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### **MASSES**

**Sun ay Obligation** Saturday evening: 4:30 p.m. for Sunday **Sun ay**: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

ee ays Monday thru Friday 6:30 a.m.

Monday thru Thursday 5:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. Saturday

8:35 a.m. Wednesday during school year

oly Day Obligation Anticipated 5:30 p.m.

**oly Day** 6:30 and 5:30 p.m.

### **OSITION 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.

# Baptism of the Lord

**JANUARY 9, 2022** 

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 or Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; Acts 10:34-38 or Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16,21-22

The baptism of Jesus was his inaugural as the Suffering Servant of the Lord. Every prophet had an inaugural experience. Jesus' inaugural comes at his baptism. He identifies himself with sinful mankind by accepting a baptism leading to repentance and forgiveness. In so doing, he takes upon himself all the suffering and sins of the whole world.

The "Suffering Servant Songs" in Isaiah (of which our first reading is the first) tell of an "everyman" figure who humbles himself, who is gentle, and who takes all evil unto himself: by his own suffering. he vicariously heals all. This Suffering Servant Song begins with the words "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am well-pleased." In the original languages, these are almost identical with the words of the Father in the Gospel.

The Gospel according to Luke emphasizes the power of the Holy Spirit. In the baptism of Jesus, Luke emphasizes that the Spirit comes upon Jesus. Henceforth, everything he does is in the power of God. The dove was the symbol of Israel. The dove here may symbolize that Jesus becomes Israel personified - or the new Israel. In himself he will save all.

The second reading is the story of the conversion of Cornelius. God is no respecter of persons; Jesus came to save all peoples of all times and places.

In our baptism, we are freed from sin precisely because in his baptism Jesus took to himself the suffering and sinfulness of the world. Jesus' other "baptism" is when he gives his life for the sake of us all; he strips away all sin and nails it to the cross. Through this "baptism" he empowers the sacraments to be signs of his salvation among us.

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# The Baptism of the Lord

**January 9, 2022** 

Baptism is our entry into the life of Christ and the deep relationship He calls us into with Him. As we come to the official end of the Christmas season, we move from celebrating His birth to moving into His ministry. The baptism of the Lord should do the same for us. You have been called to announce the birth of Christ to the world. We need His light in this time and day. He needs you to be His light in

this world. That light dwelling in you comes from your baptism. This feast day is integral to the life of a disciple. Baptism is the greatest gift we can give our children. It should be one of the first and best decisions we make for them. It is even more important than feeding them. You give them baptism because the soul is more important than the body. You give them food, and not just food but the best food you can because it's the best you can give them. You give them a relationship with Jesus Christ and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and the light of Christ in them, because the very best you can give them in this life is to also prepare them for the life to come. The Baptism of the Lord moves us from announcement of the birth of Christ to the ministry of Christ. Baptism in our own lives moves us from just announcement to actual ministry as a disciple. You are called to ministry. Stop settling for anything less. Stop settling for the very least (example: "Well, I go to Mass,") to allowing that action of going to Mass (yes, every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation always) to move you to action, to move you to ministry. Baptism conforms us to BE Jesus Christ. Baptism calls us to live as Christ. Christ IS and LIVES ministry. He calls you to relationship with Him and with each other. And not just those here, which yes you are called to serve, but to those you encounter in the world. As the entrance of Christ into the waters of the Jordan, which re-create the world as the waters of the first creation brought about life, so too Christ's baptismal waters re-create to bring about eternal life. May they not only wash you clean, but may they nourish and sustain you to life eternal. Take the next step in your relationship with Christ and live out YOUR ministry that Christ has set aside only for you to do. Stop settling for anything less than all that He has to offer and all that He has in store for you. Live your baptismal call to action. To serve. To love. To give of oneself.

Now, I say the official end of Christmas because I follow the old practice of the Christmas season ending with the presentation of the Lord on February 2. So, my lights and tree stay up until then. Just in case you get confused, the reason for this is these lights were left up during this darkest time of year, until the feast of the presentation when the Light of Christ is shone in the temple for the glory of God and for the whole world to be enlightened by His light. This feast of the presentation is when we light and carry and bless candles in commemoration of that light, which then in the natural world around us is when the light of Christ brings back the light in the length of sunlight in the days as they then continue to grow from Christmas until June. May Christ and His light increase and may we decrease, echoing those words of the baptizer himself, John the Baptist. Let us follow his example and live radically for Christ.

Thank you for your many prayers for my dad, Tom. He has had COVID for a week, and Sunday evening Dad wasn't coherent. He spent a few days being treated with antibodies and being hospitalized. Both brought a turn around, but even his doctor made mention that it was even quicker than normal, which I attribute to the multitudes praying for Dad. He is now home and still recovering. By this weekend, he should be out of the woods. But as of writing this, he has quite a lot of recovery left. Even after he is out of the woods, those who have had COVID know its effects linger. So please continue to pray for him. Thank you.

Lastly, remember Fr. Rafal is gone, and this week I need to be in Houston for classes for the Master's degree in Ecclesial Administration and Management that I am working on. <u>Please know there will be no 5:30 p.m. Masses this week.</u> The deacons will be doing communion services at 5:30 p.m., and Fr. David will be doing the other Masses. It is a good reminder that although we are blessed with priests, they are not in abundance. We need to be grateful for the blessing of three and not take it for granted, as well as pray for more vocations and support those in our own families and parish to consider the priesthood and be open to priesthood ourselves so that there are more workers in the vineyard of the Lord.

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January 10 Monday	6:30 a.m.	LeRoy Brinkman	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
January 11 Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Brian Aschemann	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
January 12 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Betty Venvertloh	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
January 13 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Alan McLaughlin	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
January 14 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Kenneth & Elizabeth Schildt	
January 15 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Tom Bergman	
	4:30 p.m.	Deb Howell	
January 16 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Greg Walker & Brian Aschemann	
	9:00 a.m.	Gene Trine & Carol Eickelschulte	
	11:00 a.m.	St. Francis Parishioners	

### **Weekly Collection Totals**

### January 1-2, 2022

	Collected	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Regular/ E-Giving	\$11,014.00	\$25,470.00	\$(14,456.00)
Loose Collection	\$760.50	\$875.00	\$(114.50)
Annual School Fund	\$500.00	\$3,000.00	\$(2,500.00)
Total	\$12,274.50	\$29,345.00	\$(17,070.50)

# Thank you for your continued generosity in support of our Parish and School!

### **Year-To-Date Totals**

	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>		
Regular/ E-Giving	\$585,045.42	\$662,220.00	\$(77,174.58)		
Loose Collection	\$28,378.72	\$22,750.00	\$5,6283.72		
Annual School Fund	\$102,340.79	\$78,000.00	\$24,340.79		
Total	\$715,764.93	\$762,970.00	\$(47,205.07)		

# **December Special Collection Totals**

Alaska	\$3,585.00		
12 Little Angels	\$6,610.00		
All Saints	\$215.00		
Campaign Justice/Hope	\$220.00		
Catholic Charities	\$175.00		
Catholic Children's Home	\$2,677.00		
Cemetery Collection	\$604.00		
Christmas Flowers	\$3,883.00		
Christmas Offering	\$31,173.00		
Food Pantry	\$6,840.00		
Immaculate Conception	\$2,474.00		
Religious Retirement	\$1,726.00		
Owensboro Tornado	\$2,991.00		

### **NEW Photo Directory**

St. Francis will be conducting photo sessions in February in order to get up to date with all of our current parishioners. You have the option to sign up for appointments online and in person after weekend Masses. Please contact the Parish Office if you have issues making an appointment. Please make every effort to make an appointment in order to update our directory. Please go to <a href="https://www.ucdir.com">www.ucdir.com</a> to sign up, use Church Code of il198 (lower case) and password of photos (lower case).

\*Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory!\*

## Holy Name News

Next Holy Name meeting is
January 12 at 6:00 p.m.
Food and drinks will be served
after the meeting.
All men of the Parish are invited.
Bring a friend and make a new friend!

# Knights of Columbus News

2022 K of C Raffle Calendars are still on sale for \$25. There will be a winner drawn each day of 2022.

Friday Night Drive Through Chicken Dinners are up and running each Friday from 5:00–7:00 p.m.

This includes a 4-piece chicken meal and 2 sides for \$11.

The Weekly Big Raffle with a growing Jackpot of over \$11,000 – Every Thursday – Tickets on sale from 6:00–7:45 p.m. with the drawing at 8:00 p.m.

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# Coffee and Donuts Schedule

February 6 – Girl Scouts

March 6 – St. Francis PTO

April 3 – Cub Scouts

May 1 – Girl Scouts

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June 5 – Liturgy Planning

July 3 – Holy Name

August 7 – Stewardship Committee

September 4 – Bible Study/RCIA

October 2 – Hospitality Committee

November 6 – Pastoral Council

December 4 – Boy Scouts



## **Boy Scout Soup Supper**

St. Francis Scouts BSA Committee is having a soup supper on Saturday, February 5, from 4–7 p.m. in the St. Francis Parish Hall. The Scouts will be serving a choice of three soups: chicken noodle, chili, and hot and spicy chili. In addition, there will be grilled cheese sandwiches, corn bread, drinks, and dessert. Dine in tickets are available at the door for \$9.00 each or \$27.00 for the entire family (maximum of five). To-go orders are available for \$9.00 each, and half-gallon bulk soup to-go is also available for \$27.00 each. Proceeds will go to Cub Scout Pack 22 and Scouts BSA Troops 22 and 225 of St. Francis Church.

### A Prayer for Protection in Time of a Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health

and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeing a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our suffering and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection.

Amen.

# **Quincy Cursillo**

Cursillo weekends are back starting with Men's Cursillo #349 that will be held January 20–23 at the Franciscan Retreat Center located at 1909 N. 18th Street in Quincy.

During this three-day experience those attending pray together, celebrate the Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious, and laypersons, and share the fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. It provides a casual and relaxed experience in a Christian community. Cost of the weekend is \$165.00 with lodging and all meals provided. A partial monetary gift to defray the cost is available if needed.

For more information or to receive an application, please call Larry/Rita Frese at 217-440-7784 or go to <a href="https://www.quincycursillo.com">www.quincycursillo.com</a> and "applications" and print one.

# VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Sessions

Keeping our children safe is of the utmost importance at St. Francis Solanus and the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. That is why we offer multiple child safety training sessions over the course of the year. If you are a volunteer, staff member or employee of St. Francis Solanus Church or School, or have contact with children in any way, you are required by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to take this training.

### **Session Schedule:**

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Sessions are held in the St. Francis Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. To register, please call the Parish Office at 217-222-2898.



### **Small Groups**

There are many Catholic organizations helping parishes engage the faithful making them more vibrant. Their research into successful parishes tells them that having active, faith-sharing small groups is a big factor in doing this.

Maybe you remember when St. Francis participated in the "Why Catholic" program a few years ago. Maybe your group still meets using a different format. Maybe your group would get together again if you could find another format to use.

The first step for St. Francis to put together a strong Small Group program is to take an inventory of what small groups are meeting in the parish on a regular basis now. This could be a "Why Catholic" group, a Cursillo (or similar program) prayer group, a Bible study, a book discussion group, a Lectio Divina group, or any group where faith is shared. If you happen to be meeting regularly, please have a representative contact the Parish Office. We would like to know how many are in your group, the type of group, and how often you meet. This is for information only.

There is no intention to change what your group is doing now.

### Paper Gator

St. Dominic School now has a Paper Gator in their back parking lot on the west side of the school. Please bring your newsprint, paper, and magazines to recycle at St. Dominic School.

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### **Dates to Remember:**

January 17: NO SCHOOL

January 30-February5: Catholic Schools Week

"We Learn! What's Your Superpower?"

March 1: Mardi Gras

March 2: Ash Wednesday

**March 9: Spring Picture Day** 

March 11: Kindergarten Round-Up

<u>Yearbook orders are a separate ONLINE item to purchase at ybpay.com</u>
ID code 13535222. Orders for the yearbook must be made before March 14, 2022.

January 15–16	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	James Bickhaus David Bickhaus	David Pillars Rose Pillars Patti Blickhan Joleen Patton	Michael Bickhaus Philip Kemner Mary Ann Thomas Joe Venvertloh Tom Ennis Brian Dreier	Jim Waterkotte	Betty Kaufmann Kristine Bickhaus
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	2 Needed Please	John Benz Emilie Venvertloh Barbara Girouard Tony Freiburg	Ed Zanger Nathan Koetters Scott Venvertloh Robert Harman John Hummel Jerry Carnivale	Steve Davis	Sandra Banning Joan Beard
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Hailey Terwelp Alyssa Cole	Patricia Paxton William Paxton Alice Arnold Holly Hummel	Neal Blickhan Troy Hummel Rob Frese Rob Haistings Jason Costigan Terry Nall	Bruce Broemmel	Jill Blickhan Nancy Friye
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Jacob Collins Breana Schlipman	Doris Karhoff Dennis Greving Debra Beard Rebecca Wear	Marty Karhoff James Doellman Mike Holbrook Don Olps Brent Frericks Russ Siebers	Ron Gengenbacher	Nancy Hufendick Patricia Tomczak
	<u>y Morning</u> s Server	Saturday, January 15 – 8:00 a.m.	Gabe Schrage & Abram Wiewel		



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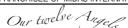


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