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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.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2023

Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

When the disciples first began to follow Jesus, they probably thought of him as a spell-binding teacher, a very holy man, and a wonder-worker. Last Sunday, we saw that (by divine revelation) Peter proclaimed Jesus as the Messiah.

The disciples thought that the Messiah would be God's instrument in bringing about a perfect world. He would vanquish all their enemies; he would establish perfect peace and justice; he would put an end to all disease and suffering; there would be no more death, and the dead would rise to share in his glorious kingdom of joy.

But Jesus said that he was going to suffer and die. The disciples simply could not understand how the Messiah (or Christ) could possibly suffer defeat. Peter argues with Jesus. Jesus calls him a "satan." "Satan" means "tempter." It certainly would be a temptation, even for Jesus, to be the kind of Messiah everyone wanted – a Christ without the cross!

The first reading parallels the Gospel. Jeremiah says that God "duped" him. To follow God, he thought, should be joy. To be the Lord's prophet should mean happiness. But Jeremiah suffered rejection by his own people.

Why do we follow Jesus Christ? Is it for "what we get out of it?" When things don't go our way, do we quit or cop out? When we suffer, do we think that God doesn't care or that religion is worthless?

The Lord calls us to share the cross before the crown. To follow Jesus means that we must deny our very selves. We are not masochists; we do not enjoy suffering. But we joyfully accept our share in the cross of Christ in order that we may "offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."

--Msgr. William Carr
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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Brothers and sisters:

I want to share a bulletin article from my pastor, Fr. Joe Molloy, a mentor from my first assignment as a pastor. He's a wonderful man with great wisdom, and is the pastor of Saint Joseph the Worker in Chatham. He doesn't have a school, so he is writing about his parish school of religion. But this applies to both parish school of religion, and a Catholic school. He said it better than I probably could, so I'm just going to share with you what he said.

" Dear SJW Parishioners:

The end of August already! Time doesn't wait for anyone, does it? I hope you all have another blessed week of faith, prayer, relaxation and fun. You deserve it!

Last week in my column, I discussed the importance of Catholic education for our young people. Just as it is important for them to learn about History, Math, Science, Literature and all the rest, so, too, is it very important that they learn about Jesus and our Catholic faith—each and every week in our Faith Formation classes.

I want to add something VERY IMPORTANT to the idea of Catholic formation of our young people. There is NOTHING more important to the formation of our youth, for their growth in the Catholic faith and their love of Jesus than EUCHARIST. NOTHING!! The Eucharist is the MOST important ritual we Catholics celebrate and do. As Vatican II said in its document on the liturgy: "The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith."

That said, I see students in our FF classes each week, but I don't see them at Mass each week. How can that be? We are definitely not teaching our children correctly about being a Catholic. Yes, it is great to have them at class to learn more about their faith and the Lord. But, to not bring them to Mass each week not only is a sin, but it says that Mass is not that necessary, doesn't it? And nothing could be further from the truth.

That is why our universal Catholic Church has this special Year of the Eucharist. It is a year to focus on the centrality of the Eucharist in our faith. It is a vital part of our belief. Jesus told us at the Last Supper to do this (the Eucharist) in memory of Him. Yes, the Eucharist celebrates the Suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus. And nothing is more important than that. We need to teach our young and each other to obey the Lord's command, to obey the third Commandment and keep holy the Sabbath Day.

May we ALL see the absolute necessity of the Eucharist in our lives. We receive THE Body and THE Blood of Jesus Christ each time we gather. We remember how much He did for our salvation. See how easy it is to understand why the Eucharist is the SUMMIT of our faith?

Ber Steven Stimmer

Your Pastor Father Joe"

Weekday Mass Intentions

September 4 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Labor Day. No Mass		
September 5	6:30 a.m.	Joe Eling		
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Doris Burris		
September 6	6:30 a.m.	John Ohnemus		
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Phyllis Orr		
September 7	6:30 a.m.	John Ohnemus		
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Leo Ginther		
September 8 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Linda Blickhan		
September 9	8:00 a.m.	Devin Deming and John Ohnemus		
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Fr. Gary, Carl & Connie Bernhardt		
	7:00 a.m.	Corey Michael John Haxel and Gary Clark		
September 10 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	11:00 a.m.	Neil & Selma Ridder and Don Fessler		

Week of 8/27/2023	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$19,362.00	\$200,228.29	
Loose Collection	\$1,200.25 \$13,496.26		
Total Collection	\$20,562.25	\$213,724.55	
Needed Support	\$30,235.00 \$272,115.00		
Difference	-\$9,672.75	-\$58,390.45	

	Other Giving:	
	Alaska-August	\$4,400.97
	Annual School Fund	\$2,200.76
	Capital Campaign	\$4,189.00

This week in the Parish: Monday, September 4 Labor Day 6:30 a.m. No Mass 7:00 p.m. Rosary • Tuesday, September 5 6:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting ● 5:30 p.m. Mass • 6:30 p.m. Divorce and Beyond 7:00 p.m. Women's Saint study 7:00 p.m. The Belonging Wednesday, September 6 6:30 a.m. Mass 8:35 a.m. School Mass ■ 5:30 p.m. Mass • 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group Thursday, September 7 • 6:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting 10:30 a.m. Ladies Card Party 5:30 p.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Pac 22 meeting • 6:30 p.m. Troop 22 meeting Friday, September 8 6:30 a.m. Mass Saturday, September 9 ● 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation

There will be no 6:30 a.m.

Mass on Labor Day,
this Monday, September 4.

3:00 p.m. Reconciliation

Rest in Peace Terry Niewohner August 26, 1947—August 27, 2023 Нарру Birthday Louie Demers!

Mr. Demers celebrates his 100th birthday
this Sunday, September 3.

He is a veteran of World War II and the Korean
war. Thank you for your service, Mr. Demers.
Congratulations on reaching this milestone!

National production of Fr. Tolton play

Tolton: from Slave to Priest about the nation's first Black priest is coming to Western Illinois University **Tuesday, September 12 at 12:30 p.m.** at the Sandburg Theatre. This production, which has been performed over 250 times, is helping support the canonization cause for Venerable Fr. Tolton. Free-will offering. Suitable for ages 10 and up. For more information contact the St. Francis of Assisi Newman Center, 309-837-3989.

If you would like Quincy to become a Sanctuary City for the Unborn consider signing an online petition at:

sanctuarycitiesfortheunborn.com.

This website contains a lot of information about how local communities can keep abortion out of their towns. There is a petition on the table in the North Entrance in order for more signatures to be obtained.

Fr. John Doctor from Quincy University will be leading a **trip to Italy in the summer of 2024** through Quincy Discount Travel. Fr. Doctor and Dr. Padraic Rohan of QU will visit Florence, Assisi and Rome.

There will be an informational meeting at **5:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 13** at the travel agent's: 2820 Broadway.

Contact Jennifer to R.S.V.P. to the meeting at 217-228-1122 or jennifer@4discounttravel.com.

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.

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.

The deadline to sign up for the Eucharistic Congress at the BOS Center in Springfield is approaching!

Please call the parish office by Friday, September 15 to reserve your spot: 217-222-2898.

This event features nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession and Mass.

We hope you can attend this historic, diocese-wide celebration!

St. Francis School Golf Outing



Come out for a FUN afternoon of fellowship and a friendly round of golf at Westview Golf Course,

Sunday, September 24 at 11:30 a.m., with a shotgun start at 12:30, all benefitting our school.

Cost is \$70 per person.

Create your own teams of family members, couples, co-workers or friends. Hole sponsorship posters are available for \$100. To sign up for golf or a hole sponsorship contact Dan Hoffman at 217-617-3537 or danhoffman300@hotmail.com

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 this Tuesday,

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

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 and which raises money for the school. Please stay tuned to the bulletin for details about the outing.

Knights of Columbus News

The Thursday night raffle is back with tickets on sale from 6-7:45, drawing at 8 p.m. The jackpot should be nearly \$26,000. Friday night chicken dinners are back starting September 22. Drive through or eat in. \$13 for a half chicken and all the sides.

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.

Anyone is welcome to drop in; however, please sign up only if you are sure you can be there at that time. A sign-up sheet is in the gathering space.

You're invited to Women's Saints Study!

Women of all ages: Join us this **Tuesday, September 5 at 7 p.m.** in the parish center for a presentation on "A Pilgrim People" from Hope Glidewell. Following the presentation we will begin our new book, Mother Angelica's Guide to the Spiritual Life. Come for the presentation only, or stay for the whole evening. We welcome all parishes.

For more information contact Kelli Lunt, 217-617-1566, or Karen Weiman, 217-242-5513.

Would you like to help our church get ready for its different liturgical seasons?

Do you ever wonder why the altar clothes are changed from white, to red, to purple, to none at all? Would you like to know how the church is decorated so beautifully and meaningfully during Advent and Lent?

Join us for the next Liturgy Committee meeting on Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bride's Room to see if this committee would be a good fit for you!

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.



St. Francis Solanus Youth Apostolate "Friends Bearing the Love of Christ"

2023 - 24 KICKOFF MEETING is SEPTEMBER 11

WHO: 6th through 12th graders
WHERE: Parish Center
WHEN: Mondays from 7-9 pm (& TBA special event times)
Contact Jane Ann Petty

(217) 222-2898 x101 or jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com to sign up your youth or if you are an adult who is interested in volunteering your time to lead our parish's youth.

Ray and Linda Wheeler are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary! They were married in St. Francis Church on September 8, 1973.

They have two children and five grandchildren. If you would like to send the Wheelers an anniversary card their address is:

1615 Oak St., Quincy, II., 62301.





Our Scout troop and pack are selling popcorn. Proceeds from the sale fund uniforms, badges, trips, weekend camp-outs, activities, summer camp and Eagle scout projects.

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.

September Dates to Note:

Monday, September 4—Labor Day. NO SCHOOL.

Monday, September 11—PTO Meeting Monday, September 18—PTO sponsors Art Night for the whole family. Tuesday, September 26—All-city Mass at QND at 9:30 a.m.

Friday, October 6—NO SCHOOL.

Teacher meetings.





Grades 5-8 are offered salad bar twice a week.

September 9-10	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Reese Meehan Collin Meehan	Marsha Collins Amy Kaiser David Pillars Rose Pillars	John Obert Harold Vahle Greg Ehrhardt Michael Eling Tom Liesen Mary Ann Thomas	Rebecca Wear	Betty Kaufmann Tom Ennis Gift Bearer Chryssia Hea
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Chloe Terwelp	Cindy Venvertloh Emilie Venvertloh Jane Gregory Don Winking	Jerry Meyer Tim Venvertloh Joe Bernhardt Robert Harman Terry Obert Roch Schulte	Paul Brown	Sandra Banning Joyce Frericks Gift Bearer Brad & Lisa Soebbing
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Isabel Cramsey Adayre Klauser	Samantha Cramsey Jayna Klauser Randy Wheeler Shirley Walbring	Jason Cramsey Ryan Klauser Bradyn Klauser Diann Cole Jason Costigan Jim Waterkotte	Alice Arnold	Prudy Patterson Jill Blickhan Gift Bearer Gabriel & Kelly Wheeler
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Priya Mamdani Teo Mamdani Hayes Frericks	Marcia Steinkamp Christy Woodward Debra Beard Christina Rose	Ron Gengenbacher Mike Fessler Don Olps Steve Obert Drew Erwin Mike Holbrook	Dennis Steinkamp	Margaret Steinbrecher Nancy Hufendick Gift Bearer Jamie Friye
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