

# ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS parish

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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.

# Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

**NOVEMBER 3, 2024** 

Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28B-34

Love of God is the basis of the Hebrew or Jewish faith, just as it is the basis of our Christian faith. Our first reading today quotes the oldest known prayer; this prayer is in every synagogue service; it is a part of Jewish daily prayer. It is called the "Shema" (pronounced "Shmah").

The prayer reads: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is Lord alone. Therefore you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength." (Our third graders know that this comes from Deuteronomy 6:5 – do you???)

When Jesus is asked about the greatest commandment of the Torah, he quotes this. But he adds that the second greatest commandment is Leviticus 19:18: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." He teaches that all of the Torah is summed up in these two commands. We can't love God unless we care for our neighbor's needs; we can't truly love our neighbor unless we first love God.

Conservatives think that they can have great religious faith while letting the needy take care of themselves. Liberals think that the essence of real faith is social justice and doing good to others, while they often forget to honor God himself. True faith must be found in works; works must be grounded in faith.

"Love" is not an emotion. It means to cherish above others; to put another's needs above one's own; to care for others even when it costs us. Love of God means keeping his commandments.

Love of neighbor means kindness, humility, respect, care, patience, forgiveness, reconciliation. Love of neighbor means that we seek what is best for him – even when it may seem to cause pain at the time. To do what is right and best is the only true love. Let us seek to grow daily in true love of God and of neighbor.

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# 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Hear oh Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

These words from Deuteronomy the Jewish people called the Shema. The Shema is memorized, placed in what's called a Mezuzah (which is a little metal object at the door of the house that has a little piece of paper wrapped up inside with the Shema written on it, which they touch every time they come and go from the house), and in the tefillin, which are small black boxes they wrap around themselves on their arms and heads that contain the Shema. The Shema is not only memorized, but touched anytime they come and go, and they wrap themselves in it because it helps them make it even more real and physical in their lives to never forget.

Jesus quotes this passage to show us how important this is. The Shema and the love your neighbor as yourself are the summation of the 10 commandments. The Lord is to be our Lord above all other things in our lives. Before sports, before sleep, before vacation, before work, etc. etc. Love the Lord your God with your whole heart, not just part of it.

One place where we need to put the Lord first above everything else, is in our politics and voting. We as Catholics in a free country with elections have a moral duty to vote. If we are eligible to vote, we should. See the United States Catholic Conference of Bishop's letter on "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship (Updated version)."

Our Faith must guide our political views and voting, not the other way around. So often people put their political party before their faith and the Lord. Look to the party platforms, as they are the foundation for what each party must stand for and what you sign onto when you vote. Look for intrinsic evils. The platform should tell us if we can morally vote for someone from that party. Look to the fact that there are more than two parties. Look to the fact that voting and leaving a specific area of the ballot blank is an option in voting, but not voting at all really is not morally justifiable.

Local and state elections are so much more important and they effect everyday lives of people. Sadly, they are often overlooked and not taken seriously. Make sure we are putting God above the party of my parents or the party that I always have voted for or the party that I like, and instead choose the right candidates based on the morals and values of our faith; making sure we are not choosing a candidate based on what we like or don't, but instead morally for what they stand for or not.

The document states: "The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks our most vulnerable and voiceless brothers and sisters and destroys more than a million lives per year in our country alone." None of this is to tell you which person to vote for in any specific races, but to start to make us consider, "What is God asking of us in each race of every election?", instead of "What do I want?" Ponder God's will and make Him first above all aspects of our life, and do your moral duty and vote.

May we elect people who will enact just laws that make God's will more and more the will of our country. May God bless Quincy, May God bless the State of Illinois, May God bless the United States of America. Besides voting, pray for all involved in politics, even the ones you personally may not be able to stand. Pray for our country. No matter who wins, love one another, but stand for truth with Love.

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# Weekday Mass Intentions

November 4 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Donna Rischar		
November 5 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Louis and Joanna Venegoni		
	5:30 p.m.	Pamela Hammer and Leona Dietrich		
November 6 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	The Bizaillion family and Brian Aschemann		
	5:30 p.m.	Keith Wiemelt		
November 7 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Don Altmix		
	5:30 p.m.	Dick Gengenbacher		
November 8 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Donna Rischar		
November 9 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Don Altmix and Sharon Herrington		
	4:30 p.m.	John Maxwell and Michelle Duesterhaus-Tang		
November 10 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	9:00 a.m.	Scott Burkemper and Lucille Pinkelman		
	11:00 a.m.	Dick Knepler		

Week of 10/27/202	4 Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$23,287.81	\$435,808.26	
Loose Collection	\$1,693.10	\$29,453.85	
Total Collection	\$24,980.91	\$465,262.11	
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$544,000.00	
Difference	\$-7,019.09	\$-78,737.89	

**Annual School Fund:** Week: \$1,220.69 YTD: \$57,146.17

This week in the Parish: Monday, November 4 6:30 a.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Rosary 7:15 p.m. BEAR youth group meeting **Tuesday, November 5** 6:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters 1:00 p.m. QCS meeting 5:30 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m. Truth seekers Wednesday, November 6 6:30 a.m. Mass 8:35 a.m. SFS Mass 9:30 a.m. Adoration 1:00 p.m. Jesus and the Eucharist study 4:00 p.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Saints Study Thursday, November 7 6:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters 11:00 a.m. Ladies Card Party 1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group 1:30 p.m. QCS Pastors Meeting 3:00 p.m. Welcome Committee meeting 5:30 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m. OCIA 6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group Friday, November 8 6:30 a.m. Mass 6:30 a.m. Men's Morning Group 8:00 a.m. SFS 8th grade testing 3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts meeting 5:30 p.m. Mass Saturday, November 9 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation 3:00 p.m. Reconciliation 4:30 p.m. Mass

Congratulations and Welcome Niko Louis Perez Son of Nino and Morgan Perez Baptized into the Catholic faith October 27, 2024 at St. Francis Solanus

#### **Attention All Ministry Volunteers!**

With the diocesan implementation of our new software, Parish Staq, St. Francis Solanus is ready to make a change in how our ministry schedules are produced.

All of our current volunteers have been added to Parish Staq. An email will be sent to all volunteers with a link to assist you in navigating the website. Just click on the "manage my serving" link to set your serving preferences.

#### Are you a parishioner and a business owner?

The picnic committee would like to compile a list of these parishioners so they can consider using your business services for the parish picnic. If you would like the committee to know about your business you may contact them at sfspicnic@gmail.com or csdeters12@hotmail.com.



# Job Opening <u>Administrative Assistant</u> St. Francis Parish Office

This is a great opportunity to join a friendly, supportive office committed to carrying out the work of our parish. If you think you might be a good fit please call the parish office for more details, 217-222-2898.

#### **QCES Foundation "Faith in Our Future" Campaign**



Supports our efforts to ensure Catholic education is within reach for many families. This year, more than 100 students received \$130,000 in tuition assistance. Your generosity keeps students in the classroom,

maintains strong enrollment, and helps to ensure that Catholic education continues to thrive in our community. To learn more call 217-779-3157 or visit quincycatholicschools.org. Donations may be made online through the QR code.

#### Coming this Wednesday: The November Saints Study

featuring a talk given by Deacon Dennis and Pat Holbrook on "A Universal Call to a Life of Holiness." Please join us at 7 p.m. in the parish center. Also, it's time to order your book for the Men's and Women's Saint Study, which will take place the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the parish center for three months, starting in December. The book is titled Finding Peace in the Storm by Dan Burke. If you have questions about the meetings, or about ordering the book, please call Deacon Dennis 217-257-4384, Kelli Lunt, 217-617-1566 or Karen Weiman, 217-242-5513.

**Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women** Fall Gathering will be Wednesday, November 13 at St. Thomas Church, Camp Point.

Theme: Prayer in the Catholic Tradition.

**Featured speaker**: Fr. Mark Schulte, Pastor St. Mary's Church Pittsfield.

**Registration:** 7:45 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Cost is \$10 for breakfast and lunch. Rosary at 8:30 with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Mass to follow. The day will end about 2 p.m. Contact Claudia Coggeshall QDCCW President 217-653-6716 with questions. A sign-up sheet is in the gathering space. <u>Holy Name News:</u> The next Holy Name meeting is Wednesday, November 13 at 6 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided after the meeting. All men of the parish are invited. We hope to see you there!

<u>Knights of Columbus News:</u> Sunday morning breakfast this Sunday, November 3 from 8:30-noon. All you can eat smorgasbord for \$13, including drinks. The Thursday night raffle jackpot is up to \$22,935. Tickets are on sale from 6-7:45 p.m. with the drawing at 8. Friday Night Chicken Dinners are back each week. Come out and get half a chicken and all the sides for \$13. Eat in or drive through from 5-7 p.m.

St. Francis Ladies Card Party Thursday, November 7, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Doors open at 10:30. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch and a chance for a door prize. Menu: Ham, macaroni and cheese, sweet and sour green beans and dessert. Please call Pat Winking at 217-257-0416 to make

your reservation. One member of your group must
call each month to reserve your table. To offset
the cost of expenses we are asking all
ladies to send a \$10 donation. Your name will be
added to our monthly drawing for a gift card.



Holy Name President Mike Zanger and First Lady Linda Zanger would like to thank the Holy Name men and everyone who came out to support this year's Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. This event is a major fundraiser for St. Francis Solanus parish and is put on annually by the Holy name. Ladies of St. Francis News: Our next Ladies dinner meeting is Tuesday, November 19 after the 5:30 Mass. Cost of the dinner is \$10. Please call Helen Zimmerman to reserve your spot, 217-242-6692. This will be our last meeting of 2024 and our annual holiday meeting. Please join us!

Rest in Peace Marian Wensing December 25, 1927—October 25, 2024



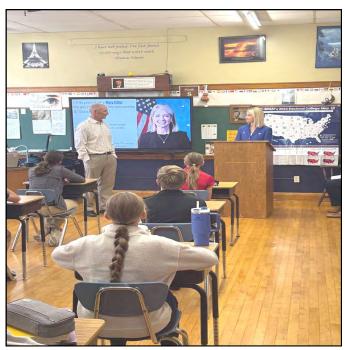
### Thanksgiving Meal Boxes for Parishioners

Each year before Thanksgiving, the St. Francis Community Assistance Ministry provides Thanksgiving Meal Boxes for our parishioners who have a need for this service. The boxes are filled with all the fixings for a Thanksgiving meal. This is a confidential service for parishioners only. If you or someone you know in the parish could use this service this year, please email at <u>ambmcgee1416@gmail.com</u> or call/text at 217-430-1533. <u>This is only a service for St. Francis</u> <u>Parishioners</u>. **Please let us know by November 12** if you or someone else wants this service.

**St. Peter Vocation Ministry** would like to invite you to Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday, November 10 in the church. We will begin at 5:45 p.m. with a brief witness talk on the sacrament of Reconciliation. **Adoration** will

begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be available during adoration.





U.S. Rep. Mary Miller visited Mr. Jeff Zanger's eighth grade social studies class October 29 to talk about her work representing the 15th congressional district.

Who: 6th - 12th grades Where: Parish Hall When: Mondays 7:15 - 8:30 BEARSON St. Francis Solanus Youth Apostolate "Friends Who Bear the Love of Christ"

> All Souls Night © St. Boniface Cemetery Saturday, Nov. 2 @ 6:30. Everyone is welcome to join us! Please bring a chair and flashlight.

Catholic Trivia Night Monday, Nov. 4 - Bring a snack to share.

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





November 9-10	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher		Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Isaiah Wear Owen Wheeler Lillian Wheeler	Helen Zimmerman John Venegoni Nancy Venegoni Rebecca Wear	Dick Mitchell Tim Reichert Harold Vahle	Jim Kaiser John Veith Michael Eling	Martin Makarewicz Maureen Makarewicz	Theresa Rohrer Russell Rohrer <b>Gift Bearer</b> Tim & Cindy Reichert
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Markius Lugering Eli Terwelp	Sarah Lugering Don Winking Pat Winking Jane Gregory	Joyce Frericks Roger Gallaher Scott Venvertloh	Kevin Frericks Paul Eling Gary Terwelp	Carolyn Briddle John Venegoni	Jerry Meyer Kay Gallaher <b>Gift Bearer</b> Roch Schulte
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Maiara Spradlin Isaac Curry Elijah Curry	Ric Hinkamper Jayna Klauser Holly Hummel Cindy Grawe	Mike Patterson Bradyn Klauser Bing Lammers	Ryan Klauser Roberta Meyer Troy Hummel	Bruce Broemmel Monica Hinkamper	Prudy Patterson Nancy Friye <b>Gift Bearer</b> Joseph Darnell
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Priya Mamdani Teo Mamdani Emily O'Leary	Michael Wand Christina Rose Ted Meyer Michelle Mayer	Brent Frericks Melissa Arnold Mike Fessler	Bud Voss Don Olps Diann Cole	Rosanna Voss Teri Fessler	Brenda Wand Nancy Hufendick <b>Gift Bearer</b> Jamie Friye
<u>Ma</u>	ay <u>Morning</u> ss Server turgy of the Word	November 9, 8:00 a.m. November 10, 9:00 a.m.	Quinn Wiewel and Carter Steinkamp Liz Gengenbacher			



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