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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.

# Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

**NOVEMBER 5, 2023** 

Malachi 1:14b–2:2b,8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9,13; Matthew 23:1-12

(One sentence in today's Gospel is often quoted against Catholics: "Call no man 'Father.'" When others use this as a text against calling priests 'Father,' show them 1 Corinthians 4:14-15 where Paul says that he is a father to the Corinthians. The Scriptures cannot contradict themselves; therefore it is legitimate to call priests 'Father.')

Today's Scripture readings deal with ministry and priesthood, but they can also be applied to anyone in public service. The message is that we must serve and not be served. We are not to seek our own glory, but the glory of God.

The background of the Gospel is the situation in Matthew's community around the year 80 A.D. After the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D., the only surviving Jews were Pharisees who went to Jabneh (Jamnia), a seacoast town on the Mediterranean, where they tried to preserve Judaism.

They established all kinds of rules. They began using the titles "rabbi" (meaning "great one") and gloried in prestige and honor. They also condemned all who acknowledged Jesus as Messiah. Matthew's community consisted of Jewish Christians. They were torn apart by the decisions of Jamnia. Matthew calls them back to Jesus Christ. He came to serve, not to be served.

No one should seek honors or prestige; rather he should seek to be of service to others. The person who humbles himself will be exalted. Matthew thoroughly condemns the Pharisaism of Jamnia.

In the second reading, Paul reminds the Thessalonians that he was never a burden to them. He worked for his living as a tentmaker, and did not charge them for preaching the Gospel. This showed his genuineness; they received the word of God.

The first reading tells us not to be partial in giving decisions. We must not seek favor with other people, but must always give glory to God. Every public servant must be humble, selfless.

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### 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend's readings focus us on right religion, proper worship, and true humility. All of this brings us most specifically to the Eucharist. This last weekend we had a Eucharistic Congress at the Bank of Springfield Center.

What an amazing event! I wish all of you would have had the opportunity to attend. It is one of the most exciting events that we've had in a long time in the diocese. If any of you remember the 2003 jubilee year event at the fairgrounds, this reminded me much of that. The energy in the room was electric. The amazing hunger for confession led to many priests, over several hours, hearing many confessions. The speakers were phenomenal. Dr. Scott Hahn lead us through a discussion of the road to Emmaus story from scripture. Father Denis Robinson, OSB, gave us a great testimony upon a simple humble gift of bread from a poor child. This testimony was not only about hospitality, but about the greatest gift of simple bread from our Lord that surprises us with his presence. Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, a priest with Quincy roots, shared with us reflections on the mass, especially from the priest. And Sister Karolyn Nunes, FSGM, shared with us her personal testimony of her call to religious life and the joy that it brings.

There were many great vendors and great exhibits to see. We even had a replica of the Stagecoach that President Lincoln was carried in upon his death. The highlight of the event, as it should be, was the mass! Being able to worship together with that large of a congregation all from throughout our diocese was just the best. Words cannot truly describe it. Exciting, thrilling, reverent, beautiful are just some that come to mind. To turn the Convention Center into such a beautiful worship space literally took not only the decorating but the hearts of all the faithful there giving themselves to the Lord so radically!

Bishop's homily focused on the issues of the day and what the answers to them are. The true answer, it is deep faith, immense stewardship and the Eucharistic presence in our lives and world. Most especially reverent worship of the Eucharist. He talked about the courage and faith of those who founded our diocese and parishes. He called us to evangelization and witness of the gospel and the joy of the church, he called us to radical abandonment of our hearts to the Lord, and he called us to mission, to preach the gospel with great love. To quote Bishop Paprocki,

"We live in a moment of great opportunity, and we stand ready with renewed vigor, confidence, and faith that we can imitate the ordinary people Christ called so many centuries ago to be, with Him, extraordinary ministers of His message and mysteries. Today we remember and pledge to imitate the courage and sacrifice of the missionaries and faithful Catholics who settled here in the diocese and left us the gift and legacy of the Catholic faith.

It is time; time for conversion of heart; time for a renewal of the vision handed on to us; time for a reawakening of the charisms and gifts the Spirit bestows; time to take our Christian vocation as seriously as those who have come before knowing God will sustain us by Word and Sacrament."

Let us take his call to action into our parish, our school, our families, and our hearts! It is time!

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## Weekday Mass Intentions

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November 6 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Ed Huner and Brian Aschemann		
November 7 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Louis & Joanna Venegoni		
	5:30 p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Dietrich		
November 8 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	John Ohnemus		
	5:30 p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Max Hardy		
November 9 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Roger Cook		
	5:30 p.m.	Larry Morrell		
November 10 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Ann Derrick and Herman & Lucille Pinkelman		
November	8:00 a.m.	Thompson Poore and John Ohnemu		
11 Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Don Klingele and Leo Ginther		
November 12 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Karen Holtschlag and Theo Carson		
	9:00 a.m.	Robert Burkemper and Judith Rossmiller		
	11:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		

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Week 01 10/29/2023	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$23,330.10	\$413,159.97	
Loose Collection	\$1,592.10	\$27,895.79	
Total Collection	\$24,922.20	\$441,055.76	
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$544,230.00	
Difference	-5,312.80	-\$103,174.24	

Annual School Fund	\$27,252.22
Capital Campaign	\$10,315.00

#### This week in the Parish:

#### Monday, November 6

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 1:00 p.m. Principal's meeting
- 6:00 p.m. PSR
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary
- 7:15 p.m. BEAR youth group meeting

#### Tuesday, November 7

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Truth Seekers
- 7:00 p.m. The Belonging
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Saint Study

#### Wednesday, November 8

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:35 a.m. SF School Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Adoration
- 11:00 a.m. QCS Pastor's Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Name meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Liturgy Planning committee

#### • Thursday, November 9

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

#### Friday, November 10

6:30 a.m. Mass

#### Saturday, November 11

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

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

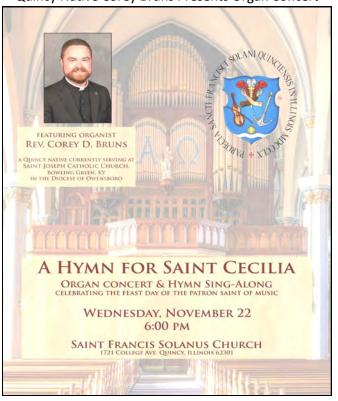
Welcome new parishioners Gary and Gail Mast, Malachi Gnade

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Casey and Jessie Shoopman and their daughters Allison and Olivia. We are so happy you have chosen St. Francis Solanus as your new parish home.

Attention Ladies — The next gathering of the Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women will be Wednesday, November 15 right here at St. Francis Solanus Church and Parish Center. The day begins with registration at 7:45 a.m. and Mass at 8:35 a.m. Since we are the hosts, it would be wonderful if we had a good number of St. Francis women in attendance. The day will include Mass, Rosary, Adoration, a presentation on the Holy Mass and a delicious lunch (\$6). You may reserve your spot by signing the sign-up sheet in the gathering space. If you have questions please call Jane Haas, 217-257-0533.

Quincy Native Corey Bruns Presents Organ Concert



#### Rest in Peace Mary Huckstep December 12, 1938—October 23, 2023

Right to Life of Adams County deeply appreciates your participation in the 2023 Pennies for Life Campaign. Your generous donation of \$997.76 helps to spread the pro-life message to all. Thank you so much for your support of and strong commitment to the pro-life cause, and a special thank you to all who collected donations at the doors.

#### Thanksgiving Meal Boxes for Parishioners

Each year before Thanksgiving the St. Francis Community Assistance Ministry provides Thanksgiving Meal Boxes for our parishioners who have a need for this service. The boxes are filled with all the fixings for a Thanksgiving meal.

This is a confidential service for parishioners only. If you or someone you know in the parish could use this service this year please email ambmcgee1416@gmail.com or call/text 217-430-1533. If you have received this service before you should hear from a volunteer in the next couple of weeks.



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

Grocery sacks are located at church entrances. Bring your donations to church and put 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.

Thank you!

<u>Holy Name News:</u> The next Holy Name meeting is Wednesday, November 8 at 6 p.m. Food and drinks served after the meeting. We plan to sell holiday fruit baskets again this year. It's never too early to place your order; \$20 each. Call John at 217-440-0875.

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

Thursday night raffle is growing. Tickets are on sale from 6-7:45, drawing at 8 p.m. The jackpot is over \$10,200 this week.

Friday night chicken dinners are back! Drive through or eat in. \$13 for a half chicken and all the sides. Monthly breakfasts this Sunday, November 5 from 8:30-noon. Buffet is \$12.Go to quincykofc.org for more information.

# Attention Catholic Men: Are You Looking for More?

Exodus is a Catholic spiritual, physical and fraternal growth experience to help men gain freedom from modern distractions and addictions and grow in a deeper relationship with Christ.

Join us for a brief presentation at the Holy Name Society meeting, Wednesday, November 8 at 6 p.m. More information also is available at exodus90.com

## Join us for a Night of Adoration & Prayer At St. Boniface Cemetery

As the stars shine above, we will gather to offer adoration and prayer for the souls of the faithful departed on **Sunday, November 12 starting at 6:30 p.m.** at St. Boniface Cemetery,

2001 State St., Quincy.

This special night is hosted by BEAR, the
St. Francis Solanus Youth Apostolate.

Parishioners are invited to be a part of this night of prayer and reflection.

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 \$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!

#### Ladies of St. Francis News:

Thank you to everyone who attended our November 2 Card Party.

Our next dinner meeting will be our holiday dinner on **Tuesday, November 28.** We will enjoy Mass, dinner, Christmas carols by the QND chorus and a very brief meeting.

Please plan to join us in giving thanks for our many blessings and to celebrate the beginning of Advent.

Please bring a non-perishable item to be donated to our food pantry.

You may make your reservation by calling Jan Zeidler, 217-779-0290.

#### Women's Saints Study

Women of all ages! Join us **Tuesday**, **November 7 at 7 p.m.** in the parish center.

Our guest speaker is Sarah Venvertloh,
presenting on saints Louis and Zelie Martin,
parents of Saint Therese. Following the
presentation there will be 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.



Blessed Sacrament Church Blood Drive
Friday, November 10 in the Gathering Space
The first appointment is at 9 a.m.
with the last at 1 p.m.
Call 1-800-733-2767 or redcrossblood.org
to schedule an appointment.





Sixth grade students play bucket drums in Mr. Josh Crowl's music class.

Students are watching the music on the electronic board.

#### Father Yunker Lithuanian Student Assistance Fund

Applications are now being solicited for college scholarship grants under the Father Yunker Lithuanian Student Assistance Fund.

#### **Qualifications:**

Must have Lithuanian ancestry and must be a practicing Catholic.

Completed application must be received by close of business on Thursday, November 30, 2023.

Details and application can be downloaded:
foundationforthepeople.org or
dio.org/schools





November 11-12	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	James Bickhaus David Bickhaus	Tom Liesen Maureen Makarewicz Joleen Patton Jessica Veith	Jim Kaiser Michael Bickhaus Tom Ennis John Veith Mary Ann Thomas Philip Kemner	Chryssia Hea	Kristine Bickhaus Brian Dreier <b>Gift Bearer</b> Bruce & Amanda Venvertloh
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Nathan Steinkamp	Gary Hilgenbrinck Don Winking Pat Winking Auris McGee	Joyce Frericks Kevin Frericks Larry Klauser Roch Schulte Jerry Carnivale Gary Terwelp	Roseann Gosnell	Terry Niemann Kathy Klauser <b>Gift Bearer</b> Brad & Lisa Soebbing
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Madilynn Henrichs Annabelle Henrichs Lia Henrichs	Kristy Henrichs Peggy Koetters Shirley Walbring Donnette Cannady	Rob Frese Neal Blickhan Bing Lammers Diann Cole Joseph Darnell Melissa Arnold	Donna Mangold	Nancy Friye Jill Blickhan <b>Gift Bearer</b> Gerald Koetters
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Evan Reichert Allie Vranjes Mia Vranjes	Michael Wand Ron Gengenbacher Debra Beard Chris Duvall	Bud Voss Rose Willer Drew Erwin Brent Frericks Mike Holbrook Adam Hightower	Rosanna Voss	James Doellman Brenda Wand <b>Gift Bearer</b> Sam Vranjes
<u>Saturday Morning</u> <u>Mass Server</u>		November 11, 2023	Genevieve and Adler Hamann		



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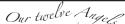
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