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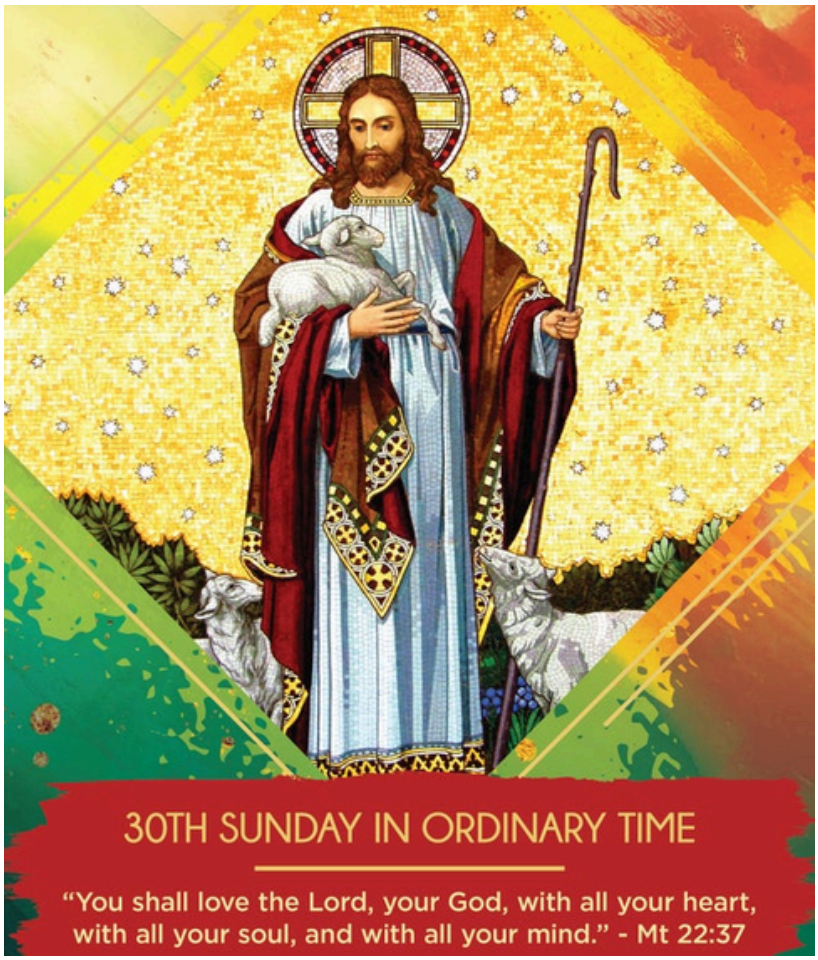
OCTOBER 25, 2026 **SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**





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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

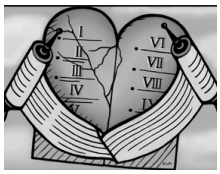
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OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 3:30 pm

02 WELCOME!

STEWARDSHIP

10/18/2026	
OFFERING	$2,663
WEEKLY BUDGET	$3,000
SURPLUS/**DEFICIT**	$337
YTD OFFERTORY	$48,888
BUDGET	$48,000
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	$888
FOOD PANTRY	



EXODUS 22:20-26
1 THESSALONIANS 1:5C-10
MATTHEW 22:34-10

We are to love the Lord with our whole heart and our neighbor as ourselves. By thus fulfilling these two great commandments, we hope to become models of faith and imitators of the Lord who gave himself totally for our sakes.

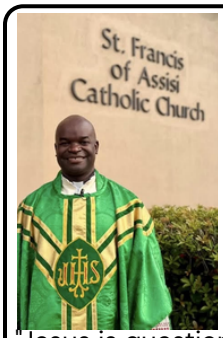
READINGS FOR TODAY MAY BE FOUND IN THE SAINT AUGUSTINE HYMNAL NUMBER 1066

WEEKLY READINGS IN DAILY MASS

The week of October 25, 2026

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3a, 3b-4, 47 and 51/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40
Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a ©LPi

SUNDAY REFLECTION FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.....



"Jesus is questioned by a scribe about the greatest commandment. The scribe was impressed by the answer Jesus gave to the Sadducees. And so, he found in Jesus a true Rabbi who could clear his doubts regarding the greatest commandment. Jesus responds by summarising all of God's laws into two essential commandments: loving God with all one's heart, soul, strength and mind (Duet 6:4-5) and loving one's neighbour as oneself (Lev 19:18). These commandments reveal that our relationship with God is inseparable from our relationships with others. We love God because God loved us first. When we are filled with God's love in a vertical relationship, it flows into acts of love toward God's children horizontally. Pope Francis says, "To love God and neighbor is not something abstract, but profoundly concrete; it means seeing in every person the face of the Lord to be served, to serve him concretely." (Homily, Nov, 2013). Jesus' teaching encourages us to put love at the center of our decisions, plans, programmes and actions, knowing that when we love genuinely, I am honoring God and fulfilling His will."

Many thanks and blessings
Fr. Jacob

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 24	5:00 pm - Vigil Mass	+Ralph Santiago
Sunday, October 25	10:30 am - Mass	For the People
Monday, October 26	**NO MASS**	**NO MASS**
Tuesday, October 27	Noon Mass Adoration - 6:00 pm	+Ed Love
Wednesday, October 28	Noon Mass	+Charles Cokley
Thursday, October 29	Noon Mass	+Melba Schmidt
Friday, October 30	Noon Mass	+Drew & Lexi Dreggors
Saturday, October 31	5:00 pm - Vigil Mass	+Charles Cokley
Sunday, November 1	10:30 am - Mass	For the People

03 PARISH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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

11/01/2026
Lector - Fadi AlAkhrass
Lector Fill in Only - MaShawna Jacobs
Gift Bearer Server - MaShawna Jacobs
Coffee & Donuts - Zach & Jonnica Bryson
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Frank Dawahare

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

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!

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.

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing for Harvest

Thank you, Lord, for the growth we have seen this season. Bless our harvest and those who labor to bring us nourishment. May Your provision be known, Your pruning be sure, Your preservation total. Prosper the work of our hands, Lord, in Your goodness. Amen. ©LPi

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 participated, 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 share God's love with those in need.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 22:34-40

When I was in seventh grade, like most boys of that age, I was constantly hungry. I could eat at any hour of the day. Then I fell head over heels for a classmate named Kristin. One evening, while lying on my bed and pondering her perfections, my mom called me to dinner. For the first time in my adolescent life, I remember thinking: "I'm not hungry." My heart longed for Kristin more than my stomach for food. Now, I wouldn't confuse adolescent infatuation with mature love. But it was an experience of how love can reorder everything in our lives.

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus says, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart" (Matthew 22:37). He is not issuing a burden or a moral goal for high achievers. He is naming the deepest orientation of the human heart. We were made for love so great that it gathers every other love into itself. Jesus does not ask us to love less the persons or things that attract us. Rather, he wants our love for God to be so total and intense that we love everything and everyone else because we love him so much.

Do we believe that such a love is possible for us? Because of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, it is! It is readily available to us. Let's repent of our half-hearted love for God and ask Him to fill our hearts to the brim with divine love. — Father John Muir ©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 all children in our parish.

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

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