

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS parish

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MASSES

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. Monday 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.

End Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) APRIL 24, 2022

Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19; John 20:19-31

Recall that for several centuries, the usual practice of the Church was to baptize adults only (unless infants and children were in danger of death). Adults were baptized only in the Easter Vigil, after they had completed an intensive two-year Catechumenate. This practice lasted from the third through the seventh century.

At their baptism, the newly-baptized were given a white robe. The neophytes came to Mass each day after Easter where they were given intensive instructions in the sacramental life. They wore these white robes until today. On this day, they put aside the white robes and took their place as full-fledged members of the Church. (This is the reason that this Sunday formerly was called *White Sunday* from the Latin for *The Sunday for Putting Aside the White Garments.*)

We might see today's Scripture readings in the context of this "Mystagogic Catechesis" (the final instructions in the sacraments) of the newly baptized. Today's lesson would be on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. All of us should be saints. We should be so conscious of our baptismal dignity that we would never stoop to sin.

But suppose we fail? The Lord gives us the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Penance. It is the Sacrament of his merciful forgiveness. It is, as it were, *second baptism*. On Easter Sunday night, Jesus gave his apostles the power to forgive sins. Catholics should memorize John 20:22-23 which occurs in today's Gospel: "Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven..."

Who can forgive sins except God? Only those to whom the Lord gives the power. But Jesus told his apostles that they would do even greater works than he had done (John 14:12). The apostles show the power of Christ in the first reading. They and their successors will show even greater power in the Sacrament of Christ's mercy, Reconciliation.

If we say that we believe in this sacrament, then let us use it! This sacrament is not only for the forgiveness of serious sin; it is the means of our growth in holiness. Frequent Confession should be part of the life of every active Catholic.

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Divine Mercy Sunday

The Second Sunday of Easter we call Divine Mercy Sunday. That title came about during the reign of Pope Saint John Paul the Great. He instituted this Sunday as Divine Mercy Sunday to remember the visions of St. Faustina of Jesus the Divine Mercy. It is a familiar image to most. This is an opportunity to remember the abundant mercy of God flowing from His pierced side. Water and blood flowed forth from the side of Christ after His death on the cross. Here, His mercy flowed forth and washed us clean in the blood of the Lamb of God. We commemorate that mercy this Sunday and remind ourselves we can always turn back to God, and His mercy is abundant when we have a contrite heart for our sins. He offers us His infinite mercy no matter what we have done or how long it has been, when we turn back to Him in confession.

We know from the readings this weekend that His healing power is still present today, most especially in the apostles, the Church, and the sacraments. We see that even the shadow of St. Peter could bring healing. We see healing evident in our world in miracles if we open our eyes. We experience healing in the sacraments of the Church. We see healing answered so often in the prayer of the Church.

Today's gospel reminds us of our belief in the resurrection and the divinity and humanity of Christ. He pours out the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and gives them His authority to forgive sins — the institution of the sacrament of confession. He gives this power to His apostles and their successors down through today. St. Thomas, the apostle, wasn't with them. He is called the doubter, although I think he gets a bad rap as all the apostles were hiding in the room in fear. But St. Thomas was somewhere, so obviously he was brave enough to go out. St. Thomas didn't believe the testimony of the others, which we can relate with at times. I don't want to believe because of what someone told me, but because of what I have experienced. We should believe because of the testimony of so many great witnesses, but many of us doubt until we experience it ourselves. The good news is that we do. We do experience the resurrection. We do see with our own eyes. We do experience the healing wounds of Christ — His heart poured out to us is healing. See His resurrected wounds and experience their healing in the sacraments and hold onto that experience for those moments of doubt. Keep them always alive in your heart and faith and believe in Him.

Like St. Thomas we echo those words I have taken as my priestly motto for my personal crest, "My Lord and My God." See His wounds. Experience His wounds and their healing. Cry out your witness of Christ that He is your Lord and your God. Blessed are those who haven't seen and believe, but then bring them to come and see the Lord and experience His resurrection and Divine Mercy here waiting for them.

As we search for a new principal, I would ask that you please pray for that search. It's the most important part of the search that you pray that the Lord sends us the right person, and that we hire the best person He sends. That is so often forgotten in big decisions like this to pray for the process. Please remember this intention in your prayers until the announcement of a hire!

Ker. Steven Alisman

<u>Mass Intentions</u>

| April 25 | 6:30 a.m. | Patricia Dorsey | | |
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| Monday | 5:30 p.m. | Allison Holbrook | | |
| April 26 | 6:30 a.m. | Beckham Egglefield | | |
| Tuesday | 5:30 p.m. | Mary Haisting | | |
| April 27 | 6:30 a.m. | Beverly Frese | Sylvia Collins | |
| Wednesday | 5:30 p.m. | Donald | McCabe | |
| April 28 Thursday | 6:30 a.m. | Pat Dorsey | | |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Chuck Wheeler | Nate Gilbert | |
| April 29 Friday | 6:30 a.m. | Barb Kuhn | Mark Goehl | |
| April 30 | 8:00 a.m. | Jackie Broderick | Brian Vahlkamp | |
| Saturday | 4:30 p.m. | Deb Howell | | |
| | 7:00 a.m. | Pete and Betty Harmon | | |
| May 1 Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Walt Venvertloh | | |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Parishioners of St Francis | | |



May ROSARY Leaders Needed

During the month of May, we will be saying the Rosary prior to each weekend Mass. Volunteers are needed to lead the Rosary. If you are interested in leading your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary before Mass, please contact Stephanie Ohnemus at 217-228-9616.

| This Week in the Parish: |
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| Monday, April 25: |
| 6:00 p.m. PSR |
| 7:00 p.m. Rosary |
| • Tuesday, April 26: |
| 6:30 p.m. Truth Seekers |
| 7:00 p.m. The Belonging |
| Wednesday, April 27: |
| 1:00 p.m. Bible Study |
| 4:00 p.m. Adoration |
| 5:00 p.m. Benediction |
| 5:30 p.m. Mass |
| Thursday, April 28: |
| 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts |
| 6:00 p.m. RCIA |
| Friday, April 29: |
| 8:00 a.m. Mass |
| Confessions following |
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| W | eekly Collectio | n Totals | A | pril 17, 2 | 2022 |
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| | | Collected | Budgeted | Difference | |
| | Regular/E-Giving | \$12,675.00 | \$25,470.00 | \$(12,795.00) | |
| | Loose Collection | \$3,280.00 | \$875.00 | \$2,405.00 | |
| | Annual School Fund | \$1,099.00 | \$3,000.00 | \$(1,901.00) | |
| | Total | \$17,054.00 | \$29,345.00 | \$(12,291.00) | |

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

Ladies of St. Francis

Another year is quickly coming to an end and the four present officers will be stepping down. We need a new group of women to step up and take the leadership roles. Please consider serving your parish in this way. Contact Rita Lammers at 217-577-4205.

Save the Date! Card Party 5/5/22 11:00 to 3:00

Reservations by May 2 - Call Pat Winking, 217-257-0416, before May 2.

Cost: \$8 per person - includes lunch and a chance at a door prize. We are asking those to support the

Ladies of St. Francis by donating \$8 toward expenses. Please put donation in an envelope with your

name and phone number to have a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate to Gene Grawe fund.

Thank you for your very generous support.



St. Francis Solanus Parish is Seeking a Part-time Administrative Assistant

The Administrative Assistant serves to promote the mission of the parish and foster a welcoming atmosphere through all methods of communication and media. This position provides clerical support to the parish, the pastor, other appropriate staff members, and members of the parish as well as various committees and boards. Applicants must have 3-5 years general office experience. Please send all resumes and questions to:

> Rev. Steven Arisman St. Francis Solanus Parish 1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL 62301

church@stfrancissolanus.com

Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women

Will be co-hosted by the ladies of St. Peter's and St. Anthony's

Wednesday • August 10

St. Peter's Catholic Church • 2600 Maine • Quincy

More details will be forthcoming in midsummer for sign up.

Angela Lipcamon, President



This and next weekend — April 23, April 24 and April 30, May 1 — the Parish Picnic Committee members will be set up in the North entrance of the church with sign-up sheets seeking volunteers for the picnic. There are a variety of needs and shifts that you could choose from. If you are able to sign up that day or would like to contact us with any questions, feel free to reach out to any committee member.

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St. Francis Solanus Parish

is Seeking a Principal for Our Elementary School

Applications are being accepted for the position of Principal at St. Francis Solanus Catholic School.

We are a Pre-K to 8th grade school with 240 students.

The applicant must be a practicing Catholic with strong leadership qualities, excellent communication skills, academic vision, and knowledge of current educational methods.

Teaching experience is required. Administrative experience is preferred.

Candidates must have a Master's degree in Administration and an Illinois or Missouri Certification.

Send Resume and Cover Letter to:

Rev. Steven Arisman

St. Francis Solanus Parish

1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL 62301

You Are invited to a Parents Night Out

Please join us as a way to celebrate another wonderful school year coming to a close! We would love to see you at the Quincy Brewing Company on Wednesday, May 18, from 5:00—7:00. It will be a cash bar, but light snacks will be provided. This will be a great way to socialize with other parents, teachers, staff, and friends before the summer arrives! Hope to see all of you there! Lori Shepard, Principal



We were so excited to see the Easter Bunny come to St. Francis Solanus on Tuesday, April 19, and surprise our students with an egg hunt! Our students were able to share this experience with their prayer partner that they had for Lent. What a wonderful way to continue the celebration of our risen Lord! A special thank you to Marsha Collins, Rebecca Wear, and Roseann Stuckman for their help and organization with this special event. A great time was had by all! Students found candy, gold coins, and gift certificates in their eggs! Their eggs spelled out the name of Jesus with a cross!

| May 1 | Altar Server - Weekend | Communion Minister | Usher | Reader | Greeter/Gift Bearer |
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| Saturday 4:30 p.m. | lan Lynch Jace Putman | Pat Holbrook Jane Dietrich Darlene Mayes Amy Kaiser | Jim Kaiser Tim Reichert Mark F. Dietrich Michael Bickhaus Paul Kemner John Veith | Zachary Maas | Janice Wiemelt Patti Blickhan Gift Bearer Tim & Cindy Reichert |
| Sunday 7:00 a.m. | Zoe Blair Isaac Steinkamp | John Ohnemus Jane Gregory Carolyn Briddle Karrie Cramsey-Groll | Larry Venvertloh Jack Terwelp Mary Terwelp Terry Obert Perry Terwelp Jim Wilper | Jan Zeidler | Sandra Banning Emilie Venvertlo Gift Bearer Joe & Amber Terwelp |
| Sunday 9:00 a.m. | Collin Meehan Reese Meehan | Ric Hinkamper Carol Haistings Keith Wiemelt Bruce Broemmel | Andrew Wemhoener Karl Venvertloh Rob Haistings Neal Blickhan Diann Cole Terry Nall | One Needed | Jill Blickhan Brian Dreier Gift Bearer Roberta Meyer |
| Sunday 11:00 a.m. | Allie Vranjes Mia Vranjes | Michelle Meyer Ted Meyer Rebecca Wear Norbert Dixon | Sam Vranjes Drew Erwin Mike Fessler Don Olps Ron Gengenbacher Marty Karhoff | Maryann Cornwell | Barbara Bockhau Nancy Hufendic Gift Bearer Randy Zecchel |
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