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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-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 10, 2024

1 Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

You can't run a parish on copper coins of destitute widows. But if everyone had the spirit of generous sacrifice shown by the widow in today's Gospel, no parish would ever have financial problems.

The Old Testament made the tithe ("ten percent") the rigid norm and ideal for giving. That is not good New Testament theology. Jesus tells us that those who have more must give more — not merely in quantity, but in percentage! Stewardship is to recognize God as the giver of all gifts, and to seek to thank him by returning to him the first and best.

Today's first reading tells of a widow nine centuries before Christ. She was not of the Chosen People; she was a gentile or pagan. She was destitute and about to die; yet she gave from her want to Elijah ... and was richly rewarded.

In the Gospel, Jesus observes a lot of "comfortable" people giving sizable donations to the Temple; he then sees a poor widow who gives two copper coins – all that she had to live on. He says tha she did more than all the rest.

Unless we <u>sacrifice</u>, we don't really practice much stewardship. If we give out of our surplus (whether it is time, talent, or treasure), it requires little effort and little faith. Great faith is required to give from a person's want.

Test your faith: In planning your budget, do you decide first what you will give to the Church, or does that come after everything else? If it comes afterwards, how do you explain this to the Lord?

Listen to the Lord. He may be calling you to a higher state of holiness. He may be calling on you to take a leap of faith, to sacrifice. Whether poor, middle class, or wealthy, he calls you to give the first and best of your time, talent and treasure. He calls you to sacrifice. If you respond to his call, he will not be outdone in generosity.

--Msgr. William Carr
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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

God asks for all of you. In the first reading today, we see this lived out so beautifully. Elijah the prophet asked the poor widow of Zarephath for a glass of water and a small cake of bread to eat during a time of drought. She answers that she only has enough for her and her son and then they would die of starvation as that is all they had left. Elijah told her, "Do not be afraid." He told her to go and do as she planned, but to make him a little cake first. First give to the Lord and Elijah and THEN take care of yourself and your son. That request is so difficult, but this is what God asks of us. He desires us to trust Him so much that we give to Him first. But to do that we have to trust that there will be a second or a third as well. In this story, as well as the multitude of other stories of God's abundance, not only is there a second and a third, but the abundance continues for over a year for her, her son, and Elijah throughout the entire drought. You cannot out give God!

In the gospel today Jesus warns us not to seek our own aggrandizement. He sets up as the example another widow. She puts in only two small coins, but in that minute gift she gives everything. God is asking you to give Him your all. He desires everything, your entire self! If you think you have nothing left to give, that is when God asks what is left. If you are willing to trust Him in that moment, He rewards you immensely. It may not always be in how we want, but when you are honest with yourself you see the immense goodness of God. Trust in Him.

Lastly, today is the Feast of St. Leo the Great, but he is trumped by Sunday solemnity. Pope St. Leo the Great is my confirmation saint. I loved his story as a kid. Not only did he stand against Attila the Hun with no army, but he stood against the heresies of the Church at that time. His writings are easily able to be found and are stunning. If you get a chance, read them! He is a teacher and stalwart in the truth. On this his feast day, read his readings, but also please say a prayer for me on this feast day of my personal saintly inspiration. St. Leo the Great, pray for us!

Father Arisman

A Note from Business Manager Sue Holbrook: Improvements To Your Parish Operations!

We are happy to announce some measures that have been implemented by our Diocese. These will further our goals to improve efficiencies and greater communication from parish to parish throughout the Diocese.

- . We have moved to a new software solution ParishStaq[™] Catholic Church Software. This dynamic and comprehensive program will manage our primary parish records. ParishStaq[™] eliminates the need to maintain multiple mailing lists (Catholic Times, Envelope system, Parish Records, and Diocesan Reporting). In the past we have had four different lists to maintain; having just one reduces the possibilities for error and streamlines the workload for the staff.
- . Push Pay is our new online giving solution procedures are outlined on the parish website. https://stfrancissolanus.com/?s=pushpay
- . We have a new Giving Envelope System from National Church Solutions this launches in January of 2025.
- . A new Ministry Scheduler system will launch in January of 2025.
- . The parish administration staff have been working on data conversion, training and implementation of these new programs.

Important Dates:

The 'old' online giving options have been discontinued as of 10/31/24 – this means that all pending donations were removed on that date.

Important Facts:

Please know that these improvements come at the behest of our diocese and are being implemented by all Springfield Diocese parishes. Simply stated, the consolidation of the systems will save the parish money. We will be paying one fee for ParishStaq.™ This will eliminate Servant Keeper, MSP, lower envelope costs, and OSV Online giving fees.

Welcome! Please welcome Dee White as the new Parish Business Manager. Dee comes to us with a broad level of experience which will serve her well as she takes on this new role. Sue Holbrook will be staying on until the end of the year to oversee the transition to ParishStaq as well as the completion of various projects.

Weekday Mass Intentions

November 11 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Charles Link and Philip Meyer		
November 12 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Louis and Joanna Venegoni		
	5:30 p.m.	Theo Carson		
November 13 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Francis Haugh and David Hildebrand		
	5:30 p.m.	Dick Knepler and Leroy Obert		
November 14 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Carl Stegeman Jr.		
	5:30 p.m.	Jacob Hall		
November 15 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Don Altmix		
November 16 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Nancy Terwelp		
	4:30 p.m.	Dan Richmiller and A Special Intention for Healing		
November 17 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Larry Costigan and Norma Hildebrand		
	9:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	11:00 a.m.	John and Ruth Holman and Robert Burkemper		

Week of 11/3/2024	Week	YTD
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Regular Collection	\$23,860.80	\$459,729.60	
Loose Collection	\$1,609.51	\$31,063.36	
Total Collection	\$25,470.31	\$490,792.96	
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$576,000.00	
Difference	\$-6,529.69	\$-85,207.04	

Annual School Fund:

Week: \$6,383.55 YTD: \$63,529.72

This week in the Parish:

Monday, November 11

6:30 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. PSR

7:00 p.m. Rosary

7:15 p.m. BEAR youth group meeting

Tuesday, November 12

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

6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council

6:30 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

Wednesday, November 13

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

6:00 p.m. Holy Name meeting

6:30 p.m. Liturgy Planning

7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer group

Thursday, November 14

6:30 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters

1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group

5:30 p.m. Mass

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Friday, November 15

6:30 a.m. Mass

6:30 a.m. Men's Morning Group

3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts meeting

Saturday, November 16

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. Reconciliation

9:00 a.m. Rain Gutter Regatta

3:00 p.m. Reconciliation

4:30 p.m. Mass

There will be an hour of Adoration for Priests followed by Benediction here at St. Francis on Sunday, November 17 from 3-4 p.m. All are invited to come and pray for your priests.

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 has been 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. Thank you!

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.

Knights of Columbus 2025 Calendar Raffle

This popular raffle helps support our Catholic schools as well as other charitable causes such as Ladies of Charity and Birthright. Please consider purchasing a raffle calendar for \$25, with 365 chances to win \$24,400 in cash prizes. They make great Christmas gifts!

The calendars are available at the K of C main building during business hours, or by calling Mike Schlipmann at 653-9318 or John Veith at 653-0258. Thank for your consideration and support.

Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women Fall

Gathering will be Wed., Nov. 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.

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.

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Good News of Christmas Needs Gift Shoppers

Beginning December 2 through December 18. Sponsored by United Way of Adams County. For more information contact Joanne Hibbeler, 217-440-8254, Patti Blickhan, 217-316-1484 or Good News, 217-224-1223.



<u>Holy Name News:</u> The next Holy Name meeting is this 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!

Knights of Columbus News: 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. Come out and get half a chicken and all the sides for \$13. Eat in or drive through from 5-7 p.m.



These men recently attended the annual Men's Jesuit White House Silent Retreat in St. Louis. Some of the men said, "never have I been more at peace with my soul and my God." If you are interested in attending the 2025 retreat September 29-October 2, or have questions please call or text John Venegoni at 217-430-2234.

Christmas Gift Idea: A representative from Holyland Arts will visit St. Francis the weekend of November 23-24 with a selection of olive wood handcrafted religious items for sale. The proceeds help Catholic families living in and around Bethlehem.

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.

Rosary for Peace: We say a rosary for peace every Monday evening at 7 o'clock. All are welcome to help us keep this tradition alive. Please join us in the chapel. We also say the rosary Monday-Friday at 6 a.m., on Saturday at 7:30 a.m. and on Sunday before the 7 a.m. Mass. Please join your voice with ours and help make this world a safer place for all.

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. The Notre Dame Concert Chorale will perform and the Holy Name men will be cooking. Please bring a new winter hat that will be donated to the Ladies of Charity to warm up someone's Christmas. Please join us!



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
ambmcgee1416@gmail.com or call/text at
217-430-1533. This is only a service for St. Francis
Parishioners. Please let us know by November 12
if you or someone else wants this service.

St. Francis Fall Harvest Food Drive

The annual Parish Fall Harvest Food Drive will be held from **October 21 through November 18.**Grocery sacks are located at church entrances for your convenience. Donations may be brought to church and put into the Food Pantry containers that are located at all the entrances to church.







The St. Francis annual All Souls Night observance took place November 2 at St. Boniface cemetery with the BEAR youth group and other parishioners in attendance.



"Friends Who Bear the Love of Christ"

St. Corbinian, pray for us!

All Souls Night @ St. Boniface Cemetery

Saturday, Nov. 2 @ 6:30. Please join usl This is an event for EVERYONE, not just for BEAR & St. Francis Parishoners! Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Prayer.

Please bring a chair and flashlight.

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

Confession, Adoration, & Mass

Wednesday, Nov. 6 - First Wednesday of the month. Confession & Adoration 4 - 5:30pm and Mass 5:30pm

Altaration Lesson 2

Monday, Nov. 11 - Pizza provided. The second lesson of the Altaration Program from Ascention Press.

Church Tour

Monday, Nov. 18 - Bring a snack to share.

Join us to see St. Francis Solanus Church from bottom to top!

Make an Advent Wreath!

Monday, Nov. 24 - Please RSVP to Mrs. Petty by 10/15. Supplies and snacks provided.

Coordinator Jane Ann Petty (217) 222-2898 x101 jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com Who: 6th - 12th grades Where: SFS Parish Hall When: Mondays 7:15 - 8:30



November 16-17	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher		Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Gwyneth Jones Callie Longlett Brady Koetters	Becky Gengenbacher Andrew Wemhoener Teena Fisk Carla Slough	Joe Venvertloh Zachary Maas Greg Ehrhardt	Tom Ennis Michael Eling Philip Kemner	Steve McMillen Rick Gengenbacher	Betty Kaufmann Karen Venvertloh Gift Bearer Duane & Adriane Jones
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Chloe Terwelp Eli Terwelp	Carolyn Briddle Craig Budde Sue Winking Gary Winking	Joe Bernhardt Janet Marquette Tim Venvertloh	Rich Zeidler Ed Zanger John Beckman	Paul Brown Steve Davis	Jan Zeidler Terry Niemann Gift Bearer Joe & Amber Terwelp
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Alex Lawrence Liviana Hamann Genevieve Hamann	Sarah Genenbacher Ted Genenbacher James Cramsey Katherine Cramsey	Karl Venvertloh Samuel Zanger Steven Eling	Neal Blickhan Mike Zanger Terry Nall	Donna Mangold Simon Bruening	Mary Fitzsimmons Jill Blickhan Gift Bearer Rob Frese
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Mia Vranjes Allie Vranjes Mackenzie Sousa	Mike Holbrook Sue Holbrook Bridget Ehrhart Marcia Steinkamp	Ron Gengenbacher Marty Karhoff Evan Reichert	Rose Willer Drew Erwin Steve Obert	Karen Steinkamp Kayleigh Ketchum	Doris Karhoff James Doellman Gift Bearer Sam Vranjes
Ma	lay Morning ss Server turgy of the Word	November 16 8:00 a.m. November 17 9:00 a.m.	David Bickhaus and James Bickhaus Anne Meyer			



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