    |                     |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Budget Needed Support | \$27,850.00        | \$83,550.00         |
| <b>Difference</b>     | <b>-\$7,762.28</b> | <b>\$-15,454.72</b> |

#### School Support Goal

|                                       |                   |                         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Annual School Fund                    | \$1,941.00        | YTD: \$21,049.65        |
| <b>Budget Goal for School Support</b> | <b>\$3,650.00</b> | <b>YTD: \$10,950.00</b> |

### **Join our PSR Team!**

*St. Francis Solanus is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with our Parish School of Religion program. If you're interested in sharing your faith and helping our children grow in their understanding of Catholicism, we'd love to have you! We have various volunteer roles available and we appreciate all levels of commitment. To learn more visit [bit.ly/PSRHelp](http://bit.ly/PSRHelp), or text/call Grant Wilson at 217-602-9293.*

### **PSR Registration is Open for Upcoming School Year**

Our PSR program is dedicated to forming our youth in Catholic beliefs and traditions. We offer classes and activities for students in 1st-5th grade. Day and time of the week for classes will be determined based on volunteer and student availability, ensuring a schedule that works for our parish families. **Register today online at [tiny.cc/PSR-2025](http://tiny.cc/PSR-2025).** If you have questions about PSR or registering call or text Grant Wilson at 217-602-9293.

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### **Fall Saints Study Features the Book "A Biblical Walk through the Mass"**

*In this five-part study author Edward Sri takes us on a unique tour of the Liturgy, exploring the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience in the Liturgy, and explains their significance. We will meet on the following Sunday evenings to view a video and discuss a chapter from "A Biblical Walk through the Mass" in our parish hall from 6-7:30 p.m. Bring a friend! All parishes are welcome. **August 10**, Foundations; **September 14**, The Introductory Rites; **October 12**, The Liturgy of the Word; **November 9**, The Liturgy of the Eucharist; **December 14**, The Concluding Rites. If you need help ordering the book contact Deacon Dennis at 217-257-4384; Kelli Lunt, 217-617-1566 or Karen Weiman, 217-242-5513.*

**Soaring Electricity Costs:** Our latest combined electric costs for the church and school for June 12-July 15 was **\$9,532.24**. This is a **58% increase** over the same time frame last summer. We are working on ways to manage the electric costs of our campus by closely monitoring the cooling of areas, especially those areas not being used, by raising the thermostat setting in those areas. **On another note**, one of the air-conditioner units in the church is not working and is scheduled for repair. We believe this was caused by the lightening strike that also damaged the organ. Thank you for your patience.

### **Thought for the Week:**

*Do you want many graces? Go and visit the Blessed Sacrament often. Do you want a few graces? Visit the Blessed Sacrament rarely. Do you want none at all? Then never pay a visit to the Blessed Sacrament.  
— Saint John Bosco*

***Divorce and Beyond*** is a workshop designed for divorced people to offer support beyond the pain of divorce. Registration is required and a \$10 donation for materials is requested. People of any faith, or no faith at all are welcome. **Sessions will be on Wednesday nights in the Parish Center from 6:30-8, beginning Wednesday, September 3** and running through October. Facilitators are Russ and Terri Rohrer. To register call Russ at 217-617-3573.

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### **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](http://bit.ly/smallgroupmissionary). Questions? Call or text Grant Wilson, 217-602-9293.*

### **9th Annual DJ Memorial Golf Tournament, Saturday, August 9.**

Spring Lake Country Club, Quincy. Register at [7memorialgolf.com](http://7memorialgolf.com) or on Facebook at 7memorialgolf. \$100 per person, \$400 per team. Proceeds benefit the DJ Venvertloh Memorial Scholarship at QND.

**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 \$40,295. 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!

The **Funeral Dinner Committee** is asking for additional **LEAD** volunteers. There are many wonderful parishioners who help, provide dishes, etc., but we need another person, or couple, to work with the current leads and run the dinner when we are unable. Duties are: planning, shopping, and coordinating volunteers for the dinner. If you are interested, or have questions contact Pat Holbrook, 217-257-2570.

**Attention Catholic Men! Join us for St. Michael's Lent**

*This is a program offered through Exodus to help Catholic men gain freedom from modern distractions and grow in a deeper relationship with Christ.*

*St. Michael's Lent challenges men to commit to a six-week program that combines prayer, asceticism and fraternity, running August 15-September 29. There's more information at the north entrance to church or call John McDowell, 217-440-8187 or Aaron Kerkhoff, 217-316-9203.*

**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 surplus.

**Advanced Server Training** is being offered Monday August 11 from 5-7 p.m. We will cover the use of incense. All who attend will receive a "hands-on" experience. We also will cover the use of candles in procession. 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.



**Bake for Birthright at the K of C Barbeque**

St. Francis is being asked to provide baked goods for the Birthright booth on **Saturday, August 9**. Items can be brought to the Birthright booth during the event or you can call for a pickup. For questions, or to set up a pickup please call Patty at 217-577-8558. On Saturday the booth is open from 1-9 p.m. As a thank you, Birthright will hold a raffle for a quilt and a dining-out package.

**Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

**Explore OCIA at St. Francis Solanus**

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

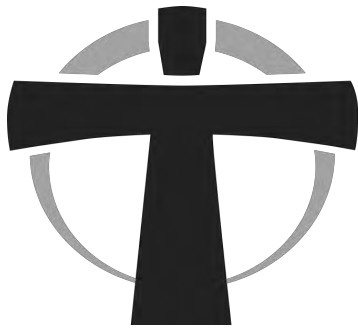
- . Those who are unbaptized
- . Christians baptized in other denominations
- . Catholics who haven't received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist
- . Anyone curious about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches.

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](mailto:gwilson@stfrancissolanus.com) or call/text at 217-602-9293 with questions.



# St. Francis Solanus School

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## Annual Statement on Non-Discrimination:

In accordance with the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois St. Francis Solanus School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs. Appropriateness of educational programs, students in good standing, and/or the availability of space may be legitimate factors affecting admissions. A student's enrollment status may be changed or discontinued at any time during the year, as determined by the Principal and the Pastor. It is a privilege, not a right, to attend St. Francis School. Transfer students must be in good standing as indicated on our records transfer form to continue enrollment. Furthermore, we do not discriminate against immigrant children lacking in legal status.

## School Summer Office Hours

**The school Office is 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](mailto:school@stfrancissolanus.com). We will return your message. Principal Julie Radel's email is: [jradel@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:jradel@stfrancissolanus.com).**

## 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](mailto:jradel@stfrancissolanus.com). All people will have a background check with fingerprinting from the Springfield diocese at their expense.



Every student at St. Francis Solanus School is given their first school T-shirt. The purple shirts say "Alex's Wish" on the back. Alex Kemner and his wife, Barbara, were strong supporters of St. Francis Solanus School. After Alex's death, his family gave a monetary gift so every student could be given their first T-shirt after enrolling. The children of Alex and Barbara Kemner continue to provide the gift of a student's first St. Francis Solanus School t-shirt.

| August 2-3                                                                   | Altar Server - Weekend                                       | Communion Minister                                                                | Usher                                                                                        | Reader                             | Greeter/Gift Bearer                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Saturday</b><br>4:30 p.m.                                                 | Callie Longlett<br>Reese Meehan<br><u>One Needed Please</u>  | David Pillars<br>Rose Pillars<br>Maureen Makarewicz<br>Andrew Wemhoener           | Thomas Ennis Kevin Genenbacher<br>Jerald Meyer Adam Hightower<br>Jim Kaiser Richard Mitchell | Stephen Davis<br>Martin Makarewicz | Timothy Reichert<br>Angel Miranda<br><b>Gift Bearer</b><br><u>One Needed Please</u> |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>7:00 a.m.                                                   | Theodora Gengenbacher<br>Chloe Terwelp                       | Anthony Freiburg<br>Paulette Freiburg<br>Gary Winking<br>Sue Winking              | Roger Gallaher Joe Bernhardt<br>Robert Harman Janet Marquette<br>John Beckman James Wilper   | Paul Brown                         | Sandra Banning<br>Terry Niemann<br><b>Gift Bearer</b><br>Amber Terwelp              |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>9:00 a.m.                                                   | Mickey Petty<br>Emmett Wiemelt<br><u>One Needed Please</u>   | William Paxton<br>Patricia Paxton<br>Donnette Cannady<br><u>One Needed Please</u> | Bradyn Klauser Ryan Klauser<br>Neal Blickhan Roberta Meyer<br>Joseph Wiewel Diann Cole       | Tom Hummel<br>Gerald Koettters     | Jill Arnold Blickhan<br>Anne Meyer<br><b>Gift Bearer</b><br>Prudy Patterson         |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>11:00 a.m.                                                  | William Eling<br>Lillian Wheeler<br><u>One Needed Please</u> | Marvin Knuffman<br>Rebecca Wear<br>Christine Duvall<br>Christina Rose             | Dennis Greving Drew Erwin<br>Henry Voss Evan Reichert<br>Melissa Arnold Sam Vranjes          | Simon Bruening<br>Karen Steinkamp  | Margaret Steinbrecher<br>Brenda Wand<br><b>Gift Bearer</b><br>Kathleen Bracy        |
| <u>Saturday Morning Mass Server</u><br><u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u> |                                                              | August 2, 8:00 a.m.<br>August 3, 9:00 a.m.                                        | Allison Ormond ( <u>One Needed Please</u> )<br>Not offered during the summer                 |                                    |                                                                                     |



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