21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This Sunday we continue the challenges from the scriptures. Hebrews challenges us to be disciplined and the Gospel tells us to strive to enter through the narrow gate. Jesus warns us it isn't easy to be saved. He has redeemed us but we must be active in the work that God does in us for salvation. It is not enough just to say I know Him, but instead we must be with Him and intimately dwell with Him in His house. If Mass is not the priority of who we are and whose we are, then how are we with the master in the house behind the locked door? We want to be with Him and allow Him to be in us as a friend we know intimately and not just the guy we yell to from afar when we need him that says, "Oh yeah, hey I know you"! If we know Him we will be with Him and Him with us. Have no doubt where you stand with Christ by standing with Him, In His House, with Him.

This week we began school again! How exciting. It was great to have everyone back. What an exciting year it is going to be! Thank you to Mrs. Radel for her leadership and to all the faculty and staff for a great start to the year! There is so much to look forward to in the blessings we have here at St. Francis.

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Weekday Mass Intentions

Aug. 22 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Floyd Wiewel		
Aug. 23 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Maxwell		
	5:30 p.m.	Barbara Mayfield		
Aug. 24 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Nate Gilbert		
	5:30 p.m.	Jerry Little		
Aug. 25 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Tom Rose		
	5:30 p.m.	Alvera Bardon		
Aug. 26 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Rosalie "Sis" Obert		
Aug. 27	8:00 a.m.	Michael Klaus		
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Doris Girouard		
	7:00 a.m.	Barbara Mayfield		
Aug. 28 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	11:00 a.m.	Mary Georgann Oppi		

Daily Mass on Labor Day, Monday, September 5, will be at 9:00 a.m.

This Week In the Parish:

Monday, Aug. 22

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 5:00 p.m. Catechists: Search 1 & 2
- → 7:00 p.m. Rosary (Friar's Choir)

Tuesday, Aug. 23

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 7:00 p.m. The Belonging

Wednesday, Aug. 24

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 4:00 p.m. Adoration/Reconciliation
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group

Thursday, Aug. 25

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Grief Share
- 6:30 p.m. Troup 22 Scout Meeting

Friday, Aug. 26

6:30 a.m. — Mass

Saturday, Aug. 27

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

GRIEF SHARE

St. Francis Church is offering 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 with enough materials.

Carolyn Briddle has been honored with the

2022 St. Francis Solanus Women of Distinction Award
from the Diocese of Springfield. Please stop by the
Parish Center today after the

9:00 a.m. Mass to congratulate Carolyn on this
accomplishment, and enjoy some
light refreshments.

Welcome Theo Alexander Arens, child of Cody and Jaclyn Arens, baptized here August 7, and Cary David Markway, child of Kristofor and Andrea Markway, baptized here August 14.

Weekly Collection Update							
	Week of	Weekly		Fiscal Year Totals to date			
	8/14/2022	Budget Goal	Difference		Totals	Budget Goal	Difference
Regular/E-Giving/ACSA Tithe	\$14,427.50	\$26,600.00	\$(12,172.50)	Regular/E-Giving/ACSA Tithe	\$145,325.29	\$186,200.00	\$(40,87471)
Loose Collection	\$1,002.56	\$1,220.00	\$(217.44)	Loose Collection	\$9,428.33	\$8,540.00	\$888.33
Annual School Fund	\$926.00	\$3,440.00	\$(2,514.00)	Annual School Fund	\$12,200.22	\$24,080.00	\$(11,879.78)
Total	\$16,356.06	\$31,260.00	\$(14,903.94)	Total	\$166,953.84	\$218,820.00	\$(51,866.16)
Capital Campaign	\$500.00			Capital Campaign	\$11,500.00		

Lift your minds and hearts to God by spending some time in the Adoration Chapel at St. Peter's. The following times are open for you to say YES! to one of the following <u>Thursday</u> hours: 1:00 to 2:00 a.m., 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

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

St. Francis Ladies Card Party

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, September 1.



Cost is \$8 per person and includes lunch and a drawing for a door prize. Please call Pat Winking to reserve a table, if possible at least four days before the party: 217-257-0416. One member of your group must call each month to reserve your table. This is a social event and a fundraiser for our parish. Women of the parish may be called to make a donation to help offset the cost of the card party.

The Quilters of St. Francis will be raffling off one quilt at this year's Card Parties.

The Quilters will sell chances \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. They will sell them from September until May.

Anyone who is interested in buying chances can get these from any quilter and at the card parties.

You do not need to be present to win.

Today's readings show us that it is not enough to be Christ's disciples in name only. To be a real disciple, we must live for Christ every day and in every aspect of life. This kind of life takes strength and discipline.

Intentionally and consistently offering the Lord the best of our Time, Talent, and Treasure through a stewardship way of life is a form of spiritual discipline. These spiritual disciplines teach us to become ever more aware of God's constant provision for us and they keep us on the narrow path towards the Kingdom of Heaven. The more we embrace this way of life, the more we can be "trained" by the Lord in the ways of true discipleship. Though difficult, these disciplines become a source of spiritual strength.

Our Lord Himself speaks of the difficult path to the Kingdom of Heaven in today's Gospel passage from Luke. He is asked, "Lord, will only a few be saved?" Jesus responds, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." Showing up for Mass on Sunday while living as if Christ is an after-thought the rest of the week does not make us disciples. What's more, this approach to our faith is an unjust and unloving response to our good God who has given us all that we have and are.

Jesus does not want us to merely go through the motions of faith. He wants much more from us and for us. He wants to know us deeply and for us to get to know Him so that we become His holy disciples. This is not a burden; it is a privilege. But it does take discipline, the discipline of a stewardship way of life.

— Stewardship Reflections by <u>Catholic Stewardship Consultants</u>

Women of the Bible

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the diocese to its 93rd annual convention, titled Women of the Bible, September 28 at the Immaculate Conception Parish Center in Mattoon. The program begins at 9:00 a.m., with Mass at 11:00 a.m. This year's speaker will be Dr. Dee Stern, a grief therapist and chaplain at St. John's Hospital in Springfield. And Patty Winn will transport you back to the time of Jesus with a presentation titled Woman at the Well. Cost of the day is \$50 and includes breakfast and lunch. Registration forms are due by September 7. Pick one up at entrances to the church, or call the Parish Office.

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, September 14. 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. Proceeds benefit St. Francis School.

Knights of Columbus News

The Big Raffle Jackpot is up to \$27,000! Tickets on sale Thursday nights from 6-7:45. Drawing at 8 p.m.

A big thank you to all who attended the annual barbecue.

PSR begins Monday, September 12.

Please pick up a registration packet at any entrance of the church. We are looking forward to a year filled with fun under the direction of Liz Alonzo, our new Director of Religious Education.

class starts Sun., Sept. 11. at St. Francis and will run for nine consecutive Sunday evenings. ALL ARE WELCOME. FPU is practical, entertaining and fun! Whether you're struggling to make ends meet, or you'd just like to learn how to better handle your money, FPU has something for you. Start your journey to financial peace by registering for the class at ww.fpu.com//1153051. Or, for more

information, contact FPU coordinator Rick

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rgenfam@yahoo.com.

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

Parish Antique Car and Truck Show

To benefit the Allison Holbrook Memorial Scholarship Fund.
7 a.m. to Noon, Sunday, August 21, on gated College Street. Parishioner vehicles ONLY; 1992 and older. Antique cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, and tractors! Donuts and coffee furnished by Holy Name. Freewill donations appreciated. For more details, contact Deacon Dennis Holbrook, 217-257-4384, or Alan Blickhan, 217-257-1445.



Assumptions Catholic Store will be at

St. Rose Parish Hall for a summer sale from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Saturday, August 27. The sale will feature sacramental items such as crosses and crucifixes, Catholic Bibles, Missals, and a selection of gift items for baptism and confirmation. The St. Rose Parish Hall is located at 715 Chestnut St., Quincy.

RCIA News

Do you know someone who might want to become Catholic; or has a child over age seven who hasn't been baptized; or someone who was baptized Catholic but has not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? RCIA is an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith in preparation to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter Season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process in a warm, accepting setting. For information, please contact Mike Holbrook at 217-222-2898 or mholbrook@stfrancissolanus.com.



Can you **Pray for Our Priests?** We need three St. Francis women to join the Seven Sisters group to pray for our priests. If you have the desire, and could pray one hour a week, whenever it's convenient for you, please contact Pat Holbrook at 217-257-2570 for more information. We have immediate openings on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. What a great way to serve our church by supporting our priests in fervent prayer!

Quincy Holy Family Fest - Saturday, October 22, at Quincy Knights of Columbus #583 — Join us if you are: **Looking** to grow your family's faith in a fun way.

Hoping to pass your Catholic faith on to your kids and looking for guidance to instill family values in a complicated world.

Wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith and the Holy Family.

Looking for that extra something to help your family thrive and grow together.

This is a mini version of the AFC Family Fest (Apostolate for Family Consecration) designed to create an environment to help families grow in their faith.

Questions? Contact quincyholyfamilyfest@gmail.com or text/call 217-257-0816.

Catechists who would like to volunteer to help with youth activities at Quincy Holy Family Fest, please contact Liz Alonzo.

The Allison Holbrook Scholarship fund made a generous donation to the St. Francis Solanus School preschool classroom.



Numerous new toys were gifted as well as a monetary donation. Allison was committed to the education of youth. Pictured are Allison's nieces with the toys that were donated.

Help Wanted for our school's after school childcare program. Hours are 2:50-5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday when school is in session. Pay is \$13 per hour. Applicants must pass a background check, be fingerprinted, and complete a child protection class. If you are interested and over 18 years old, please contact Principal Julie Radel at 217-222-4077 or jradel@stfrancissolanus.com.

Health forms — If you have a student in kindergarten, second, or sixth grade, please have your school health forms turned in by September 15.

School lunch — Will be returning to \$3.10 per day. Please contact the school if you need income guidelines for free or reduced lunch.



Jim Russell, father of our new preschool teacher, Catherine Bruening, donated the wood, then built six shelves for the preschool classroom.

Thank you for supporting St. Francis Solanus School.

Kent McClain and Roseann Stuckman partnered for a school project. Kent and his grandchildren built a backdrop for photos from wood. The school and parish have some other ideas for this portable structure. Roseann designed a back to school photo backdrop for our families to use during Blessing of the Backpacks and other events. Thank you for your support of St. Francis.









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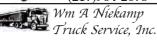
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