



## ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS PARISH

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### MASSSES

**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.

## *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**FEBRUARY 23, 2023**

1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23;  
 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

Unless you have faith, it is pretty stupid for you to be in Church! I mean, *why on earth would anyone want to “love his enemies and do good to those who hate?”* It is not natural.

The natural thing is to do to others as they do to us to repay evil with justice: Get even! Don't let anyone get by with anything! The philosophy of this world is “self interest.” Oh, yes, we may try to be a bit “humane,” but most of us like a bit of vengeance.

Our Christian outlook is radically different from the philosophy of this world. By nature, we are as selfish as anyone else. But God calls us to reflect his unselfishness, his mercy, his love.

Our first reading tells of David and Saul. King Saul was paranoid. He tried constantly to kill David. David has the opportunity to settle scores, but he has pity on the king.

Jesus calls us to bless those who curse us, to turn the other cheek, to love our enemies, to be compassionate as our heavenly Father is compassionate. He calls on us to do to others as God does to us. When we were God's enemies by sin, God sent his only Son to save us. His Son died for us.

It takes great faith to love enemies and to do good to those who hate us. We need to pray for that kind of faith. Christianity is not easy; it is a constant struggle to have Christ's values instead of the values of this world. Keep praying and struggling to follow Christ.

--Msgr. William Carr

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## 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Examples of Christians showing great mercy to those who have wronged them often make the news. Most famously was Saint Pope John Paul II forgiving Mehmet Ali Agca who had shot him. The picture of the two sitting together and the pope speaking to his would-be assassin is iconic. One can see themselves in the picture with Christ sitting there talking to them. The pope's words are spoken in today's Gospel when he says, *"pray for my brother...whom I have sincerely forgiven"*.

In the first reading, David will not allow Saul to be harmed, even though Saul has pursued David and intends to kill him. David still will not allow Saul to be harmed because he is the Lord's anointed. David seeks to allow God to be the judge of Saul and will not take the matter into his own hands even though Saul has been delivered to him. David will fail in many ways but he will always seek to return to God and to trust in His mercy.

Jesus tells the Apostles how they are to live.

"Be merciful, just also as your Father is merciful.

Stop judging and you will not be judged.

Stop condemning and you will not be condemned.

Forgive and you will be forgiven.

Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together,  
shaken down, and overflowing..."

Let us do an examination and ensure we are living by these essential and core instructions given to us by Christ. We will never be more merciful, loving, or generous than God. Go ahead, try to outdo God. Your reward will be greater!

School enrollment is open, and I encourage parents to consider the benefits of a Catholic school education. I enjoy any time I can be at the school seeing students learning about their world, themselves, and God.

An essential part of the success of any school is parental involvement. Parents involved in their children's lives help develop good habits and ensure continuity between what is taught at school and what is lived out in the home. There is no substitute for parents! We strive to provide a good sound education in a Catholic environment that fosters the development of each child into a disciple of Jesus Christ.

St. Francis Solanus – Pray for us!

In Christ,

Fr. Bruce Scott

## *Weekday Mass Intentions*

<b>February 24 Monday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Mary Pat Requet
<b>February 25 Tuesday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Sharon Herrington
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	The priests of St. Francis
<b>February 26 Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Joe Hildebrand
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Teresa Paquette
<b>February 27 Thursday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Vivian Schulte
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Don Schutte and Bob Schoenekase
<b>February 28 Friday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Dan Nuessen
<b>March 1 Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Dirk Bonebrake and Charlie Briddle
	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Becky Vogel and Robert Duesterhaus
<b>March 2 Sunday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	The Parishioners of St. Francis
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Bill and Katie Brink
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Thomas J. Vogelpohl

### This week in the Parish:

#### Monday, February 24

6:30 a.m. Mass  
 9:00 a.m. Ministry Team meeting  
 1:00 p.m. QCS meeting  
 6:00 p.m. PSR  
 7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace  
 7:15 p.m. BEAR meeting

#### Tuesday, February 25

6:30 a.m. Mass  
 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters  
 5:30 p.m. Mass  
 6:15 p.m. Stewardship meeting  
 6:30 p.m. Truth Seekers  
 6:30 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

#### Wednesday, February 26

6:30 a.m. Mass  
 8:35 a.m. SFS Mass  
 9:30 a.m. Adoration  
 1:30 p.m. QCS Pastors meeting  
 5:30 p.m. Mass  
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
 6:30 p.m. Sacristan training

#### Thursday, February 27

6:30 a.m. Mass  
 9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters  
 1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group  
 3:00 p.m. Welcome Committee meeting  
 3:15 p.m. Ministry Team meeting  
 5:30 p.m. Mass  
 6:30 p.m. OCIA  
 6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group

#### Friday, February 28

6:30 a.m. Mass  
 3:00 p.m. Girl Scout meeting  
 6:30 p.m. PTO Bingo night

#### Saturday, March 1

8:00 a.m. Mass  
 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation  
 8:30 a.m. Carmelite meeting  
 9:00 a.m. Cursillo #376 meeting  
 3:00 p.m. Reconciliation  
 4:30 p.m. Mass

#### Week of 2/16/2025

#### Week

#### YTD

Regular Collection	\$18,231.00	\$872,275.51
Loose Collection	\$1,330.00	\$56,045.20
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$19,561.00</b>	<b>\$928,320.71</b>
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$1,056,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$-12,439.00</b>	<b>\$-127,679.29</b>

#### **Annual School Fund:**

Week: \$1,564.45  
 YTD: \$140,365.94

**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, IL 62702**

**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.**

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

Sessions take place on Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. For more information call Cindy or Deacon Harry Cramer at 217-224-1160.

**Help Wanted: St. Francis School Custodian**

Immediate opening. This position is full-time, 12 month/ 35 hours per week, 7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Background check required. You must be able to work in an elementary school setting with students, parents, and staff. Salary is \$15 - \$18 per hour based on experience. Benefits include health, dental, vision, retirement and vacation.

**Requirements:** Previous custodial or related experience with a proven ability to service and maintain facilities is preferred. Must operate and maintain hand tools, cleaning equipment, and chemicals safely; follow a schedule and work with acute situations within the school and parish as assigned. You also will monitor the safety of all entrances and perform snow and ice removal. Further details upon request.


Submit your resume to: [bscott@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:bscott@stfrancissolanus.com) or you may drop it off at the parish office during business hours.

**Parish Office Secretaries Hired**

We are pleased to welcome Kathy Williams and Linda Walker to our staff. They have both expressed how happy they are to have the opportunity to serve the parish in this role along with Chris Meyer. Through the intercession of St. Francis Solanus we are truly blessed!

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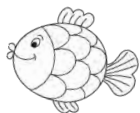
Join us for talks Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday nights. There also will be confession available and relics for veneration. Fr. Joseph is in full-time preaching ministry for the Capuchin Province of St. Augustine and is the national director of the Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers.

**Attention all 2025 Catholic female high school graduates:**

Apply for a \$2,000 SDCCW scholarship now for education beyond high school. Four female graduates from our diocese who exemplify the SDCCW's mission will receive the scholarship. Deadline to apply is April 1. For more information contact [r\\_devore01@hotmail.com](mailto:r_devore01@hotmail.com) or call 217-821-7517.

**Holy Name News:** Join us for the Ash Wednesday Fish Fry on March 5.

**Knights of Columbus News:** The Thursday Night Raffle is up to \$27,072. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 with the drawing at 8:00. Just one more Friday Night Chicken Dinner before Lent. Eat in or drive through from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$13. Our fish fry season kicks off on Ash Wednesday and continues on Friday nights through Lent. Eat in, drive through or carry out, 4:30-7 p.m.



**Holy Name Ash Wednesday Fish Fry**  
**March 5, 4:30-7:30 p.m. in the parish center**

*Our menu includes catfish filets, potato salad, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, coleslaw and desserts provided by the Ladies of St. Francis. This delicious Lenten tradition, prepared by the men of the Holy Name, will cost \$13 for adults, \$7 for children 6-12 years old and free for children 5 and under. Come eat in, carry out or drive through. We hope to see you there!*

**More Fish Fries:** In addition to our Holy Name Ash Wednesday Fish Fry, **Blessed Sacrament Scout Troop 1** is having an Ash Wednesday Fish Fry from 4-7 p.m. at the school, 1115 S. 7th St.

Menu: Catfish or walleye dinner for \$14, includes three sides, dessert and a drink. Macaroni and cheese dinner for \$7 with applesauce, dessert and drink. Curbside pickup, carryout or dine in. Cash, check or credit cards accepted.

**St. Brigid Church in Liberty, Friday, March 14 from 5-7:30 p.m.** Adults \$12. All you can eat, buffet style: Includes catfish fillets, homemade potato chips, baked beans, homemade desserts and a drink. Carry-outs available, wheelchair accessible.

**Saints Study** invites all men and women to attend a talk on Saint Maria Goretti given by Melanie Longenecker on **Tuesday, March 4 at 7 p.m. in the parish center.** If you would like to stay for book study after the presentation, we will be concluding our discussion of *Finding Peace in the Storm* with chapters 5-7. All are welcome! Bring a friend! If you have any questions contact Deacon Dennis Holbrook, 217-257-4384, Kelli Lunt, 217-617-1566 or Karen Weiman, 217-242-5513.

**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!

**Ladies of St. Francis News:**

- The Holy Name men are hosting their annual Ash Wednesday Fish Fry March 5 and they need help with desserts. If you can make something to donate that would be great! You can drop them off at the parish hall on Wednesday. They also are looking for a few women to cut and plate the desserts before the meal. If you are able to help please call Helen Zimmerman at 217-242-6692. There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the gathering space at the north entrance.
- The Ladies next dinner meeting will be Tuesday, March 11 after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. We will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day, so wear your green! Cost of the dinner is \$10. Reservations can be made by calling or texting Helen Zimmerman.

**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.** Registration forms for the retreat are available in our gathering space.

**Deadline to register is March 15.**





# St. Francis Solanus School

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January & February

## BEAR

"Friends Who Bear the Love of Christ"

*St. Corbinian, pray for us!*

### 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

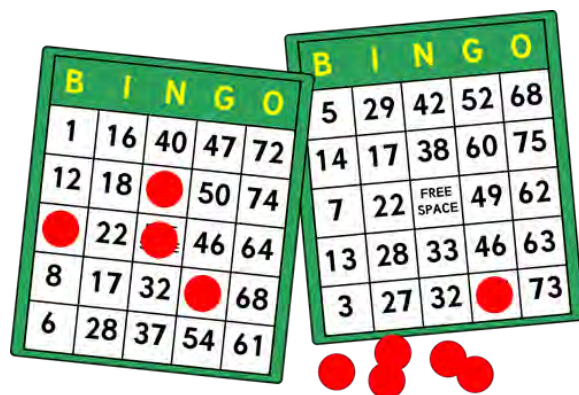
Monday, February 10 - St. Valentines Day Games & Dinner provided by BEAR.  
Please RSVP to [jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:jpetty@stfrancissolanus.com)

### 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:ssnider0528@gmail.com).

### Western Catholic Union Tuition Scholarships for SFSS, QND, and a Catholic College or University:

Now is the time to apply for our WCU grade school and high school scholarships! The applicant must be enrolled in a Catholic school for the 2025-2026 school year and must also be a member of Western Catholic Union. For more information and to access the application, please visit

<https://www.wculife.org/wcu-scholarships/>

**Applications must be received by April 1, 2025.**

March 1-2	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher		Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	Brynn Carpenter Callie Longlett	Marsha Collins Christine Fisk Amy Kaiser Andrew Wemhoener	Greg Ehrhardt Joe Venvertloh Dick Mitchell	Michael Eling Jim Kaiser John Veith	Angela Gutting Sheila Goehl	Angel Miranda Theresa Rohrer <b>Gift Bearer</b> Amanda Venvertloh
<b>Sunday</b> 7:00 a.m.	Maiara Spradlin Eli Terwelp	Anthony Freiburg Paulette Freiburg Jane Gregory Arlene Hendren	John Beckman Joe Bernhardt Kevin Genenbacher Janet Marquette	Perry Terwelp Bob Harman	Nancy Venegoni John Venegoni	Larry Klauser Terry Niemann <b>Gift Bearer</b> Amber Terwelp
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.	Lincoln Darnell Piper Darnell Luke Deters	Donnette Cannady Sarah Genenbacher Brad Kendrick Peggy Koettters	Bob Haistings John McDowell Mike Patterson <i>One Needed Please</i>	Neal Blickhan Gary Darnell	Tom Hummel Gerald Koettters	Prudy Patterson Jill Arnold Blickhan <b>Gift Bearer</b> Makenzie Holtmeyer
<b>Sunday</b> 11:00 a.m.	Mia Vranjes <i>Two Needed Please</i>	Michelle Meyer Ted Meyer Brenda Wand Mike Wand	Mike Fessler Marty Karhoff Rose Willer	Mike Holbrook Don Olps Steve Obert	Karen Steinkamp Roseann Stuckman	Jane Haas Nancy Hufendick <b>Gift Bearer</b> Doris Karhoff
<i>Saturday Morning Mass Server</i>		<b>March 1, 8:00 a.m.</b>	David Bickhaus			
<i>Children's Liturgy of the Word</i>		<b>March 2, 9:00 a.m.</b>	Adayre Klauser			

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