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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-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 15, 2023

Isaiah 25:6-10a; Philippians 4:12-14,19-20;
Matthew 22:1-14

In the Bible, heaven is often described as a great banquet, a feast in which there is plenty of food and drink for everyone. Although Isaiah knew little about heaven, he thought of paradise in these terms.

He looked forward to a time when all people would be united in peace, when there would be no death or suffering, and when everyone would have plenty of food and drink. This is what we call the "Messianic Hope." Jewish tradition thought that this hope would be fulfilled when the Messiah came.

Jesus uses a banquet parable to describe salvation or heaven. The parable was told against the Pharisees. They thought that the only ones to be saved were righteous Jews who kept all 613 precepts of the Law of Moses.

In the parable, these are the ones who refuse the invitation of the king. The king invites them again and again. This refers to the prophets whom the Lord sent. But they ignored his invitation and abused his messengers.

The king then invites all others to the banquet. This refers to the Gentiles, to us, to those who are not God's first choice. It is a teaching of our Catholic faith that God invites everyone to salvation, and that he gives sufficient grace to everyone to be saved.

The longer form of the Gospel adds a corollary to this, however. Everyone is expected to change his life. The parable says that someone was not properly dressed. He was willing to accept the invitation, but not willing to change his ways. He was cast outside.

God in his lovingkindness has invited us to salvation. But we must respond to his invitation by conversion of heart. Those who refuse will be outside with those who ignored the invitation in the first place.

In the second reading, Paul tells us that we should learn how to cope amid all circumstances of life. Somehow, God will see us through. He will supply our needs. He is the source of our strength.

--Msgr. William Carr

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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend's readings we are summoned to the wedding feast of the Son of the Father. This wedding feast of the lamb is about the mass. Many are invited, few show, and even fewer who show are actually ready and prepared. We must make sure that we live our lives free of sin and run to confession when we sin to be prepared to receive the Eucharist. So many think they do not need this sacrament of confession. It is a powerful experience of God's love and mercy. Brothers and sisters in all aspects of our faith, everything is supposed to be medicinal even when it means saying no, not yet, or you must change first. In the wedding feast of the lamb, if we have not taken the invitation by the Father seriously, when we show up to the eternal feast in heaven, we will be met with being cast out of the feast, eternally. We must remind ourselves then to live our lives in a manner of love, mercy, forgiveness, compassion, and all the Gospel values. Never should we be a people of hatred, foul language, threats, etc. no matter the cause. Even in righteous anger it is to speak words of truth, not hatred. So may we always seek to live as if we are preparing for the eternal wedding feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ. Isaiah tells us of the glory of this feast! May we look to our God who has saved us! May we accept His gift of Salvation and feast eternally with Him.

We must pray for this awful situation in Israel. The horrific murder of so many innocent lives is just gut wrenching. We must pray for all people involved, but for Hamas terror organization to stop this evil and to stop the evil of using their women and children as shields of protection. Pray for Peace. Pray for conversions of hearts.

Next weekend at the 4:30 mass, Kenrick Seminary Propaedeutic program is coming to visit St. Francis and Fr. Tolton. YES, Thomas Marten will be here visiting with them! There should be 12-15 seminarians with him and Fr. Auro, their formation director. Propaedeutic is a term which means prestudies or an introduction to further study. This is a new conception in formation throughout the USA that allows men to learn to detach from the stuff of life and learn to embrace and experience the spiritual life and most especially the life of prayer. We are so excited to host them all next weekend. If you are not a 4:30 mass attendee, maybe try it out to come welcome this wonderful group studying for the priesthood throughout the nation.

Weekday Mass Intentions

October 16 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Brad Havermale and Terry Niewohner
October 17 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Phyllis Halle Lubbe
	5:30 p.m.	Linda Blickhan and Dee Mast
October 18 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Larry Morrell
	5:30 p.m.	Danny Postle and Judith Rossmiller
October 19 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Al Dempsey
	5:30 p.m.	Jeff Bockenfeld and Patricia Bockenfeld-Meado
October 20 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Francis Haugh
October 21 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Thompson Poore and Sally Gerding
	4:30 p.m.	Fr. Gary, Carl & Connie Bernhardt
October 22 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis
	9:00 a.m.	Doris Burris
	11:00 a.m.	Rick Straley and Terry Niewohner

- This week in the Parish:**
- Monday, October 16**
 ● 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 17**
 ● 6:30 a.m. Mass
 ● 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
 ● 5:30 p.m. Mass
 ● 6:00 p.m. Ladies of St. Francis meeting
 ● 6:30 p.m. Divorce and Beyond
- Wednesday, October 18**
 ● 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 19**
 ● 6:30 a.m. Mass
 ● 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
 ● 5:30 p.m. Mass
 ● 6:30 p.m. Centennial Campaign
 ● informational meeting for parish leaders
 ● 6:30 p.m. Finance Council
 ● 6:30 p.m. Troop 22 meeting
 ● 6:30 p.m. OCIA meeting
- Friday, October 20**
 ● 6:30 a.m. Mass
 ● 3:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #5184, #5950,
 ● #5996 meetings
- Saturday, October 21**
 ● 8:00 a.m. Mass
 ● 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
 ● 3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
 ● 4:30 p.m. Mass

Week of 10/8/2023

	Week	YTD
Regular Collection	\$16,434.50	\$336,277.37
Loose Collection	\$1,576.49	\$22,902.88
Total Collection	\$18,010.99	\$359,180.25
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$453,525.00
Difference	-\$12,224.01	-\$94,344.75

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and School.

Annual School Fund	\$1,842.00
Capital Campaign	\$2,050.00

Rest in Peace
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Congratulations and Welcome

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October 8, 2023

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October Rosary Rally

Please join us for this annual event on Saturday, October 21 at Noon. We will gather by the new grotto on the south side of the church in the rectory yard and pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries.

You are welcome to bring lawn chairs.

For more information contact

Mike Holbrook, 217-653-5555 or

Mike Zanger, 217-257-7931.

Birthright Trivia Night and Silent Auction

*Get your team together for this annual event to benefit Birthright of Quincy, **Saturday, November 4.** Doors open and silent auction begins at 5 p.m.; trivia starts at 6:45 p.m. sharp in the Quincy University Health & Fitness Center.*

Entry fee is \$125 per team—up to eight players. Sign up and pay your entry fee by October 22 and you will be entered into a raffle for a free table.

For more information contact

Katie, 217-430-2690 or Patty, 217-577-8558

or visit birthrightquincyil.org



QND Extravaganza — "Spirit of QND"

Takes place this year on **November 17 at The Ambiance**, 5225 Kochs Lane.

Doors open at 6 p.m. Enjoy an evening with dinner and drinks and live and silent auction items to benefit Quincy Notre Dame High School.

Tickets are on sale now for \$65 each and are available online at quincynotredame.ejoinme.org/extravaganza2023.

For more information contact

Diana Real, 217-653-2216;

Amber Hendrian, 217-316-1591 or

Gina Bergman, 217-430-6080.

We hope you will come experience the Raider Family with us that night!

There will be a special collection October 22 for **World Mission Sunday**. This collection helps build up the Church in over 1,100 dioceses and territories that are too young and/or too poor to sustain themselves. Offerings support the formation of seminarians and religious men and women, assist in the construction of schools and orphanages, and enables missionaries to build churches, among other works of the worldwide Church. Thank you!

*In honor of **Respect Life Month**, volunteers from Right to Life of Adams County will be collecting donations October 21-22 after all Masses. Each St. Francis Solanus parishioner, including the children, is encouraged to contribute at least one cent for each year of his life, in gratitude to God for the gift of life.*

Save the Date for a new parish event coming Saturday, December 9 after the 8 a.m. Mass, featuring a breakfast with an inspirational speaker. More details to come!

There will be an hour of Adoration for Priests on Sunday, October 15 from 3-4 p.m. at St. Francis. All are welcome to come and pray for our priests.

Holy Name News

The Pancake and Sausage Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday, October 22 from 8-noon. We're serving pancakes, sausage, biscuits and gravy. All you can eat! Eat in or drive through. Adults \$12. Children (ages 4-10) \$6. Three and under free. As usual we will be preparing the sausage at the Butcher Block on Thursday, October 19 starting at 5 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided at both events! Fresh sausage also can be purchased for \$5 a pound. For sausage orders call Ed Zanger, 217-430-9236. Turn in your Boy Scout raffle tickets ASAP to win meat bundles.

Knights of Columbus News

The Thursday night raffle is growing 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 are the first Sunday of each month from 8:30-noon. Go to quincykofc.org for more information.


Attention anyone attending the

Eucharistic Congress October 28 — If you have not received a confirmation email to print your ticket please call the parish office at 217-222-2898 and we will provide a ticket for you.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Card Party! **Our October dinner meeting is Tuesday, October 17.** The evening starts with Mass at 5:30, dinner at 6:30 and the meeting at 7. Please call Jan Zeidler, 217-779-0290, to make a reservation (\$10 per person). Pat Holbrook will be speaking on The Seven Sisters Apostolate. Please plan on joining us, and wear something festive, if you wish!

The final Card Party of 2023 takes place Thursday, November 2 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Don Altgilbers will be preparing the meal. One member of your party can call Pat Winking to make your reservation, 217-257-0416.



BEAR
St. Francis Solanus Youth Apostolate

Who: 6th - 12th grades
Where: Parish Hall
When: Mondays 7:15 - 8:30

Monday, Oct. 16 - Tolkien Night
with Father Daren Zehnle and snacks

Saturday, Oct. 21 - QCT The Hobbit @ 7:30
Be sure to register with Jane Ann - leaving from SFS after 5:30 Mass.
Coordinator Jane Ann Petty (217) 222-2898 x101
jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com

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.

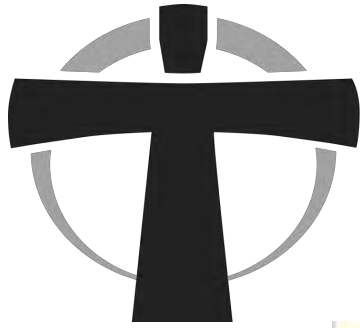


**St. Francis Fall Harvest Food Drive
October 16-November 12**

Grocery sacks are located at church entrances. Bring your donations to church and put them into the Food Pantry containers. Monetary donations also are appreciated. If you give money, please write "bike" on the envelope for a matching donation from the Wiewel Family Bikathon.

Here are items typically included in a food pantry delivery:
Toilet paper, canned soup, jelly, bar soap, mixed fruit, peanut butter, shampoo, canned peaches, cereal, dish soap, canned beans, pancake mix, toothpaste, canned corn, syrup, laundry detergent, instant potatoes, spaghetti sauce, canned tuna, tuna helper, spaghetti, canned chicken, chicken helper, ground meat, simple crackers, hamburger helper, simple cookies, cheese slices, mac & cheese, pork & beans.

Items for the Food Nook are also a good way to contribute.



St. Francis Solanus School

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Jennifer Mast, one of our preschool teachers, was the October recipient of an Operation Innovation grant from the Quincy Optimist Club. Mrs. Mast is pictured with Ken Klauser from the Optimists. "Miss Jen" plans to purchase hands-on science and math materials with the grant.

School Dates to Note:
Wednesday, October 25—
Parent/Teacher Conferences.
Thursday, October 26—
Parent/Teacher Conferences
Friday, October 27—
No School.



Girl Scout Morgan Lammers worked with her troop members to create messages and pictures in chalk to send words of hope and happiness to others on the school campus.

October 21-22	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Callie Longlett Riley Sparks Kylie Sparks	Rebecca Wear Bobbie Talken Kirby Wiemelt Darlene Mayes	Joe Venvertloh Mark F. Dietrich Mary Ann Thomas Philip Kemner Greg Ehrhardt Jerry Meyer	Joleen Patton	Betty Kaufmann Karen Venvertloh Gift Bearer Jane Dietrich
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Chloe Terwelp <i>One Needed Please</i>	Cindy Venvertloh Carolyn Briddle Karrie Cramsey-Groll Arlene Hendren	Joe Bernhardt James Terwelp Perry Terwelp Terry Obert Jim Wilper Tim Venvertloh	Jan Zeidler	Larry Klausner Kathy Klausner Gift Bearer <i>Two Needed Please</i>
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Isabel Cramsey Owen Wheeler Alex Lawrence	Samantha Cramsey Donna Mangold Carol Haistings Ronald Upper	Jason Cramsey Rob Haistings Jason Costigan Mike Patterson Diann Cole Melissa Arnold	Sarah Genenbacher	Prudy Patterson Brian Dreier Gift Bearer Gabriel & Kelly Wheeler
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Hailey Terwelp Will Eling Ben Eling	Carol Steinbrecher Anne Meyer Chris Duvall Bridget Ehrhart	Rose Willer James Doellman Adam Hightower Drew Erwin Don Olps Steve Obert	Maryann Cornwell	Greeter Patricia Tomczak Brenda Wand Gift Bearer Kevin & Betsy Terwelp
<i>Saturday Morning</i> <i>Mass Server</i>		October 21, 2023	Jacob Collins and Adler Hamann		

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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.
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