

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUGUST 16, 2026

TWENTIETH 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

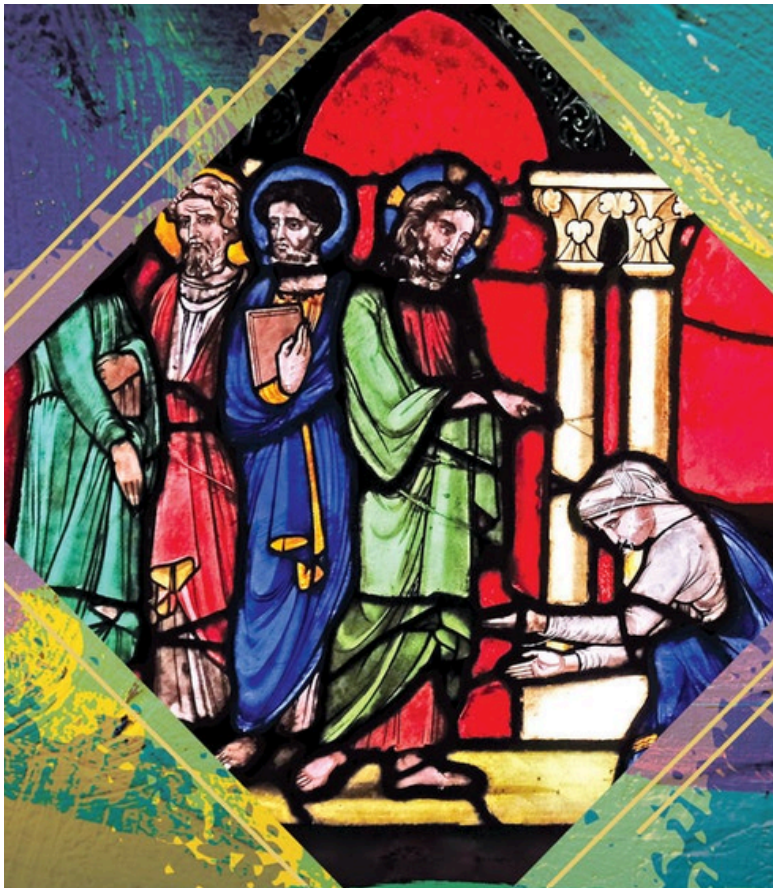
MARRIAGE PREP - 6 MONTHS NOTICE

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

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

OFFICE HOURS

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



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The woman came and did Jesus homage, saying,
"Lord, help me." - Mt 15:25

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02 WELCOME!

STEWARDSHIP

8/9/2026

OFFERING	\$2,657
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$3,000
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	\$343
YTD OFFERTORY	\$17,769
BUDGET	\$18,000
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	\$231
FOOD PANTRY	\$25



ISAIAH 56:1, 6-7
ROMANS 11:13-15, 29-32
MATTHEW 15:21-28

All peoples are invited to worship the Lord and to know his ways. God's gifts and his call are to Jew and Gentile alike. Jesus recognizes the universality of God's call in granting the request of the Canaanite woman.

**READINGS FOR TODAY
MAY BE FOUND IN THE
SAINT AUGUSTINE
HYMNAL NUMBER 1036**

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 16, 2026

SUNDAY: IS 56:1, 6-7/PS 67:2-3, 5, 6 AND 8/ROM 11:13-15, 29-32/MT 15:21-28

MONDAY: EZ 24:15-23/DT 32:18-19, 20, 21/MT 19:16-22

TUESDAY: EZ 28:1-10/DT 32:26-27AB, 27CD-28, 30, 35CD-36AB/MT 19:23-30

WEDNESDAY: EZ 34:1-11/PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6/MT 20:1-16

THURSDAY: EZ 36:23-28/PS 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/MT 22:1-14

FRIDAY: EZ 37:1-14/PS 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/MT 22:34-40

SATURDAY: EZ 43:1-7AB/PS 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12, 13-14/MT 23:1-12

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 15	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Ned and Lucille Bush
Sunday, August 16	10:30 am Mass	For the People
Monday, August 17	NO MASS	
Tuesday, August 18	Adoration/Benediction 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
Wednesday, August 19	Noon Mass	For the People
Thursday, August 20	NO MASS	
Friday, August 21	NO MASS	
Saturday, August 22	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	For the People
Sunday, August 23	10:30 am Mass	+Charles Cokley

03 PARISH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

08/16/2026

Lector - Joe Collins

Lector Fill in Only - Isabella Ramsey

Gift Bearer Server - Bob & Annice Welch

Coffee & Donuts - Cherry & Mariano Rivera

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion - Sidney Cline

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.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Does God ignore or act a bit rough with you? Jesus crosses the border into the pagan region of Tyre and Sidon, the territory long outside the covenant.

There, a Canaanite woman calls out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David." At first, he is silent. Then he rebuffs her. "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." But the Church Fathers saw this not as an insult but as an initiation. Christ draws out of her heart a deeper faith.

She presses on. "Please, Lord, even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Jesus' silence and response solidify her humility and trust. She thus becomes a model for prayer for centuries of Christians. St. Augustine said she shows how sinners come to grace by moving from silence to humility to perseverance.

This woman is the Church. She is you and me. She is every soul who dares to cry out from the margins, who endures divine silence until it turns to compassion. When Jesus says, "O woman, great is your faith," it is the joyful cry of God discovering faith where the world least expects it. Even the smallest crumb of Your mercy, Lord, is enough to heal the soul. Do we have the courage to show faith like that?

— Father John Muir

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PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Prayer for Conversion in Our Communities

Dear God,

Move in our community: Bring Your light to the darkness, Your justice to the oppressed, Your hope to those in despair, Your healing to those in pain. Work in us, Lord, and change our hearts, making us more loving, more merciful, and more compassionate. Amen.

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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