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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.

Tuesday 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.

# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time AUGUST 20, 2023

Isaiah 56:1,6-7; Romans 11:13-15,29-32; Matthew 15:21-28

The readings of today's Mass should stir us to concern for the salvation of our neighborhood, our community, and our world. God chose a people through whom he would reveal himself to the world. The Hebrew people are his first choice. He gave them his Holy Torah or Law; he sent them prophets; he called them to be a priestly nation, a royal people. Unfortunately, they often became smug and self-satisfied; they thought that the rest of the world was damned, and that they were the only righteous people in the world.

The last part of the book of Isaiah (chapters 56-66) give a different outlook. God reminds the Hebrews that he calls all people to salvation. He intends all peoples to come and worship him, the one true God. Today's first reading is taken from this section.

In the second reading (from Romans) Paul laments the fact that his people, the Jews, have not recognized Jesus as Messiah. But he says that this is for a purpose: in order that God may show mercy to the Gentiles (the pagans, the non-Jews, that is to us!)

The Gospel tells the story of a pagan woman who asks Jesus to cure her daughter. Jesus ignores her. He says that his mission is only to save Israel. He tells her that it is not right to take children's food and give it to dogs. (Jews called Gentiles "dogs.") She matches wits with Jesus and says, "Yes, but even the dogs get the scraps which the children sneak to them under the table."

Jesus has not really been as brutal as our translation makes it seem. The Greek word used for "dog" here really means something like "puppy" or "house pets." It is an affectionate term. In doing this, the woman is given an opportunity for faith; and she expresses it!

Putting all the readings together, we see that we must have a concern for our neighbor's salvation. We would surely take food to our neighbor if he is hungry. We must provide the bread of truth for our neighbor who is starving for the Lord. The Responsorial Psalm sums up the message: "O God, let all the nations praise you!" But the nations cannot praise God unless you and I reach out to bring them to faith!

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### 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

All of our readings this weekend are focused on the foreigner! We were told that the foreigners will be brought to the mountain of the Lord and the house of prayer. This concept is outlandish to the Israelites, but has been promised over and over especially here in Isaiah. Paul talks to the gentiles of mercy. And today, this Canaanite woman cries out for Jesus to free her possessed daughter. Her persistence and her understanding of who Jesus is and what He has come to do, bring about her daughter's deliverance. We hear these stories and think of the fact that Jesus calls us to reach out to the neglected and outcast and foreigner, but we also must remember these stories are also about you and I. We are foreigners. Not just because we aren't Jewish, but because we aren't made for this world. The word pariah is the root of the word parishioner. We are not made for here but for the world to come. So may we come to the mountain to the Lord. May we come to seek His mercy. May we cry out "Have pity on me Lord, Son of David." May we remain persistent and understand who Jesus is and where we are made to be! In heaven.

I wanted to thank everybody for their patience in my time of being away for World Youth Day! Thank you to Fr. Rafal and Thomas for holding down the fort while I was away and Fr. Bob for some coverage help. What a wonderful experience, and I look forward to sharing more of that with you in the future. Someone has asked me to gather the group that went to reflect and answer questions for everybody and I think that would be a wonderful evening. Look for details in the near future. I did not expect to be sick this last week, and I am very sorry that I will be playing catch-up. for sometime now.

I also wanted to say thank you to Thomas Marten, our Seminarian this summer. What a joy it has been to spend the summer with him and have his presence in our parish! His visits to the homebound and nursing homes, his organizational skills around the sacristy and my office, and his joy that he generally brings, has been a delight. I can't say enough wonderful things about him. Please send him notes and gifts of gratitude at seminary. I dropped the ball in having a going away celebration before he left. So if you can, send him a token of our appreciation. Pray for him and all of our seminarians. Thomas you will always have a home here at St. Francis! Pray for Fr. Rafal as he journeys home to see his mom, as he goes on retreat, and for safe travels.

Lastly welcome back to school and thank you to Mrs. Radel and all the faculty and staff for their hard work in preparing for this year and a wonderful start! It's good to see the life back around our building and the ones across the street at QU! Welcome to you all.

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## Weekday Mass Intentions

August 21 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Clara O'Brien		
August 22 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Fr. Michael Grawe OFM		
	5:30 p.m.	John Horman		
August 23 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Joe Eling		
	5:30 p.m.	Jeff Steinkamp		
August 24 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Linda Blickhan		
	5:30 p.m.	Nate Gilbert		
August 25 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Leo Ginther		
August 26 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosalie "Sis" Obert		
	4:30 p.m.	Keith Wiemelt		
August 27 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Kent Humphrey		
	9:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	11:00 a.m.	John Horman and Don Fessler		

Week of 8/13/2023	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$15,246.50	\$152,609.29	
Loose Collection	\$1,376.25	\$10,319.69	
Total Collection	\$16,622.75	\$162,928.98	
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$211,645.00	
Difference	-\$13,612.25	-\$48,716.02	

Other Giving	Week	YTD
Annual School Fund	\$1,123.00	\$14,535.18
Capital Campaign	\$365.00	\$311,334.30

#### This week in the Parish:

#### Monday, August 21

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Catechist formation
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary

#### Tuesday, August 22

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

#### Wednesday, August 23

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:35 a.m. School Mass
- 9:30 a.m. Adoration
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group

#### Thursday, August 24

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 5:00 p.m. Eagle Scout Project Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Pack 22 meeting

#### Friday, August 25

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- Saturday, August 26
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
- 3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
  - 4:30 p.m. Mass

Congratulations and Welcome!

Theodore Augustine Ridder

Son of Adam and Molly Ridder

Baptized into the Catholic faith

August 11, 2023

There will be an **Hour of Adoration for Priests** followed by Benediction at

St. Anthony Church in Quincy **today, August 20** from 3-4 p.m. All are invited to come and pray for your priests.



## 3rd Annual Allison Holbrook Memorial Car and Truck Show Today, August 20

7:30 a.m.-Noon on College Street in front of the school.

Please stop by and check out the vintage cars, trucks and tractors owned by our fellow parishioners!

Coffee and donuts will be served.

There will be a free-will offering with all proceeds going to our St. Francis school students needing financial assistance through the Allison Holbrook Memorial Scholarship Fund.

#### **Hospital Ministry**

Thank you!

Attention Lay Eucharistic Ministers!

Please consider expanding your ministry by providing
Holy Eucharist to Catholic patients at Blessing Hospital.

These volunteers visit patients, pray with them, distribute
communion, and make priest referrals.

## Requirements have recently changed and a Covid vaccination is no longer required to volunteer.

For more information please contact Prudence Bickhaus Martin at Blessing at 223-8400 ext. 6825.

#### Share your Garden with the Food Pantry

We welcome fresh produce! Donations from your garden may be brought to the pantry or placed in any food pantry receptacles at the entrances to church. These items will be shared with food pantry clients on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please find the flyer and signup sheet in our gathering space for the **Quincy Deanery CCW**summer gathering Wednesday, August 30 at
Holy Family Catholic Church in Mt. Sterling.
The day begins at 7:30 with Adoration.
We learn, pray, gather new information and ideas to take to our parishes and families, and have fun making new connections in the faith. All ages are welcome. This is the month of the Immaculate Heart and we have some great ideas to pass along for family spirituality and for kids.

Please call 217-285-5483 if you have questions.

#### Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women 95th Annual Convention: Christ is Alive

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 27 at Sacred Heart Griffin west campus in Springfield.

Bishop Paprocki will celebrate Mass in St. Agnes church next to the school at 11 a.m. The keynote speaker will be Cathy Becker, director of faith formation for St. Agnes.

Registration is \$50 and includes morning refreshments and lunch.

Register by calling the parish office or picking up a registration form in the gathering space.

Contact Janet Zimmerman with questions: janetzim14@yahoo.com or 217-494-4743.

#### Ever wonder what it's like to be a Catholic sister?

Walking the path of vocation discernment often begins with a "Come & See" weekend at a residence of Catholic sisters. The Dominican Sisters of Springfield, II. have 11 such events scheduled throughout 2023-24. Single Catholic women ages 21-45 are welcome to register for one or more of these events.

The first in-person event is September 15-17. Registration is now open at springfieldop.org/comesee.

#### Divorce and Beyond

Is a workshop designed for divorced people to offer support beyond the pain of divorce. Registration is required and a \$10 donation for materials is requested.

People of any faith, or no faith at all are welcome. Sessions will be on Tuesday nights in the Parish Center from 6:30-8 p.m., beginning September 5 and running through October. Facilitators are Drew and Julie Erwin. To register call Julie at 217-257-5313 or julie.gunn@comcast.net

#### **Golf Outing to Benefit Hope House of Quincy**

Sunday, August 27, 1 p.m. at Westview Golf Course.

Cost is \$75 per player or \$300 per team.

Hope House desires to provide housing, education, jobs, and mentors to walk alongside women in their time of uncertainty.

Contact Ray Wheeler at 217-779-8065 if you can play, donate, or if you have any questions.

#### **Holy Name News**

The next Holy Name meeting will be Wednesday, September 13 at 6 p.m. to discuss the annual golf outing that will be held September 24 which raises money for the school. Please stay tuned to the bulletin for details about the outing.

#### **Knights of Columbus News**

Thank you to everyone who turned out for this year's K of C BBQ. The Thursday night raffle will be back this Thursday, August 24 with tickets on sale from 6-7:45, drawing at 8 p.m.

Adoration at St. Francis — Now that school is back in session we are offering adoration on Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Please consider taking an hour! A sign-up sheet is in the gathering space.

#### You're invited to Women's Saints Study!

Women of all ages: Did you know that we meet once a month from 7-9 p.m. with a guest speaker who covers a different saint each month, followed by book study.

Now is the time to join as we begin our new book. You also are welcome to come for the speaker only.

Join us Tuesday, August 29 at 7 p.m. in the parish center for a casual review of the Mother Angelica presentation from last year with Sarah Venvertloh. Mother Angelica will be featured in our book *Mother Angelica's Guide to the Spiritual Life* for the upcoming year. For help getting the book, or if you have questions, please contact Karen Weiman, 217–242-5513 or Kelli Lunt, 217-617-1566. Also, mark your calendars for the first speaker of the year, followed by book study on Tuesday, September 5 at 7 p.m. in the parish center. The guest speaker is Hope Glidewell, who will cover the Fall of Eve in the garden.

Retreat dates at the Evermode Institute: Come enjoy a retreat with the Norbertine Fathers at the Evermode Institute in Springfield. 9 a.m. check-in, 9:30-2:30 retreat. Please contact Liz Alonzo at the parish office to sign up. Dates are August 26, September 9, or January 13, 2024.

#### Ladies of St. Francis News:

The first card party of the year is **Thursday, September 7** from 11 a.m.— 3 p.m. Doors open at 10:30. Lunch will be a chicken tenders meal prepared by Don Altgilbers. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch and a chance for a door prize. One member of your group can call Pat Winking by Monday, September 4 at 217-257-0416 to reserve your table. The first Ladies dinner meeting will be Tuesday, September 19. We hope to see you there! **Correction: The envelope for dues to the Ladies of** 

St. Francis should say \$10, not \$8.

If you're wondering what the **Stewardship committee** does, and thinking you might want to get involved, please attend their next regular meeting this **Tuesday**, **August 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.** 

The annual stewardship renewal packets will be coming out soon. Please prayerfully consider renewing your current commitments or trying a new group to join. There's no time like the present to get involved!

#### **Blessed Sacrament Septemberfest**

Saturday, September 9 from 5:30-11 p.m. Great food, beer, games, bounce houses, bags tournament, silent auction and a live band. You don't want to miss it!

The St. Anthony's Men's Society is having a dine-in or carry-out Chicken Dinner on Sunday, September 17 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. \$16 for a half-chicken meal; \$12 for a quarter chicken meal; \$8 for chicken strips and children's meal. All meals include three sides, homemade dinner rolls and a drink.



**Annual Statement of 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 based on race, color, national and ethnic origin in the 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 Solanus 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.

#### **PSR Returns Monday, September 11**

Beginning at 6 p.m. with Holy Mass followed by our Meet-the-Teacher evening. Registration packets are available at the entrances to church.

Family Bowling Night this Tuesday, August 22

5-8 p.m. at the Tangerine Bowl.
Funds from this event will help support the
Paint Night event September 18.
We hope you can join us!

This weekend our third graders are starting their journey toward confirmation by collecting money after all Masses for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace organization. This group builds beds for children who don't have one. The money donated will help pay for the lumber for the beds and for mattresses and bedding. The group also has build days to make the beds, which we will be hosting next weekend. If you have questions, or would like to help with the build, please contact third grade teacher Marsha Collins at school at 217-222-4077.

## Help Wanted—Cafeteria Worker and After School Childcare worker.

The cafeteria job runs from 8 a.m. to 1 or 2 p.m. on the days when school is in session. The after school position runs from 3-5:30 p.m. approximately three to four days a week when school is in session.

If you are interested in either of these positions contact Principal Julie Radel at jradel@stfrancissolanus.com or 217-222-4077.

August 26-27	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	James Bickhaus David Bickhaus	Jessica Veith William Niewohner David Pillars Rose Pillars	Michael Bickhaus Jerry Meyer Jim Waterkotte Russell Rohrer Jim Kaiser John Veith	Sheila Goehl	Betty Kaufmann Kristine Bickhaus <b>Gift Bearer</b> John Obert
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Chloe Terwelp	Jane Gregory Gary Winking Sue Winking Damian McDonald	Kevin Genenbacher James Terwelp Jim Wilper Perry Terwelp Scott Venvertloh John Benz	John Venegoni Nancy Venegoni	Joyce Frericks Emilie Venvertloh <b>Gift Bearer</b> Joe & Amber Terwelp
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Hailey Terwelp Bo Weiman	Steve McMillen Terri Liesen Leila Weppler Ann Betts	Mike Patterson Joseph Darnell Mark Meyer Terry Nall Samuel Zanger Melissa Arnold	Aaron Weiman	Prudy Patterson James Doellman <b>Gift Bearer</b> Kevin & Betsy Terwelp
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Sam Bruening Mackenzie Sousa	Michael Wand Ted Meyer Michelle Meyer Helen Zimmerman	Mike Holbrook Drew Erwin Steve Obert Brent Frericks Diann Cole Marty Karhoff	Karen Steinkamp	Patricia Tomczak Brenda Wand <b>Gift Bearer</b> Bruce & Amanda Venvertloh
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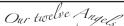
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