

ST, FRANCIS SOLANUS parish

Reverend Steven Arisman, Pastor Reverend Bruce Scott, Parochial Vicar

Reverend Kenneth Ahanonu, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Wayne Zimmerman Deacon Dennis Holbrook

Mr. Grant Wilson, Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Julie Radel, Principal

Mrs. Susan Holbrook, Office and Business Manager

Mrs. Krista Putman, Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Jill Steinkamp, Director of Music

Mrs. Maureen Makarewicz, Chairman Pastoral Council Mrs. Monica Hinkamper, Chairman Stewardship Council

Mr. Bruce Broemmel, Chairman Finance Council Mr. Saleem Mamdani, President of School Board

Mrs. Jayna Klauser, Chairman Liturgy Planning Committee

Mrs. Chris Meyer, Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Jane Ann Petty, Youth Ministry Coordinator

PARISH WEBSITE: stfrancissolanus.com

RECTORY 1721 COLLEGE AVE., QUINCY, IL 62301 • 217-222-2898

Hours: Mon.Tues., Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Wed. *8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • Friday 8:30 a.m. - Noon

Email: church@stfrancissolanus.com bulletin@stfrancissolanus.com

SCHOOL 1720 COLLEGE AVE., QUINCY, IL 62301 • 217-222-4077

Email: school@stfrancissolanus.com

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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20; Luke 6:17,20-26

Don't blame anyone but yourself. You have free will. You can choose which way your life will go. If you choose the way of God, you will find happiness, even though you may be required to sacrifice. If you choose the way of this world, you will find misery, even though you may experience some pleasures.

You are not a machine; you are a person. You are not a slave of your DNA or of your environment. You can't blame your misery on chemical imbalance or parents or dysfunction in your primary society.

You can't blame it on the devil or on others. All kinds of factors influence your life, but YOU are in charge! You can say yes, or you can say no.

Today's Mass challenges us to choose the way of life. We may have been dealt a raw deal in life, but we can choose to follow the way of the Lord. You will be happy if you realize your need of God, if you are sorry for your sins, if you hunger for virtue, and if you are willing to sacrifice to obtain goodness.

You will find misery if you put your trust in the wealth and pleasures of this world, if you are content with creature comforts and are unwilling to sacrifice for virtue, if you are so flippant now that you overlook your eternal goal of life.

What is the direction of your life? If you are on the wrong track, turn around! You can change; you can choose the right!

--Msgr. William Carr
© 2022 by Sunday Missal Service
1012 Vermont Street • Quincy, IL 62301

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As I write this, I am preparing to return to St. Meinrad School of Theology for the parochial vicar conference. I hope to see many classmates I spent three years with studying for the Priesthood. This is offered every year for newly ordained parochial vicars. It is a time for us to share our experiences, and several conferences are offered over five days, (I will only be staying for two). It is hard to grasp that I have been ordained for 260 days.

The one-year mark is quickly approaching. But even if I had been given just one day as a priest it would have been more than I could have imagined. St. Teresa of Calcutta told priests, "Celebrate this Mass as if it is your first Mass, your last Mass, your only Mass." I strive to keep that in the forefront of my mind at every Mass.

St. Paul certainly speaks today about the truth of our faith, which finds its fullest and most basic expression in the Resurrection. Paul states, "If the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain."

Just as essential to our faith as the presence of Christ, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist is our faith in the resurrection of the body. At a funeral, we offer our prayers for the deceased person, and we seek to comfort the family. The vigil, Mass, and committal are how we show our faith that the body is created by God to be united with our immortal soul. Burying the body or the cremains is done in our hope of the resurrection. We show our respect for the person and our faith in God's revealed truth of the Resurrection of Jesus and our resurrection when He comes again in glory.

Our faith is not in vain. This is our Apostolic faith which St. Paul testifies to. Death is the great equalizer. I have worked in healthcare for over 40 years. I started in my 20s at a 1,000-bed state facility for the developmentally disabled, Home Health Aide, Nursing Home CNA, EMT-Paramedic, Emergency Room Paramedic, deputy coroner, and Sleep Lab Tech. I can tell you that death is the great equalizer. In giving us the Beatitudes Christ offers us a greater equalizer and a way to ensure that we are living our life with hope in the resurrection when we will be satisfied.

In the Beatitudes, Christ tells us that it is our faith in Him and not in our abilities and accomplishments that will bring us to the Kingdom of God. As a priest, it is a great blessing to be called for someone needing the sacraments. While it is true that I have not always attended Sunday Mass for any number of reasons, it is also true that I attended daily Mass when my children were in school. I helped with faith formation classes if only to be sure my children behaved. I also served on any committee I was asked to. Not because it made me more holy but because I wanted, I needed, to grow closer to God. Now is the time to live our lives closer to Christ. Now is the time to live the joy of the Gospel and to trust in Christ's promise that we are blessed if we live with our faith in Him. Whether we are given one more day or many more days let us live each of them committed to growing in our faith.

In Christ,

Fr. Bruce Scott

Weekday Mass Intentions

February 17 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Vivian Schulte and Ana Heredia	
February 18 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Larry Zanger	
	5:30 p.m.	Dan Nuessen	
February 19 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Priscilla Morrison	
	5:30 p.m.	Harry Edward and Michael McAfee	
February 20 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Marvin Russell	
	5:30 p.m.	Teresa Paquette	
February 21 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Sharon Herrington	
February 22	8:00 a.m.	Becky Vogel	
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Donald Klingele and John and Jean O'Brien	
February 23 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis	
	9:00 a.m.	Bruce Klingele	
	11:00 a.m.	Dick Gengenbacher and Becky Bliefnick	

Week of 2/2/2025	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$18,352.61	\$855,044.51	
Loose Collection	\$1,559.75	\$54,715.20	
Total Collection	\$19,912.36	\$909,759.71	
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$1,024,000.00	
Difference	\$-12,087.64	\$-114,240.29	

Annual School Fund:

Week: \$4,574.75 YTD: \$138,801.49

This week in the Parish: Monday, February 17 6:30 a.m. Mass

This week in the Parish:

Monday, February 17
6:30 a.m. Mass
8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
9:00 a.m. Ministry Team meeting
6:00 p.m. Scout church tour
7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace
Tuesday, February 18
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
Wednesday, February 19
6:30 a.m. Mass
8:35 a.m. SFS Mass
9:30 a.m. Adoration
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Parish Nurses meeting
6:30 p.m. Liturgy Planning committee
7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group
Thursday, February 20
6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters
1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
3:15 p.m. Ministry Team meeting
5:00 p.m. Pack 22 Crossover
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. OCIA
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
6:30 p.m. Gripture Discussion group
6:30 p.m. Finance Council meeting
Friday, February 21
6:30 a.m. Mass
11:30 a.m. QCS meeting
3:00 p.m. Grip Scout meeting
Saturday, February 22
8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
4:30 p.m. Mass

Attention all PTO Trash Bag users

Thank you for supporting St. Francis School PTO with your purchase! The parish office requests that when purchasing the bags from the office, please bring exact change or write us a check. All bags cost \$13 per roll.

Get Well Wishes for Fr. Arisman: If you would like to send get well cards or packages please send them to Fr. Zach Samples at St. Agnes in Springfield and he will deliver them to him. Please address the cards and/or packages as follows:

Fr. Steve Arisman C/O Fr. Zach Samples St. Agnes Catholic Church 245 N. Amos Ave. Springfield, II. 62702

Chili Cook off at QU

The Mart Heinen Club of Quincy University will have its 35th annual Chili Cook-Off this **Sunday, February 16** from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the QU Health and Fitness Center and Hall of Fame Room at 19th and Oak Street. Admission is \$5 per person or \$10 per family at the door.

GriefShare has returned to St. Anthony's Parish Center:

Sessions take place on Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. for anyone experiencing grief following the loss of a loved one. A *GriefShare* grief support group is confidential. Please join us. For more information call Cindy or Deacon Harry Cramer at 217-224-1160.



Help Wanted in the Parish Office!

We are seeking a responsible person to help manage the day-to-day operations of our office. Duties include answering the phone and assisting people who stop in to the office. You will help schedule baptisms, weddings and funerals as well as recording these sacraments. This is a rewarding position that allows you to meet new people, get better acquainted with your fellow parishioners and assist the priests and deacons with their various ministries.

This is a part-time position with a flexible daytime schedule!

Please prayerfully consider applying for this position if you think you might be a good fit. Call the parish office, 217-222-2898, if you have further questions.

Job Openings at Quincy Notre Dame

Full-time Spanish Teacher, Full-time Administrative

Assistant. Details available upon request. If you are interested in applying for either job submit a cover letter, resume and three reference letters by Friday, February 14 to QND Principal Mark McDowell at mmcdowell@qndhs.org.

Full time Teacher openings at St. Peter School, Quincy Grades 3, 4 and 6 for the 2025-26 school year.

Interested candidates can submit a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference to Principal Cindy Venvertloh, 2500 Maine St., Quincy, IL. 62301 or email at cvenvertloh@cospq.org. For more information contact the school office at 217-223-1120.

QND Open House for Parents, Sunday, February 23, 1-3 p.m. Interested families can meet QND students, parents and faculty, find out about the academic programs offered, take a tour, and explore the school to discover what's happening at QND. Come for all or part of the afternoon. 1-2 p.m. are presentations in the cafeteria; 2-3 p.m., tour the school. For more information, please contact Natalie Genenbacher at ngenenbacher@quincynotredame.org or 217-223-2479.

40 Days for Life Runs March 5-April 12

The campaign features a peaceful 40-day prayer vigil in the public right-of-way outside of Walgreens on Broadway. A kick-off dinner meeting will be held at Bethel Assembly of God Church, 839 S. 12th St., Quincy, on Sunday, February 16 at 4 p.m. RSVP to Colleen Maalouf at quincy40daysforlife@gmail.com.

<u>Holy Name News:</u> Our next big activity will be the Ash Wednesday Fish Fry on March 5. Stay tuned for more details!

Knights of Columbus News: The Thursday Night Raffle is up to \$26,737. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8:00. Just a few more Friday Night Chicken Dinners before Lent. Eat in or drive through from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$13.

It's Tax Time: If you would like a copy of your giving statement for 2024 please call the office at 217-222-2898. You can come to the office and pick it up or we can email it to you. Thank you!

Lenten Bible Study, "No Greater Love"

Dr. Ed Sri guides us through the last hours of Christ's life. Through our DVD you will walk in the Holy Land step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. The series takes place Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 in the Bride's Room, starting Tuesday, February 18 and running through March 28. The workbook price is \$27.95. To sign up email John or Nancy Venegoni, jvenegoni6808@comcast.net by Sunday, February 16.

Card Parties Return for Spring

The first card party of the spring season is Thursday, March 6 from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The party takes place in the parish center. The lunch will be prepared by Don Altgilbers and features hot ham and cheese sliders with special sauce, lettuce salad with mandarin oranges and almonds and dessert.

To make reservations for your group call Pat Winking at 217-257-0416. Get your reservations in early! Only one person from your group needs to call.

Lenten Retreat

"Walking with Jesus through Holy Week"

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women to this annual Lenten Retreat at Villa Maria in Springfield March 25-26. Deacon Jeff Beals of our diocese is the retreat master. We encourage you to begin the retreat with the March for Life Mass at Sangamon Auditorium at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25. Registration for this Mass can be found at dio.org. Registration forms for the retreat are available in our gathering space. Deadline to register is March 15.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

Our first dinner meeting will be on Tuesday, March 11 after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. We usually meet on the third Tuesday of the month, so this is a one-time change. Cost of the dinner is \$10. Reservations can be made by calling or texting Helen Zimmerman at 217-242-6692. The first Card Party of the new year will be Thursday, March 6. Stay tuned to this space for more details!



Mardi Gras -theme

Coloring Night!

UNMASK YOUR HIDDEN TALENT!

Saturday – MARCH 1 St. Francis Parish Hall

5:30 pm (after 4:30pm Mass)

Our 2nd Coloring Night event – hosted by: St. Francis WELCOMING COMMITTEE

What will we be Coloring?

ALL-OCCASION CARDS that are sent out to various Parishioners across the year.

But you may also keep any Cards you color too!

Cards & Coloring supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own as well.

Will there be food and drinks?

TACO BAR with all the fixins', Salad, and Sweets. Light refreshments also provided. B.Y.O. ALCOHOL or drink of choice.

Anything else I need to know?

BACKGROUND MUSIC... New Orleans-style! And a little light entertainment. **50/50 Raffle - so remember to bring along some cash!**

Free-Will Donations will be accepted ... all monies will go to our School for SUPPLIES used-up often across the year.

RSVP <u>REQUIRED</u>
RSVP <u>DEADLINE</u>: FEB. 23

RSVP Contact: JULIE ERWIN cell: (217) 257-5313 email: julie.gunn@comcast.net





"Friends Who Bear the Love of Christ"

Dodgeball

Monday, January 13 - St. Francis School Gym Drop off & pick up @ St.Francis Solanus Church main entrance. Water provided by BEAR.

Altaration & Pizza

Monday, January 27 - Altaration Lesson. Pizza & water provided by BEAR.

Board Game Night

Monday, February 3 - Bring a snack to share. Water provided by BEAR.

BEAR Cookie Sale

After Masses on Saturday & Sunday, February 8 & 9 Cookie sale for St. Valentines Day.

St. Valentines Day Dinner

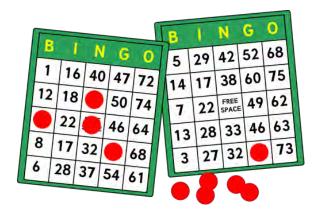
Monday, February 10 - St. Valentines Day Games & Dinner provided by BEAR.

Please RSVP to jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com

Altaration \$ Pizza

Monday, February 24 - Altaration Lesson. Pizza & water provided by BEAR.

Who: 6th - 12th grades Where: SFS Parish Hall When: Mondays 7:15 - 8:30 Coordinator Jane Ann Petty (217) 222-2898 x101 jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com Enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! As we welcome back returning families, we also encourage school families and parishioners to invite new families to experience the faith-filled, high-quality education our schools provide. From preschool through 8th grade, our four Catholic elementary schools offer a supportive environment where students grow academically and spiritually. Tuition assistance is available through the QCES Foundation. More information can be found at quincycatholicschools.org.



Bingo Night! Friday, February 28 in the St. Francis
Parish Center. Doors open at 6, games start at
6:30. All school families and parishioners are
invited. Bingo cards for one dollar, food and drinks
available for purchase. Sponsored by the
St. Francis School PTO.

Job Opening: Coordinator of Religious Education St. Brigid and St. Joseph parishes

Duties include managing all aspects of the Parish School of Religion and sacramental preparations. This is a part-time, paid position.

For more information contact Fr. Scott, 217-645-3444 or ssnider0528@gmail.com.

February 22-23	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Hadley Carrier Lillian Wheeler	Patti Blickhan David Pillars Rose Pillars Jessica Veith	Tom Ennis Zach Maas Jerald Meyer Russ Rohrer John Veith	Rick Gengenbacher Mary Jo Johnson	Betty Kaufmann Cindy Reichert Gift Bearer Sheila Goehl
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Theodora Gengenbacher Carter Steinkamp	John Benz Gary Winking Sue Winking <u>One Needed Please</u>	Roger Gallaher Terry Obert Roch Schulte Gary Terwelp Paul Eling <u>One Needed Pleas</u>	Carolyn Briddle Janet Zeidler <u>e</u>	Sandra Banning Kay Gallaher Gift Bearer Rich Zeidler
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Tinley Genenbacher Carson Kerkhoff Bo Weiman	Anne Betts Ted Genenbacher Ric Hinkamper Leila Weppler	Rob Frese Troy Hummel Bradyn Klauser Ryan Klauser Roberta Meyer Terry Nall	Monica Hinkamper Aaron Kerkhoff	Mary Fitzsimmons Anne Meyer Gift Bearer Gerald Koetters
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Sam Bruening Jacob Collins Evan Reichert	Chris Duvall Teri Fessler Marvin Knuffman <u>One Needed Please</u>	Jim Doellman Drew Erwin Brent Frericks Ted Meyer Bud Voss Dennis Greving	Ron Gengenbacher	Margaret Steinbrecher Brenda Wand Gift Bearer Kayleigh Ketchum
	orning Mass Server	February 22, 8:00 a.m. February 23, 9:00 a.m.	Quinn Wiewel Liz Gengenbacher		



HOME • LIFE • HEALTH • BUSINESS 217-223-4080 201 SOUTH FIFTH STREET • QUINCY, IL

217-214-3482 www.xcelperfom.com

Family EyeCare

Dr. Kristie Chevalier • Dr. Austin Krohn

www.familyeyecareqcy.com

SERVICES PEPSI 1121 Locust Street **Quincy, IL 62301** 217-223-8600

www.wintersins.com





FLORISTS & GIFTS 223-1403



FRESH. FLAVORFUL. FABULOUS.

BRING THE FAMILY AFTER MASS 217-214-7335

3726 Broadway, Quincy Between Hy-Vee & Hobby Lobby

Catholic Radio



600 Jersey St., Quincy 217-222-1122 Rob Gengenbacher



fordable Master's Programs" www.quincy.edu



TV Mass for Shut-ins

The Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus broadcasts Mass for the Shut-ins every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on Channel ABC (Basic Cable Channel 3).

If you know of someone who would benefit from a missal with Sunday and Daily Liturgies, CONTACT Terry Obert and we will send a Pray Together Missal FREE OF CHARGE. erry Obert, Faithful Navigator, 217-257-3161



Knights of Columbus #583

Pray For Pro-Life and Vocations



MIDAS

312 North 33rd Street

Walter Scott Reed



217-223-7022 Fax 217-223-0859 Pager 217-221-2312

Quincy, Illinois 62301 A FRANCHISEE OF MIDAS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION



217-223-3791 woodmartbuildingcenter.com

Your Project Partner!



Marcia Steinkamp Nick Steinkamp

Business Telephone & Internet Consultants

Phone: 217-224-8840 www.ms-comm.com

Our twelve.

Colletta Middendorf **Mary Althoff** Irene Freiburg **Mary Futterer** Wilhelmina Kottendorf Olivia Timpe

Mary Wavering Josephina Bohne Bernadina "Birdie" Freund Mary Hickey Cecelia VonderHaar Margareth Werner

12 Little Angels Collection

A Tuition Assistance Fund in honor of the twelve little girls who died from the school fire of 1899.

Every Donation Makes a Difference!



Begin the day with... **Holy Mass**

Join us for 6:30 a.m. Mass Monday thru Friday
St. Francis Solanus Church 17th and College Avenue



Family and

Operated Since 1873 MEAT • FROZEN • PRODUCE • DRY GOODS • TABLE TOP CLEANING SUPPLIES • EQUIPMENT • DISPOSABLES

WATERKOTTE

CONSTRUCTION

2630 Wisman Lane

222-5413

Wm A Niekamp

6116 HWY 24 E • Quincy, IL 62305 217-434-8444 • 800-344 5783

nietru@wildblue.net

Dan Niekamp

140 Maine St., Quincy 217-222-0500 Open to the Public





Proudly building our unity for over 60 years!

814 Ohio St. Quincy, IL 62301 PH 217.222.4322 FAX 217.222.2393 www.fischerbuilders.com

Drywall & Painting

PAPER HANGING • TEXTURING PLASTERING • DRYVIT • FAUX FINISHING

& Custom Wheels

10th & Broadway · Quincy · 222-7212

DAVE STEINKOENIG, Owner

A UNITED COMMUNITY BANK

223-7300 * mercantilebk.com





TOPS IN PAINTING, DECORATING and PAPER HANGING Phone 222-1559



COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIA & INDUSTRIAL PIPING **PLUMBING & HEATING** 217/223-9289 QUINCY, ILLINOIS

3100 North 18th Street Quincy, IL 62305 217.222.0977

www.freseornamentalnursery.com

Family owned and operated





3601 East Lake Centre, Quincy, IL Off.: (217) 228-3100 Cell: (217) 242-4228 www.JeffWiemelt.com



1736 Spring • 228-8868 • www.quincyfoodandfun.com OPEN TUESDAY-SUNDAY 3:00 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT - CLOSED MONDAY



AdamNiekamp

ONLINE ORDERING

ordertheabbey.com





TRI-STATE ROOFING 217.222.ROOF (7663)



ALAN BLICKHAN Broker/REALTOR CELL: 217.257.1445

www.zangerandassociates.com



Let's Go! yerco Convenience Center

With Four Convenient Locations In Quincy And Throughout Illinois





Charles H. Scholz, Agent 4832 Broadway, Quincy, IL 217-224-6665 www.sfquincy.com

Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there.





Rehabilitation • Assisted Living • Independent Living • Nursing Home "The Care You Need To Get Back Home" 1440 N. 10th Quincy

217-224-3780 quincyhcc.com



Brian C. Durante,Co-Owner 217-222-4907 www.hansenspear.com

Phone 217-222-6913 **ILLINOIS**

SCHOOL SUPPLY -OFFICE & SCHOOL SUPPLIES-120 South 7th Street

Quincy, Illinois 62301

Practicaltacticalplus.com 573-655-4444 **1 Industrial Drive** La Grange, MO 63448



SCHUENKE

LAW FIRM

MISSOURI AND ILLINOIS LAW

WWW.SCHUENKELAW.COM

217-222-7420

217-214-8010 www.powellbrothersquincy.com

Practical TACTICAL PLUS

QUINCY IL ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS