

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



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MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Mass: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Adoration: Tuesday, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Daily Mass: Tuesday - Friday - Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISM - 2 WEEKS NOTICE

Please call the office for an appointment.

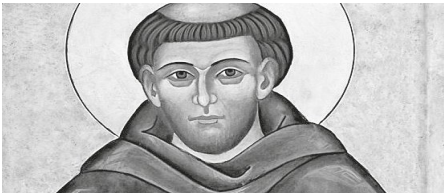
MARRIAGE PREP - 6 MONTHS NOTICE

Please call the office for an appointment.



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2



From the Pastor's Desk....

Sunday Offertory

04-26-2026.....\$4,761
 Weekly Budget.....\$3,000
Surplus/Deficit.....\$1,761
 YTD Offertory.....\$159,304
 Budget.....\$126,000
Surplus/Deficit.....\$33,304
 Food Pantry\$10



ACTS 6:1-7
1 PETER 2:4-9
JOHN 14:1-12

We are “a chosen race, a royal priesthood” called to place our faith and trust in the Spirit of Jesus who guides the community of faith.

Readings may be found in
 the Saint Augustine
 Hymnal Number 961

Hi everyone,

This week, the Church celebrates the Fifth Sunday of Easter. In our first reading from Acts of the Apostles, we hear the story of how the apostles came up with the diaconate. All first deacons were taken from among the Greek believers (not the Jews) because they would be sent to minister to these people. The Church still uses deacons like this. This week, I want to focus on the role and meaning of the diaconate and why deacons matter in the Church today.

Fr. Rob

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of May 3, 2026

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
 Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
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Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, May 2	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Charles Cokley
Sunday, May 3	10:30 am Mass 1:00 pm	For the People +Felina Tanael
Monday, May 4	No Mass	
Tuesday, May 5	Noon Mass	+Link Jo Sowards
Wednesday, May 6	Noon Mass	+Dr. Mary Fox
Thursday, May 7	No Mass	
Friday, May 8	Noon Mass	+Jean Bilips
Saturday, May 9	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Charles Schmidt
Sunday, May 10	10:30 am Mass	For the People

Parish Calendar & Announcements

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY

LAY MINISTRY - 05/03/2026

Lector - Joseph Mata

Lector Fill in Only - William Fleniken

Gift Bearer Server - MaShawna Jacobs

Coffee & Donuts - Todd & Sandra May

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Pia Mata

LAY MINISTRY - 05/10/2026

Lector - Sidney Cline

Lector Fill in Only - Benjamin Cline

Gift Bearer Server - Todd & Sandra May

Coffee & Donuts - Sidney & Valerie Cline

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Sidney Cline

LAY MINISTRY - 05/17/2026

Lector - Mary Jo Ratliff

Lector Fill in Only - Isabella Ramsey

Gift Bearer Server - Bob & Annice Welch

Coffee & Donuts - Zach & Jonnica Bryson

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Theresa Dawahare

LAY MINISTRY - 05/24/2026

Lector - Steve Misczanski

Lector Fill in Only - Mary Jo Ratliff

Gift Bearer Server - Cherry & Mariano Rivera

Coffee & Donuts - Denny Rohrer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Denny Rohrer

LAY MINISTRY - 05/31/2026

Lector - Fadi AlAkhrass

Lector Fill in Only - MaShawna Jacobs

Gift Bearer Server - Christopher & Lindsay Elliott

Coffee & Donuts - Denny Rohrer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Frank Dawahare



VOLUNTEER LAWN CARE OPPORTUNITY

Lawn Care Volunteers Needed

We are needing additional volunteers to help maintain our grounds. By volunteering, you will play a vital role in keeping our outdoor spaces attractive and welcoming for everyone.

How to Get Involved

If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please reach out to Dale Hamilton at (606) 213-3943 for more information or to volunteer.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve!

ROSARY - The first Saturday of each month at noon

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing of Peace

Dear Lord,

You have said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled.”

Bless me with Your peace.

Fill my heart with trust in You,

and hope in Your promises.

Be my rock in times of distress,

my light in times of darkness,

and my rest in the storm. Amen. ©LPi

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

John 14:1-12

We generally approach life with the question, “What can this do for me?” We try a new workout, a low-carb diet, intermittent fasting, or a new career path, hoping it will make us healthier, stronger, happier. The assumption is that if I invest in this, I’ll eventually reap some benefit, or I won’t do it.

It is easy to think of faith the same way: if I really practice my faith, what will it do for me? Will it make me calmer, more moral, more successful?

But in today’s Gospel, Jesus says something astonishing. He doesn’t present himself as a teacher who shows us the way to life. He says, “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.” (John 14:6) He is not merely a guide toward some higher benefit. He is the benefit itself. To know him is to know Life.

Thomas Aquinas explains that every desire in the human heart — love, joy, meaning, all of our restless cravings — is really an indirect cry for life. Even despair testifies to this longing: people despair precisely because they feel they are not, and might never be, fully alive.

The good news is that Jesus is not simply the means to a better life; He is Life itself. To believe in him is to share in God’s own eternal vitality. Not simply later but even now. Faith is not a transaction that produces results — it is a union that fills us with joy. To be in communion with Christ is to be truly, fully alive. — Father John Muir ©LPi



Susie Johnson

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

Sharon Collins, cancer

Wilson Vanzant, Lisa Scalf’s stepdad

Sister Kathy Avery

Ransom McCoy, Lindsay May’s dad

Melba Schmidt, Kenny Schmidt’s mother

Wanda Baker

Jeffrey Scalf, Lisa’s son

Sandy Lowe, cancer

Ron Saros

Helen Altman

Fran Sykes

+Peggy Anderson

+Kenny Blackburn

+Mary Anne McNamee

+Sidney Tackett

VOTIVE CANDLES:

Suggested donation: Large votives \$3.00 and small votives \$0.50