17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend, one theme of the readings is prayer. The most powerful prayer is the Holy Mass. The U. S. Bishops are giving us a time of National Eucharistic Revival to enter more deeply into the Mystery of the Eucharist, lasting from Corpus Christi 2022 to Pentecost 2025. This year my focus for PSR, my visits to St. Francis School and homeschool families, and learning for teachers and catechists will be on prayer and the Eucharist.

Our parish pays for your <u>FORMED.org</u> subscription (out of our DRE/YM budget) because YOUR faith formation is important, too! Check out their "Eucharistic Revival" category of videos. Here's how to make an account if you haven't yet: Visit <u>FORMED.org</u>. Click "Sign Up." Select "I belong to a Parish or Organization." Type in "St. Francis Solanus." Then click on "St. Francis Solanus" from the list. Enter your name and email—and you're in! Available on your web browser, iOS, Android TVOS, Roku, Amazon Fire, and Android TV.

Please share the information below with a young family you know: neighbor, coworker, relative... maybe one who doesn't have a church family yet or is away from the Catholic Church.

Dear Neighbor,

Your child(ren) is (are) invited to join St. Francis Solanus School or St. Francis Solanus Parish School of Religion (P.S.R.)! Are you looking for a school that inspires faith, knowledge, and service with high academic and behavioral standards, and a strong focus on Catholic identity? Contact St. Francis Solanus School for more information, 217-222-4077, stfrancissolanus.com/school/.

Are you a public or homeschooling family who wants your children to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ and the Church family He founded? Would you devote Monday evenings 6:00-7:15 p.m. to giving your children forever gifts?: prayer; gratitude; community; self-gift, knowing that it is good that they exist and that they are called to great things, solid thinking, courteous dialogue, real questioning, patient listening, growth in reflection on the big questions. Contact the Parish Office at 217-222-2898 or registration packets will be in the back of church in August.

After God's grace, the most important resource we have is the people who give their prayer and witness as teachers. Faith is caught, more than taught! New this year, to explore the beauty and relevance of our Catholic faith, I am adding tools to their toolbox: the *Revealed and Rooted* mini-series, by Ruah Woods—classical and based on the work of Pope St. John Paul II. To learn hands-on, I am purchasing a child-sized Mass kit and we are being gifted child-sized priestly vestments. I have also scheduled child-sized visits to Adoration. Adoration will be during PSR and open to the parish: September 26, October 24, November 28, January 23, February 27, March 27 and April 24. For first graders the first time, child-sized Adoration visits may mean two minutes—and that's ok! Habits start small and grow! Jesus loves each of us and longs for us to come to Him!

"And they were bringing children to Him, that He might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it He was indignant, and said to them, 'Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God.'" (St. Mark 10:13-14)

Peace and All Good,

Liz Alonzo, Director of Religious Education ealonzo@stfrancissolanus.com.

Weekday Mass Intentions

July 25 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Carlene Waterkotte		
July 26	6:30 a.m.	John F. Engelmeyer		
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Joseph Schmidt		
July 27	6:30 a.m.	Gary and Maureen Hess		
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Donald Klingele		
July 28	6:30 a.m.	Deb Howell		
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Carl Joseph Stegeman Jr.		
July 29 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Stan Musholt		
July 30 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Mike Marshall		
	4:30 p.m.	Walt Venvertloh and Harold &Barbara Vahle (60th wedding anniversary)		
July 31 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Allison Holbrook		
	9:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	11:00 a.m.	Mary Georgann Oppi		

This Week in the Parish:

Monday, July 25

2:00 p.m. — Photo Sessions

7:00 p.m. — Rosary (Friar's Choir)

Tuesday, July 26

6:30 a.m. — Mass

9:00 a.m. — Ladies of St. Francis Quilting

2:00 p.m. — Photo Sessions

5:30 p.m. — Mass

6:30 p.m. — Stewardship Meeting

Wednesday, July 27

6:30 a.m. — Mass

4:00 p.m. — Adoration/Reconciliation

5:30 p.m. — Mass

6:30 p.m. — Choir Practice

7:00 p.m. — Men's Prayer Group

Thursday, July 28

6:30 a.m. — Mass

9:00 a.m. — Ladies of St. Francis Quilting

_ 5:30 p.m. — Mass

Friday, July 29

6:30 a.m. — Mass

Saturday, July 30

8:00 a.m. — Mass

8:30 a.m. — Reconciliation

■ 3:00 p.m. — Reconciliation

4:30 p.m. — Mass



St. Francis Church is going to offer the program Grief Share for those who would like to meet with others to walk the path through grief toward healing and hope for the future.

Beginning August 18, a grief support group will begin and meet for 13 weeks each Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The program, "Mourning to Joy," begins with an introduction, video, and then break into small groups to offer support to one another. There are workbooks provided that reinforce the weekly session topics.

There is no charge for this group. Everyone is welcome. This is a non-denominational support group.

Please register for this group by calling Pat Holbrook, 217-257-2570, so that we can prepare for enough materials.

Rest In Peace...

Gary Crail

Oct. 1, 1954-July 5, 2022

Keith Wiemelt

Nov. 19, 1979-July 18, 2022

Weekly Collection Update							
	Week of	Weekly		Fiscal Year Totals to date			
	7/17/2022	Budget Goal	Difference		Totals	Budget Goal	Difference
Regular/E-Giving/ACSA Tithe	\$19,765.50	\$26,600.00	(\$6,834.50)	Regular/E-Giving/ACSA Tithe	\$67,447.00	\$79,800.00	(\$12,353.00)
Loose Collection	\$1,153.26	\$1,220.00	(\$66.74)	Loose Collection	\$3,796.61	\$3,660.00	\$136.61
Annual School Fund	\$481.00	\$3,440.00	(\$2,959.00)	Annual School Fund	\$5,706.00	\$10,320.00	(\$4,614.00)
Total	\$21,399.76	\$31,260.00	(\$9,860.24)	Total	\$76,949.61	\$93,780.00	(\$16,830.39)

Many people have asked how they may be of help to Keith Wiemelt's family.

With their permission we share the following information.

There is an account set up at First Bankers Trust in Quincy for the Wiemelt family--Bonnie C. Wiemelt, Memorial Account. Donations may be made anonymously.

Anyone may make a donation by going to this bank at any branch.

Do you need some time in quiet adoration? We have just the place. We are looking for Adorers to fill the following hours in the Adoration Chapel at St. Peters:

Wednesday: 4 to 5 p.m.

Thursday: Midnight to 1 a.m., 1 to 2 a.m., 2 to 3 a.m.

Friday: 11 p.m. to Midnight

Share the hour with a friend, swap every other week with a family member, or take an hour as a family to pray together. We are flexible on schedules. Please consider taking an hour so that we could open the chapel up for more prayerful hours. We would love to have you join our group.

Please call Mary at 217-653-3127 or call or text Gina at 217-257-9966.

Evening Prayer Every Sunday

Come join us in praying Evening Prayer every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the friars choir to the left of the sanctuary. This 15-minute prayer is a part of the Liturgy of the Hours, the daily prayer of the Church that marks the hours of the day and sanctifies the day with prayer. It is a beautiful, ancient prayer of the Church that we are all encouraged to participate in. All materials and instruction is provided. Hope to see you there!

Divorce and Beyond

"Divorce and Beyond" Workshop is designed to help support people beyond the pain of divorce. The workshop is for those who are divorced. Topics covered include: The Process of Divorce, Positive Self-Image, Handling Stress,

Expressing Anger, Dealing with Blame and Guilt, Overcoming Difficulties, Decision to Forgive, Pathways to Growth, Children of Divorce, Annulment Process (for Catholics). Registration is required and a \$10 donation for materials is requested. People of any faith or no faith are welcome. The sessions will be on Wednesday nights from

6:30-8:00 p.m. beginning September 7 in the St. Francis Parish Center Bride's Room. Facilitators will be Drew and Julie Erwin. To register, call Julie at 217-257-5313 or email Julie.gunn@comcast.net.

Holy Name News

Next Holy Name meeting will be 6 p.m. Wednesday, August 10. Food and drinks will be served. All men of the parish are welcome.

Our next big activity will be the annual golf outing September 25 at Westview. Start practicing and get your 4-man team together.

Knights of Columbus News

Thursday Night Big Raffle Jackpot is up to \$22,950! Tickets on sale from 6-7:45. Drawing is at 8 p.m.

K of C BBQ will be August 12,13,14. Go to quincykofc.org for more information.

Letter to the Parish from Jake Terry

Dear Parish,

I am so excited to be working here at St. Francis and to meet all the wonderful parents and kids who, with me, call this parish home. I want to share with you some of my plans for the upcoming school year and invite you to help me build the faith among our youth. There are many good approaches to youth ministry and no one way has been identified as the best method for achieving our goals. The goals are what is most important. There are good goals and poor ones, and figuring out which goal we want to pursue reveals the proper method we should use.

So what are our goals? Is it to have a big youth group? I don't think this goes far enough. A high turnout is a great thing but this is merely an effect of good youth ministry. Is it knowledgeable children and teens? This again is a fine effect of good youth ministry but is not ultimately what I think we want most of all at our parish. What *do* we want then? The answer, I believe, are children whose hearts have been conformed into the likeness of Christ's.

"For I am gentle and humble of heart," says the Lord when describing Himself. These qualities, which this world rarely seeks to instill, are what we most of all need in our Church today. This then is our goal, to create gentle and humble children who will grow up to be gentle and humble men and women. This goal cannot be achieved with only large group gatherings nor mere heady theological lectures. Rather it must be in kind, personal relationships fostered and centered around learning about and living out our faith as Roman Catholics.

Within our context I believe that a small, group-centered program will achieve this end most effectively. This allows me and my volunteers to divide and conquer, being able to care for each child in our program in a meaningful way, valuing them as a child of God and a member of our community here at St. Francis. Furthermore, we will also have monthly large group gatherings where all the various small groups will come together for fellowship with other teens and to encounter Christ in a variety of ways such as adoration, prayer, music, games, and more.

The small groups will do a similar thing, forming a community where they are loved and accepted by their peers, giving them a chance to form genuine friendships. The curriculum for the small groups will take on different forms, moving between learning the beautiful scriptures and teachings of our Church and living them out with service, work, and prayer. As St. Paul says, "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any moral excellence and if there is anything praiseworthy, dwell on these things." These things indeed will be the focus of our small groups.

I'm sure there will be many questions about all of this and I am looking forward to answering them. Feel free to contact me at <u>jacob@stfrancissolanus.com</u> and share your thoughts. I am praying for all our children and for our wonderful Parish.

Jake

"Play in the Park" Wednesday, August 3 6:00-7:30 p.m. Upper Moorman Park shelter house and playground

Current and prospective St. Francis Solanus School families are invited to play in Upper Moorman Park. You may bring any sports gear or use the playground equipment. Meet old friends and find new ones! A snack will be served.

**** The Quincy Notre Dame boys' soccer team will host its annual elementary soccer camp July 25-28 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at QND. The camp is for boys entering grades K-6. Cost is \$40. Camp t-shirts can be purchased for \$10. Registration forms are available on the QND website (www.quincynotredame.org) or beginning at 5:45 on July 25. Bring a soccer ball and water. For more information, call Greg Reis at 217-430-7119.

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St. Peter School is taking applications for a full-time sub teaching position for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants must be a certified teacher. Send resumes to c.venvertloh@cospq.org or 2500 Maine St. Quincy, IL 62301.



Welcome to Gur School!

My name is Tiffany Steinhauser. I will be an interventionist at the junior high level. I have spent the past 22 years teaching special education at the junior high level. Junior high is my favorite age group because I get to help kids get through some of the toughest years in school. After graduating from QND, I went on to graduate from Quincy University with a degree in Special Education, and William Woods University with a Master's in Education Administration. My husband Jeremy and I have two children, Morgan, 15 and Carter, 11. We love to camp, boat, and be in nature. I am a Lady Raider, always will be, and coming to St. Francis - in the words of one of my favorite parish members - "is like coming home." I feel so lucky for this opportunity!

July 30-31	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	David Bickhaus James Bickhaus	David Pillars	Jim Kaiser Tim Reichert Paul Kemner Mark F. Dietrich Michael Eling Greg Ehrhardt	Jim Waterkotte	Tim & Cindy Reichert Brian Dreier Gift Bearer Chryssia Hea
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	2 Needed Please	Cindy Venvertloh Kay Gallaher Rick Haugh Judy Haugh	Ed Zanger Larry Venvertloh Jack Terwelp Mary Terwelp Tim Venvertloh Roger Gallaher	Barbara Girouard	Terry Niemann Jerry Meyer Gift Bearer Bruce & Amanda Venvertloh
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Morgan Patton Makayla Patton	Kristen Patton Carol Darnell Holly Hummel Carol Haistings	Gary Darnell Troy Hummel Rob Haistings Mike Zanger Keith Wiemelt Mark Dietrich	Jan Zeidler	Jeannie Thomas Prudy Patterson Gift Bearer Brad Hummel
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Priya Mamdani Breana Schlipman	Jamie Friye Sue Holbrook Doris Karhoff Michael Wand	Mike Holbrook Bud Voss Marty Karhoff Don Olps Ron Gengenbacher Joseph Obert	Rosanna Voss	Brenda Wand Barbara Bockhaus Gift Bearer Randy Zecchel
Saturday Morning Mass Server July 30, 8:00 a.m.			Drake D	odd and Ka	den Marth



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