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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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time JULY 28, 2024

2 Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

This liturgical year ("B" in our lectionary) is called "the Year of Mark." Most of our Sunday Gospels are taken from the Gospel according to Mark. (Next year, they will be taken from Luke; the following year they will be taken from Matthew.) But today, and for the next four Sundays, we interrupt the sequence of Mark.

Our Gospels for these Sundays are taken from the Sixth Chapter of John. Today's Gospel is the "sign" of the loaves and fishes. For the next four Sundays, we shall have portions of Jesus' sermon on the "Bread of Life."

The first reading is usually selected to fit the theme of the Gospel. Today, therefore, our reading is an Old Testament miracle of multiplication of loaves. Elisha the prophet feeds a hundred men from a few barley loaves.

Our second reading rarely fits the theme of the other two Scripture readings. It is called the "continuous reading," since we begin one New Testament book and continue through it until the end, regardless of the theme of the Gospel. Even though today's second reading doesn't "fit," it is especially beautiful: There must be unity in the Church, since there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of us all. All of us must work for unity by seeking reconciliation instead of rage, love instead of lambasting.

No one knows exactly what happened in the "sign" of the loaves and fishes. John does not say that Jesus created new loaves or multiplied the substance of the old ones. We usually assume this, however. Obviously what he did was a "sign."

Perhaps the sign was a miracle of creation. Or perhaps it was a miracle of getting people to share. Considering the selfishness of most of us, getting people to share might be just as great a miracle for the Lord as the creation of new substance! The "sign" was intended to fulfill the Jewish expectation for a new miracle of manna when the Messiah came.

Some of the world hungers for bread for the body; Christians must seek to feed them. All of the world hungers for the bread of the spirit; we shall have gnawing in our lives until we are satisfied with the bread of Christ's truth; Christians must feed the world by giving the bread of truth to others. And all of us need the nourishment of the Eucharist, the new manna of salvation, the Bread which will spring up to eternal life.

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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What perfect timing....We finished the 10th National Eucharistic Congress last week, and now we pause our readings from Mark's Gospel to begin the Bread of Life Discourse from John's Gospel. This is one of the most important passages in scripture. Our Protestant brothers and sisters often skip over it or are told it's non consequential. Jesus gives us a discourse on the Eucharist. He most specifically tells us WHO the Eucharist is. He gives us a long exhortation on Him being the bread of life. Every time they question Him or challenge Him about this, He doesn't back down or say it's just a symbol. Instead Jesus continues over and over in this discourse to step up His bluntness. May we take these next few weeks to ponder the Eucharist.

In Indianapolis last week over 52,000 people gathered for the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, which I attended. I must say...WOW!! It was absolutely remarkable. This is the first National Eucharistic Congress we have had in the USA since 1941. That is 83 years! We hosted the International Eucharistic Congress back in the 70s but even that has been forever ago. How powerful an event this was. I can only explain it as what I imagine Heaven to be. All these same people here to worship the Lord Jesus Christ and how joy filled and excited everyone was. Truly a powerful event.

The most powerful part was the Eucharistic Procession in downtown Indianapolis. The crowds lined the streets in numbers that blow your mind. People were hanging out of parking garages and buildings to see the procession and cheer. I've never felt so loved as a priest, as people cheered and thanked you for your priesthood the entire procession. My friend and I walked together and were insanely moved by the outpouring of love. Wow. We arrived at the Indiana War Memorial Monument to Steve Angrisano singing the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. We had adoration and benediction in the park there packed with the multitudes of people. So many people, so many seminarians, sooo many consecrated religious sisters and brothers, so many deacons, sooo many priests, so many bishops, and a few cardinals all gathered to worship Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Benediction in that setting was a powerful experience. I look forward to sharing more as I unpack this event in my heart and mind.

Last weekend we had Fr. Burusu, our missionary priest, visiting, assigned to us by the missions office of the diocese. Thank you for supporting the missionary work in Rwanda. To clarify that is not our new priest. He has not arrived yet. Rwanda's primary language is French or Swahili. Fr. Kenneth is from Nigeria, which English is the primary language. I have no updates yet on his arrival. Keep praying.

Lastly I need to let you all know of a new policy for the use of the parish center. As of July 1 we will only be using the parish center for parish events. We will no longer host events for outside groups, except blood drives as I still see that as a parish mission. If something was already scheduled we will honor our agreement with them, but as of July 1 we will no longer host personal events. There are a multitude of reasons. First and foremost, we don't have the staff, nor can we afford them, to be able to set up for and clean up after those events. Second, the diocese has had a policy in place for some time on usage of halls and we haven't been following it. It puts us in grave legal jeopardy and without going into a very long explanation of that, we do not need to set ourselves up to be sued. Third, the hall, in all of the info put out for its building almost 10 years ago, said it was being built only for parish events. I wish we could host everything but we cannot. Parish events do include receptions after masses, other sacraments, or funerals. Cursillo and TEC are parish events. Showers are not included but a baptism reception would be allowed. Birthday parties are out but funeral luncheons are in. I hope this makes sense. I am very sorry for some hurt feelings, but it is not legally possible anymore. We need to protect our parish from possible large sum settlements. And it is also not financially possible as I would need to hire another full time person to work nights and weekends to set up and clean up. Please be understanding. I wish we could.

Ber Steven Alisman

Weekday Mass Intentions

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July 29 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Stan Musholt		
July 30 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Dan Richmiller		
	5:30 p.m.	Albert Linken		
July 31 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Launa Blickhan		
	5:30 p.m.	Joseph Ley		
August 1 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Stanley Bartley		
	5:30 p.m.	Stan Musholt		
August 2 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Rosie Madison		
August 3 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Mark Standley and Kathy Rhemsmeyer		
	4:30 p.m.	Parishioners of St. Francis		
August 4 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Larry Costigan and Samuel Massey		
	9:00 a.m.	Linda Blickhan And Our Lady of Perpetual Help		
	11:00 a.m.	John and Ruth Holman		

This week in the Parish:					
<u>Monday, July 29</u>					
6:30 a.m. Mass					
8:00 a.m. Blanket Project					
12:30 p.m. Red Cross blood drive					
7:00 p.m. Rosary					
<u>Tuesday, July 30</u>					
6:30 a.m. Mass					
9:00 a.m. QCS meeting					
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters					
5:30 p.m. Mass					
<u>Wednesday, July 31</u>					
6:30 a.m. Mass					
4:00 p.m. Reconciliation					
5:30 p.m. Mass					
<u>Thursday, August 1</u>					
6:30 a.m. Mass					
1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group					
5:30 p.m. Mass					
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group					
<u>Friday, August 2</u>					
6:30 a.m. Mass					
<u>Saturday, August 3</u>					
8:00 a.m. Mass					
8:30 a.m. Secular Carmelites					
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.

Week of 7/21/2024	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$18,279.75	\$69,028.63	
Loose Collection	\$1,503.35	\$5,270.10	
Total Collection	\$19,783.10	\$74,298.73	
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$96,000.00	
Difference	\$-12,216.90	\$-21,701.27	

Annual School Fund: Week: \$1,847.50 YTD: \$7,580.32 These numbers reflect the start of the new fiscal year on July 1.



Allison Holbrook Memorial Car Show Sunday, August 25 from 7:30 a.m.-Noon On College Street in front of the school.

The annual event is an opportunity **for parishioners** to show off their vintage cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles, etc., that are at least 30 years old. There will be a free-will offering with all proceeds going to St. Francis school students needing financial assistance through the Allison Holbrook Memorial Scholarship Fund.

> For more information please contact Deacon Dennis Holbrook, 217-257-4384 or Alan Blickhan, 217-257-1445.

Bake for Birthright at the K of C Barbeque

St. Francis is being asked to provide baked goods for the Birthright booth on **Saturday, August 10**. Items can be brought to the booth during the event or arrangements can be made for a pickup time. For questions or to set up a pickup please call Patty at 217-577-8558. **On Saturday the booth is open from Noon to 10 p.m.** As a thank you, Birthright will hold a raffle for a quilt and a dining out package.

A thank you from Fr. Scott:

Thank you to everyone for the birthday wishes. My first birthday as a priest began with the celebration of Mass at 6:30 a.m. on the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene. Your cards and good wishes continued throughout the entire day – Thank you! A special thank you to everyone who contributes so much of their time, talent, and treasure to the parish. Today someone has brought produce from their garden to share with us. Every day people are volunteering to visit the sick and homebound, feed the hungry, water

the plants, keep the grounds looking nice, and coming to spend time in the presence of the Eucharist in the Tabernacle. There are groups that discuss the scriptures, pray the rosary, and even a group that prays for the priests each day. A shout out also to the quilters who informed me that they are able to solve many world problems while quilting. Many partake in more than one ministry and they find joy in what they do. Your joy has become my joy and in Christ our joy is made complete. May God Bless you and your families now and always. Rest ín Peace Mary Requet March 17, 1938—July 11, 2024 & Donald Míller February 1, 1960 — July 18, 2024



Congratulations and Welcome Peyton Lyn Hillebrenner And Hayden Allen Hillebrenner Daughter and Son of Garrett and Ashley Hillebrenner Baptized into the Catholic faith July 21, 2024



St. Brigid Homemade Ice Cream Social Highway 104, Liberty Saturday, August 3, 4-7 p.m.

In addition to the homemade ice cream, the menu includes: Maid-rites, hot dogs, chili dogs, chips and homemade desserts.

Attention St. Francis Community Assistance (SFCA) Food Pantry Ministry Volunteers!

It's time to sign up for the SFCA Volunteer Appreciation Mass and Dinner, which takes place at 5:30 p.m., Monday, August 12. Fr. Arisman will offer Mass at 5:30 with dinner to follow in the parish center. Volunteers, their spouses and children are welcome to attend. Please sign up so we can get an accurate count for dinner by contacting Diane Andrew at dfandrew56@yahoo.com or 217-430-7153. A sign up sheet also is available in the food pantry. There is no cost for this event. <u>Holy Name News:</u> Our next Holy Name meeting will be Wednesday, August 14 at 6 p.m. Food and drinks provided after the meeting. All men of the parish are invited! <u>Knights of Columbus News:</u>

The Thursday Night Raffle jackpot is up to \$18,455. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 p.m. with the drawing at 8. Make plans to attend this year's KofC BBQ August 9, 10 and 11. Visit quincykofc.org for all the details.



Happy July Bírthday to: Fr. Don Blaeser on July 31. If you would like to send a card, Fr. Don's address is: 110 W. Madison, St., Chicago, Il., 60602.

White House Annual Retreat for Men and Women

Join the men of our parish who are signing up for the 2024 Annual Silent Retreat at the White House Retreat Center in St. Louis. The retreat runs September 30-October 3. Call or email John Venegoni to register: 217-430-2234 or jvenegoni6808@comcast.net.

Deadline to sign up is August 15.

The women's silent retreat at the White House runs October 7-10. Call or email Debra Schulte to register: 217-430-5144; dschulte2424@gmail.com.

Deadline to register is August 17.

Divorce and Beyond

is a workshop designed for divorced people to offer support beyond the pain of divorce.

Registration is required and a \$10 donation for materials is requested.

People of any faith, or no faith at all are welcome.

Sessions will be on Wednesday nights in the

Parish Center from 6:30-8 p.m., beginning Wednesday,

September 4 and running through October.

Facilitators are Drew and Julie Erwin.

To register call Julie at 217-257-5313 or julie.gunn@comcast.net

Ladies of St. Francis News:

The Ladies of St. Francis Recipe Collection books are available for purchase for \$15 in the parish office. Stop by and get your copy!

PSR Teachers Needed! Could you share your time and talent a couple of hours a week to bring the Catholic faith to our young people?

No need to be a subject expert. All of the teaching materials are provided.

This year we're specifically in need of a 2nd grade teacher.

Classes meet on Monday evenings from 6-7:15. If you would like to help please call Liz Alonzo at 222-2898 ext. 108.

For anyone wanting to send Fr. Rafal a card or a letter, here's his new address: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church 400 N. Whitetail Cir. Mt. Zion, IL. 62549



8th Annual DJ Memorial Golf Tournament

Saturday, August 10 at Spring Lake Country Club in Quincy.

Register online today at 7memorialgolf.com or on Facebook at 7memorialgolf. \$100 per person, \$400 per team. All proceeds help fund the DJ Venvertloh Memorial Scholarship at QND. DJ was a lifelong Quincy resident, a 2002

graduate of QND and a major advocate for Catholic schooling. He passed away in 2014 from

a brain tumor.



Annual Statement on Non-Discrimination

In accordance with the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois St. Francis Solanus School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs. Appropriateness of educational programs, students in good standing, and/or the availability of space may be legitimate factors affecting admissions A student's enrollment status may be changed or discontinued at any time during the year, as determined by the Principal and the Pastor. It is a privilege, not a right, to attend St. Francis School. Transfer students must be in good standing as indicated on our records transfer form to continue enrollment. Furthermore, we do not discriminate against immigrant children lacking in legal status.

Back to School Dates: Thursday, August 1 — "Play in the Park" at Upper Moorman Park; 6-7:30 p.m. All school families and parish families are invited. Monday, August 5 — School office will open in the mornings. Tuesday, August 6 — Preschool orientation from 6:30-7:30 p.m. This meeting is for adults only. Sunday, August 11 — Blessing of the backpacks at 4 p.m. in the church. Wednesday, August 14 — First day of school. Dismissal at 11:30. Thursday, August 15 — First full day of school.

CYO Volleyball—Registration for fall volleyball has started, and runs until August 16. Games will be held Sunday afternoons beginning September 8 and ending on October 27. All games are held at Quincy University. Please mark these important dates on your calendar and start letting your friends know. Girls grades 3-8. Cost of registration is \$55 and will include a t-shirt for those signed up by August 16. Please visit our website at <u>cyoquincy.com/volleyball/</u> to register.



St. Francis School welcomes P.E. teacher Mr. Chris Holbrook. Chris and his wife Kesi and their six sons recently joined our parish. Chris and Kesi are both natives of Quincy. Chris has a bachelors degree in finance and a masters degree and doctoral work in political science. He has previously been involved in coaching youth sports, specifically track and field and baseball. Welcome Mr. Holbrook!

August 3-4	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher		Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Owen Wheeler Lillian Wheeler Makayla Patton	Logan Callahan Kristen Patton Amy Kaiser Darlene Mayes	Joe Venvertloh Jim Kaiser Chryssia Dick Mitchell John Veith Kevin Genenbacher Jerry Meyer		Chryssia Hea	Patti Blickhan Karen Venvertloh Gift Bearer Kim & Randy Zecchel
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Emmett Wiemelt Mickey Petty	Gary Hilgenbrinck Auris McGee Tony Freiburg Carolyn Briddle	Joyce Frericks Kevin Frericks Steve Larry Venvertloh Paul Eling Gary Terwelp Terry Obert		Steve Davis	Jerry Carnivale Terry Niemann Gift Bearer Emilie Venvertloh
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Will Eling Ben Eling Carson Kerkhoff	Ric Hinkamper Steve McMillen Carol Haistings Carol Darnell	Aaron Kerkhoff Terry Kistner Monica H Rob Haistings Gary Darnell Rob Frese Steven Eling		Monica Hinkamper	Nancy Friye Jill Blickhan Gift Bearer Mark Meyer
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Nathan Steinkamp Isaac Steinkamp Maiara Spradlin	Rebecca Wear Marvin Knuffman Sue Holbrook Marcia Steinkamp	Mike Holbrook Mike Fessler Terri Fe Adam Hightower Evan Reichert Steve Obert Don Olps		Terri Fessler	Nancy Hufendick Jane Haas Gift Bearer Teresa Weiman
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