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### MASSES

**Sunday Obligation** Saturday evening: 4:30 p.m. for Sunday  
Sunday-6:30, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

**Weekdays** 6:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday  
8:00 a.m. Monday thru Saturday

8:35 a.m. Wednesday during school year

**Holy Day Obligation:** Anticipated 5:30 p.m.

Holy Day 6:30, 8:00 a.m.(8:35 a.m. during school year)and 5:30 p.m.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday-8:30 a.m. and 3:00-4:00 p.m. or call the Friary for an appointment

## *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**JANUARY 20, 2019**

Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11;  
John 2:1-11

We return to “Ordinary Time”, the season of the life of the Church. Green is the color of life and of hope; our vestments and altar frontals will be green until Lent begins (March 10). Because of the Gospel selection, today is often called “Cana Sunday.” The basic story is simple: Jesus and his followers go to a wedding feast; the host runs short of wine; Mary tells Jesus who seemingly rebuffs her. Mary tells the waiters to do whatever Jesus says. Jesus then changes the water into wine.

But the rest of the story is much deeper. John’s Gospel always has at least two levels, one obvious and one deeper and not so obvious. The purpose of John’s Gospel is to show the replacement of all the forms of Judaism with something new and better.

Jesus works seven “signs” to do this. This first sign alludes to the Jewish manner of purification (the water jars). This is replaced by the lavish (about 125-150 gallons) new wine of Christ (representing the grace of love and salvation). Jesus calls his mother “woman”, alluding to the “woman” in Genesis 3:15 whose son will stamp out evil. The old woman Eve and her heritage is replaced by the new woman, the Church, represented by Mary. The marriage of God to Israel is replaced by the marriage of the Church to Christ. The theme is newness, richness, joy, and love.

Do you think you are a nobody? Then you’ll act like one! But if you think that you are a beloved son or daughter of God, you should act as one. The second reading tells us that God has given each of us distinct talents and gifts. And he calls on us to “give them away”, to use them in service to others for the building up of the Church.

Insofar as we try to serve others and “give away” our gifts, the Lord will lavish on us even more abundantly. Let us pray to know our gifts and to use them in joy for others. If we seek to serve, we shall be amazed at our joy!

--Msgr. William Carr

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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## January 20, 2019

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### Fr. Don's Doodlings

Some of you heard me grouching last week, complaining that we seldom hear the gospel account of Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana. In fact, it only occurs about once in 3 years. So today is the day – our big chance to savor this treasured account of Jesus' very first miracle.

You see, I'm particularly baffled at this rarity, given the fact that this miracle is held up as one of the primary Epiphany events, along with the adoration by the Magi and the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan. If the Church considers it to be of such importance, why in the world wouldn't it appear more often for us? And while I'm happy with hearing this gospel passage today, I'm still puzzled that we're hearing it outside of the Christmas/Epiphany season.

As everyone knows, Jesus usually performed miracles in response to some great need: healing people who were blind, deaf, lame, troubled by evil spirits, or even dead. So, this miracle is especially outstanding since it is in response to the request of his mother, who is concerned about the embarrassment of the family whose wedding they were attending. This seems like a fairly insignificant motive for a miracle. I mean it's one thing to ask a favor, but a miracle!?!?! This should reinforce what we all know, and that is how much Jesus loves us and wants the best for us.

It all takes me back to the time – about 10 years in all – when I was very active with Marriage Encounter, working with teams in presenting weekends, which I still highly recommend to married couples. Anyway, we read this gospel passage on every Marriage Encounter weekend as part of a prayer service, highlighting Jesus respect for marriage. I think it's an excellent gospel for every married couple to use at times during their couple prayer.

That said, the Christmas Season is now over, and we find ourselves in Ordinary Time for a little more than 7 weeks, until we come to Ash Wednesday on March 6. I suppose I'm complaining again to say that I wish we had a better term for all these "green weeks" which, along with the weeks following the Easter Season, make up more than half of the year. Couldn't this have been called the "Season of the Church," since it unfolds so much of what we, as the Church, believe? As it is, "Ordinary" does not mean "usual" or "plain," but comes from the word "ordinal," meaning number. So, it's "numbered" time, which to my mind is too plain or usual or just ordinary. End of my complaining. Anyway, be ready to hear more rich fare regarding the life and miracles of Jesus that are held up for us all through Ordinary Time, some of which also qualify as "epiphany events."

### This Week's Events

#### **Sunday, January 20**

2:00 p.m. Communion Minister Training

#### **Monday, January 21**

6:30 p.m. Meehan Cub Scouts

#### **Tuesday, January 22**

6:30 p.m. Mass Reader Training

6:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting

#### **Wednesday, January 23**

6:00 p.m. Pruett Scout Den

6:30 p.m. St. Francis Men's Prayer Group

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop Meeting

#### **Thursday, January 24**

6:00 p.m. Cursillo Men's Prayer Group

6:00 p.m. Venvertloh Lion Den Meeting

6:30 p.m. RCIA

#### **Saturday, January 25**

4:00 p.m. Boy Scout Soup Supper

### Upcoming Events

**1/27** PTO Winter Family Fun Day

**1/28** PSR

**1/29** Protecting God's Children

**1/30** Revelation Study

Boy Scout Troop Meeting

**1/31** RCIA

**2/1** Schlipman Girl Scout Meeting

### Rest In Peace

Please pray for the souls of  
John Maxwell, Sr. and  
Constance (Connie) Liesen who have  
died recently.  
May eternal peace be granted to  
them, O Lord!



### Handicapped Seating

While the seats in the handicapped section are very comfy,  
they are to be used by people who are in need.

Please refrain from using them unless you need to.

Thank you!!

# Mass Intentions

January 21	6:30 a.m.	
Monday	8:00 a.m.	In Honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
January 22	6:30 a.m.	
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Carl Adair
January 23	6:30 a.m.	
Wednesday	8:35 a.m.	
January 24	6:30 a.m.	
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Diana Kahs

January 25	6:30 a.m.	
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Gus Nauert
January 26	8:00 a.m.	Charles Finley
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Kay Smith
January 27	6:30 a.m.	Amy Waterkotte
	8:00 a.m.	Ruth Waterkotte
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Doug Frese
	11:00 a.m.	St. Francis Parishioners

## Thank You

I want to say a big and long overdue thank you to all who contributed to making the Christmas Season so beautiful. Thanks to those who decorated our church (and now have taken the decorations down), those who were involved with the liturgy as music makers, readers, Communion ministers, servers, ushers, greeters, sacristans, and congregations lifting your voices in both sung and spoken prayer. Finally, thanks to all who have sent gifts and cards to our parish and school staff, and to Fr. Bob and me.

God bless you all.

—Fr. Don

## Catholic Times Collection

We neglected to call your attention last week to the collection for the "Catholic Times." Our assessment last year from the diocese was about \$19,500, and we only collected about \$4,500. Our assessment this year is \$21,000. Since the parish has to pay it in full, it would be helpful if you contributed a little more than \$15, which is the amount on the envelope in your packets to help make up the difference. Thanks.

## Men's Cursillo #339

January 24-27, 2019

Dave Hummel is the rector (director) of the team for the Men's Cursillo 339 to be held at the Quincy University North Campus on the weekend of January 24-27, 2019. Cursillo is a "short course" in Christianity over three days (Thursday evening through Sunday afternoon) inviting candidates to deepen their commitment to the person and teachings of Jesus Christ. Applications and further information can be found at [www.quincycursillo.com](http://www.quincycursillo.com) or by calling Rita Frese at 217-440-7784.



## Collection for the Church in Latin America

I think we are all aware from the news that people in Latin America are suffering greatly, and that includes our Catholic brothers and sisters. We ask you to be generous, as you always are, in the collection to help them.

Envelopes are in your packets for this collection on January 27.

Thanks for your loving concern.

## Quest #85 February 8-9

Quest is a fast-paced 24-hour Christian experience for 8th, 9th, and 10th Graders. It is a time to come together to find out about God, friendships, and self in a fun-filled, exciting, amusing, thoughtful, and carefree surrounding. A time to meet new people while praying, playing, singing, and sharing with them. Quest gives you the chance to search for the real you.

Quest is held at the Franciscan Retreat Center of Quincy University and lasts from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 6:00 p.m. Saturday. The cost for a candidate is \$45 and includes room, snacks, breakfast and lunch, and other surprises. Adult observers interested in working with youth are also welcome.

## Parish Support: January 5-6

	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Church/School	\$31,300.65	\$22,757	\$8,543.65
YEAR TO DATE	\$546,607.80	\$523,411	\$23,196.80

## Miscellaneous Collection

\$3,605.42

## Parish Support: January 12-13

	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Church/School	\$16,433.50	\$22,757	-\$6,323.50
YEAR TO DATE	\$563,041.30	\$546,168	\$16,873.30

## Miscellaneous Collection

\$1,311



## Soup Supper

St. Francis Cub Scout Pack 22 and Boy Scout Troop 22 is having a soup supper on Saturday January 26 from 4-7 p.m. in the St. Francis Parish Hall. The Scouts will be serving a choice of three soups – chicken noodle, chili, and hot spicy chili soup. In addition, there will be grilled cheese sandwiches, corn bread, drinks, and homemade pie for dessert. Dine-in tickets are available at the door for \$7.00 each or \$25.00 for the entire family (maximum of five). Carry-out orders are also available for \$7.00 per meal. Proceeds will go to the Cub and Boy Scouts of Troop 22, St. Francis Church.

## Thanks So Much

A sincere thank you to all parishioners and students who took the time during the busy holiday season to address Christmas cards for our Parish’s nursing home residents. The nursing home residents truly enjoy receiving this very special holiday gift. A total of 3,259 cards were delivered.

Susan Mast and Jane Gregory



## Ministry Scheduling Changes

A note on some service changes:

If you were scheduled on February 3 at 8:00 a.m. and March 10 at 9:30 a.m. as a Reader or Altar Server, your schedule has changed. February 3 is Boy Scout Sunday and March 10 is Girl Scout Sunday; the Scouts will be preparing the Mass on those days, so the Scouts will be doing the serving and reading.

Also a note on April 3 Lenten Mass – There will be NO LENTEN MASS. If you were scheduled, that service has been deleted.

April 3 will be Confirmation and the teachers and priests will be preparing that Mass.

I apologize for the inconvenience. All of the ministries are very important and I thank you for your support.

Thank You!

Your Ministry Scheduling Team

## Food Pantry Challenge at Thrive Chiropractic

Thrive Chiropractic, owned and operated by parishioner, Dr. Daryl Hightower, is hosting a soup and cracker drive for the food pantry here at St. Francis. This will run from now until Super Bowl Sunday. Dr. Hightower is asking her patients to bring in soup and crackers to her clinic to support our pantry and Thrive Chiropractic will match the collection. Join in the fun by bringing in soup and crackers for the pantry to church these next weeks! Items may be placed in pantry containers at each entrance of the church. This will be MMM...good!

## Sanctity of Human Life Week Activities

### Memorial Walk~~Prayer Service

Right to Life of Adams County will proclaim the Sanctity of Human Life and solemnly commemorate the 46th Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade by conducting the annual Memorial Walk and Prayer Service on Sunday, January 20, at 1:30 p.m. Walkers will gather at Rock Church,

307 N. 36th Street, Quincy

(Q-Center Mall, lower level on south side), and travel south on 36th to Maine. Participants will return to the church for refreshments, a short prayer service, and the awarding of poster/essay contest prizes. All are encouraged to join fellow pro-lifers as they let their actions speak out for life. Also, be sure to visit the Quincy Mall from late afternoon, Sunday, January 20 through Sunday afternoon, January 27, to see the posters from this year’s contest, the Right to Life of Adams County’s 36th annual contest, on display.

The theme is “Pro-Life – The Ultimate Kindness.”

## Protecting God’s Children

The following Protecting God’s Children sessions have been scheduled at St. Francis Solanus Parish from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

January 29

February 19

Please call Mike Holbrook at 222-2898 to register.





## Quincy Notre Dame Job Openings

QND has the following positions open for the 2019-20 school year: English Teacher, Science Teacher, and Guidance Counselor. Must have secondary certification. All candidates must send a cover letter, resume, and two letters of reference on or before Friday, February 1, to QND Principal Mark McDowell at [mmcdowell@qndhs.org](mailto:mmcdowell@qndhs.org) or mail to QND at 1400 S. 11<sup>th</sup> St., Quincy, IL 62301.

## Quincy Notre Dame Booster Club

The QND Booster Club will be serving food at the following QND Boys Basketball Games:  
Friday – February 1 – 5:30-7:30 p.m.:  
Burgers and Grilled Chicken Sandwiches/Chips  
Saturday – February 2 – 12:00-7:00 p.m.:  
Burgers and Grilled Chicken Sandwiches/Chips  
Friday – February 22 – 5:30-7:00 p.m.:  
Pulled Pork/Chips



## Help Needed

The Quincy Public School District is in need of a Crossing Guard.

Job Description:

Typically less than two hours a day  
\$26.74 a day for a morning and afternoon shift  
Will receive training and equipment  
to perform job

If interested, please contact the Quincy Public School Security  
Office at 228-4084

## 2019 QND Winter Cheer Camp

When: February 1, 2019

Where: QND (registration is in the lobby)

Time: Registration starts at 5:15 p.m. Camp begins at 5:30 p.m. until Halftime of the girls' varsity basketball game.

Ages: 3 years to 8th grade.

Info: Learn cheers, chants, play cheer games, stunt, tumble and much more.

Cost: \$25.00 per child. Each additional sibling after 1st child in same family is \$20.00.

Pre-register by January 30 and receive \$3.00 off registration fee. Registration fee includes cost of camp, t-shirt, pizza and drink, goodie bag and performance at halftime of the girls' varsity basketball game. Pre-registration is not required but recommended to receive correct t-shirt size.

Send pre-registration mail form and check to:

Tracy Grant – 708 Ashley, Quincy, IL 62301.

For Questions, call Tracy at 217-257-2524.

## St. Francis Community Assistance Help Needed

SFCA ministry is recruiting for a Sunday Meal Ministry....Partnering with other local churches. Horizons Soup Kitchen has identified the need for a meal to be served to the needy on Sundays. They are asking churches to sponsor a Sunday once every 6 - 8 weeks. This will begin in March. We will need interested parishioners and families to let Deborah Schulte know if they are willing to help prepare, serve and/or clean up at Horizons on our Sunday. The meal will be served at 5:00 p.m. in the evening. Contact Deborah at [dschulte2424@gmail.com](mailto:dschulte2424@gmail.com) or call 217-430-5144.

## John Funke Memorial Chili Cook-Off

30<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off

Hosted by: Quincy University's Mart Heinen

Athletic Booster Club

Sunday, January 27, 2019

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

QU Health and Fitness Center (20<sup>th</sup> and Oak St.)

The event is open to the public and features all-you-can-eat chili and soup tasting.

Food tickets are \$5 per person  
or \$10 per family at the door.

A raffle will be held for a 50" Hitachi TV, Samsung Galaxy Tablet, and an all-in-one speaker.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each, 3 tickets for \$10,  
or 7 tickets for \$20.

Tickets will be available at the North concession stand at QU basketball home games.



# QCES Foundation to Honor Jim Waterkotte at the 2019 “Friend of Catholic Education Award” Dinner

Jim Waterkotte has been selected as the recipient of the 2019 Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools (QCES) Foundation’s Friend of Catholic Education Award for his many years of support for Catholic education in Quincy. Jim will be honored at the Eleventh Annual “Friend of Catholic Education Award” Dinner to be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019, at the Quincy Quality Inn & Suites at 201 S. 3rd St. Dinner will be catered by “Drake’s Steak & Ale.” A social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner and the awards program at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner are \$100 per person. Individual and corporate table sponsorships are available for \$1,000 and include 8 dinner tickets. The deadline for individual and corporate table sponsorships is Tuesday, January 15, in order to be listed in two Herald-Whig ads. The preferred deadline for individual dinner reservations is Friday, January 25. Revenue from the dinner is designated for the QCES Foundation’s Tuition-Assistance Fund for students enrolled in one of Quincy’s four Catholic elementary schools. Since 2009, the QCES Foundation has awarded nearly \$900,000 in tuition assistance to families with students enrolled at Blessed Sacrament, St. Dominic, St. Francis, and St. Peter schools.

Those interested in purchasing dinner tickets or wishing to sponsor an individual or corporate table for the dinner honoring Jim, as well as those wishing to donate to the QCES Foundation’s Tuition-Assistance Fund in honor of Jim, may contact **Paul Rittorf, Executive Director of the QCES Foundation, at 217-779-3157, fax 217-214-6094 or email at [prittorf@quincycatholicschools.org](mailto:prittorf@quincycatholicschools.org).**  
**The mailing address for the QCES Foundation Office is: 2223 St. Anthony Rd., Quincy, IL 62305.**



# St. Francis Solanus School

## Papa Murphy Coupon Cards

These cards are for sale in the school office if anyone is interested in purchasing one. They are \$5.00 each and have 8 peel-off coupons.

## School Yearbooks

Yearbooks are for sale until March 22, 2019. Order forms are in the office. Please note, yearbooks are sold separately from picture orders. They are \$12.00 each and in COLOR. They can be purchased on line through LifeTouch at [YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM](http://YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM).

## Open Positions

**St. Francis Solanus** has an opening in our Before and After School Daycare. The candidate must have a balanced personality, love children, and be willing to have flexible hours. If hired, the applicant will need a background and fingerprint check, and complete the Protecting God’s Children Program. If interested, please send resumes to St. Francis School, 1720 College Avenue, Quincy, Illinois 62301, or email Lori Shepard at [lshepard@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:lshepard@stfrancissolanus.com)

**St. Peter School** is in need of hiring for the after school daycare program. Interested applicants should contact Mrs. Judy Domme at 217-242-1910. Resumes can be mailed to St. Peter School, 2500 Maine, Quincy, IL 62301 or emailed to [c.venvertloh@cospq.org](mailto:c.venvertloh@cospq.org).

## School Lunch Next Week: January 21-25

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
<b>No School</b>	Hot Dog/Bun Chili/Cheese Sauce Baked Beans Corn Fruit	Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Gravy Green Beans Fruit	Corn Dog Broccoli Fruit Cookie	Cinnamon Roll Sausage Hash Brown Fruit

January 26-27	Altar Servers - Weekend	Communion Ministers		Ushers	Readers	Greeters
<b>Saturday 4:30 p.m.</b>	Abby Ham Jace Putman Zane Putman	James Cramsey Roger Knuffman Connie Johnson Bobbie Talken	Katherine Cramsey Phyllis Knuffman Joselyn Smith Helen Zimmerman	<b>Jim Kaiser</b> Dennis Kendrick Dick Mitchell Bradley Smith Mary Ann Thomas John Veith	Janet Waterkotte Keith Wiemelt	Peggy Kaiser Nancy Kendrick
<b>Sunday 6:30 a.m.</b>		Dwain Preston Deborah Schulte		John Beckman Robert Harman Janet Marquette	Reg Ankrom	
<b>Sunday 8:00 a.m.</b>	Drake Gibson Bo Paxton Ian Paxton	John Benz Arlene Hendren Auris McGee William Paxton	Bruce Broemmel Ric Hinkamper Emilie Venvertloh Patricia Paxton	<b>Jack Terwelp</b> Jerry Carnivale Jerry Meyer Terry Obert Mary Terwelp George Venvertloh	Steve Davis Monica Hinkamper	Terry Niemann Margaret Steinbrecher
<b>Sunday 9:30 a.m.</b>	Adayre Klausner Christopher McDermott Urban Venvertloh	Kelly Burgdorf Carol Darnell Kristy Henrichs John Obert	Donnette Cannady Wilbur Gleckler Marvin Knuffman Leila Weppler	<b>Terry Kistner</b> Neal Blickhan Jason Costigan Gary Darnell Ryan Klausner Terry Nall	Thomas Hummel Michelle Obert	Jill Blickhan Andrea Gruger
<b>Sunday 11:00 a.m.</b>	Charlotte Horman Jonathan Ohnemus Alex Strong	Norbert Dixon Sue Holbrook Marcia Steinkamp Michael Wand	Amanda Garnett Laura Ohnemus Christy Woodward Brenda Wand	<b>Mike Holbrook</b> Jason Cramsey Drew Erwin Steve Obert Don Olps Matthew Schulte	Daryle Hightower Dennis Steinkamp	Amy Steinkamp Patricia Tomczak
<b><u>Weekday Mass Servers</u></b>		January 26 (Sat.): 8:00 a.m. January 28 – February 1: 8:00 a.m.		<b>Grace Dreier &amp; Lauren Miller</b>		



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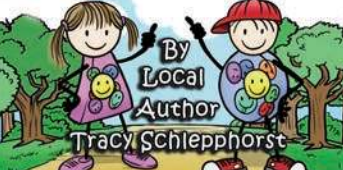
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