

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUGUST 23, 2026

TWENTIETH - FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS - 5:00 PM
SUNDAY, MASS - 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASS

TUESDAY - FRIDAY
NOON MASS
UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM OR BY
APPOINTMENT

ROSARY

FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT NOON.

ADORATION

TUESDAY - 6:00 PM
UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM OR BY
APPOINTMENT

BAPTISM - 2 WEEKS NOTICE

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE FOR
AN APPOINTMENT

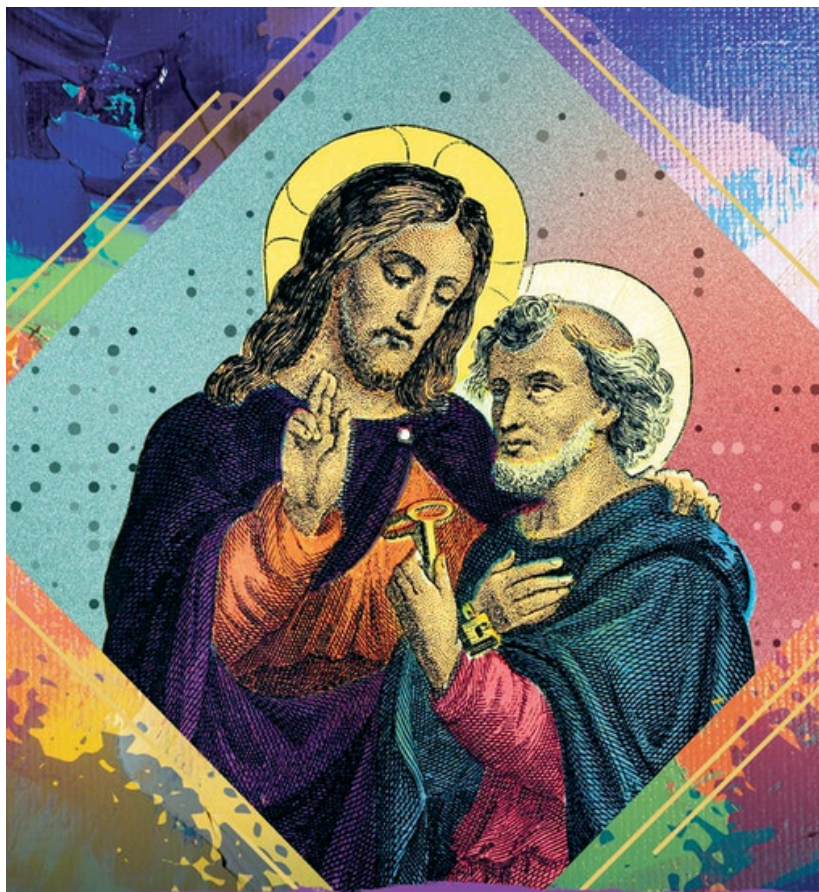
MARRIAGE PREP - 6 MONTHS NOTICE

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Administrator: Fr. Jacob Zulu
Deacon: Joe Jacobs
Adm Assistant: Becky Griffith
Custodian: Lisa Scalf

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 3:30 pm



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ,
the Son of the living God." - Mt 16:15-16

02 WELCOME!

STEWARDSHIP

8/16/2026

OFFERING	\$3,242
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$3,000
<u>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</u>	\$242
YTD OFFERTORY	\$21,011
BUDGET	\$21,000
<u>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</u>	\$11
FOOD PANTRY	\$25

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.....

Hi everyone,

Please continue to keep Fr. Prakash in prayer as he pastors St. George (Jenkins) and St. Francis (Pikeville), and pray for Fr. Jacob as he prepares to return to the United States smoothly.

Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2026

SUNDAY: IS 22:19-23/PS 138:1-2A, 2B-3, 6 AND 8/ROM 11:33-36/MT 16:13-20

MONDAY: RV 21:9B-14/PS 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/JN 1:45-51

TUESDAY: 2 THES 2:1-3A, 14-17/PS 96:10, 11-12, 13/MT 23:23-26

WEDNESDAY: 2 THES 3:6-10, 16-18/PS 128:1-2, 4-5/MT 23:27-32

THURSDAY: 1 COR 1:1-9/PS 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/MT 24:42-51

FRIDAY: 1 COR 1:17-25/PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/MT 25:1-13

SATURDAY: 1 COR 1:26-31/PS 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/MK 6:17-29

NEXT SUNDAY: JER 20:7-9/PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ROM 12:1-2/MT 16:21-27 ©LPI



ISAIAH 22:19-23
ROMANS 11:33-36
MATTHEW 16:13-20

As Eliakim is given authority as master of the palace, so does Jesus confer upon Peter authority to bind and loose. To Jesus, who promised to be with his Church for all time, be glory for ever and ever!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	For the People
Sunday, August 23	10:30 am Mass	+Charles Cokley
Monday, August 24	NO MASS	
Tuesday, August 25	Adoration/Benediction 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
Wednesday, August 26	Noon Mass	+Ned and Lucille Bush
Thursday, August 27	NO MASS	
Friday, August 28	NO MASS	
Saturday, August 29	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Charls Cokley
Sunday, August 30	10:30 am Mass	For the People

**READINGS FOR TODAY
MAY BE FOUND IN THE
SAINT AUGUSTINE
HYMNAL NUMBER 1039**

03 PARISH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

08/23/2026

Lector - Mary Jo Ratliff

Lector Fill in Only - MaShawna Jacobs

Gift Bearer Server - Christopher & Lindsay Elliott

Coffee & Donuts - Zach & Jonnica Bryson

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion - Theresa Dawahare

08/30/2026

Lector - Sidney Cline

Lector Fill in Only - Mary Jo Ratliff

Gift Bearer Server - Joseph & Pia Mata

Coffee & Donuts - Fadi & Lina AlAkhrass

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion - Denny Rohrer

Please email rgriffith@cdlex.org, call **606-437-6117**, or text Becky at **606-213-4892** if you know in advance that you will be unable to serve at Mass on your assigned dates. Please note that the bulletin is submitted for print each Tuesday by 3:30 pm.

Thank you, each and everyone of you, for your faithful service to our parish!

RENEWAL OF VOWS - Br. Christian Matson will renew his religious vows as a diocesan hermit at the 12:00 pm Mass on Tuesday, August 25, celebrated by Bishop John Stowe. All are welcome.

CATECHISM CLASS - If your child needs to be enrolled in Catechism, please contact Becky at (606) 437-6117 or Sheilla at (606) 616-8408. We will be placing our book order next week, so please reach out soon.

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Prayer for the Pope

Dear God,

Be with Our Holy Father in his ministry. Bless, anoint, and protect him in his comings and goings. Inspire his words, direct his interactions, guide his prayer. Amen. ©LPi

GOSPEL MEDITATION -

ENCOURAGE DEEPER

UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:13-20

The first time I stood inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, its majesty overwhelmed me. The sheer beauty of Michelangelo's dome seemed to lift my soul right out of my body. Later, I joined the Scavi tour that winds below the basilica, down into the ancient pagan cemetery where Peter was buried. There, in the dim light and narrow passageways, I found myself looking at the bones of a murdered Jewish fisherman, his feet cut off so his crucified body could be taken down more easily.

What a paradox. Above me, the most glorious church ever built. Beneath me, the remains of a backwater fisherman. But this man dared to answer Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" And crowning that immense dome above his tomb are the words from today's Gospel, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church." Within you and me is the drama of the lowest and the highest. Every time we confess Christ, humbly, imperfectly, maybe even trembling, we enter that same mystery. The dust of our humanity, touched by the splendor of heaven. God's presence and our dry bones together. Humility and glory. May our lives embrace both the lowest and the highest, like that great basilica, as we profess Jesus. — Father John Muir ©LPi

PRAY FOR....



Charlotte Misczenski

Selma Owens, Frank Dawahare's sister

KaLLum Coleman, infant son of Skylar and Evan Coleman

Lakeisha Therese Tucker, 3rd stage colon cancer

Ray Buchanan

Cecilia Newman, Kenny Schmidt's sister

Jimmie Goss

Chona Curry

Wilson Vansant, Lisa Scalf's dad

Melba Schmidt, Kenny Schmidt's mother

Wanda Baker

Jeffery Scalf, Lisa's son

Sandy Lowe, cancer

Ron Saros

Helen Altman

Fran Sykes

+Ada DePoy

+Peggy Anderson

+Kenny Blackburn

+Mary Anne McNamee

+Sidney Tackett

VOTIVE CANDLES:
Suggested donation
Large \$3.00
Small \$0.50