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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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

APRIL 28, 2024

Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

The Church should be a community of faith and love. The community should make use of all the talents and abilities of its members. But often converts find it otherwise.

Converts may have great abilities which are never used. They can easily become discouraged because they can't seem to "break in" to the community. Perhaps today's Mass might be a lesson in maturity for us all.

St. Paul was highly educated; he was zealous; he had tremendous abilities. Yet, after his conversion, the Church was suspicious of him. The community wondered if he really was converted, or was he a spy?

The apostles sent him off to Tarsus where he remained in seclusion for more than ten years! What a waste of talent. But all that time, Paul was building up the Church by his prayer and virtue, even though he could not build it up by his external witness.

The second reading tells us to love in deed and not merely in word. We often talk a good game of community and stewardship. But our faith is shown by what we do. If our talents are not used immediately, let us still please God in every way we can. We know that we are keeping his commandments by our peace of soul.

Jesus is the vine; we are his branches. All grace and virtue comes from him. Regardless of any other "branch" on the Christ vine, let us remain united with him. Let us seek to reflect his glory in all we do. He promises that whatever we ask in his name, he will do. Let us place our gifts and talents at his service.

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MY NEW JOURNEY

Times flies. It's been almost three years since I came to this parish. God blessed me in so many ways sending me here. I am always grateful to God for all these opportunities. I have met you and talked to you and shared my faith with you. I am especially grateful to Father Arisman. He is a wonderful man who taught me many things and prepared me in the best way he can for me to be a pastor one day. He is also my good friend. Not everyone can be your boss and at the same time be friendly and nice to you. Fr. Arisman can be both.

Now it's time for me to leave this parish. Bishop Paprocki has appointed me the pastor of Our Lady of the Holy Spirit parish in Mount Zion, Ill. and St. Isidore parish in Bethany, Ill. This will take place on July 1. I'm looking forward to this new journey even though I know it's going to be a sad experience to leave this parish knowing how much people love me here and appreciate my ministry to them. I'm going to miss the school and encounters with the children. I always have fun with the children and enjoy visiting their classrooms.

Jesus speaks today about bearing good fruit. To bear the fruit intended by God, we must strive to be constantly united to Christ. Jesus compares himself to a vine and us to branches. He says, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." Just as the value of a branch, its vitality and fruitfulness depend on its union with the vine, so the value of our life depends on our union with Christ. What exactly does this mean? Well, this means that each of us is a branch planted by Christ in the vineyard called "Church." Each of us is to bear the fruit that God designated for us when he chose us and gave us a special calling. God loves us and cares for us. We are all part of the Church. We are responsible for each other. God intended to give us a Church so we can worship Him and bring to Him our prayers and intentions. God is great! We need to work on ourselves and grow in holiness. Let us keep praying for each other, so we can achieve our common goal, which is heaven.

At the end I would like to say thank you for all the birthday cards you sent me. Thank you especially for the gifts of money, which I can use for my trip to Poland as I leave on May 4. I have 28 people going with me. It's going to be a great trip.

I really appreciate every gesture of kindness to me. You are wonderful people and I'm happy to be a part of this great community. What I cannot say in words I will include in my prayers for you. Let God bless your good hearts and give you good health and peace in your hearts.

Reverend Rafal Pyrchla

Weekday Mass Intentions

April 29 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Dan Richmiller		
April 30 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Nate Gilbert		
	5:30 p.m.	Janis Blickhan Foreman and Melvin Greving		
May 1 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Bob Bastean		
	5:30 p.m.	Dan Richmiller and Stan Musholt		
May 2 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Norma Johnson		
	5:30 p.m.	Jordan Peterson		
May 3 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Mick Dochterman		
May 4 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Stan Musholt and Mildred and Edgar Happekotte		
	4:30 p.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
May 5 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Dan Richmiller		
	9:00 a.m.	Janis Blickhan Foreman and Joseph Ley		
	11:00 a.m.	Fr. Kennedy and Cecilia Middendorf		

Week of 4/21/2024	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$16,229.50	\$1,090,647.02	
Loose Collection	\$1,291.00	\$71,101.08	
Total Collection	\$17,520.50	\$1,161,748.10	
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$1,239,635.00	
Difference	-\$12,714.50	-\$77,886.90	

Week	YTD
\$682.50	\$157,904.78

This week in the Parish:

Monday, April 29

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
- 6:00 p.m. PSR
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary
- 7:15 p.m. BEAR meeting
- 8:00 p.m. St. Francis School Family Meeting

• Tuesday, April 30

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
- 3:00 p.m. Grief Share
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. St. Francis School Family Meeting

Wednesday, May 1

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:30 a.m. Adoration
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group

• Thursday, May 2

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 10:30 a.m. Ladies Card Party
- 1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
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- 6:30 p.m. Troop 22 meeting

• Friday, May 3

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 3:00 p.m. Youth Choir practice
 - 3:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 5996 meeting

Saturday, May 4

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
- 10:00 a.m. Cursillo #369
- 3:00 pm Reconciliation
- 4:30 pm Mass

Thank you for your continued support of our parish and school.

Today is Commitment Sunday for the St. Francis Solanus Capital Campaign.

You should have received a packet in the mail explaining more about the campaign and our plans. If you haven't received your packet, please let the parish office know and we'll send one out to you. The packet explains more about our campaign, in which we are looking to raise \$1.6 million for repairs and updates to the current parish campus. This includes repairing our Clock Tower, updating various systems in our church, parish center and rectory, providing more green spaces for our Catholic School children and replenishing our parish savings account. This weekend, pledge cards are available at this Mass. If you have not had an opportunity to turn in your pledge, please do so by mailing it to the office, dropping it off at the office or dropping it in the offertory basket. Thank you!

Congratulations and Welcome Murphy Jo Marquess

Daughter of Tyler and Abigail Marquess and

Víctoria Catherine Graham

&

Theodore Edward Graham Children of Curtis and Kristin Graham Baptized into the Catholic faith April 21, 2024

The Ladies of Charity of Quincy invites all men and women, both current and potential members to attend an Orientation and Day of Reflection on Sunday, May 5 from 1-3 p.m. in the St. Francis Parish Hall. Although the Ladies of Charity is comprised mostly of women volunteers, we also invite men to assist us (particularly with the heavy lifting, transporting of items, etc.). We are a Vincentian organization called to serve those in need and we would love to have you join us! If you have any questions please call Kathy Obert, 703-786-4788 or Brenda Ehrhardt, 217-257-8832. Please plan to attend and learn more about us and the volunteer opportunities available.



Pictured are the newest members of the Catholic faith with their sponsors and godparents who were initiated at the Easter Vigil Mass March 30 at St. Francis.

L-R are Dominic Chase, Lennox Palmer, James Palmer, Lauren Terwelp, Randy Zecchel, Vanessa Laatsch, and Scarlett Grassmuck. Not pictured is Ashley Mitchell, who made her profession of faith on April 14.



The picnic committee will be handing out raffle tickets next weekend after Mass on May 4 and 5. The envelope includes informational letters, Quilt Raffle tickets and cash raffle tickets. If you are able to volunteer please contact a committee member or visit: stfrancissolanus.com/picnic.

Thank you for your support! Matt & Ashley Daly: 816-805-9907

Joe & Amber Terwelp: 217-219-2007 Zach & Steph Maas: 815-878-6032 Brock & Jennifer Sousa: 217-316-1912 Cole & Lauren Terwelp: 216-965-9998 Neil & Jenn Russell: 217-617-9590 Cody & Shawnee Deters: 217-617-7466 <u>Holy Name News:</u> The Holy Name Banquet is scheduled for Ascension Thursday, May 9 at 6:30. Please make your reservations by May 6. All men of the parish are invited. A steak dinner with all the trimmings will be served. The dinner is also a good time to pay your \$10 Holy Name dues. We also are still in need of all four officers for the next two-year term. Contact Mak at 217-224-8668 or mak.quincyappliance@yahoo.com Knights of Columbus News:

The Thursday Night Raffle jackpot is up to \$14,805. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8. We will once again be giving out scholarships to families of eligible K of C members to all Catholic schools in the area. Visit quincykofc.org for more information.

Millikin coach to speak at Holy Name banquet

Kramer Soderberg, men's head basketball coach at Millikin University, is a devout Catholic and young family man known for motivating individuals of all ages to grow in their faith and belief in God. He is the author of the book Fill Your Cup for Christ: A Spiritual Journey Sown and Grown Through Sports. The book has had a great impact in the faith life of all who read it. All male members of St. Francis are members of the Holy Name Society and should consider coming to hear Coach Kramer speak. We hope to see you there!

Women's Saints Study — Women of all ages! Join us Tuesday, May 7 at 7 p.m. in the St. Francis Parish Center for our monthly saint study. Featured this month is Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich, presented by Ginny Fuentes. Bring a friend! This event is open to all parishes. For more information contact Karen Weiman, 217-242-5513 or Kelli Lunt, 217-617-1566.

Did you know that **Formed.org** is available to all St. Francis parishioners? Click on "Formed for Parishes" and sign in, or sign up if it's your first time, and open a world of spiritually uplifting viewing and listening. You will have instant access to thousands of movies, documentaries, programs, audio and books. Of particular interest now is Fr. Michael Gaitley's 10-part series on Divine Mercy, based on his acclaimed book *The Second* Greatest Story Ever Told: Now is the Time of Mercy. Fr. Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II. Just click on EASTER in the heading and scroll down to Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley. Check it out! You'll be glad you did.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

Our next all-member dinner meeting will be Tuesday, May 21. To make a reservation call Jan Zeidler at 217-779-0290. Coming Soon! The Ladies of St. Francis Recipe Collection. It would make a perfect Mother's Day gift. Stay tuned.

Ladies of St. Francis Card Party

Sponsored by the Ladies of St. Francis

Thursday, May 2, 11:00 a.m.-3 p.m. Doors open at 10:30. St. Francis Parish Center (main entrance off Elm St. between 17th and 18th). Additional parking in the grassy lot next to Underbrink's (weather permitting). Call Pat Winking at 217-257-0416 to reserve your table. Meal prepared by Don Altgilbers: Meatball stroganoff and strawberry pretzel salad for dessert.

Fr. A is celebrating 10 years as a priest!

Join us to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Father Arisman's ordination on Sunday, May 19. Father A will celebrate Mass at 11 a.m., followed by a carry-in picnic lunch on the rectory lawn. (School will be the rain location).

For the picnic: The parish will provide meat, drinks and dessert. We kindly ask that each family contribute a side dish based on the initial of your last name:

A-H: Potato or rice dish

I-P: Vegetable dish

Q-Z: Salads.

Please bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating as table space is limited. R.S.V.P. to the parish office by May 10 at 222-2898. For more information visit stfrancissolanus.com/celebration.





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

Monday, April 29 - No Meeting

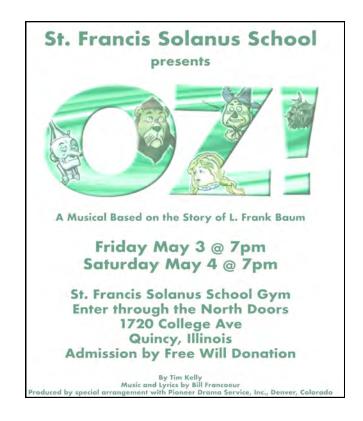
Please attend OZ! on Friday May 3 or Saturday, May 4 @ 7pm.

Monday, May 6 - Regular Meeting
Please bring a snack to share. Drinks provided.

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 School seventh and eighth graders attended a dance April 13 with other Quincy Catholic School students in the QND gym.



Happening Around School:

Wednesday, May 1 is a School Mass at 8:35 a.m. followed by May Crowning of the Blessed Mother on College Ave. Parish members are welcome to bring lawn chairs and attend.

Thursday, May 2 is the Parochial Music Organization concert, featuring vocal and instrumental music. Join us at 6 p.m. in the QND gym.

Sunday, May 5 at 9 a.m. we will honor our third graders of the parish who received the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion at the cathedral in Springfield April 20.

May 4-5	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher		Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Makayla Patton Callie Longlett William Hea	Kristen Patton Teena Fisk Carla Slough Bobbie Talken	Joe Venvertloh Zachary Maas Michael Bickhaus	Michael Eling Greg Erhardt Harold Vahle	Helen Zimmerman	Betty Kaufmann Karen Venvertloh Gift Bearer Judy Akers
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Eli Terwelp	Sarah Lugering Judy Haugh Jan Zeidler Arlene Hendren	George Venvertloh Roger Gallaher Jerry Carnivale	Rick Haugh Paul Eling Gary Terwelp	Paul Brown	Emilie Venvertloh Terry Niemann Gift Bearer Kay Gallaher
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Philomena Alonzo Michael Alonzo Anthony Alonzo	Peggy Koetters Alice Arnold Joanne Ortwerth Brad Kendrick	Roberta Meyer Mark Meyer Troy Hummel	Karl Venvertloh Mike Patterson Steven Eling	Elizabeth Alonzo	Prudy Patterson Nancy Friye Gift Bearer Gerald Koetters
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	August Venvertloh Reno Venvertloh Urban Venvertloh	Doris Karhoff Chris Duvall Bridget Ehrhart Anne Meyer	Bud Voss Mike Fessler Rose Willer	Marty Karhoff Drew Erwin James Doellman	Rosanna Voss	Nancy Hufendick Brenda Wand Gift Bearer Two Needed Please
Saturday Morning Mass Server May 4, 8:00 a.m. Brady		y Koetters				
Sunday Children	's Liturgy of the Word	9:00 a.m.	Anne Meyer			



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