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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.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time FEBRUARY 9, 2025

Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

From all eternity, God knew you! From all eternity, he planned to create you! From all eternity, he called you to be perfect as he is perfect! Everyone of us has a call from God to be a saint. Everyone of us has a call from God to serve him in a way which is unique: No other human being who will ever live will ever be able to give God the specific honor and glory that you, in your uniqueness can!

Today we reflect on our individual and specific call from God. What does God want you to do with your life? To know this and to follow it is the only way you'll ever be happy in this life and in the next! The first reading of Mass tells of the call of Isaiah. The scene is the splendor of God's glory in the temple. Isaiah protests that he is a sinner; God cleanses his sin, and asks whom he will send. Isaiah answers what we must answer: "Here I am, send me!"

Paul had been a terrible persecutor of the Church. Yet God called him to conversion of heart. Paul was unworthy, but God called him to be an apostle. Paul recognizes his sinfulness, but says that God's grace can do anything . . . even make him an apostle.

The Gospel tells of the call of Peter. We can hardly imagine a less likely person to be an apostle. He had hoof in mouth disease. He was impetuous. He was dense. He was good at fishing, but little else. He asks the Lord to leave him alone, for he is a sinner. Yet Jesus calls him to be "father of men."

Reflect on your own personal call from God. Especially today reflect and pray about our need for young men to respond to Christ's call to his priesthood. Jesus Christ is calling some from this very parish to be priests. Pray that they will have the strength to answer his call. May they – and all of us – answer God's call as Isaiah did: "Here I am, send me!"

What are our excuses for not doing God's work? Lack of talent? Sinfulness? Weakness? The Lord won't allow our excuses. He forgives. He empowers. He enables us to do things beyond our natural abilities. Don't refuse him.

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5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Call of God

In the first reading, Isaiah had a mystical experience. He had a firsthand experience of the holiness of God. Such majestic aura of divine majesty left him with awe. He was totally afraid. The holiness of God reminds us of our sinfulness. Isaiah cried out saying, "Woe is me; I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips, yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" (Isaiah 6:5). When we humbly confess our sins, God forgives us, cleanses us and renews us. These were the instant benefits Isaiah received. One of the angels touched Isaiah's mouth with an ember he had taken with tongs from the altar. His sins were purged. When he heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send?" he answered, "Here I am, send me." This is how Isaiah was called to be the prophet of God. He became one of the greatest prophets in the Old Testament.

But the call of God is not always in the temple or in the church. The call of God can take place anywhere. One can be called while at home even when one is tired. One can be called on the way as in the case of St. Paul on his journey to Damascus. One may be called as a result of one's sin as in the case of the woman caught in adultery, and many have interpreted the woman to be Mary Magdalene, the first person to see the resurrected Jesus. One may be called while actively on one's legitimate duty as in the case of Peter as recounted in today's gospel reading.

Peter with his colleagues had spent the whole night fishing. As it could happen sometimes, they caught nothing. Jesus came by during the day. He needed to stay in their boat and made it a pulpit while preaching the word of God to the crowd on the shore. When he finished talking, he told Peter, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch" (Lk 5:4). Peter replied, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the net" (Lk 5:5). Immediately he did, and the catch was so great he needed help from his colleagues. But the story did not end there. Just like Isaiah, Peter recognized his sins before the divine majesty of Christ. Jesus told him not to be afraid, adding, "from now on, you will be catching men" (Lk 5:10). This is how Peter was called to be an apostle of Jesus.

From the readings of today, Isaiah was called to be a prophet and Peter was called to be an apostle. The call of God is interestingly not restricted to being a prophet, an apostle, a priest, a monk, a religious brother or sister, a preacher etc. God calls us to do so many things. It could be to serve in various ministries in our parishes and churches. It could be to boldly challenge an injustice. It could be to help restore certain people who are perishing in sin. It could be to hear the cries of the poor and the suffering people and to do something to address the situation. Above all, the call of God is to listen to what He is saying to our spirit.

His call may be to action. His call may also be to cease action. It may even be to do nothing. It requires discernment to know what He is saying to our hearts. His call may be to action such as helping the less privileged, preaching the word of God, etc. His call may be to cease action such as when we have decided to do something evil, the call of God may be to cease from doing that. His call may be to do nothing especially in the face of a provocation. A simple wisdom could be to do nothing at such moments.

When and how does God call us? He may call us in a mystical way as in the case of Isaiah. He may call us in ordinariness of daily life as in the case of Peter. He may even call you as you are reading this reflection.

Fr. Kenneth Ahanonu

Weekday Mass Intentions

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February 10 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Sharon Herrington and John and Jean O'Brien		
February 11 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Dan Nuessen		
	5:30 p.m.	Larry Costigan and Marjorie Savidge		
February 12 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Priscilla Morrison		
	5:30 p.m.	Dick Gengenbacher		
February 13 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Nancy Terwelp		
	5:30 p.m.	John Ohnemus		
February 14 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Teresa Paquette		
February 15 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Dawn Meyer		
	4:30 p.m.	Jean Powers and Steve McNally		
February 16 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis		
	9:00 a.m.	Bill and Katie Brink		
	11:00 a.m.	Larry Costigan and Don Schutte		

Week of 2/2/2025	Week	YTD	
Regular Collection	\$27,288.50	\$840,661.90	
Loose Collection	\$1,648.55	\$53,155.45	
Total Collection	\$28,937.05	\$893,817.35	
Needed Support	\$32,000.00	\$992,000.	
Difference	\$-3,062.95	\$-98,182.65	

Annual School Fund: Week: \$3,484.55 YTD: \$134,226.74

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	This week in the Parish:
ě	Monday, February 10
Ý	6:30 a.m. Mass
•	8:00 a.m. Blanket Project
* * * *	9:00 a.m. Ministry Team meeting
ò	6:00 p.m. PSR
ý	7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace
	7:15 p.m. BEAR meeting
	Tuesday, February 11
	6:30 a.m. Mass
ý	9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters
	5:30 p.m. Mass
	6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council
þ	6:30 p.m. Women's Prayer Group
ý	Wednesday, February 12
	6:30 a.m. Mass
6	8:35 a.m. SFS Mass
ý	9:30 a.m. Adoration
2	1:00 p.m. QCS Pastors meeting
	5:30 p.m. Mass
þ	6:00 p.m. Holy Name meeting
ý	6:30 p.m. Liturgy Planning committee
	Thursday, February 13
6	6:30 a.m. Mass
þ	9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters
•	1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
	3:15 p.m. Ministry Team meeting
ý	5:30 p.m. Mass
ý	6:30 p.m. OCIA
	6:30 p.m. Scripture Discussion group
6	Friday, February 14
ý	6:30 a.m. Mass
	3:00 p.m. Girl Scout meeting
	Saturday, February 15
	8:00 a.m. Mass
ý	8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
•	3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
	4:30 p.m. Mass

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.

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 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. Sample various chilies and soups and vote for your favorites!

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.



quincyholyfamilyfest@gmail.com 217-440-8187



FAMILY CONSECRATION

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.

Help Wanted in the Parish Office!

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> Join us for our February meeting on Wednesday, February 12 at 6 p.m. Plenty of food and drink on hand as we discuss the Ash Wednesday Fish Fry March 5.

<u>Knights of Columbus News:</u> The Thursday Night Raffle is up to \$26,300. Stop in or drive through for a Friday Night Chicken Dinner 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.

Please call St. Francis Solanus School at 217-222-4077 regarding all school business, including gym use. If we are not available, leave a voicemail. We will return the call the next school day. School office hours are 7:30-3:30 on weekdays when school is in session. Some people have the personal cell phone numbers of the principal and administrative assistants. These should not be used for conducting school business, including issues with the gym. These personal phone numbers should not be used outside of school hours for school business.

FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES is

Tuesday, February 11. There will be the Annual Rosary Prayer Service at <u>'Our Lady of Lourdes</u> <u>of Ghost Hollow Grotto'</u> at 1:00 p.m. weather permitting. The Grotto is located at the 'SPRING' at the corner of <u>4507 Ghost Hollow</u> and Herleman Roads in Quincy. Bring a chair and dress for the weather. All are invited! Contact: R.M. 'Pete' or Janice E. Pohlman at 217-257-2400 for more information.

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!



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 DEADLINE: FEB. 23

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

St. Francis Solanus School INSPIRING FAITH, KNOWLEDGE & SERVICE



Parents and grandparents considering a Catholic education for their children:

On Monday, February 10, there will be an informal event for adults interested in learning more about Catholic education at the elementary school level. It will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Meeting Room by the school office on the middle floor. Enter through the North school doors on College Avenue. Someone will meet you. Parents and staff will talk with families considering a Catholic education for a Preschool through Eighth Grade student or students. There will be specific information on enrolling children at St. Francis Solanus School. However, we promise not to pressure anyone to enroll. It would be helpful to RSVP: jradel@stfrancissolanus.com



The Allison Holbrook Fund made a generous donation of new religious and children's literature books to the St. Francis school library. Students and staff gathered after the Wednesday Mass during Catholic Schools Week for the presentation. Allison was a SFSS alum who loved school and was an avid reader. There is a memorial sticker in each book. A special thank you to Rose Willer and the Holbrook family for their support of this project. Pictured: Front Row: Alex and Thea Gengenbacher and Molly Costigan, Allison's nieces and current students. Back row: Fr. Bruce Scott, Allison's parents Pat and Deacon Dennis Holbrook, Allison's cousin and P.E. Teacher Chris Holbrook and Principal Julie Radel.

February 15-16	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	William Hea Callie Longlett Mackenzie Sousa	Becky Gengenbacher David Pillars Rose Pillars Carla Slough	Mike Bickhaus Brian Dreier Jim Waterkotte Jim Kaiser Philip Kemner John Obert	Rebecca Wear Chryssia Hea	Peggy Kaiser Karen Venvertloh Gift Bearer Tera & James Terwelp
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Markius Lugering Chloe Terwelp	Cindy Grawe Emilie Venvertloh Jan Zeidler <u>One Needed Please</u>	Janet Marquette John Beckman Gary Hilgenbrinck Scott Venvertloh <u>One Needed Please</u>	Nancy Venegoni John Venegoni	Larry Klauser Terry Niemann Gift Bearer Roch Schulte
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Will Hummel Carson Kerkhoff Alex Lawrence	Samantha Cramsey Carol Darnell Holly Hummel; Bill Paxton	Aaron Kerkhoff Mark Meyer Mike Zanger Sam Zanger Jason Cramsey Diann Cole	Pattie Paxton Aaron Weiman	Mary Fitzsimmons Nancy Friye Gift Bearer Bradley Hummel
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Genevieve Hamann Liviana Hamann Gabriel Mason	Alice Arnold Ron Gengenbacher Dennis Greving Christina Rose	Melissa Arnold Mike Holbrook Marty Karhoff Don Olps Evan Reichert Steve Obert	Pam Frericks Kayleigh Ketchum	Jim Doellman Doris Karhoff Gift Bearer Amanda Venvertloh
	orning Mass Server iturgy of the Word	February 15, 8:00 a.m. February 16, 9:00 a.m.	Allison Ormond and Elliott Ormond Anne Meyer		



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