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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.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 5, 2025

Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14;
 Luke 17:5-10

The key word today – found in all three Scripture readings – is *faith*. The first reading is a complaint against God for not intervening when we are in trouble. When things go wrong, we cry out to God, “Where are you? Why didn’t you do something when we were in trouble?” God’s answer is that we must wait with hope for his justice. The rash person lashes out and gives up. The righteous person lives by *faith*.

The second reading uses *faith* in a slightly different sense. By the time this epistle was written, there was a body of belief or doctrine. The author of 2 Timothy urges us to guard the “rich deposit of *faith*.” He means that we must always be loyal to the truths which the Lord has revealed. If we stick to those beliefs, we shall be saved.

In the Gospel, the apostles ask the Lord to increase their *faith*. He tells them that they could do almost anything if they had a little bit of faith. He then gets at the root of their problem: They always want everything to go their own way. This is the wrong attitude. They should want things to go the Lord’s way. They should serve him loyally and ask for nothing more.

They should not be servants who do their job and expect their master to wait on them. When they have lived with absolute loyalty and faith, they must still say, “We are merely servants; we have done no more than our duty.” Of course, if we live this way – in a spirit of real faith and loyalty to the Lord – he will richly reward us.

But we must not get the cart before the horse: We serve him because he is right. We do not serve him from a motive of reward, but simply because we want his will to be done. With this attitude, he will reward us for genuine faith.

--Msgr. William Carr

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We read from the prophet Habakkuk this weekend. He is someone we may not be so familiar with. He is one of the 12 minor prophets. He was in the time just before the Babylonian exile. Habakkuk is known for voicing the frustration over injustice and evil in a world that mocks God. The book is only three chapters long. Very short. Chapter One is focused on the rampant violence and corruption in Judah. We can relate to Habakkuk often, as he asks the question why the wicked prosper, while the righteous suffer.

God's response to this is that he will raise up the Babylonian Empire as an instrument of judgement against his own people. Chapter Two tells Habakkuk to wait for a vision from the Lord, and the woes against Babylon that they will crumble. Chapter Three is a song of praise to God. This book and the passage this weekend helps us to wrestle with the timeless question of suffering, and trust in the Lord.

In the Gospel the Apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. Any time you see faith in the scriptures you can replace it with trust and see the same meaning. The famous little mustard seed is a powerful example of what can happen when we trust God and have faith in His care. We then are not only called to trust and have faith, but that in this action we are called to be servants. Servants of God and one another. So, may we have this in our hearts to trust God and respond in service and love.

This weekend we continue the work of our stewardship renewal. Please listen carefully to the witness testimonies of how God is working in their lives and how they respond to this call of stewardship and service. Please continue praying how God is calling you out of your comfort zone and to serve and give and pour yourself out to the Lord and one another.

Thank you all for the prayers for my dad. Please continue to pray for him and my whole family as we have a lot of major illness taking place. I am so grateful for your support and prayers for all of us.

Father Arisman

Weekday Mass Intentions

October 6 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help
October 7 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Ken Sparrow
	5:30 p.m.	Donnie Wiemelt and Mary Howerton
October 8 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Judy Akers and Dave Yuchs
	5:30 p.m.	Tally McDonald
October 9 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Tally McDonald
	5:30 p.m.	Susan Schoonover and Donna Kimbrell
October 10 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Robert and Phyllis Orr
October 11 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Tally McDonald
	4:30 p.m.	Michelle Duesterhaus Tang and Larry Zanger
October 12 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis
	9:00 a.m.	Dick Gengenbacher and Launa Blickhan
	11:00 a.m.	Todd Schutte and Mary Howerton

Week of 9/28/2025

Week

YTD

Collections to Support the Church

Regular Collection	\$23,145.70	\$315,694.92
Loose Collection	\$1,691.90	\$24,188.69
Holy Days, Special Collections	\$00.00	\$3,595.10

Total Collection \$24,837.60 \$341,786.80

Budget Needed Support	\$27,850.00	\$334,200.00
Difference	-\$3,012.40	\$7,586.80

School Support Goal

Annual School Fund	\$3,107.43	YTD: \$44,808.20
Budget Goal for School Support	\$3,650.00	YTD: \$43,800.00

This week in the Parish:

Monday, October 6

6:30 a.m. Mass
8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
6:00 p.m. Acts Bible Study
6:45 p.m. PSR
7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace

Tuesday, October 7

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

Wednesday, October 8

6:30 a.m. Mass
8:35 a.m. SFS Mass
9:30 a.m. Adoration
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Holy Name meeting
6:30 p.m. Choir practice
6:30 p.m. Divorce and Beyond
6:30 p.m. Liturgy Planning committee

Thursday, October 9

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion
1:00 p.m. QCS meeting
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion
6:30 p.m. Troop 22 meeting

Friday, October 10

6:30 a.m. Mass
3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts meeting
6:00 p.m. St. Francis small group

Saturday, October 11

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

Thought of the Week: “Decisions about the number of children and the sacrifices to be made for them must not be taken only with a view to adding to comfort and preserving a peaceful existence. Reflecting upon this matter before God, with the graces drawn from the Sacrament, and guided by the teaching of the Church, parents will remind themselves that it is certainly less serious to deny their children certain comforts or material advantages than to deprive them of the presence of brothers and sisters, who could help them to grow in humanity and to realize the beauty of life at all its ages and in all its variety.”

– Pope John Paul II.

Come Pray the Rosary with Us! On Saturday, October 11 at Noon we invite you and your family and friends to join us for a public **Rosary Rally**. Together we will turn to Our Blessed Mother, asking her to intercede for peace in our hearts, our families, our Church, and our world. This special gathering is part of a nationwide effort, with thousands of Catholics across the country praying the Rosary at the same time. What a beautiful way to witness our faith and to surround our community with prayer!

We will gather on the south lawn of the St. Francis rectory by the grotto. Please bring your rosary, lawn chair, and a joyful heart. Let's come together in faith, friendship, and love of Our Lady. For more information, contact Mike Holbrook, 217-653-5555, or Mike Zanger, 217-257-7931.



Blessing of the Pets:
Sunday, October 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the grassy area near the parish office/rectory on the **north side**.

All parishioners, students and PSR students are invited to bring your pets for a blessing. If possible, please bring a donation of pet food to the blessing, which we will share with the Food Pantry clients who have pets.

New this year! A fall-themed photo area for you to snap a few pictures with your pet!

Check out the Liturgy Committee! Would you like to join in the fun of helping our church get ready for the liturgical seasons? Join us at the next Liturgy Committee meeting on **Wednesday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish center and see if this committee would be a good fit for you!

Life Chain: Sunday, October 5, 2:30-3:30 p.m. on the south side of Broadway between 14th and 18th streets in Quincy. Pick up your poster starting at 2 o'clock at 16th and Broadway.



Support our Holy Name men and enjoy a hearty breakfast!

It's time for the Holy Name Pancake and Sausage breakfast, **Sunday, October 19 from 8 a.m.-noon in the parish center**. Also serving biscuits and gravy. Fresh sausage also is available, links or bulk, for \$5 per pound. Call or text Ed Zanger, 217-430-9236 to place your order. Cost of the breakfast is \$12 for adults, kids 4-10 are \$6 and everyone else is free! Stop by and help support the work of our Holy Name Society.

Tea Party for Hope House of Quincy

Sunday, November 9, 2 p.m. at the Lorenzo-Bull House in Quincy. Sponsored by the Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women. Cost is \$25, and includes baked goods and lots of tea! All funds raised will be used to support Hope House and its mission, which is to give expectant mothers Hope and a Home for their future. For more information contact Gina Wolf, 217-257-9966 or Susan Asher, 217-653-5074. Sign up sheets also are located in the gathering space. **St. Francis has purchased a table for the event. If you would like to help fill our table call the rectory to reserve your spot, 217-222-2898.**

St. Francis Solanus Business Manager Position Part-Time

Our parish is seeking a talented Business Manager. You will manage parish finances, budgeting and financial reporting. **MUST HAVE** experience with QuickBooks, Excel, HR and payroll.

How to Apply: Send your resume and a cover letter to Fr. Steven Arisman, sarisman@stfrancissolanus.com or to the parish office, 1721 College Avenue, Quincy, IL. 62301.

Holy Name News: The next Holy Name meeting will be Wednesday, October 8 at 6 p.m. in the parish center. Please join us!

Knights of Columbus News: The Big Raffle drawing takes place every Thursday night. This week's jackpot is up to \$48,907. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 p.m. with the drawing at 8:00. Chicken dinners have started up again on Fridays in McGivney Hall, serving from 5-7 p.m. Drive through or eat in. Cost is \$14.

Stewardship 2025:

Next Sunday is Commitment Sunday

Today we will hear the true story of a fellow parishioner who has embraced stewardship as a way of life and the difference it has made for them. Is something holding you back from embracing this incredible way of life?

Pray about it this week. Review the stewardship materials you received in the mail and take a step forward in faith. Remember to bring your commitment card to Mass next week or complete a card online at our parish website: stfrancissolanus.com.

Rest in Peace

Gary Vogel

April 16, 1944—September 26, 2025

And

Gary Brink

June 7, 1956—September 29, 2025

Eucharist Mission at St. Peter Parish

Sunday, October 19 from 12:30-3:30 p.m. in the church. Fr. Arisman will open with his experience of the National Eucharistic Congress, followed by experiences of others who attended and videos from prominent Catholic leaders who spoke at the conference. The afternoon will conclude with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Come share the joy!

The Wild Goose: A Small Group Study

Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit:

A 14-part series featuring Franciscan University of Steubenville President Fr. Dave Pivonka.

The series will be offered in the afternoon and evening on Tuesdays—1:00-2:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:00, both in the parish center. **There will be seven sessions in the Fall—October 14-December 9 (no October 21 and November 18)** and seven sessions in the spring. Facilitators are Bob and Jane Haas, 217-257-0533, jfthaas@hotmail.com. Reserve your spot by calling the parish office, 217-222-2898. Please specify afternoon or evening.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 21 at 6 p.m. in the parish center. Also, don't forget to pay your dues to the Ladies of St. Francis. You can use the envelope in your packet or pay at the dinner meeting. Dues are \$10. Reserve your spot for the next meeting by calling or texting Helen Zimmerman, 217-242-6692.

Welcome

Heather Kaylor and her children

Conner and Cody Matticks

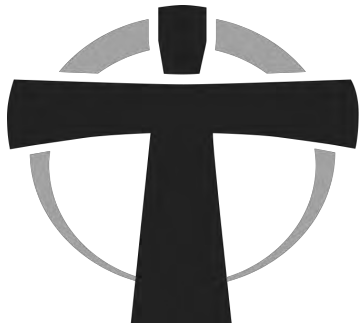
And

Nolon and Sarah Carter

*We are delighted you have chosen
St. Francis as your new parish home.*



Father Ken and Father Arisman both stopped by the St. Francis Holy Name Golf Outing September 28 at Westview golf course in Quincy. The Holy Name sends a big thank you to everyone who played, volunteered and donated to make this a successful fundraiser for St. Francis school.



St. Francis Solanus School

INSPIRING FAITH, KNOWLEDGE & SERVICE



St. Francis School kindergarten through eighth grade classes attended the All-Area Catholic School Mass in the QND gym September 23. Standing in front of Bishop Paprocki is St. Francis School seventh grader and server Aubrey Fry.

St. Francis Solanus School admits students of any race, color, sex or 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 based on race, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs. Our schools do reserve all their rights as religious entities in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church, the protections of the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and the Illinois Religious Freedom Restoration Act 775 ILCS 35/.

Chess Club: Attention all K-8 students interested in playing chess. Quincy Catholic Chess Club starts **October 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Peter School cafeteria.** There is no cost to join. And if you don't know how to play chess yet, we will teach you! We meet on Tuesday evenings. For more information contact Chris Gill at fishgills1208@gmail.com.

Help Wanted: Title One Tutor (teacher)

Our families and staff help us find THE BEST PERSON for a job at St. Francis Solanus School! Do you know a **licensed teacher** who would be interested in applying for a **part-time Title One Tutor** position? This person will **work at St. Francis Solanus School**, but is hired through Quincy Public School District #172 using Title One federal grant funds. The days and hours would be scheduled by the tutor in coordination with the principal. To apply visit: <https://jobs.redoverk12.com/org/3383/opening/138851>

Quincy Catholic Schools is seeking a half-time Business Manager to support financial operations, budget planning and HR functions. The ideal candidate will be detail-oriented, mission-driven and experienced with QuickBooks FACTS and financial reporting. Salary range is \$17,000-\$22,000 with paid time off. To apply send a cover letter, resume and references to dcgill@quincycatholicschools.org, or call 217-222-2898 for more information. Also visit the QCES website for a more detailed job description.

October 11-12	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Damien Alonzo Michael Alonzo Philomena Alonzo	Becky Gengenbacher David Pillars Rose Pillars Joleen Patton	Timothy Reichert Jim Kaiser Brian Dreier Zachary Maas Greg Ehrhardt <u>One Needed Please</u>	Angela Gutting Mary Jo Johnson	Cindy Reichert Peggy Kaiser <u>One Needed Please</u> Gift Bearer Sheila Goehl
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Theodora Gengenbacher Alexandra Gengenbacher	Craig Budde Arlene Hendren Don Winking Pat Winking	Paul Eling Gary Hilgenbrinck John Benz Scott Venvertloh Kevin Frericks Joyce Frericks	<u>One Needed Please</u>	Sandra Banning Larry Klausner Gift Bearer Bradley Soebbing
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Reagan Genenbacher Tinley Genenbacher Carson Kerkhoff	Cynthia Cook Sarah Genenbacher Ted Genenbacher Peggy Koettters	Terry Kistner Karl Venvertloh Neal Blickhan Aaron Kerkhoff Roberta Meyer Michael Patterson	Monica Hinkamper Molly Bruening	Anne Meyer Prudy Patterson Gift Bearer Amanda Genenbacher
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Benjamin Eling William Eling Molly Costigan	Dennis Greving Marsha Collins Bridget Ehrhart Marvin Knuffman	Diann Cole James Doellman Michael Fessler Brent Frericks Sam Vranjes Steven Obert	Rebecca Wear Pam Frericks	Jane Haas Nancy Hufendick Gift Bearer Carol Steinbrecher
<u>Saturday Morning Mass Server</u> <u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u>		October 11, 8:00 a.m. October 12, 9:00 a.m.	Quinn Wiewel Liz Gengenbacher		

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