

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13, 2016

Parish Events

Sunday, November 13

9:30 am RCIA

11:00 am Mass Fr. James Wheeler 50th Ordination Celebration

Monday, November 14

6:00 pm Holy Name Meeting

6:00 pm PSR

6:30 pm CYO Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 15

9:00 am Young Mom's Together

6:30 pm Frerick's Prayer Group

6:30 pm Pastoral Council

6:30 pm Protecting God's Children

6:30 pm Young Mom's Together

7:00 pm Pivotal Players Study Group

Wednesday, November 16

8:35 am School Mass

1:00 pm Bible Study

6:30 pm Bible Study

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

7:30 pm St. Francis Men's Group

Thursday, November 17

6:30 pm Finance Council

6:30 pm Schuerman Girl Scouts

6:30 pm Scripture Discussion Group

Friday, November 18

8:00 am St. Francis 8th Grade QND Placement Test

Directory Pictures— North Solanus Hall

Saturday, November 19

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Upcoming Events

11/20 RCIA

11/20 Secular Franciscans

11/20 Gengenbacher Prayer Group

11/21 Medley 1st Grade Girl Scouts

11/21 PSR

11/22 School Mass – 8:35am**

11/22 Parish Picnic Committee Meeting

11/22 Stewardship Committee Meeting

11/23 NO SCHOOL

11/23 8:00am Mass**

11/23 Boy Scouts

11/24 Thanksgiving Day Mass 9am ONLY**

11/24 Lammers Family Luncheon

11/24 Sparrow Family Dinner

11/25 Marian Lammers 100th Party

Fr. Don's Doodling's

On Friday and Saturday, November 5 & 6, I attended the Diocesan Adult Enrichment Conference (DAEC), and so did a number of our teachers in St. Francis School. The Conference, held at the Decatur Conference Center & Hotel, was one of the best I have experienced. It's held every two years, and the goal is to assist us in the enrichment of our faith through education and formation.

The theme of this year's Conference was "Harvesting the Fruits of Discipleship," which seemed abundantly appropriate seeing the fields during the 150 mile drive to and from Decatur. And it offered much food for thought about discipleship and particularly the third of the four pillars of stewardship, which is formation.

The keynote speaker was Greg Willits, a dynamic presenter. I had never heard of him, but maybe some of you are familiar with him because he has been involved talk shows on radio and TV, some of which are together with his wife, Jennifer. He has written books, and is the editorial director of Our Sunday Visitor. He's one of those amazing guys in that he is so candid and honest about his own shortfalls, so solidly committed to living his faith, so strong and authentic in speaking about it, and who yet describes himself as shy. Amazing.

As with any Conference, there were many other speakers in the "Break-Out Sessions," many of whom were very good. There were also Exhibits – vendors who were selling their wares, including lots of books, tapes, educational materials, and religious articles.

One of the benefits I always experience in going to such a conference is connecting with people. There were folks from our other parishes here in Quincy, as well as folks from all over the diocese. So it provided the opportunity for me to explore some ideas of what we can do here at St. Francis to enrich our faith. I spoke with some people who work at the Pastoral Center of the diocese about coming here to work with us to enhance our appreciation and celebration of the Liturgy. We have so many resources available today, we just need to make use of them.

Another advantage of attending conferences like this is to be challenged. Maybe we find ourselves shrinking away from challenges. Maybe we prefer to just stay the way we are, to hide in the background, and hope that we can let our faith life just stay the same. If so, our hope is that no one will bother us and we can "tread water," spiritually.

The trouble is that if we are not growing spiritually, we are really sinking, drowning, dying spiritually. So I was challenged to grow, to deepen my

faith as a Catholic, and to live it. Greg Willitz offered us a challenge. He suggested that we answer this question: What are three things you love about being Catholic? Try it. Bring it to prayer. Ask God to help you. If you have trouble answering that, perhaps you need to read a book about the Catholic faith, go on a retreat or Cursillo, attend Bible Study, listen to some CD's about our faith, get involved in a new ministry, etc. Whatever you do, be sure to grow, and not stand still.

Diocesan Campaign for Justice and Hope

Envelopes are in your packets for the DCJH appeal. This program is solely funded by the generosity of donors. The more people give the more organizations can assist the vulnerable. Donations to DCJH make it possible for organizations to provide assistance of food, clothing, housing, education, and medications to people living in poverty throughout our Diocese. 100% of the contributions stay within our Diocese. We're hoping that parishioners will give generously.

Alaska Trip

We are planning a trip to Alaska to visit the villages which are our Sister Parish(es) in the Diocese of Fairbanks. So far we have 12 or 15 who are interested in going. If more of you are interested, please let us know very soon, as we want to book the trip soon to get good rates. We have tentatively planned to leave from St. Louis around July 21 of 2017. Some would like to take a tour package & cruise on the "Inside Passage" on the return trip from July 26 to Aug. 7. Those who do not do that can stay a few more days in Alaska. Individual plans can vary from one person to another. Please let me know soon if you'd like to consider going along. If we have a large group we can all save money.
Fr. Don

Commitment Cards

If you haven't returned your Commitment Card, you still can mail it to the parish. This is an important part of being an active member of St. Francis Solanus Parish, and we want YOU to be involved in the life of the parish. Please take this opportunity to express your support for our parish by giving of your time, talent and treasure. And thanks to all of you who have turned in your cards – it's been a great response so far!

Advent Candles & Wreaths

Candles and wreaths will be sold after all Masses on the weekends of Nov. 20 and 27 in back of church.

Thanksgiving Food Blessing

Parishioners can bring non-perishable food that they will be serving at their Thanksgiving meal to Mass at 9am Nov. 24 for a blessing.

Advent Decorations

We will be putting up Advent decorations and the Giving Tree on Nov. 26 at 9am. Anyone who can help would be greatly appreciated.

Ladies of St. Francis

Just a reminder to call Edna at 224-3957 to make your reservation for our Christmas dinner on Nov. 29th at 6pm in Solanus Hall.

Thank You

Thank you to all the ladies that worked the last 3 card parties, and also to those ladies who gave their \$6.00 donation. Without your time and donations this could not happen. Your donations help us keep our card party events going. Thank you so much.

-The Ladies of St. Francis

Updating our Parishioners

We are currently updating all of our parishioner/family information for our church database. If you had your photo taken for the directory then we have already changed your information. For those who did not get a photo taken, please help us out and give us a call at the parish office 222-2898 to verify and update your information. It has been at least 8 years since we last updated our database and many have moved, changed phone numbers, and added more children to their families. Thank you for helping with big undertaking.

Holy Name Meeting

There will be a Holy Name meeting Monday November 14th at 6:00 in the Parish Center. We will discuss the recent pancake breakfast and get ready for our next event. A light meal and refreshments will be served. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

Here is a list of the Holy Name officers:

President	John Benz (217)440-0875
Vice President	Nathan Koettters (217)242-9382
Secretary	Steve McMillen (217)222-6739
Treasurer	Dennis Steinkamp (217)224-5665

Bilingual Mass

Please join us on Dec 11 at 1:30pm for a bilingual mass celebration in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A reception will follow and **EVERYONE** is welcome.



The Diocese of Wichita defines stewardship as "...the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor."

Carmelites

Divine Intimacy live by saints; Saints Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross is the goal of the Secular Carmelites for more information call Stephanie Ohnemus at 228-9616 or Virginia Drew at 222-6054.



Happy 100th Birthday!!!

Mrs. Marian Lammers, a long time parishioner, is celebrating her 100th birthday on Nov. 17. In honor of this milestone, her family is cordially inviting you to an Open House on Friday, Nov. 25, from 2pm-4pm in our Parish Center. No gifts please-but your presence and/or cards would be appreciated. Marian is currently residing at Good Samaritan Home.

Parish Support: Nov. 5-6

	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Church /School	\$25,246.81	\$26,750	-\$1,503.19
YEAR TO DATE	\$357,994.53	\$481,500	-\$123,505.47

Miscellaneous Collections

\$1,004.42

Euchre Tournament

Knights of Columbus are having a Euchre Tournament on Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2016. Sign up 6pm, Start time 7pm. Entry fee \$10.00 per team. 50/50 drawing too.

St Francis Fall Harvest Food Drive

The annual Parish Fall Harvest Food Drive will be held from November 5, 2016 through Thanksgiving on November 24, 2016. Grocery Sacks are located at church entrances for your convenience. Groceries may be brought to the Food Pantry in the parish center basement or to church.

Also, monetary donations are appreciated. If you decide to make a cash donation, please write 'bike' on the check or envelope so that it may be used for a match provided by the Wiewel Family Bikathon.

(These are the usual items included in a food pantry delivery)

toilet paper	canned soup
bar soap	mixed fruit
Shampoo	jelly
canned peaches	peanut butter
dish soap	cereal
Toothpaste	canned beans
baked beans	pancake mix
Syrup	canned corn
instant potatoes	spaghetti sauce
canned tuna	tuna helper
Spaghetti	canned chicken
ground meat	chicken helper
simple crackers	hamburger helper
simple cookies	macaroni & cheese
cheese slices	laundry detergent

Lighthouse Catholic Media

New this week at the Lighthouse Catholic Media Kiosk—*Jesus in You: The Indwelling of the Trinity in the Souls of the Just*--book by Mark Miravale where he takes on the question, "Who or what is this sacred presence, and does it exist in everyone regardless of race, culture, or even religious beliefs?" and other pertinent questions about Christ living within us. He also puts forth the challenge to be honest and courageous enough to ask the life-changing question: "What's inside of me?" *Making P.E.A.C.E. With Difficult People*--cd by Dr. Gregory and Lisa Popcak, who, through a five-part P.E.A.C.E. process, offer powerful insights to help you work through difficult situations with the people in your life. Full of practical guidance, this presentation will assist you in resolving problems and more fully reconcile with others.

Third Tuesday Young Moms Meet Morning or Evening

Looking for a chance to meet other moms of young children? Spend time in prayer and spiritual reflection, with coffee and conversation. Come together to form and strengthen friendships as you encourage each other to grow in the Catholic faith.

Young Moms Together will be gathering again this week--on Tuesday, November 15, from 9:00-10:30 a.m. and from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Bride's Room, Solanus Hall. All young mothers are welcome to attend whenever possible, and children, Kindergarten age and younger, may accompany Mom. Questions?- - call or text Jane Haas, facilitator, 217- 257- 0533.



Important Dates to Remember

Nov. 18 Talent Show -school gym 6 - 7:00 p.m.
 Nov. 23-25 Thanksgiving Break – NO School
 Dec. 4 First Reconciliation at 3:00 in the church
 Dec. 21 - Jan 2 Christmas Vacation

(Jesus is the Reason for the Season)

Early release every Wednesday at 2:30 with bus service

Schedule Change

Due to a recent notification from the Bishop’s Office, we will now have our **Confirmation on Wednesday, May 24th at 7:00 PM.** As a result, we will need to move our previously scheduled **Graduation date to Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:00 PM** with a reception to follow in the Parish Center. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

St. Francis A Honor Roll Students – 1st Quarter 2016-17

2nd Grade

<u>Mrs. Dawson</u>	<u>Mrs. Mewes</u>
Abigail Reed	Erica Arnold
Isaac Steinkamp	Lily Drew
	Ellie Fesler
	Collin Meehan
	Breckyn Peters
	Mason Powell
	Ethan Slough
	Mia Vranjes

3rd Grade

<u>Mrs. Failor</u>	<u>Mrs. Hull</u>
Emma Dobbs	Jack Coggeshall
Gavin Doellman	Connor Flachs
Lanie Fesler	Jackson Frankel
T.J. Hanlin	Avery Frese
Audrey Linenfesler	Clare Garnett
Kellen McFarland	Kyle Gregory
Elijah Parsons	Ian Jones
Ethan Peterson	Lauren Miller
Robbie Reed	Tristan Pieper
Weston Reyburn	Charlie Sparrow
Victoria Smith	Lila Winking
Urban Venvertloh	
Morgan Winking	

4th Grade

<u>Mrs. Slough</u>	<u>Mrs. Wiewel</u>
Colleen Liesen	Addie Felsler
Wyatt Mueller	Avery Kapp
Isaac Schuetz	Carter Miller
	Allie Vranjes
	Abram Wiewel
	Morgan Zanger

5th Grade

<u>Mrs. Mitchell</u>	<u>Mrs. Stuckman</u>
Denver Bryan	Delaney Beard
Karlie Sparrow	Amelia Koettters
Grace Welch	Paul Steinkamp
	Myah Venvertloh

6th Grade

<u>Mr. Klingner</u>	<u>Mrs. Walker</u>
Isabella Bickhaus	Emily Chandler
John Drew	Laela Hernandez-Jones
Braden Kapp	Jack Linenfesler
Haley Schertel	Lily Marth
	Baily Pierceall
	Jacob Schisler
	Abbey Schreacke
	Addison Zanger

7th Grade

<u>Miss Gianfriddo</u>	<u>Mr. Zanger</u>
Brooke Holman	Lily Barthel
Adam Liesen	Logan Zanger
Jack Staff	

8th Grade

<u>Mrs. Beard</u>	<u>Mr. Carey</u>
Sam Hea	Victoria Bickhaus
Jamie Steinkamp	Jack Marth
	Maurice Safar



B Honor Roll Students

2nd Grade

<u>Mrs. Dawson</u>	<u>Mrs. Mewes</u>
Hannah Arens	Gigi Bell
Blake Ayos	Baylee Holman
Brayden Bozarth	Jayce VonderHaar
Xavier Chandler	Alex Wells
Mason Cragg	Isabella Wepler
Allison Ormond	Thomas Wiewel
Brooke Pierceall	
Adrianna Rubison	
Hailey Terwelp	
Aubrey Waterkotte	
Charlie Welch	

3rd Grade

<u>Mrs. Failor</u>	<u>Mrs. Hull</u>
Peter Chandler	Alyvia Schroder
Breana Schlipman	Braden Smith
Haelie Schmitz	

4th Grade

<u>Mrs. Slough</u>	<u>Mrs. Wiewel</u>
Max Albright	James Bickhaus
Zeke Bates	Peyton Bliven
David Cragg	Jack Costigan
Rylan Fischer	Joseph Doellman
Alexis Hull	Chase Fesler
Matthew Holman	Adler Hamann
Makayla Paton	Brandon Jennings
Dylan Pruett	Christopher McDermott
Laura Steinkamp	Cayson Peters

5th Grade

<u>Mrs. Mitchell</u>	<u>Mrs. Stuckman</u>
Tad Bates	Alyssa Cole
Gracie Frankel	Isabel Cramsey
Max Frericks	Gavin Powell
Adayre Klauser	Grace Real
Noah Lunt	Michael Safar
Zoey Schmitz	Leah Venvertloh

6th Grade

<u>Mr. Klingner</u>	<u>Mrs. Walker</u>
Spencer Arnold	Ian Alford
Zoe Blair	Levi Chapman
Xavier Duschinsky	Emma Eyler
Elizabeth Hea	Joshua Friye
Jack Miller	Abby Genenbacher
Morgan Patton	Emma Kovachevich
Mya Robertson	Gavin McFarland
Lily St. John	Zona Oatey
Cole Willer	Logan Pieper
Ava Winkng	Dylan Schrage
	Evie Schuetz
	Mason Winking

7th Grade

<u>Miss Gianfriddo</u>	<u>Mr. Zanger</u>
Madison Chandler	Henry Cann
Megan Chezem	Quentin Cookson
Ben Frericks	Maggie Drew
Emma Geschwandner	Ava Fischer
Cayge Hughes	Even Hirstius
Madelyn Miller	Ethan Jones
Savannah Real	Mike Staff
Shaylon Sargent	
Lauren Smith	

8th Grade

<u>Mrs. Beard</u>	<u>Mr. Carey</u>
Ryan Cafun	Ryan Anderson
Katie Cowan	Mitchell Brecht
Claire Roberts	Emma Grant
Sean Robertson	Abby Ham
A. J. Rubison	Faith Voorhis
Carter VanHecke	
Chevi Veile	

Effort Roll

<u>Mrs. Dawson</u>	<u>Mrs. Mewes</u>
Ziah Hoelscher	Addie Bates
Madelyn Marquardt	Drake Dodd
	Bradyn Klauser
	Faith Spohr

Mrs. Hull

Rachel Mast

Mrs. Stuckman

Grace Dreier
Aden Genenbacher
Marcus Chezem



November 19 & 20	Altar Server - Weekend	Communion Minister		Usher	Reader	Greeter
Saturday 4:30 pm	Aaron Hea Elizabeth Hea Sam Hea	Charles Carlson Connie Johnson Maureen Makarewicz David Pillars	John Dobbins Robert Ley Darlene Mayes Barbara Sibbing	Jim Waterkotte - Head Brian Dreier Dennis Kendrick Chuck Mayes Richard Newman John Veith	Chryssia Hea Ted Hea	Peggy Kaiser Peggy Newman
Sunday 6:30 AM		Pam Keller Dwain Preston		John Beckman Janet Marquette Kris Niewohner-Powell	Paul Brown	
Sunday 8:00 AM	Brooke Bennett Brennan Bridle Zane Putman	Jane Dietrich Peggy Koettters Don Winking Pat Winking	Kay Gallaher Julie Reis Gary Winking Sue Winking	Roger Gallaher - Head Dick Foster John Hummel Gary Terwelp Perry Terwelp Edwin Wellman	Roseann Gosnell Gerald Koettters	Bruce Broemmell Nancy Friye
Sunday 9:30 AM	Hailey Skinner Joey Sparrow Lowell Sparrow	Carol Darnell Amanda Garnett Barbara Mitchell Erin Schrage	Bridget Ehrhart Brad Kendrick Jamie Pieper Shirley Walbring	Terry Kistner - Head Usher Gary Darnell Steve Schrage Karl Venvertloh Ron Whittaker Rich Zeidler	Linda Rull Jan Zeidler	Jill Blickhan Amy Steinkamp
Sunday 11:00 AM	Keiley Meyer Allison Steinkamp Jamie Steinkamp	Jamie Friye Anne Meyer Nick Steinkamp Michael Wand	Beverly Helkey Ruth Scharnhorst Brenda Wand Leah Waterkotte	Mike Holbrook - Head Richard Bourne James Doellman Ron Gengenbacher Steve Obert Don Olps	Barbara Dietrich Karen Steinkamp	Sylvia Collins Doris Karhoff

Servers for Saturday, November 19 at 8:00 a.m. Mass and weekday 8:00 am Masses for Nov. 21-25 are Jack Staff and Mike Staff