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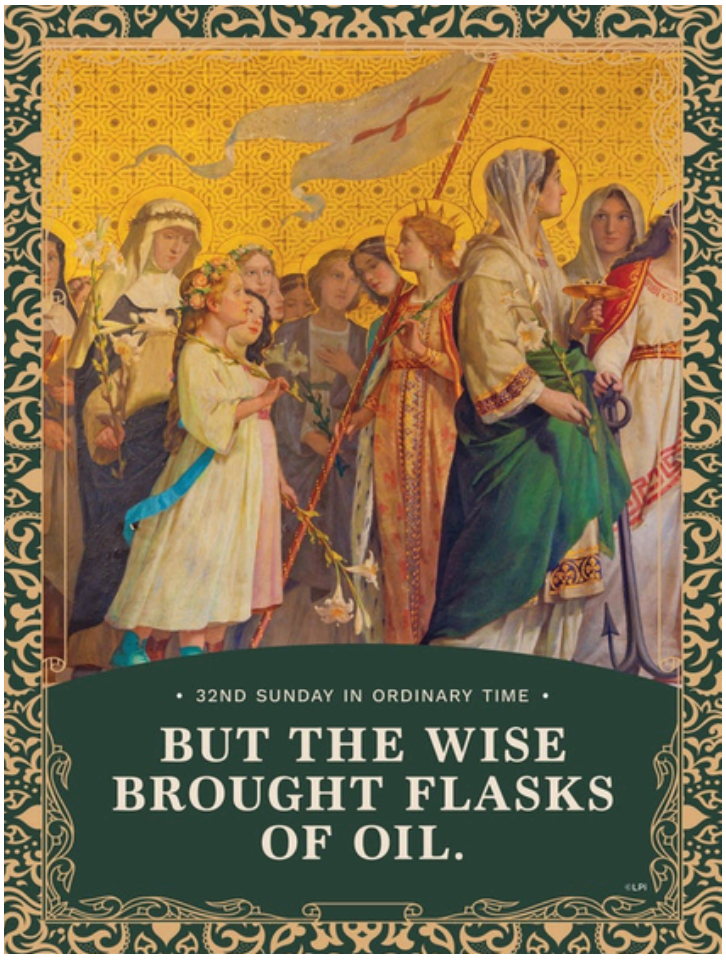
NOVEMBER 8, 2026 **THIRTY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**





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

02 WELCOME!

STEWARDSHIP

11/01/2026	
OFFERING	$4,550
WEEKLY BUDGET	$3,000
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	$1,550
YTD OFFERTORY	$56,501
BUDGET	$54,000
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	$2,501
FOOD PANTRY	



WISDOM 6:12-16
1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18
MATTHEW 25:1-13

We seek many things in this life, but we should seek first the Lord and his wisdom. By so living we will keep vigil for the Lord as we await his return in glory.

READINGS FOR TODAY MAY BE FOUND IN THE SAINT AUGUSTINE HYMNAL NUMBER 1072

WEEKLY READINGS IN DAILY MASS

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21 ©LPi

SUNDAY REFLECTION FROM FR. JACOB .....

My Dear family of God,

In today's Gospel, we see the wise and foolish bridesmaids waiting for the bridegroom. The wise one's brought extra oil, while the foolish did not. The bridegroom was delayed and came at midnight-an unexpected hour. When the foolish bridesmaids left to buy oil, the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went with him to the wedding feast, and the door was shut, leaving no second chance for the unprepared.

This story teaches the importance of planning and readiness, especially for unexpected moments. Often, we assume we will get another chance, but this leads to procrastination and regret. Instead, we should live each day with mindfulness, prepared to meet God at any time.

The first reading encourages us to seek Wisdom, who is found by those who love and pursue her. St. Paul strengthens our hope, affirming that just as Jesus died and rose, we too shall always be with the Lord.

Fr. Jacob

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 7	5:00 pm - Vigil Mass	+Sidney Tackett
Sunday, November 8	10:30 am - Mass	For the People
Monday, November 9	**NO MASS**	**NO MASS**
Tuesday, November 10	Noon Mass Adoration - 6:00 pm	+Link Jo Sowards
Wednesday, November 11	Noon Mass	+Drew & Lexi Dreggors
Thursday, November 12	Noon Mass	+Mary & Hatler Burnette
Friday, November 13	Noon Mass	+Dr. Mary Fox
Saturday, November 14	5:00 pm - Vigil Mass	For the People
Sunday, November 15	10:30 am - Mass	+Horberto & Carmen Hofies

03 PARISH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

11/08/2026
Lector - Frank Dawahare
Lector Fill in Only - William Fleniken
Gift Bearer Server - Bob & Annic Welch
Coffee & Donuts - Joseph & Pia Mata
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Joseph Mata

11/15/2026
Lector - Jerry Kanney
Lector Fill in Only - Benjamin Cline
Gift Bearer Server - Todd & Sandra May
Coffee & Donuts - Sidney & Valerie Cline
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - MaShawna Jacobs

11/22/2026
Lector - Joe Collins
Lector Fill in Only - Isabella Ramsey
Gift Bearer Server - Joseph & Pia Mata
Coffee & Donuts - Todd & Sandra May
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Pia Mata

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!

BOXES OF LOVE - Families, as you know, our parish partners with First Christian Church each month to provide a meal and food assistance to families in need. Lisa delivers 14 bags each month containing items from the Boxes of Love donation list. If you have not yet participate, please consider supporting this ministry by making a monetary donation or purchasing items from the list. All donations, no matter the size, are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for helping us God's love with those in need.

PRAYER AND MASS REQUESTS - If you would like to add someone to the prayer list or request a Mass intention, please email rgriffith@cdlex.org, call the parish office at (606) 437-6117, or place a note in the collection basket.

Mass intentions are $5.00 per requested date. Please make checks payable to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church and write "Mass Offering" in the memo line.

If paying with cash, please place it in an envelope along with the requested Mass intention date and the name of the person for whom the Mass is being offered.

We will do our best to accommodate all requests.

CHRISTMAS GIVEAWAY – The semi-truck from Minnesota will arrive in Paintsville, Kentucky, on Monday, November 9, 2026. The truck contains items that will be distributed to families in our community who have called and been placed on the Christmas Giveaway list
.
We are seeking volunteers to help unload and sort the donated items and pack boxes for families. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Lisa Scalf or Gloria Newsom.

Your time and support will make a meaningful difference in helping us serve those in need during the Christmas season.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE -

Matthew 25:1-13

My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attention as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13). The basic currency of the human heart is attention. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be? — Father John Muir ©LPi

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing for Veterans

O God,
Bless the men and women who have stepped forward in the service of our country. Protect them in Your mercy, care for their needs: physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual. Give them courage, strength, perseverance, and support. Amen. ©LPi

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.

CLASSES:

Please be in prayer for everyone preparing for sacrrements.

- OCIA - Sunday's at 9:00 am - School Building.
- Catechism Class - Sunday's at 9:15 am - School Building. **NO Classes 11-22-26 and 11-29-26**.
- Confirmation Class - Sunday's at 8:45 am - School Building. Please pray for everyone preparing for sacrrements.
- Women's Bible Study - Wednesday's at 6:00 pm - School Building - Walking with Purpose Touching the Divine.

PRAY FOR....



Allan Holland, Jr.

David Syck, Curtis Syck's brother

Curtis Syck

Hudson Allen

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

Donna Goble

Charlotte Misczenski

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

Wanda Baker

Jeffery Scalf, Lisa's son

Sandy Lowe, cancer

Ron Saros

Helen Altman

Fran Sykes

+Selma Owens

+Ada DePoy

+Peggy Anderson

+Kenny Blackburn

+Mary Anne McNamee

+Sidney Tackett

VOTIVE CANDLES:
Suggested donation
Large $3.00
Small $0.50