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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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31–11:1; Mark 1:40-45

Biblical leprosy was not usually Hansen's Disease. The term leprosy was applied to any highly contagious and awful looking skin disease, such as ringworm, scabies, impetigo, and so on. From experience, people knew that these diseases were contagious. Therefore they isolated a person until he was cured.

The isolation may seem very cruel to us, but we must remember that they did not know how to cure these diseases, and they didn't want anyone to be infected. There was a very elaborate ritual for declaring a "leper" cleansed; this may be found in Leviticus 14.

The Gospel tells of Jesus' cure of a leper. He stretched out his hand and touched him! This was forbidden by the Torah for obvious reasons. But Jesus has such compassion that he not only uses words to cure; he touches the afflicted man.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus does not want people to get the wrong idea of his messiahship; therefore he tells those he has cured to "keep it quiet." Unfortunately the cleansed leper shouts it to the roof tops. People press and crowd Jesus; he can scarcely move about freely.

The Church sees "sin" as the spiritual leprosy. Only Jesus can cure us. And he can cure us only if we want to be cleansed. Nowadays, too many people deny their leprosy. They act as if there is no sin; they deny that the Church has a right to teach on what is sin. If we would be cured, we must first admit our problem; then humbly approach the Lord.

The second reading urges us to offer everything for the greater honor and glory of God. We can give God glory at work, at play, at prayer, and in whatever we do. Let us always offer everything we are, have, say, and do for God's glory.

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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend our readings not only focus on healing of leprosy, tells us of bringing one effectively back to life, but also Jesus taking their place in their death. Leprosy, or any skin ailments, meant you were not only excluded from the temple worship, but society as a whole. Jesus heals the man, effectively bringing him back from dead of being as an outcast of worship and society. This is an act of God alone who can heal leprosy and bring back from the dead. Jesus is a good Jew and tells the man to take himself to the priests to be declared clean so he may return to the community and right to worship. The man does not do this because, effectively, Mark is telling us this man has already brought himself to a priest, the great high priest Jesus Christ. Because of this healing and this man telling everyone, the man who couldn't be a part of the community because of his leprosy may once again return to the community, but Jesus must leave the community and hide in the deserted places because of the amount of people that come to him. He trades places with the leper. If Jesus can heal leprosy, then what else can He do, because this means He is God or has divine power. The leper didn't just wait for Jesus to come to Him but ran to find Jesus even against all odds and breaking all norms to get to Him. What are you waiting for? Run to him! Be healed! Be raised! Be made new!

This week we begin Lent, Mass times and Ash times are as they have been since I have been here. Remember this isn't a holy day of obligation, so mass isn't necessary, and honestly neither are ashes, but that's why ash services are allowed. Mass at 6:30, 8:35, and 5:30. Ash Services are 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please remember if you are coming to get your ashes, you should also be fasting and abstaining from meat this Wednesday. You should be fasting from something this Lent, make it achievable, achievable doesn't mean easy, but does mean don't pick something impossible (i.e. I won't eat this Lent). BUT also, you should be giving alms this Lent, whether that be the rice bowls, or maybe try giving more than normal in the weekend collection, or give to Catholic Charities, or to some other good Catholic institution or charity. BUT you should also be doing something more in prayer. Add a few passages or stories from scripture reading into your day, maybe start the podcast bible or catechism in a year, read a paragraph from a spiritual book every day, add the rosary or chaplet of divine mercy every day, or learn morning prayer or evening prayer or night prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and pray one or all of these during Lent. We have a multitude of prayerful experiences, do them. Maybe as part of your Lenten practices you will do something extra or kind for someone every day. Don't just give up soda or candy or liquor, although these are good things to give up, what I am saying is don't stop there. Give up something, Give something, and Give more time in conversation with God. Lent isn't a taking away, but a giving more of oneself to the Lord.

Happy Scout Sunday! As an Eagle Scout and still involved as a scouter, I could not urge you more to put your children in the scouting program. BSA changed my life for the better and made me better prepared for life, for priesthood, and to be your pastor. Everyone puts sports first, but I am telling you the experiences and discipline and growth in self-awareness and knowledge they will have in scouting will overshadow any other program you could give your child, especially with the amazing program we have here at St. Francis.

Lastly, I will be on the Women's Cursillo #366 this Thursday to Sunday. Please pray for the candidates, the team, and me, as we enter into this retreat weekend to deepen our relationship with the Lord.

Ber. Steven Alisman

Weekday Mass Intentions

| February 12 Monday | 6:30 a.m. | Roy Dean Bizaillion and Dan Richmiller | |
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| February 13 | 6:30 a.m. | John Ohnemus | |
| Tuesday | 5:30 p.m. | Pamela Hammer and Norma Johnson | |
| Ash Wednesday | 6:30 a.m. | Priscilla Morrison | |
| February 14 | 5:30 p.m. | Rosie Madison and John Busse | |
| February 15 | 6:30 a.m. | Mary Dadant and Joe Genenbacher | |
| Thursday | 5:30 p.m. | Chrissy Struck and Larry & Gail Costigan | |
| February 16 Friday | 6:30 a.m. | Clara O'Brien and Stan Musholt | |
| February 17 | 8:00 a.m. | Our Lady of Perpetual Help | |
| Saturday | 4:30 p.m. | Paul "Butch" Steinkamp and Don McCaughey | |
| | 7:00 a.m. | The Parishioners of St. Francis | |
| February 18 Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | John Maxwell and Gloria Struck | |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Fr. Beagles and Fr. Arisman | |

| Week of 2/4/2024 | Week | YTD |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Regular Collection | \$18,656.51 | \$816,857.39 |
| Loose Collection | \$1,813.97 | \$50,795.92 |
| Total Collection | \$20,470.48 | \$816,857.39 |
| Needed Support | \$30,235.00 | \$937,285.00 |
| Difference | \$-9,764.52 | -\$120,427.61 |

| | Week | YTD |
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| Annual School Fund | \$2,035.00 | \$129,376.98 |

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| <u>M</u> | onday, February 12 |
| 6:3 | 30 a.m. Mass |
| 6:0 | 00 p.m. PSR |
| 7:0 | 00 p.m. Rosary |
| 7:: | 15 p.m. BEAR meeting |
| <u>Tu</u> | iesday, February 13 |
| 6:3 | 30 a.m. Mass |
| 9:0 | 00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters |
| 10 |):00 a.m. QCS |
| 5:3 | 30 p.m. Mass |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Pastoral Council |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Scout Leader meeting |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Truth Seekers |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Women's Prayer Group |
| 7:0 | 00 p.m. The Belonging |
| w | ednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday |
| 6:3 | 30 a.m. Mass with ashes |
| 8:3 | 35 a.m. Mass with ashes |
| 12 | :00 p.m. Ash service |
| 4:0 | 00 p.m. Adoration |
| 4:0 | 00 p.m. Holy Name Fish Fry |
| | 30 p.m. Mass with ashes |
| | 00 p.m. Ash service |
| | ursday, February 15 |
| | 30 a.m. Mass |
| 9:0 | 00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting |
| | 00 p.m. Scripture Discussion |
| 5:3 | 30 p.m. Mass |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Troop 22 Meeting |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Scripture Discussion |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. OCIA meeting |
| 6:3 | 30 p.m. Finance Council meeting |
| <u>Fri</u> | iday, February 16 |
| 6:3 | 30 a.m. Mass |
| 5:3 | 30 p.m. Stations of the Cross |
| <u>Sa</u> | <u>turday, February 17</u> |
| 8:0 | 00 a.m. Mass |
| 8:3 | 30 a.m. Reconciliation |
| 11 | :00 a.m. Cursillo Prep |
| 3:0 | 00 p.m. Reconciliation |
| 1. | 30 p.m. Mass |

Thank you for your continued support of our parish and school. Ash Wednesday is February 14 We will have Mass with distribution of ashes at 6:30 a.m., 8:35 a.m. (school Mass) and 5:30 p.m. Receive ashes only at Noon and 7 p.m. Join us every Friday during Lent for Stations of the Cross at 5:30 p.m. Confession will take place as usual from 4-5 p.m. on Wednesday.

Congratulations and Welcome! Alayna Quinn Cobb Daughter of Ashley Cobb & Kade Michael Marshall

Kade Michael Marshall Son of Davíd and Jamíe Marshall Baptízed into the Catholic faith February 4, 2024

Rest ín Peace James Boden Apríl 9, 1939-February 2, 2024

Welcome Charles Whitehead! Received into the Catholic Church on February 1.

Job Opening

St. Francis Solanus Business Manager Position Available Are you a dedicated and experienced professional with a passion for serving your community?

Our parish is seeking a talented Business Manager to play a crucial role in supporting our mission and ensuring the efficient administration of our parish operations.

Position Overview: The Parish Business Manager will oversee the financial management, human resources, and day-to-day business operations of the parish. Desired qualifications include: Proven experience in Business Administration, Finance, or a related field; strong interpersonal and communication skills and a commitment to the parish's mission; experience with QuickBooks, Excel, HR, and payroll preferred. Applicants may send a resume and cover letter to Sue Holbrook, sholrook@stfrancissolanus.com or to: Parish Office, 1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL., 62301. St. Francis Lenten Soup Suppers Wednesdays after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. After costs, the money raised goes to helping the hungry in our community. Host groups try to provide a gluten-free soup and dessert option.

Lenten Fish Fries:

<u>St. Dominic's School, St. Anthony's Parish</u>
St. Dominic's: February 16, March 1, March 15
St. Anthony's: February 23, March 8, March 22
<u>4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Carry-out available.</u>
Catfish and Walleye plates with three sides, drink and homemade dessert \$14; child's plate \$8; fish sandwich, fries and drink, \$8.



Join us for a Lenten Parish Mission Awake My Soul!

March 3, 4 and 5 at 7:00 each evening. Our speaker will be Dr. Karen Shadle,

Archdiocese of Louisville.

The liturgies of Lent and Holy Week call us to look and listen; to be still and behold.

Through a series of three talks incorporating scripture, music and prayer, this mission will challenge us to be more receptive to the Church's great beauty, to re-awaken our imagination, and ultimately to make ourselves more available to encounters with Jesus in the sacraments and in our lives.

Day 1: The Lost Art of Beholding

Day 2: Beauty that Saves

Day 3: The Church's Treasure Chest

We hope to see you there!

Holy Name News: Make plans to take your Valentine to Mass and a delicious fish dinner on Ash

Wednesday, February 14. See details below.

Knights of Columbus News:

The Thursday Night Raffle is back with a jackpot of \$12,532. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8. Fish dinners start this week on Ash Wednesday and on Friday nights, serving from 4:30 -7 p.m. \$13 will get you a choice of catfish or Pollock filets and three sides. Eat-in or drive-thru. Visit guincykofc.org for more information.



Holy Name Ash Wednesday Fish Fry

February 14 from 4-7 p.m. in the parish center. Serving catfish filets, American potato salad, baked beans, mac and cheese and desserts from the Ladies of St. Francis. Eat-in or drive-through for \$13. This is a great way to kick off Lent, before or after you get your ashes!

The Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes is this Sunday, February 11. Please visit Our Lady of Lourdes of Ghost Hollow Grotto for your private prayer or Rosary during daylight hours. The grotto is located at the spring at the corner of 4507 Ghost Hollow and Herleman roads, Quincy. All are invited to visit Mary!

Gríef Share Will run Tuesday afternoons starting March 5 and continuing through May 28 from 3-5 p.m. in the Brides Room in the Parish Center. There is no charge for this program. Anyone who has experienced a loss at whatever time in life, can find support through Grief Share. We have a short video followed by discussion with others in the group who also have experienced a loss. The peer support is healing! You also will be given a workbook for use at home that gives additional information and reinforces the lesson each week. The three components help you move through the grieving process. All are welcome.

For more information please call Deacon Dennis or Pat Holbrook, 217-257-2570.

QND annual open house for parents: Sunday, February 25, 1-3 p.m. Come for all or part of the afternoon. For more information contact Mary Pat Vahlkamp, 217-223-2479.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

We will be supporting the Holy Name Ash Wednesday Fish Fry on February 14 by providing desserts for the dinner. There's a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space. We also could use a few gluten free desserts. Please have your dessert to the church by 2 p.m. on February 14 in the back hallway by the kitchen. There is also a sign-up to help cut and plate desserts in one-hour shifts from 4-7 p.m. If you have any questions please call Jan Zeidler, 217-779-0290. Thank you for your help in supporting our parish community.

Ladies Card Party, Thursday, March 7

Please join us for the first card party of the spring on March 7 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Parish Center. Doors open at 10:30.
Don Altgilbers will be preparing a potato bar lunch, including a variety of toppings, English cucumber sandwiches and chocolate cake.
To make reservations for your group call Pat Winking at 217-257-0416.
Get your reservations in early!

St. Joseph Trivia Night

Saturday, February 17 at the church. Doors open at 5 p.m. Trivia starts at 6. \$20 per person or \$160 per table. All proceeds benefit the youth of St. Brigid, St. Edward, and St. Joseph parishes. For more information and registration contact Dana Haxel, 217-242-8200.

The St. Francis Stewardship Committee invites you to learn more about the parish by scanning the QR code. Enjoy!



St. Francis Solanus School INSPIRING FAITH, KNOWLEDGE & SERVICE



Monday, Feb. 26 - Faith Formation

Continue discussion of Virtue. Who: 6th - 12th grades Where: Parish Hall When: Mondays 7:15 - 8:30 coordinator Jane Ann Petty (217) 222-2898 x101 jpetty@stfrancissolanus.coi



Jen Mast's three and four year old St. Francis preschoolers made Kool-Aid playdough recently.



Fr. Rafal attended the PTO Glow Dance February 2, which helped bring Catholic Schools Week to a close.

SFSS Open House Dates for Prospective Families Families will be able to talk to school families and staff in a relaxed setting. Tours of the building will be offered. Families may come and go as they please. Tuesday, February 20 6:30-7:30 p.m. is for new families with prospective preschool or kindergarten

students in the fall of 2024.

Thursday, February 22 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. is for new families with 1st-8th grade students in the fall of 2024.

Families are welcome to attend the 5:30 p.m. Mass before the event.

Families are encouraged to register with the principal, jradel@stfrancissolanus.com, but it is not required.

| February 17-18 | Altar Server - Weekend | Communion Minister | Usher | Reader | Greeter/Gift Beare |
|--------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| Saturday 4:30 p.m. | William Hea Callie Longlett Reese Meehan | Amy Kaiser Theresa Rohrer Becky Gengenbacher William Niewohner | Jim Kaiser Michael Eling John Veith Dick Mitchell Joe Venvertloh Russell Rohrer | Chryssia Hea | Patti Blickhan Tom Ennis Gift Bearer Judy Akers |
| Sunday 7:00 a.m. | Gabriella Groll James Petty | Joan Beard Damian McDonald Karrie Cramsey-Groll Paulette Freiburg | Ed Zanger Rich Zeidler George Venvertloh Auris McGee Paul Eling Gary Terwelp | Nancy Venegoni John Venegoni | Jan Zeidler Emilie Venvertloh Gift Bearer Sarah Lugering |
| Sunday 9:00 a.m. | Mickey Petty James Petty Austin Genenbacher | Samantha Cramsey Amanda Genenbacher Patricia Paxton William Paxton | Jason Cramsey Bing Lammers Samuel Zanger Joseph Wiewel Diann Cole Karl Venvertloh | Bruce Broemmel | Nancy Friye Jill Blickhan Gift Bearer Rob Frese |
| Sunday 11:00 a.m. | Sam Bruening Priya Mamdani Evan Reichert | Michelle Meyer Ted Meyer Christy Woodward One needed please | Marty KarhoffRose WillerDrew ErwinBud VossMike Holbrook One needed please | Simon Bruening | James Doellman Doris Karhoff Gift Bearer Gabriel & Kelly Wheel |
| | <u>y Morning</u> Server | February 17, 2024 | Quinn Wiewe | l and Thomas Wie | wel |
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