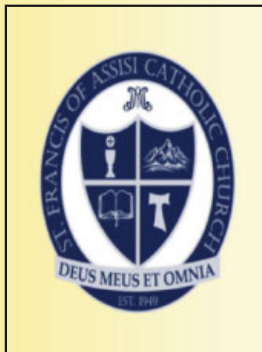


JANUARY 23, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

Text to Give: (833) 938-2034

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Rob Adams

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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.

- Lk 4:18



From the Pastor's Desk....

Sunday Offertory

01-16-2022.....\$910
 Weekly Budget.....\$2,700
 Surplus/**Deficit**.....\$1,790
 YTD Offertory.....\$82,404
 Budget.....\$78,300
Surplus/Deficit.....\$4,104
 01-16-2022 Building Fund.....\$50

BUILDING FUND UPDATE: We currently owe \$53,787 on the new church building. Thank you for your continued support of the Church Building Fund.



Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30
 Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Ezra proclaims the word of the Lord which gives spirit and life. Jesus proclaims himself the fulfillment of the Law and the prophets. In him we have become one body with many members.

Readings may be found in the Saint Augustine Hymnal Number 987

I'm very sad that we had to cancel Mass last Sunday! The temperature was hovering around 33 degrees here at the church, and the rain could have turned to ice at any moment.

As a parish, we did everything we could to let people know, but there were still folks who didn't get our information. I'd like to take this opportunity to ask everyone to please download our stfrancispikeville app on Apple and Android and turn on notifications. Otherwise, we do our best to update our Google search information and our Facebook page.

Since we are in mission territory, the situation could arise where we have to communicate with everyone. In the old days, we could do this by phone trees and word of mouth. However, I'm sure most of use our smartphone to do lots of things, and you can get update wherever you may be. Let's all work together to stay in touch!

Fr. Rob

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is a Eucharistic family of Catholic Christians. Nourished by the sacraments and guided by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim Jesus Christ and the Good News of salvation. Following the spirit of the Gospel, St. Francis parish provides continous religious education and spiritual growth for all parishioners, varied opportunities for social enrichment, and support for the needs of families in Pike County, our nation and the world.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, January 22	5:00 pm Mass	+Daniel McKasson
Sunday, January 23	10:30 am Mass	For the People
Monday, January 24	No Mass	
Tuesday, January 25	Noon Mass	+Charles Schmidt
Wednesday, January 26	Noon Mass	+Archie Murphy
Thursday, January 27	No Mass	+Mary Coorseen
Friday, January 28	Mass at St. George	
Saturday, January 29	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Evelyn Dawahare
Sunday, January 30	10:30 am Mass	For the People

Parish Calendar & Announcements

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE
DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF
SCRIPTURE**

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God’s transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the “gods” of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God’s constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God’s Word, God’s life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one’s soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn’t forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God’s Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God’s fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. LPi

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY
MOMENTS**

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn’t even considered until then.

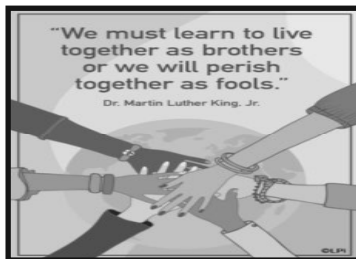
But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate “listening attentively.” Whether it’s at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can’t quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We “clock in” with Bible reading instead of “diving in.”

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 2022 - Human Fraternity - May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.



Jeffrey Scalf, Lisa’s son

Deacon Direk Curry, healing

Sister Kathy Avery

Barbara Kiser

Tim Deskins, cancer

Sandy Lowe, cancer

Jerry and Ann Bilicek

Gloria Wagner (Mother of Linda Justice and Susan Chafin)

Ron Saros

Cindy and Christy Hedinger

Rita Scheuer

Kenny Blackburn

Alpha Carroll, Signature Health Care

Dr. Harry and Helen Altman

Carol Rashella

Margarita Gomez

Fran Sykes

VOTIVE CANDLES:

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

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