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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-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12;
Luke 21:5-19

The people of the Old Covenant thought that God would render terrible judgment when the Messiah came. Evil would be destroyed in God's purifying fire. But the upright would rise to share eternal life. Our first reading expresses this expectation.

Many of the Thessalonians had quit their jobs and put on their glory robes in anticipation of the Second Coming of Jesus. Paul tells them to get back to work. The end is coming, but we don't know when. Meanwhile, we must work as well as watch and pray.

The Gospel is from Jesus' "Eschatological Sermon," the sermon on the "Last Things." Many Jews thought that the Temple priesthood had become so corrupt that God would destroy the Temple and build a new one. They thought that this would happen at the same time the Messiah came, at the end of the world as we know it.

Some of this expectation carried over into the primitive Church. Jesus says that the Temple will be destroyed, but the end of the world will not happen yet. He says that there will be many false prophets and false messiahs. There will be persecutions and all kinds of signs.

All of these signs took place before the end of the first century, but the end is not yet. But it is coming! Don't be disturbed; there are no new signs. It remains for us to watch and pray – to be ready when the Lord comes in his glory.

--Msgr. William Carr

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33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As we come to the end of the Liturgical Calendar these last two weekends, we notice a focus on the end of time and judgment of souls. I think it's always a good exercise to ask ourselves the question, "Am I ready to see Jesus today in my particular judgement?" If that answer isn't a resounding, confident, and hopeful yes, then we need to start to do some work. We rely on the mercy and love of God, but we must remember that for mercy to exist, justice must first exist. In true justice, judgement comes about. For mercy to be given, we must be doing our part to seek that mercy and conform our lives to Christ. We must run to confession, but we also must work to change our lives. We hit bumps in the road, stumbling blocks, dead ends, and wrong turns, but persevere and let nothing keep you from serving God and giving him your heart.

This weekend's readings are a great challenge to us to do just that. The Prophet Malachi tells us the proud and evil doers will be destroyed, while those who fear the name of the Lord will see the sun of justice rise with its healing rays. We must seek to get rid of pride and seek humility. We must take ownership of our faults, failures, mistakes, and sins. We must seek to change them. We must in humility realize we can't do this without God. To get rid of pride, we must first seek God and make Mass and prayer a priority in our lives. We can't say we don't need Sunday Mass or any of the sacraments. We must in humility realize we can't do this on our own; both in needing community and in needing the Lord.

In the Gospel we are warned to be prepared for the end at all times. To not be deceived by anyone seeking to take us away from the Catholic Church. To not be deceived by those trying to say the end of time is now, but to just always be ready so we have nothing to fear. Many traumatic things will happen. War, violence, famine, earthquakes, fires, plagues, and signs in the sky. You will be persecuted and rejected for the truth that Christ teaches to us. You will be rejected and hated and turned over by your own family and friends. Even if the world takes your life, you cannot be destroyed when you have the Lord. All of this calls us to persevere in the life of faith and put our trust in Him. Be ready to make an account of your life and love.

I congratulate Sue Holbrook for her work over these last seven and a half years. Sue retired October 31. When Sue took the job, it was supposed to be temporary. I am not certain I would call 7.5 years temporary, but in the life of the Church it really is. Sue has helped us as a parish get our books organized to diocesan standards, move to new systems the diocese wants us to use, cut our spending, and helped get our finances in good order. We are on firm financial footing with her help and the guidance of the finance council. We are in a good position to move forward in this life of stewardship as a parish. Thank you, Sue. I will miss you around the office, but I am excited for you and Mike in retirement together! God bless you and ad multos annos! If there are any needs concerning the business manager into the future, call the office and speak to Dee White or Jill Tompkins. They will be happy to help you.

Father Arisman

Weekday Mass Intentions

November 17 Monday	6:30 a.m.	Judy Akers and Fr. Tom Shaughnessy
November 18 Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Marcia Tushaus and Gary Brink
	5:30 p.m.	Joyce Dayton and Gene Jansen
November 19 Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Br. Earl Benz, O.F.M. and Charles and Irene Milder
	5:30 p.m.	Keith Wiemelt and Ed Huner
November 20 Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Jerry Fischer and Alan Fischer
	5:30 p.m.	Jean Goodwin and Virginia Brinkman
November 21 Friday	6:30 a.m.	Alan Fischer and Jerry Fischer
November 22 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Will and Katie Altgilbers
	4:30 p.m.	Larry Costigan and Jerry Poore
November 23 Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Corey Michael John Haxel and Richard Lies
	9:00 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Francis
	11:00 a.m.	Dick Gengenbacher and John Busse

This week in the Parish:

Monday, November 17

6:30 a.m. Mass
6:45 p.m. PSR and BEAR
7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace

Tuesday, November 18

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis quilters
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Ladies of St. Francis meeting
6:30 p.m. Truth Seekers

Wednesday, November 19

6:30 a.m. Mass
8:35 a.m. SFS Mass
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Choir practice

Thursday, November 20

6:30 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Ladies of St. Francis Quilters
1:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Scripture Discussion
6:30 p.m. Troop 22 meeting
6:30 p.m. OCIA
6:30 p.m. Finance Council

Friday, November 21

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

Saturday, November 22

8:00 a.m. Mass
8:00 a.m. Cub Scout event
8:30 a.m. Reconciliation
3:00 p.m. Reconciliation
4:30 p.m. Mass

Week of 11/9/2025 **Week** **YTD**

Collections to Support the Church

Regular Collection	\$41,280.58	\$493,792.43
Loose Collection	\$1,851.00	\$35,045.72
Holy Days, Special Collections	\$2,412.00	\$6,387.10

Total Collection **\$45,543.58** **\$535,225.25**

Budget Needed Support	\$27,850.00	\$501,300.00
Difference	\$17,693.58	\$33,925.25

Annual School Fund	\$3,151.18	YTD: \$59,788.28
Budget Goal for School Support	\$3,650.00	YTD: \$65,700.00

Thought of the Week: Hopefulness

What is the difference between when we are hopeful and hopeless? When we are hopeful, we believe the future can be better than the past and that there are things we can do to help bring about that better future. Hope empowers us.

When we lose hope, we stop believing the future can be better, and start believing that there is nothing we can do about our situation. This victim mindset takes us deeper into hopelessness, which makes us feel that even the smallest things are impossible.

– Matthew Kelly



St. Francis Fall Harvest Food Drive

October 18 through November 23. Grocery sacks are located at church entrances.

Donations may be brought to church and put into the Food Pantry containers located at all entrances to church. Items for the Food Nook are also a good way to contribute. Thank you!

The St. Francis Holiday Bazaar is quickly approaching on December 6. Donations are still needed for the raffles and Bake Shoppe. Baskets and gift cards can be dropped off at the parish office during business hours, and Bake Shoppe items can be dropped off at the parish center on Friday, December 5 from 5-7 p.m. If you need to make alternate arrangements please call Angel Miranda, 217-316-0038. Thank you for your support!

Happiness is
those who
sing alongside you
when the week is through.

9:00am SUNDAY CHOIR
is seeking a few
NEW VOICES
to add to our "blend"
and help guide our Mass
from beginning to end.

Will YOU consider?

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Quincy Catholic Charities would like to thank you for all you do. We know you serve, donate and use your talents to leave a positive impact in our communities and beyond. Whatever you do is noticed. We would like to extend our gratitude to each of you in this season of Thanksgiving. Quincy Catholic Charities is keenly aware of the needs of our communities and we know that no one can do it alone. It takes each of us to make a difference, and you do make a difference! May you have a blessed Thanksgiving and give yourself a moment to be thankful for all you have and all you are to one another.

Dying Without Fear

A talk from Deacon Dennis Holbrook

Monday, Nov. 17th at 6:30 PM
St. Thomas Parish Hall in Camp Point
All are welcome!

Living a Christ-centered life means we can face suffering and death without fear. I pray that this talk will enlighten our perspective on this topic and how our relationship with God can truly help us approach the end of our earthly life. Ray Wheeler will accompany us that evening with music and songs.

There will be an hour of **Adoration for Priests** followed by Benediction at St. Anthony Church, 2223 St. Anthony Rd., **this Sunday, November 16 from 3-4 p.m.** All are invited to come and pray for your priests.

Holy Name News: A big Thank You! to all of the men who made it to the monthly Holy Name meeting this past Wednesday. We always have a good time with food and drinks. Stay tuned to your email for notices of our future events as we approach the holiday season. If you are not on our email list, you can send a note to our secretary, Mark Meyer, at mjmeyer861@gmail.com and Mark will gladly add you to the list.

Knights of Columbus News: The Thursday night Big Raffle drawing is up to \$15,562. Tickets are sold from 6-7:45 p.m. with the drawing at 8:00. Don't forget about the Friday Night Chicken Dinners. Drive-thru or eat in from 5-7 p.m. Half a chicken with all the sides for \$14 in the drive-thru. Eat in is buffet style.

Coming up for KC members is the Christmas Cheer on December 14 and the Kids Christmas party on December 13. Check out the daily calendar winners and much more at quincykofc.org.



The Liturgy Committee will be selling Advent wreaths and candles as well as cemetery cones, saddles and wreaths after all Masses on November 22-23 and November 29-30.

Also, the Liturgy Committee is seeking individuals or families to **light the Advent wreath** at the beginning of each Mass. If your family is interested in volunteering please contact Donette Cannady at 217-653-8442.

Ladies of St. Francis News:

- Our next Ladies Dinner Meeting is **Tuesday, November 18** after the 5:30 Mass. Cost is \$10. This will be our last meeting of 2025 and our annual holiday meeting. The Notre Dame Concert Chorale will perform. **Please bring a new winter hat, scarf or gloves to donate to the Ladies of Charity to warm up someone's Christmas.** We hope you can join us!
- Call or text Helen Zimmerman at 217-242-6692 to make your reservation. Please join us!

Knights of Columbus 2026 Calendar Raffle

This annual event, now in progress, helps support many local charitable causes such as QND, Ladies of Charity and Birthright. Please consider purchasing a raffle calendar for \$25. There's a winner every day of the year, with over \$24,000 in cash prizes. And they make great Christmas gifts! The raffle calendars are available at the Knights of Columbus east building during business hours, or by calling Mike Schlipmann, 217-653-9318 or John Veith, 217-653-0258.



*Congratulations and Welcome
Ari and Armani Butts
Children of Nathan and Jenny Butts
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November 9, 2025*



Parish Business Manager

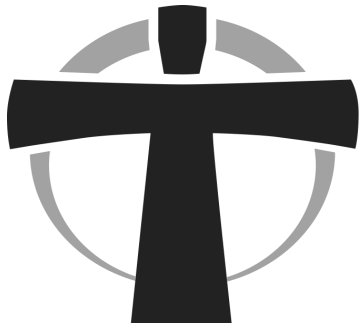
Sue Holbrook Retires

After over seven years as the Business Manager at St. Francis Solanus, Sue is starting her next chapter. Please join Father

Arisman, Father Ken, and the staff of the parish office and school in thanking Sue for her years of careful stewardship of parish finances. Father Arisman especially credits Sue with helping him improve the parish's financial outlook as we head into the future. We wish Sue and her family all the best in the years ahead. Well done, good and faithful servant!

Tri-State Area Ultreya will be meeting after the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Nov. 22 in the St. Anthony Parish Hall. All Cursillo members are invited to attend. Snacks will be provided.

Seniors needing a place to live can check out St. Anne Residence in Beardstown. This affordable senior living facility has 23 one-bedroom apartments. To qualify, applicants must be 62 years or older, living on a moderate to low income. St. Anne Residence is currently conducting applicant interviews. For more information call Wendy at 217-321-8327 or 1-800-745-5194 ext. 327.



St. Francis Solanus School

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Bingo Night

Friday, Nov 21st
Doors open at 6pm - Game starts 6:30pm

@ St Francis Solanus Parish Center
All School Families & Parishioners are invited

\$1 Bingo cards - Food & Drinks will be available for purchase

ITS TIME FOR FALL CLEANING

White - 15 gallon - 25 bags per roll
(great for everyday kitchen trash)

Yellow - 39 gallon - 25 bags per roll
(great for wrapping a gift, storing blankets, yards or collecting items to be donated)

Blue - 55 gallon - 16 bags per roll
(great for yards)

PURCHASE BAGS IN PARISH OFFICE
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\$13 PER ROLL

The PTO Trash program helps support our school.

BEAR UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Francis' youth group for 6th - 8th grade
Mondays 6:45-8PM at St. Francis School
** unless otherwise stated **


- NOV 2 ALL SOULS ADORATION @ ST. BONIFACE CEMETERY 7-8 PM
- NOV 10 NO MEETING
- NOV 17 CHURCH / RECTORY TOUR W/FR. ARISMAN
- NOV 24 MEETING (DETAILS TBD)
- DEC 1 MEETING (DETAILS TBD)
- DEC 8 NO MEETING (FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION)
- DEC 15 LAST 2025 MEETING (DETAILS TBD)

REGISTER BY TEXTING GRANT AT 217-602-9293

Come for the fun - Stay for the faith

The St. Francis School 8th graders will sell baked goods after all Masses this weekend to support their trip to Washington D.C. Please stop by the gathering space after Mass and pick up some sweet treats. Thank you for your support!

November 22-23	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister	Usher	Reader	Greeter/Gift Bearer
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Blake Curry Stella Curry Mackenzie Souza	Barbara Girouard Amy Kaiser William Niewohner Michelle Obert	Kevin Genenbacher Greg Ehrhardt Zachary Maas <i>One Needed Please</i> Jim Kaiser John Obert	Steve McMillen Mary Jo Johnson	Peggy Kaiser Angel Miranda Gift Bearer Connie Gordon
Sunday 7:00 a.m.	Theodora Gengenbacher Alexandra Gengenbacher	Jane Gregory Arlene Hendren Gary Winking Sue Winking	Terrence Obert George Venvertloh Edward Zanger Gary Terwelp Perry Terwelp James Wilper	Carolyn Briddle	Sandra Banning Joan Beard Gift Bearer Amber Terwelp
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Lincoln Darnell Piper Darnell Mickey Petty	James Cramsey Katherine Cramsey Leila Wepler <i>One Needed Please</i>	Joseph Darnell John McDowell Michael Zanger Neal Blickhan Mark Meyer Terry Nall	Monica Hinkamper Aaron Kerkhoff	Jill Arnold Blickhan Mary Fitzsimmons Gift Bearer Kathleen Bracy
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Benjamin Eling William Eling Zayne Mitchell	Alice Arnold Christine Duvall Carol Steinbrecher Michael Wand	James Doellman Adam Hightower Brent Frericks Melissa Arnold Diann Cole Steven Obert	Karen Steinkamp Pam Frericks	Nancy Hufendick Brenda Wand Gift Bearer Jamie Friye
<i>Saturday Morning Mass Server</i> <i>Children's Liturgy of the Word</i>		November 22, 8:00 a.m. November 23, 9:00 a.m.	Quinn Wiewel Anne Meyer		

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