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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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time OCTOBER 1, 2023

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

In the context of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus has taught a very high code of morality for his followers in the sermon on the church. He then taught (Matthew 19:16-26) that we will not be judged merely on the commandments; rather we shall be judged on how well we used our talents and abilities for the glory of God.

This infuriated many of the leaders of the Jewish people. They thought that they had a specially privileged position since they were God's first choice. After Jesus enters Jerusalem in the last week of his life, he reminds them that *doing* is more important than *talking*.

He tells the parable of the two sons. The Old Testament reading parallels the Gospel: Those who turn away from evil and do good will be saved; those who belong to the "inner circle" will not be saved unless their deeds are righteous.

But the most important lesson of today's Mass is the second reading. The last part of the second reading was an ancient Christian hymn before Paul used it in his Letter to the Philippians in 55 A.D.

We are called to have the same attitude of Christ. He was divine; but he didn't cling to his glory as God. Rather he made himself as nothing. He became man. And he humbled himself even to the death of the cross.

Why? Because he wanted to show that God is not grasping but giving! Because of his emptying, he is exalted above all in the resurrection. We must strive for this attitude of Christ: We must give of ourselves completely if we are to be filled with the glory of Christ. This is the "paschal mystery."

--Msgr. William Carr
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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend, Jesus calls us to act upon what we state we believe. God makes it abundantly clear, especially in Ezekiel, that we can turn back to Him but if we refuse and we stay in our sin and refuse his grace, that death is eternal. Jesus warns us to act upon how He calls us to live. It's really that simple. If we say we're going to follow him that must call us to action. Faith moves us to love and love calls us out of ourselves.

This last weekend we heard wonderful witness testimonies of stewardship. Thank you to Liz Gengenbacher, Tom Arnold, Mike Zanger, and Isaac Hinkamper for their wonderful words of inspiration. The many comments that I've heard on each of your testimonies showed us how God draws us into a greater relationship with him and how we can draw others into knowing him by letting them know how God works in our lives. It takes great courage to do this! Thank you!

Please do not forget to take the time to fill out your commitment card. Yes I know we do this every year, but it is a good thing to recheck ourselves and how we are giving of ourselves to the Lord for what he gives to us. You cannot out give the Lord. It may be time to add a new ministry to your list. It may be time to relook at your giving and how God is calling to at least a 10% tithe of our finances (6% to the church, 4% to the school, diocese and other charitable organizations.) You cannot out give God. I remember asking one of our parishioners who was so generous in my last assignment how he came up with what he was giving and he said he didn't give 10% as it was actually substantially more. His response was, "I learned you can't out give the Lord a long time ago. I don't know how it works, but no matter how much I continue to give, God continues to bless me more abundantly. When I see a need I give to it, but only after I give to the parish first." Along the way he had a major disagreement with one of the administrators of the parish and they were not very kind to him, but his giving never changed. He told me, "I don't give for him, I give for how God has given me so much." I was just always so impressed with this wonderful man, God rest his soul. It may be time to look at how you can pray more often and enter into this relationship with God more intimately. There are so many ways to respond to stewardship of what God has given you. You all have so much to offer because God has abundantly blessed you. Look to see how you can respond to his gift by filling out this commitment card which is a tool of evaluation of our stewardship. You can fill out the card we sent you and return it in the basket this weekend and next weekend, or you can, turn it into the parish office. If you didn't receive a card or received a card and would rather fill it out online, it is available there and very quick, easy, and accessible. Please do not let this opportunity of renewal pass by. Prayerfully consider how God is calling you to greater stewardship of the abundance that he has given to us, as well as a greater relationship with you.

This year we are going to have the blessing of pets AFTER the feast of St. Francis so that we don't compete with the Prayer chain for life, which we ALL should be out standing, praying, witnessing, and supporting this effort Sunday, October 1 from 2:30-3:30 on Broadway between 14th and 18th. We need to have greater representation from St. Francis this year! I am there every year, come join me! Bring a rosary, some water, and if you can't stand that long, a chair. The Feast of St. Francis falls in the middle of the week so we can bless pets near the feast day either weekend, so we will October 8 at 5:30 p.m.! Come join us and bring your pets of all sorts!

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Weekday Mass Intentions

October 2 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Rosemary Hinkamper and Terry Niewohner		
October 3	6:30 a.m.	Linda Blickhan		
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Doris Burris		
October 4	6:30 a.m.	Gert Sohn		
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Devin Deming		
October 5	6:30 a.m.	John Ohnemus and Mary Dadant		
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Clara O'Brien		
October 6 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Orr and Robert F. Blickhan		
October 7	8:00 a.m.	Linda Blickhan and Greg Howe		
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Joe & Mary Obert and Walt Venvertloh		
	7:00 a.m.	Kent Humphrey		
October 8 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Robert Burkemper and Judith Rossmiller		
	11:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		

Week of 9/24/2023	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$22,496.50	\$290,284.08	
Loose Collection	\$1,639.80	\$19,557.39	
Total Collection	\$24,136.30	\$309,841.47	
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$393,055.00	
Difference	-\$6,098.70	-\$83,213.53	

Other Giving

Annual School	\$6,154.90		
Fund			

This week in the Parish:

Monday, October 2

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. PSR
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary
- 7:15 p.m. BEAR youth group meeting

Tuesday, October 3

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 1:00 p.m. Principal's meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce and Beyond
- 7:00 p.m. The Belonging
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Saint Study

Wednesday, October 4

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

Thursday, October 5

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 10:30 a.m. Ladies Card Party
- 3:00 p.m. Welcome Committee meeting
 - 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Troop 22 meeting
- 6:30 p.m. OCIA meeting

• Friday, October 6

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Digital Scrapbooking
- 3:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #5184 &
- #5950 meeting

Saturday, October 7

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



Congratulations and Welcome
Ivy SueJean Wait
Daughter of Eric and Katie Wait
Baptized into the Catholic faith
September 24, 2023

Women's Saints Study

Women of all ages! Join us **this Tuesday**, **October 3 at 7 p.m.** in the parish hall. Our guest speaker is Wendy Steinkamp, presenting on

St. Scholastica and St. Benedict. Following the presentation we will have book study on

Mother Angelica's Guide to the Spiritual Life.

Please join us and invite friends! Open to all parishes. For more information contact

Kelli Lunt, 217-617-5516 or

Karen Weiman, 217-242-5513.

<u>Fall Tenant Workshop</u> — Free. Thursday, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2. Lunchbox dinner at 5:30 p.m. Child care. For those who rent apartments or houses. Register with Bella Ease, 217-209-0632, ext. 220.

St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft/Vendor Show will be Saturday, October 7 from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Anthony Church, 2223 St. Anthony Rd., Quincy.

The St. Dominic 8th graders will be having a bake

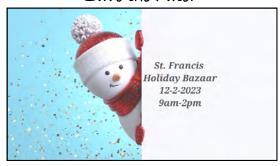
The St. Dominic 8th graders will be having a bake sale and the St. Anthony Quilters will be selling chances for a quilt. Also, the St. Anthony Ladies Society will be kicking off a RADA Cutlery fundraiser. Get a start on your holiday shopping and decorating!

Food Pantry Requests Dish Soap & Shampoo

The Food Pantry has recently had difficulty accessing large amounts of dish soap and shampoo at good prices. Please help restock the pantry with these items. There are containers at all entrances to church for donations.

Thank you!

Save the Date!



2023 Life Chain Sunday, October 1, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

South side of Broadway between 14th and 18th streets in Quincy. Right to Life supporters will again join with pro-lifers in hundreds of other U.S. cities in a nationwide observance of the sanctity of life. Please join the pro-life community in making a visual statement of pro-life solidarity. Pick up your sign at the SW corner of 16th and Broadway between 2 and 2:30 p.m.

The 2023 annual Respect Life Dinner is Thursday,
October 12 at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn,
4821 Oak St., Quincy. Cost is \$25 per person,
\$40 per couple or \$150 for a table of eight.
This year's guest speaker is author Steve Karlen,
communications director for 40 Days for Life. There
will be no tickets available at the door. Reservations
are due by Sunday, October 8. Call or text
Lynn Schlipmann for reservations and information,
217-653-0075.

The next **Quest 24 Hour Retreat** takes place October 6-7. If you are between the ages of 13-15 please consider signing up!
Quest is a fast-paced, 24-hour Christian experience. It is a time to come together to find out about God, friendships and self.

Please see greatrivertec.org for more details.

Holy Name News

A big Thank you! to all who participated in the golf outing last Sunday. It was a huge success and we raised some good funds for the school. Shout out to Dan Hoffman for organizing the event. The next Holy Name meeting is Wednesday, October 11 at 6 p.m. We will be discussing the Pancake Breakfast that is scheduled for October 22.

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 over \$28,000 this week. Friday night chicken dinners are back! Drive through or eat in. \$13 for a half chicken and all the sides. Monthly breakfasts start Sunday, October 8 from 8:30-noon. Go to quincykofc.org for more information.

Adoration at St. Francis — 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.

Stewardship Renewal

Don't forget to turn in your commitment card!

We're in the midst of our annual

Stewardship Renewal. If you haven't returned your Commitment Card or completed one online at the parish website, stfrancissolanus.com, it is NOT too late.

Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. Francis Solanus. Please take this opportunity to discern how God is calling you to grow closer to Him this year.

Our annual Blessing of the Pets will take place next Sunday, October 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the grassy lot next to Underbrink's. All parishioners, students and PSR students are invited to bring your pets for a blessing.

There will be an Anointing Mass Saturday, October 7 at 8 a.m. Anyone who wishes to receive the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please attend this Mass. A light reception will follow in the parish hall.

<u>Ladies of St. Francis News:</u> <u>Last call for recipes!</u>

The cookbook committee is moving forward with typing up the recipes. The final date for submitting all recipes is

Sunday, October 15. Please drop your recipe in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office along with your name and phone number. Our next dinner meeting is

Tuesday, October 17. Please join us!

The next card party is this Thursday, October 5. Doors open at 10:30. To make a reservation for your group call Pat Winking, 217-257-0416, by Tuesday, October 3.

Congratulations!
Ericka Obert & Ethan Diestler
United in marriage at St. Francis Solanus
September 23, 2023







St. Francis Solanus student Brady Koetters was a server at the All-Area Mass last Tuesday at QND.



St. Francis Solanus School Eighth graders await the start of the All-Area Mass at QND September 27.

School Dates to Note:

Thursday, October 5—Raider Roadshow, 10:45 on College Ave. in front of school. Friday, October 6—NO SCHOOL.

Teacher meetings and training.

Friday, October 13—October Spirit Day. Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation is the charity.

Sunday, October 22—PTO Fall Festival 4-6 p.m. Adult and teen help is needed. Contact pto@stfrancissolanus.com.

Wednesday, October 25—

Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Thursday, October 26—

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Friday, October 27—No School.

October 7-8	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	James Bickhaus David Bickhaus	Teena Fisk Bridget Ehrhart Christina Ehrhart William Niewohner	Harold Vahle Jim Waterkotte Zachary Maas Tim Reichert John Veith Mary Ann Thomas	Michael Bickhaus	Betty Kaufmann Kristine Bickhaus Gift Bearer Bruce & Amanda Venvertloh
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Nathan Steinkamp	Steve Peters Paulette Freiburg John Venegoni Nancy Venegoni	Joe Bernhardt Mary Terwelp Jack Terwelp Robert Harman Jim Wilper Terry Obert	Jan Zeidler	Joyce Frericks Jerry Meyer Gift Bearer Sarah Lugering
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Lincoln Darnell Piper Darnell Bo Weiman	Robert Haas Brad Kendrick Kristy Henrichs Marty Steinkoenig	Gary Darnell Jason Costigan Mark Meyer Troy Hummel Diann Cole Rob Haistings	Aaron Weiman	Prudy Patterson Brian Dreier Gift Bearer Gabriel & Kelly Wheeler
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Teo Mamdani Priya Mamdani Hailey Terwelp	Marsha Collins Christy Woodward Debra Beard Anne Meyer	Adam Hightower Melissa Arnold Rose Willer Mike Holbrook Marty Karhoff Steve Obert	Daryle Hightower	Greeter Two Needed Please Gift Bearer Jamie Friye
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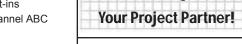


TV Mass for Shut-ins The Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus broadcasts Mass for the Shut-ins

every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on Channel ABC (Basic Cable Channel 3).

If you know of someone who would benefit from a missal with Sunday and Daily Liturgies, CONTACT Terry Obert and we will send a Pray Together Missal FREE OF CHARGE.

Terry Obert, Faithful Navigator, 217-257-3161





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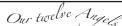
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