22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The readings this weekend are all about humility. So often we hear humble and think we just need to hide away and never use our talents or gifts. That isn't humility. True humility is to use the gifts and talents and strengths and weaknesses to their fullest extent for the greater glory of God. The use of our gifts and talents are not for our own aggrandizement, but for God's glory. Our gifts and talents are not our own, but gifts from the Lord, so therefore all praise goes to Him and not to us. These readings are rich in who we are called to be as followers of Christ and how we are called to live out following Christ.

Last weekend at the 4:30 Mass we had a major problem in that we ran out of communion. There is much to say about this incident, but first is, I am sorry this happened. Let's now delve into this a bit. First and foremost, to all of you, but most especially those who didn't receive, the obligation is to Mass, NOT to the reception of the Eucharist. Someone said to me about the incident, "All those poor people have to go to Mass again because they didn't receive." This is completely incorrect. You have fulfilled your obligation to Mass by attending; receiving communion is not required. In fact, we should only receive the Eucharist if we are in a state of grace and are prepared. If we are not in a state of grace, in fact, we should NOT receive communion until we rectify what is keeping us from being in a state of grace. This could be not having been to confession in the last year (we MUST go to confession at least once a year); this could be not being in a marriage recognized by the Church; this could be not giving to the needs of the Church (this is a precept/requirement); this could be having a mortal sin on your soul without yet getting to confession; this could be you were very distracted in Mass or angry or just had a fight or something that you yourself just don't feel ready at that moment, and many other reasons. We are only required by the precepts of the Church to receive communion once a year during the Easter Season, after that once-a-year confession to prepare ourselves. So, the obligation is to Mass, even if we are not able to receive communion for whatever reason, and we can always pray for a spiritual communion, until we can receive.

There is a difference between ordinary ministers of Holy Communion and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Ordinary ministers are deacons, priests, and bishops. Extraordinary ministers are anyone else. If for some reason we have more deacons or priests visiting or the bishop is there, even if you are scheduled as an EMHC, the ordinary minister supersedes the schedule. So, we make sure there is the amount needed, usually six for Sundays, but that could be a little more or a little less depending on the situation. The ordinary ministers must be vigilant if we are running out and need to fracture the hosts to have enough to feed the people. But if the EMHCs see there is a chance we are going to run out, ask the ordinary ministers sooner than one or two hosts left. The hosts can be broken up into smaller pieces to make sure we all receive. We only need to receive a crumb of the consecrated host or a drop of the precious blood to receive all of Jesus (Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity). We call this concomitance.

Please remember most from this that we must be in a state of grace and ready in our heart and mind to receive Jesus, and even if we can't for whatever reason, we still need to be at Mass. In fact, in those moments we can't receive is when we NEED to be in Mass even more. We can pray for a spiritual communion, until we can receive, but again the obligation is to Mass. And even more than the obligation, we NEED the Mass for our hearts/bodies, and our souls.

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Weekday Mass Intentions

Aug. 29 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Maxwell		
Aug. 30 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Alvera Bardon		
	5:30 p.m.	Floyd Wiewel		
Aug. 31 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Brian Aschemann		
	5:30 p.m.	Barbara Mayfield		
Sept. 1 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Maxwell		
	5:30 p.m.	A Special Intention		
Sept. 2 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Walt Venvertloh		
Sept. 3 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Walt Venvertloh		
	4:30 p.m.	Sharon Waterkotte		
Sept. 4 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	9:00 a.m.	Brian Vahlkamp		
	11:00 a.m.	Carl, Fr. Gary & Connie Bernhardt		

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

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. The group began meeting August 18 and will meet for 13 weeks each Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The program, "Mourning to Joy," includes small groups to offer support to one another. There are also workbooks provided that reinforce the weekly session topics. There is no charge for this group and you can join at any time. 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.

This Week in the Parish:

Monday, Aug. 29

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:30 a.m. Blanket Project
- 6:00 p.m. Catechists Search 3 & 4

Tuesday, Aug. 30

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 7:00 p.m. QU Blessing of the Athletes

Wednesday, Aug. 31

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 2:00 p.m. SFS Staff Spiritual Formation
- 4:00 p.m. Adoration/Reconciliation
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 5:30 p.m. Holiday Bazaar Planning

Thursday, Sept. 1

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 11:00 a.m. SFS Ladies Card Party
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Grief Share
- 6:30 p.m. Troup 22 Scout Meeting

• Friday, Sept. 2

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Digital Scrapbooking

Saturday, Sept. 3

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

"Blue Mass" Saluting First Responders

Blessed Sacrament Parish invites all first responders to be recognized and appreciated within the context of the Mass at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, September 10, followed by a free meal for first responders at the Septemberfest, taking place immediately after Mass.

Chicken Dinner — Sponsored by the St. Anthony Men's Society. Dine-in or carry-out from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Sunday, September 18. In addition to chicken, all meals include mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, dessert, and a drink. Cost for a quarter-chicken meal: \$11; half-chicken: \$14; children's meal: \$7.

Weekly Collection Update							
	Week of	Weekly		Fiscal Year Totals to date			
	8/21/2022	Budget Goal	Difference		Totals	Budget Goal	Difference
Regular/E-Giving/ACSA Tithe	\$25,474.00	\$26,600.00	\$(1,126.00)	Regular/E-Giving/ACSA Tithe	\$174,837.79	\$212,800.00	\$(37,962.21)
Loose Collection	\$1,238.00	\$1,220.00	\$18.00	Loose Collection	\$10,666.33	\$9,760.00	\$906.33
Annual School Fund	\$1,142.00	\$3,440.00	\$(2,298.00)	Annual School Fund	\$ 13,402.22	\$27,520.00	\$(14,117.78)
Total	\$27,854.00	\$31,260.00	\$(3,406.00)	Total	\$198,906.34	\$250,080.00	\$(51,173.66)
Capital Campaign	\$0.00			Capital Campaign Through 8/21/2022	\$50,620.00		

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

The Quilters will sell chances for \$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 them from any quilter and at the Card Parties.

You do not need to be present to win.



A Big Thank You! To Alan Blickhan, Mike Holbrook, and the entire Holy Name Society for organizing the Parish Antique Car and Truck Show. Donations totaling \$1,288 were collected for the Allison Holbrook Memorial Fund, which supports our school in many ways. Everyone had fun socializing with fellow parishioners while checking out the antique cars, trucks, and even a tractor that Father Arisman climbed aboard! We hope to see more members of the parish show off their antique vehicles next year. Thank you to all who made a contribution in Allison's memory for the school.

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.



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.

Friday Night Chicken Dinners will start up in September. Stay tuned for more details!

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.

Dave Ramsey's **Financial Peace University** class starts Sunday, September 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 www.fpu.com//1153051. Or for more information, contact FPU coordinator Rick Gengenbacher at 257-5670 or rgenfam@yahoo.com.

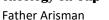
QND Band and Choir students will be selling World's Finest Chocolate bars after Mass this weekend. A variety of flavors will be available for \$1 each. Thank you for supporting the QND music department!

Youth Group Meeting! Join us for the second meeting for 7th through 12th grades this Sunday from 5-6 p.m. in the North Solanus Hall. You will get to connect with your small group leader and pick a patron saint for your group. Please bring parent contact information.

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 email Mike Holbrook at mholbrook@stfrancissolanus.com or call the Parish Office, 217-222-2898.

Theology on Tap



will be the presenter on Tuesday, September 6, so grab a quality brew and share in Christian Fellowship at the Quincy Brewing Company. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., with the talk beginning at 6:45. There will be a Q&A, then discussion at the tables after the talk. Contact Ginny Fuentes at

<u>faithformation@blessedscs.org</u> with any questions.

Sometimes life can feel overwhelming, but there is help, hope, and reasons to live. National suicide prevention awareness week is September 4-10. Whoever you are, whatever you are facing, God knows your struggles and provides people who can help. Learn about the warning signs and what to do on the Adams County Suicide Prevention Alliance web page, acsuicideprevention.org. Help is just a phone call away. Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-TALK (8255) or text HOME

to 721741.



Meet the Teacher Night Tuesday, August 30

All parents are invited to meet our teachers and find out important information about the upcoming school year. Teachers will share information about academic expectations, homework, and ways to contact your child's teacher. Behavior expectations and classroom management will also be discussed, with time for questions. Please visit your child's classroom at the following times:

Pre-School: 6:00-6:30 Kindergarten: 6:00-6:30 Grades 1-3: 6:30-6:45 Grades 4-5: 6:45-7:00;

Grades 6-8: 7:00-7:30 in the cafeteria.

This is a great way to establish a relationship with a new teacher and create a supportive network with other parents.

Statement on Non-Discrimination

In accordance with the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, St. Francis Solanus School admits students of any race, color, 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 on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in Administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school-administered programs. Appropriateness of educational programs, students in good standing, and/or the availability of space may be legitimate factors affecting admissions. A student's enrollment status may be changed or discontinued at any time during the year, as determined by the Principal and the Pastor. It is a privilege, not a right, to attend St. Francis School. Transfer students must be in good standing as indicated on our records transfer form to continue enrollment. Furthermore, we do not discriminate against immigrant children lacking in legal status. Catholic School does not discriminate against immigrant students lacking legal documentation/status, via Plyler v Doe.



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

<u>quincyholyfamilyfest@gmail.com</u> 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.

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.

School Photos will be taken Monday, September 26.

The annual **Christmas Music Program** will be 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 13, in St. Francis Solanus Church.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser — Three to four more volunteers are needed to assist. This team will send out order sheets, collect the sheets and money, compile totals, place the order, then sort it. This DOES count towards the 10 service hours required each year. If you are interested in helping contact the school at school@stfrancissolanus.com.

Sept 3-4	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Collin Meehan Reese Meehan	Theresa Rohrer Amy Kaiser Barbara Girouard Marsha Collins	Jim Kaiser Tim Reichert Dick Mitchell Greg Ehrhardt Jerry Meyer Mary Ann Thomas	Zachary Maas	Katie Schuecking Russell Rohrer Gift Bearer Tim & Cindy Reichert
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	2 Needed Please	Cindy Venvertloh Sue Winking Gary Winking Nancy Venegoni	Roger Gallaher Jim Wilper Jack Terwelp Mary Terwelp Larry Venvertloh Tim Venvertloh	Rick Haugh	Larry Klauser Kathy Klauser Gift Bearer Kay Gallaher
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Lia Henrichs Madilynn Henrichs	Andrew Wemhoener Marvin Knuffman Linda Burke Kristy Henrichs	Mark Dietrich Bryant Burke Jason Costigan Terry Nall Karl Venvertloh Troy Hummel	Aaron Weiman	Nancy Friye Brian Dreier Gift Bearer Rob Frese
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Kaden Marth Ben Eling	Laura Ohnemus Anne Meyer Carol Steinbrecher 1 Needed Please	Joseph Obert Mike Fessler Sam Vranjes Marty Karhoff Don Olps Dale Peters	Ron Gengenbacher	Doris Karhoff Gift Bearer Randy Zecchel
Saturday Morning Mass Server Sept. 3, 8:00 a.m.		Thomas V	Viewel and	Gabe Schrage	



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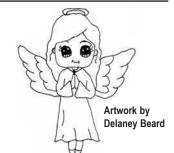
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