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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.

# Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**JUNE 16, 2024** 

Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

"Tree" was an ancient metaphor for "empire" or "kingdom." Little peoples and small nations could find protection under the branches of the "big tree," the kingdom or empire.

In today's first reading, Ezekiel looks forward to the restoration of the kingdom of Israel. Ezekiel was a prophet when Israel had been destroyed and its people were captives in Babylon.

The Church sees in the reading another meaning: The new tree of Israel is a symbol of the new kingdom of God, the Church. The Church will come from small beginnings (like a tender branch from the topmost branch of a tree).

The Gospel echoes this theme: The mustard seed is very small, just as the kingdom of God appeared very small on Pentecost. We don't see the growth of a tree; in a similar way, we don't always see the growth of the kingdom of God.

Sometimes we are very impatient and discouraged at the slow pace of the Church's growth. But the tree will grow by God's power. It will become so great that the birds of the air will nest in its branches.

"Birds of the air" is another metaphor, one used by the rabbis for "Gentiles." All the nations will come to the kingdom – if we invite them, if we pray for them, and if we are worthy witnesses of the kingdom of God.

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### 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord God makes all things new and brings new life where there is none. This weekend's readings make abundantly clear that God will restore the dead and the desolate and make mighty the meek and the lowly. He gives great abundance in how He throws about his grace much like seed is thrown. The only complicating factor of this is that no farmer would just randomly throw seed. A farmer plants meticulously to get the greatest crop. This weekend's readings are an anomaly saying that God acts very differently from us. He gives abundance not for the good that we have done, but instead for the good that He is. It is just up to us to accept that abundance and use it for his good and not our own. May we be the good soil in which the seed lands and grows and roots well in the Lord. So that not only do we bare fruit, but that we also give shade and rest to those in need. May we find shade and rest and great fruit in the gift of the Church. May we find life and abundance and God's outpouring through the sacraments.

Thank you to those who made the picnic such an amazing event. We had a wonderful turnout and the energy was just exciting. I had a blast and so did my parents. Thank you to the committee for making this such a success and all those who volunteered.

Happy Father's Day to all men who are fathers and those who are fatherly in so many ways in our lives. I am so grateful for my own father and all that he has taught me, especially about faith. We need strong fathers in our families that focus on faith first in all that we do and all that we are. So blessings to each of you today.

One last piece of good news, Bishop Thomas John Paprocki has asked us to take a second parochial vicar here at St. Francis Solanus. It's an honor and privilege to have two assistants in our parish. His name is Father Kenneth Ahanonu. He is a young priest and is 12 years ordained for the Diocese of Nnewi, Nigeria. Nigeria is a republic country in West Africa in which the official language is English, although with a more British flare than we are accustomed. Fr. Kenneth Ahanonu just finished his doctorate in philosophy from the Pontifical Salesian University in Rome. Brush up on your Kierkegaard if you're desiring to read his dissertation or debate him. What a true blessing this is. Fr. Kenneth Ahanonu is currently working on his immigration work to come here to serve. Please pray that is smooth and quick. His appointment letter in the Catholic Times will say he begins July 1, which is necessary for his immigration status to move forward. He most likely will not arrive on July 1, but will be here as soon as it is possible. There is always a possibility of hiccups or denial. So, please again pray for this process working with the federal government in this matter. We are very excited for this opportunity and blessing for our parish. Please pray for and help me welcome both Fr. Kenneth Ahanonu and Fr. Bruce Scott. How exciting! As I know more I will keep you posted.

Ber Gentisman

# Weekday Mass Intentions

June 17 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Joseph Ley and Paul and Marjorie Poepping		
June 18	6:30 a.m.	Dan Richmiller and Our Lady of Perpetual Help		
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Albert and Pauline Frericks and Living members of their family		
June 19 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Roy, Ida, and Earl Bizaillion		
	5:30 p.m.	Mark Standley		
June 20 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Barbara Mitchell		
	5:30 p.m.	Virginia Shonarth and Dick Gengenbacher		
June 21 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Nate Gilbert and Gary Clark		
June 22	8:00 a.m.	Joan Russell		
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	7:00 a.m.	Jim and Dorothy Costigan		
June 23 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Jacob Hall and Joseph Ley		
	11:00 a.m.	John and Ruth Holman and Dick Gengenbacher		

Week of 6/9/2024			/2024	Week	YTD			
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Regular Collection	\$13,833.49	\$1,240,520.40
Loose Collection	\$1,513.98	\$82,365.66
Total Collection	\$15,347.47	\$1,322,886.06
Needed Support	\$30,235.00	\$1,481,515.00
Difference	-\$14,887.53	-\$158,628.94

	Week	YTD		
Annual	\$2,578.55	\$170,449.87		
School Fund				

#### This week in the Parish:

#### Monday, June 17

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
- 9:00 a.m. Totus Tuus
- 1:30 p.m. QCS meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Totus Tuus
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary

#### Tuesday, June 18

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
- 9:00 a.m. Totus Tuus
- 1:00 p.m. QCS
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Totus Tuus
- 7:00 p.m. The Belonging

#### Wednesday, June 19

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 4:00 p.m. Reconciliation
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Totus Tuus
- 6:30 p.m. Scout Leader meeting

#### Thursday, June 20

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilting
- 9:00 a.m. Totus Tuus
- 1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
- 5:30 p.m. Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Totus Tuus
- 6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group

#### Friday, June 21

- 6:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Totus Tuus

#### Saturday, June 22

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
- 1:00 p.m. Cursillo reunion
- 3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
- 4:30 p.m. Mass

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

#### Growing in Faith Capital Campaign

At last count we were very close to the \$2 million mark! Thank you to everyone who has turned in their pledge cards. St. Francis greatly appreciates your commitment to our parish.

If you haven't turned in your pledge card yet, there is still time to give, with our greatest thanks!
No contribution is too small!

We're saying goodbye to Father Rafal!
Join us on Sunday, June 30 for the Holy Name Red, White, and Blue breakfast where we will wish Father Rafal all the best in his new assignment as a pastor in Mt. Zion and Bethany. If you can't make the breakfast, please stop by after Masses on Saturday, June 29 and 30. There will be a box for cards in the gathering space or at the breakfast in Solanus Hall.

# We're still looking for Prayer Warriors To pray for our new priest!

Only one person has stepped up to pray for our new priest, Father Bruce Scott. We are still seeking six women who are willing to take one day a week, for one hour to pray for our new priest. If you are not familiar with the Seven Sisters of the Apostolate ministry, one woman each day of the week prays for a priest for one hour. The day is assigned, but the time and place for the hour is up to you—wherever you find to be most prayerful for that day. We currently have 28 women participating: 7 for Fr. Arisman, 7 for Fr. Rafal; 7 for Fr. James Wheeler and 7 for Fr. David Beagles. If you are interested or just want to know more about this ministry, please call or text Pat Holbrook at 217-257-2570.

#### **Volunteers needed at Ladies of Charity**

The group is looking for volunteers for both the Thrift Store(24th and Elm) and the Center at 4th and State. Most of the volunteers are women, but men also are invited to help out, especially with some of the heavy lifting jobs. Volunteers usually donate two to five hours of their time per week.

Please call/text Kathy Obert, 703-786-4788 or Brenda Ehrhardt, 217-257-8832 to learn more.

This summer, check out formed.org.

St. Francis makes formed.org available to all parishioners. Just click on "Formed for Parishes" and sign in, or sign up. It's your Catholic faith "on demand." Have instant access to thousands of movies, documentaries, programs, audio and books.

Congratulations and Welcome
Giuliana Rose Liesen
Daughter of Clayton and Kristina Liesen
Baptized into the Catholic faith
May 26, 2024 at St. Francis Solanus

#### Attention volunteers at school or parish:

Please help keep St. Francis school and parish a safe environment for all of our children by updating your training/background check as necessary. Go to stfrancissolanus.com/safe-environment and click on the instructions that apply to your volunteering. Save your email address to receive automatic updates when your background check renewal is due.

# St Francis Community Assistance (SFCA) Receives Diocesan Grant

The SFCA Ministry has been awarded a grant to support the food pantry's efforts from the Diocesan Campaign for Justice and Hope. The grant received is to supply the food pantry with a large amount of quality protein. Meat has become more expensive than ever which means those in need are unable to access this nutritious food for their households. Ground meat, canned chicken and canned tuna will be purchased with this funding. This ministry is grateful to the Diocese of Springfield for this funding.

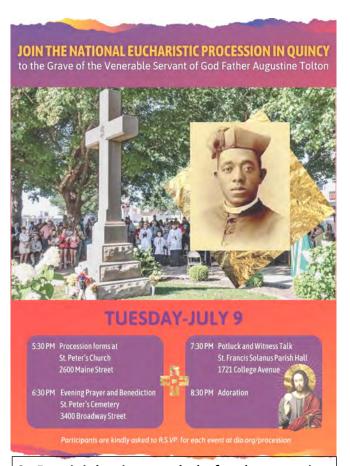
Enjoy!

<u>Holy Name News:</u> Thank you to all of the Holy Men who volunteered at the parish picnic. We hope everyone had a great time! Our next event will be the annual Red, White, and Blue Breakfast on June 30. More details to follow.

**Knights of Columbus News:** 

The Thursday Night Raffle jackpot is up to 16,900. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8. This year's KofC BBQ will be August 9, 10 and 11. Visit quincykofc.org for more information.

Congratulations Deacon Wayne!
We are having a card shower to help
Deacon Wayne celebrate his 15 year
Diaconate Ordination on June 20.
Please drop a card in the weekly
collection or stop by the parish office.
Our parish is truly blessed to have
Deacons as part of our pastoral team.



St. Francis is hosting a pot luck after the procession Tuesday, July 9 at 7:30 p.m. and we will be looking for parishioners to donate a dish, a side, or dessert to pass. If you would like to contribute please call the parish office at 217-222-2898, and stay tuned for further sign-up information. Thank you!

#### Ladies of St. Francis News:

A huge thank you to the Parish Picnic committee and all of our volunteers for such a wonderful and enjoyable event last Saturday. The Ladies of St. Francis Recipe Collection books are available for purchase for \$15 in the parish office or by calling Jan Zeidler at 217-779-0290.



Wishing all of our Dads a day filled with your favorite people and things. And to our dads in heaven, you are always in our hearts.

Surviving Divorce — Find hope and healing whether you are newly separated or divorced, or have been divorced for years. The group meets in the St. Anthony Catholic Church Parish Center, 2223 St. Anthony Rd., Quincy on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00. For more information contact Deacon Harry Cramer 217-224-1160 or Nancy Weede, 217-740-3993.

## adam's County Parish Summer Events

June 8 - St. Francis Parish Picnic
July 14 - St. Joseph Ice Cream Social
July 20 - St. Anthony Parish Picnic
August 3 - St. Brigid Ice Cream Social
August 18 - St. Thomas Ice Cream Social
August 24 - St. Peter Parish Picnic
September 7 - Septemberfest, Blessed Sacrament





Jeff Zanger (foreground), grades 6-8 social studies teacher, won a Mercantile Banking on Youth grant to purchase virtual reality headsets for use in his classes.

#### Job opening—Preschool Teacher at St. Francis

This teacher will plan developmentally appropriate activities and centers that promote development of the catholic faith, fine and gross motor skills, cognitive skills, and language skills for three to five year old children. This is a full day program with some students attending half days. Bachelor's degree in early childhood education, child development, or elementary education. Must hold an Illinois Professional Educator License or Illinois Substitute Teacher License.

Submit a letter of application, resume and three professional references to: Principal Julie Radel at jradel@stfrancissolanus.com.

Culvers Share Night for the 8th grade trip to D.C.:
Thursday, June 27 from 4-8 p.m. The class will receive
10 percent of all sales during this time from dine-in or
drive through.



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#### Totus Tuus @ St. Francis Solanus

June 16 - 21

Kindergarden - 6th (in the fall) grade is June 17 - 21, 9am - 2:30pm 7th - 12th grades (in the fall) is June 16 - 20, 6:30 - 8:15pm \$25 per student, \$60 per family Sign up at dio.org/totus-tuus-camper-registration.

#### Register to attend BEAR! Email ipetty@stfrancissolanus.com to register. Open to all children who are 6th-12th grade ages.

SFS Youth Ministry Coordinator Jane Ann Petty (217) 222-2898 x101 jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com

Free sports physical at QMG—Tuesday, July 23, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Appointment required.
Call 217-222-6550, ext. 3282 to schedule.
For more information visit quincymedicalgroup.com/sports.

#### **Victim Assistance and Child Abuse Reporting**

To report Child Sexual Abuse by Church Personnel or to inquire about the Safe Environment Program in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, call (217) 321-1155.

Quanada Sexual Assault Program 2707 Maine St., Quincy, IL 62301 (217) 223-2030

June 22-23	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer	
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	William Hea Lillian Wheeler Owen Wheeler	David Pillars Rose Pillars Teena Fisk Maureen Makarewicz	Brian Dreier Michael Bickhaus Jim Waterkotte Jerry Meyer Andrew Wemhoener Jim Kaiser	Chryssia Hea	Joe Venvertloh Karen Venvertloh <b>Gift Bearer</b> Judy Akers	
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Eli Terwelp	Gary Winking Sue Winking Tony Freiburg Paulette Freiburg	Joyce Frericks Kevin Frericks Scott Venvertloh John Benz Perry Terwelp Larry Klauser	Paul Brown	Kathy Klauser Sandra Banning <b>Gift Bearer</b> Sarah Lugering	
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Piper Darnell Lincoln Darnell Peyton Kendrick	Peggy Koetters Caitlin Kendrick Robert Haas Cindy Grawe	Neal Blickhan Diann Cole Troy Hummel Jason Cramsey Jason Costigan Rob Haistings	Gerald Koetters	Jill Blickhan Nancy Friye <b>Gift Bearer</b> Roberta Meyer	
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Priya Mamdani Teo Mamdani Nathan Steinkamp	Brenda Wand Michael Wand Marvin Knuffman Chris Duvall	Bud Voss Mike Holbrook Steve Obert Evan Reichert Ron Gengenbacher Don Olps	Rosanna Voss	Margaret Steinbrecher Patricia Tomczak <b>Gift Bearer</b> Jamie Friye	
Saturday Morning Mass Server  June 22 8:00 a			Brady Koetters			



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