

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER 18, 2026

TWENTY - NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUBILEE YEAR OF

St. Francis of Assisi

JAN 10, 2026 – JAN 10, 2027



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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



02 WELCOME!

STEWARDSHIP

10/11/2026	
OFFERING	\$2,603
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$3,000
SURPLUS/ <u>DEFICIT</u>	\$397
YTD OFFERTORY	\$46,225
BUDGET	\$45,000
<u>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</u>	\$1,225
FOOD PANTRY	\$25



ISAIAH 45:1, 4-6
1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-5B
MATTHEW 22:15-21

The Lord is King and there is no other.
We are to render to God, therefore,
fitting praise and service, as is God's
due. God's word to us, in turn, is a
matter of power and strength, to be
lived with conviction of heart.

READINGS FOR TODAY MAY BE
FOUND IN THE SAINT
AUGUSTINE HYMNAL NUMBER
1063

✱ WEEKLY READINGS ✱ IN DAILY MASS

*Readings for the week of
October 18, 2026*

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and
3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/ 1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt
22:15-21
Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2,
3, 4ab, 4c-5/Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-
10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3,
4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2,
4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab,
5-6/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2,
3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps
18:2-3a, 3b-4, 47 and 51/1 Thes
1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40 ©LPi

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.....



Greeting, my dear family of God!

I am very excited to finally be with you at St. Francis of Assisi Church. I know the wait has been a bit long, and I thank God for making all things possible. Thank you for your prayers of accompaniment whilst I completed the visa process back home in Zambia.

A little about myself: I am Fr. Jacob Zulu, born on May 25, 1979, and raised in Zambia, Africa. I come from a family of seven boys, and I am the oldest. My dad passed away two years and ten months ago, and my mother is still living. All my siblings and my mother remain in Zambia.

I completed my seminary training in Zambia and was ordained a priest on August 9, 2008, serving my home diocese until 2022. I first came to the United States in 2022 to serve in the Archdiocese of Louisville. In April 2026, I transitioned to the Diocese of Lexington. I am grateful to Bishop John Stowe for appointing me to serve here at this beautiful parish of St. Francis of Assisi.

May God bless us as all as we journey together as a family of faith. May Mary, our Mother, accompany us, strengthen us, and hold our hands just as she accompanied her Son, Jesus, in His work.

If you wish to meet with me for any reason, please feel free to call the parish office to arrange a time.

May God bless you all,
Fr. Jacob Zulu
Parish Administrator

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 17	5:00 pm - Vigil Mass	+Robert So
Sunday, October 18	10:30 am - Mass	For the People
Monday, October 19	NO MASS	
Tuesday, October 20	Noon Mass Adoration - 6:00 pm	+Ed Love
Wednesday, October 21	Noon Mass	+Charles Cokley
Thursday, October 22	Noon Mass	For the People
Friday, October 23	Noon Mass	For the People
Saturday, October 24	5:00 pm - Vigil Mass	+Ralph Santiago
Sunday, October 25	10:30 am - Mass	For the People

03 PARISH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

10/18/2026

Lector - Mary Jo Ratliff

Lector Fill in Only - Isabella Ramsey

Gift Bearer Server - Christopher & Lindsay Elliott

Coffee & Donuts - Sidney & Valerie Cline

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Theresa Dawahare

10/25/2026

Lector - Sidney Cline

Lector Fill in Only - Mary Jo Ratliff

Gift Bearer Server - Joseph & Pia Mata

Coffee & Donuts - Denny Rohrer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Denny Rohrer

Please email rgriffith@cdlex.org, or call **606-437-6117**, 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!

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing for World Mission Sunday

O God,
You never cease to call us to Yourself, bless the mission fields where we sow, tend, and reap. Give us your grace and strength as we share Your love with families and friends, strangers and sojourners. Give us the right words, the right inspirations, the right invitations, the right love. Your love, shared. Amen. ©LPi

PAJAMA DRIVE: Last year, during Christmas, Christina and William Davidson organized a pajama drive for the residents of Pikeville Nursing Home. Christina recently shared that she has seen the residents wearing the pajamas — what a wonderful blessing for our community. She is currently gathering sizes and the number needed for this year's drive.

If you have any questions, or would like to donate, please call or text Christina at 606-422-4482.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING - All

parishioners and volunteers who will be in contact with our youth are asked to scan the QR code and complete the Safe Environment Training.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe environment for all children in our parish.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 22:15-21

Occasionally, I'll slip into a parish I've never visited before, pick up the bulletin, and find one of my Gospel reflections. My heart usually swells with a bit of affection for my creation. I imprint a bit of myself into my little "literary labors of love." Anyone who has created something — a piece of writing, a garden, a meal, a child — knows that feeling. We love the things into which we put ourselves. We are happy when they return to us.

With this in mind, listen to Jesus' classic line in this Sunday's Gospel: "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God" (Matthew 22:21). He presents this little riddle to deepen the theme from taxes to human beings. A Roman coin bears Caesar's image, so it belongs to Caesar. Therefore, he has a legitimate claim to it. Fair enough. But what belongs to God? What bears His image? Every human being. God has imprinted Himself on every person. Which means everyone — including Caesar — belongs entirely to Him. Jesus, who is God's perfect image, has come to draw everyone back to God.

We can be tempted to imagine that our lives are made up of "things for God" and "things not for God." The good news is that no such division is possible because everything in life is a gift from God to us. Therefore, all is meant to be placed at the service of God's kingdom. He loves everything He has created. We have the privilege of giving it all back to Him. — Father John Muir ©LPi

CLASSES:

- OCIA - Sunday's at 9:00 am - School Building.
- Catechism Class - Sunday's at 9:15 am - School Building.
- Womens Bible Study - Wednesday's at 6:00 pm - School Building - Walking with Purpose - Touching the Divine.

PRAY FOR....



Hudson Allen

Judy Ann Cole, Mary Ann Sisco's, Sister in law

Donna Goble

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