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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.

## *First Sunday of Lent*

**FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22:  
Mark 1:12-15

In one word, Lent is baptism! It is the final preparation time for baptism which (in the ancient Church) was conferred only during the Easter Vigil. For those of us who have been baptized long ago, it is the time of baptismal renewal. By our baptism, we entered into a covenant with God the Father in and through Jesus Christ.

Our first reading speaks of the covenant with Noah after the flood. The liturgy sees this as a symbol of our covenant with God through the waters of baptism. God promises good things for us; we for our part must keep our baptismal promises: to renounce sin and Satan, and to live for Christ.

Our second reading is from 1 Peter. Many scholars consider this book to be an ancient baptismal homily. The author tells us that we are cleansed of sin through baptism, and that we share in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel of the First Sunday of Lent is always that of the fast and temptations of Jesus. But Mark's Gospel does not give any details. Rather, it states simply that the Spirit "drove" or "impelled" Jesus into the desert where he was tested. Afterward, he proclaimed the good news.

Each of us has his particular temptations. Satan attacks us at our most vulnerable point. But we have the power of Jesus Christ to overcome all temptation, for God never permits us to be tempted beyond our strength. Let us, then, renew our fidelity to our baptismal covenant. In the power of Christ, let us die to selfishness and sin, and rise daily to manifest the glory of his resurrection.

--Msgr. William Carr

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## 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

As we begin this Lenten season the Gospel takes us into the desert with Jesus. Remember these next 40 days are the desert for us. What was the desert and the number 40 meaning for the Jewish people? The number 40 and the desert are both times of trial, tribulation and formation. God uses the 40 days of Noah on the ark in the desert of the water as a trial and time of reforming the world. God uses the 40 years in the desert of the Israelites wandering as a time of trial and reforming His people. There are many instances of 40, but you get the hint. Where all of these instances of forty the people were not faithful, Jesus' 40 days in the desert are to show us how to be faithful in time of trial and reform. Allow this Lent to be a trial. Make your Lenten practices tough. Allow this Lent to be a time of reform of your life. Be faithful to your Lenten practices. See how God draws us into the wilderness, so that He can strengthen us for the passion to bring us to the resurrection. Be intentional. Don't give up. IF you fail in your practices, start anew immediately! Never give up. Choose the Lord this Lent. Please pray for myself and the team and candidates as we enter into Cursillo #366.

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## *Weekday Mass Intentions*

<b>February 19 Monday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Janis Blickhan-Foreman and Al Dempsey
<b>February 20 Tuesday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Kemner and Freiburg families
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Angela Huner and Don McCaughey
<b>February 21 Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Clara O'Brien and Dan Richmiller
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Mark Frericks and Tom Gott
<b>February 22 Thursday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Roger Cook and Joe Genenbacher
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Leona Dietrich and Carol Chandler
<b>February 23 Friday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Becky Bliefnick
<b>February 24 Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Tom Gott and Dan Richmiller
	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Carl, Connie & Fr. Gary Bernhardt
<b>February 25 Sunday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	The Parishioners of St. Francis
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Angela Huner and Chrissy Struck
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Fr. Carberry and Joseph Ley

### This week in the Parish:

#### Monday, February 19

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
- 6:00 p.m. Catechist formation
- 6:00 p.m. Tiger den meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary

#### Tuesday, February 20

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Truth Seekers
- 7:00 p.m. The Belonging

#### Wednesday, February 21

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:35 a.m. School Mass
- 9:30 a.m. Adoration
- 1:00 p.m. Pastors meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Soup Supper
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group

#### Thursday, February 22

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Blue/Gold Banquet
- 6:30 p.m. Troop 22 Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. OCIA meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion

#### Friday, February 23

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday, February 24

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
- 11:00 a.m. Cursillo Prep
- 3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
- 4:30 p.m. Mass

### **Week of 2/11/2024**

	<b>Week</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Regular Collection	\$14,361.50	\$843,929.39
Loose Collection	\$1,313.50	\$52,109.42
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$15,675.00</b>	<b>\$843,929.39</b>
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$967,520.00
<b>Difference</b>	<b>-\$14,560.00</b>	<b>-\$123,590.61</b>

### **Week**

### **YTD**

Annual School Fund	\$1,103.00	\$132,827.98
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12 Little Angels Special Collection: \$2,607.23

### **Special Collections, January 2024:**

Alaska—\$4,723.30; Annual School Fund—\$10,136;  
Catholic Times—\$564; First Offering—\$3,826.17;  
First Offering—\$3,826.17; Solemnity of Mary—\$2,396.22;  
Christmas Offering—\$1,862.00; Food Pantry—\$3,326.42.

### **Forty Days of Giving to the Food Pantry**

**The Food Pantry challenges you to give a grocery item each day of Lent. There are bags in the pantry bins at all entrances to church with the usual items that the pantry gives stapled to them. Take one and fill it up, then bring it to church.**

**Special Need:**

**Hamburger and Chicken Helper**

### **Quincy Holy Family Fest**

**Connect with God, have fun, and create memories –** Families are invited to attend a grace-filled and fun-filled one-day experience, all intended to reconnect your family with God.

**The event takes place Saturday, March 2 at QND from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.**

Activities include Mass, confession, eucharistic adoration, talks for adults, teens, and children, praying the rosary, games, and more.

**Register at [afc.org/catholic-family-retreat-weekend](http://afc.org/catholic-family-retreat-weekend).**

For questions, email [quincyholysfamilyfest@gmail.com](mailto:quincyholysfamilyfest@gmail.com) or call (217) 440-8187.

### ***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, [sholbrook@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:sholbrook@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:**

**St. Dominic's School, St. Anthony's Parish**

St. Dominic's: March 1, March 15

St. Anthony's: February 23, March 8, March 22

**4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Carry-out available.**

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 St. Francis Lenten Parish Mission**

#### **Awake My Soul!**

March 3, 4 and 5 at 7 o'clock each evening in the church.



Our speaker will be Dr. Karen Shadle, Director of the Office of Worship for the

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!**

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#### **St. Peter Lenten Parish Mission**

**February 24, 25 and 26. Begins during all weekend Masses on February 24 and 25.**

**Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB, is excited to return to St. Peter for his second mission there. His presentations will center on the Eucharist as it relates to the Lenten season. Mission conferences on February 25 and 26 will start at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Childcare available for children over age 1.**

**Holy Name News:** A big Thank You! To all who attended our Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner. It was a huge success. And thank you to the Ladies of St. Francis for all of the delicious desserts. The next Holy Name meeting will be Wednesday, March 13 at 6 p.m.

**Knights of Columbus News:**

The Thursday Night Raffle jackpot is up to \$12,700. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8. Fish dinners served on Friday nights 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. Euchre tournament Wednesday, February 21 at 6 p.m. Visit [quincykofc.org](http://quincykofc.org) for more information.



**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. To make reservations for your group call Pat Winking at 217-257-0416. Get your reservations in early!

**2024 Catholic Cemetery Clean-up:  
Calvary, St. Boniface and St. Peter's  
March 11-15**

Everything must be off of the graves by Sunday, March 10. You may leave the shepherd's hooks, but everything else, please remove. Mark your flowers with the name on the stone and your contact number, in weatherproof ink, if possible.

**Grief 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.

**Ladies of St. Francis News:**

Thank you to everyone who donated desserts for the Fish Fry.

Our next all member-meeting is Tuesday, March 19. Mass starts at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 and the meeting starting at 7:15. Ray Wheeler will be the guest speaker. Our agenda will include naming a nominating committee for new officers. We also will vote on the by-laws. To make a dinner reservation (\$10) please contact Jan Zeidler, 217-779-0290.

Please join us!

***QND Job Openings, full-time:***

*Social studies teacher, Director of Enrollment Management and Resource Teacher. Please submit a resume, cover letter, and three letters of reference to QND Principal Mark McDowell at [mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org](mailto:mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org) by Friday, March 1. Contact Mark McDowell for more information on each position.*

***Wedding Anniversary Recognition Mass***

On March 2 and 3 we will be honoring couples who are celebrating Milestone Anniversaries in 2024 at all Masses. Newlyweds celebrating their first year of marriage as well as those celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 or 60+ years of Holy Matrimony will be called forward after Communion and given a blessing. If you will be celebrating one of these anniversaries in 2024, please complete this form and return it to the Rectory by February 28.

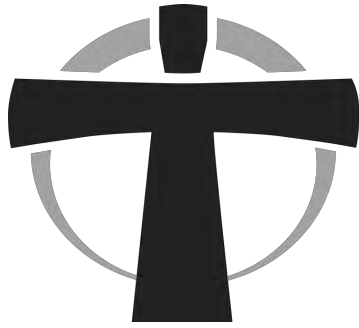
**Name:**

**Date of Anniversary:**

**Years Married:**


**Mass you will attend on March 2 or 3:**

**4:30    7:00    9:00    11:00**



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## February schedule

### BEAR

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

**Saturday, Feb. 10 - Music of John Williams**  
Email Jane Ann by to join. Tickets are \$15. Quincy Symphony at Junior High.

**Friday, Feb. 16 - QCT Matilda**  
Please respond ASAP if interested as space is limited. Tickets are \$20.

**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.com



St. Francis second grader Dawson Stephens shows off the new AED, donated by the family of Timothy Haley. It is located in the gym. Staff members have been instructed on how to use the device if it should be needed. Thank you Haley family for this generous gift!

### **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.

**QND Coaching positions open for next school year:  
Girls Volleyball Head Coach and Girls Tennis Head Coach.**

Submit a resume and three references to  
Athletic Director Bill Connell at

bconnell@quincynotredame.org by Friday, March 1.

### **Kindergarten Round-Up is Coming!**

**Friday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. in the school cafeteria. Your child must be five years old on or before September 1, 2024. The teacher will explain the kindergarten curriculum, families will meet the pastor and principal, a list of tuition and fees will be distributed and the children will engage in several fun activities. New families also will receive an explanation of the Gene Grawe Fund. We hope to see you there!**

February 24-25	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher		Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
<b>Saturday 4:30 p.m.</b>	Jacob Collins Makayla Patton Riley Sparks	Karrie Cramsey-Groll Bridget Ehrhart Marsha Collins Kristen Patton	Tom Liesen Greg Ehrhardt Harold Vahle	Mark F. Dietrich Philip Kemner Mary Ann Thomas	Rebecca Wear	Betty Kaufmann Peggy Kaiser <b>Gift Bearer</b> Randy Zecchel
<b>Sunday 7:00 a.m.</b>	Chloe Terwelp James Bickhaus	Cindy Venvertloh Jane Gregory Gary Hilgenbrinck Pat Winking	Roger Gallaher Tim Venvertloh Larry Venvertloh	Terry Obert Jim Wilper Jerry Carnivale	Steve Davis	Sandra Banning Emilie Venvertloh <b>Gift Bearer</b> Kay Gallaher
<b>Sunday 9:00 a.m.</b>	Will Eling Ben Eling Hailey Terwelp	Ric Hinkamper Donna Mangold Cindy Grawe Vieve Veith	Andrew Wemhoener Mike Patterson Jason Costigan Gary Darnell	John McDowell Troy Hummel	Monica Hinkamper	Prudy Patterson Brian Dreier <b>Gift Bearer</b> Kevin & Betsy Terwelp
<b>Sunday 11:00 a.m.</b>	Mia Vranjes Allie Vranjes Emmett Wiemelt	Carol Steinbrecher Chris Duvall Sue Holbrook Christina Rose	Brent Frericks Rose Willer Steve Obert	Sam Vranjes Drew Erwin Evan Reichert	Pam Frericks	Nancy Hufendick Patricia Tomczak <b>Gift Bearer</b> Jamie Friye
<b>Saturday Morning Mass Server</b>		<b>February 24, 2024</b>	James Bickhaus and David Bickhaus			
<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b>		<b>9:00 Mass</b>	Adayre Klauer			



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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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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
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| Mary Althoff          | Josephina Bohne           |
| Irene Freiburg        | Bernadina "Birdie" Freund |
| Mary Futterer         | Mary Hickey               |
| Wilhelmina Kottendorf | Cecelia VonderHaar        |
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