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*Saint
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AUGUST 30, 2026

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

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OLSS SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 AM
(except on Holy Saturday)
Sunday 10:00 AM

OLSS DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday Service
Tuesday 6:30 PM
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 AM

SFOA SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 AM

SFOA DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday 5:00 PM

OLSS CONFESIONS

Saturdays 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
or by appointment

SFOA CONFESIONS

30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment

Holy Eucharist
30 minutes prior to Mass
First Fridays Mass
8:00 PM at Historic Chapel
First Fridays Eucharistic Adoration
5:00 PM to 6:30 PM



"THE HOMILY CONTINUED"

ADULT BIBLE STUDY RESUMES

"The Homily Continues" Adult Bible Study meets every Tuesday night at 6:00 PM in the social hall. A light dinner is served from 6-6:30 PM. The video presentation by Dr. Bryant Pitre begins at 6:30.

Learn your faith through the Mass.

• Dig deep into the readings for each Sunday Mass • Follow along with the study guide and transcript • See the Old and New Testament connections like never before every single week.

These presentations will help you bring home the gospel message every Sunday from Father and help you to live it more fully.

Come join us! This is a great time to start!



WELCOME, VISITORS!

We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to register with our Parish Family. You can fill out a registration form online or find one in the narthex.

MASS INTENTIONS

Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons: for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, go to the Parish Office to get on the schedule. Cards are then given to you so that you can mail them to whomever you choose to so they may also participate in the Mass. The stipend or offering given, **(\$10 or more)** signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

WEEKLY MASS / SERVICE SCHEDULE

08/29/26 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass
+ *Alexander Kowalewski*

08/30/26 - XXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)
Pro Populo / For the People
11:00 AM - (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
+ *Frank and Rose McNanna*

09/01/26 - Monday: NO MASS

09/02/26 - Tuesday: 5:00 PM - Adoration, Rosary,
Communion Service

09/03/26 - Wednesday:
8:00 AM Communion Service at OLSS
NO SERVICES AT SFOA

09/04/26 - Thursday: 8:00 AM Communion Service

09/05/26 - Friday: 8:00 AM Communion Service

09/06/26 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass
+ *Lena Preioni* and + *Dorothy Cade*

09/07/26 - XXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 AM (St. Francis Mission)
+ *John Morrissey*
11:00 AM (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
Pro Populo / For the People

August 30, 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 16:21-27

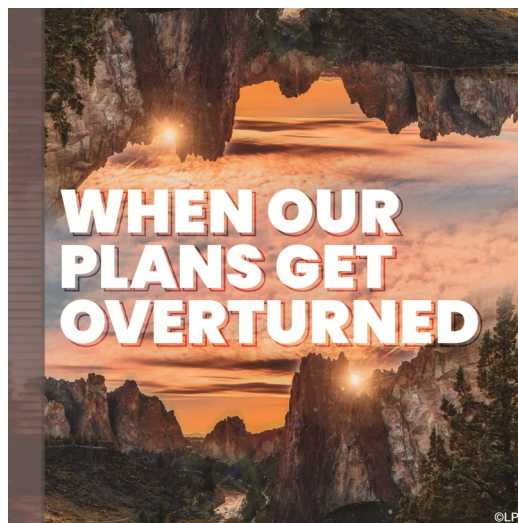
Do you know what it is like to be thrilled by the power of Christian faith one moment and then utterly fail in it the next? I do. That is Peter in today's Gospel. After last week's bold confession, he now hears Jesus speak of suffering and death, and something in him recoils. He takes Jesus aside and tries to correct him. Jesus responds with the shocking rebuke, **"Get behind me, Satan."**

Peter is the mirror of every disciple. We love Jesus until he contradicts the script we have written for our lives. Peter does not reject Jesus. He rejects a *suffering* Jesus. So do we, whenever we avoid a hard responsibility, resist a demanding relationship, or cling to comfort instead of choosing love. We want a Lord who supports our plans, not one who overturns them.

Yet Jesus does not discard Peter. He redirects him. **"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."** In effect, Jesus says, stop trying to lead me. Let me lead you. Discipleship does not begin with heroism or clarity but with surrender. It means trusting that God's path to life often passes through places we would never choose.

Peter is all of us. We move from insight to confusion, from confidence to correction. That is why we should have hope. Jesus patiently teaches us again and again. Trust me. Get behind me. Follow me. When we stop fighting the crosses that come and start carrying them with him, we discover a freedom deeper than comfort and a love stronger than fear.

— *Father John Muir*





YARD SALE

Saturday, October 10th, 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Father's Angels are accepting donations
for our annual yard sale!**

We are in need of gently used items:

**Furniture/ tools/ household items/ toys/
holiday items/ electronics/ etc.**

Drop Offs: Monday-Friday 9 am-2 pm
Call 912-322-6857 for large item pickup

*Proceeds are used for senior center outreach,
kids movie nite, and special projects to benefit the parish.
Father's Angels thank you for your continued support!*



faith, hope, charity

2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to those who have made their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet made your contribution, please consider helping us reach our goal. The envelopes are available in the Narthex.

	GOAL	TOTAL GIVEN	AMOUNT NEEDED TO REACH THE GOAL
OLSS	\$ 43,968.00	\$ 30,671.29	\$ 13,296.71
SFOA	\$ 4,824.00	\$ 4,886.00	GOAL REACHED

"Each one should give as much as he has decided on his own initiative, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7

OFFERTORY UPDATE

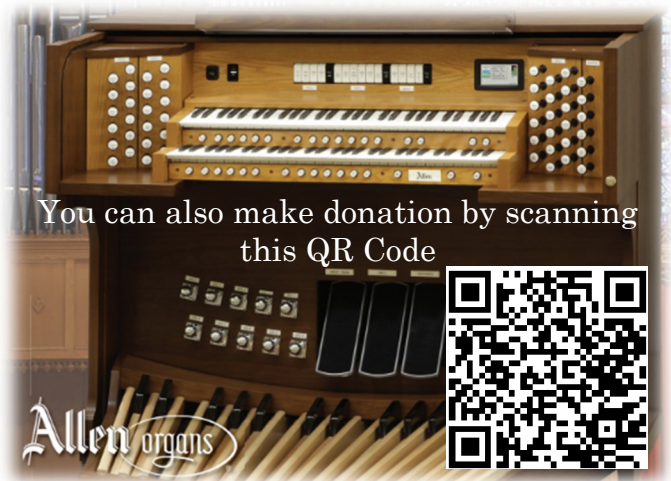
OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

AUGUST 23, 2026	AUGUST 24, 2025
COLLECTION - \$ 12,222.11 	COLLECTION - \$ 7,629.22
MAINTENANCE - \$ 840.00 	MAINTENANCE - \$ 287.61

SFOA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

AUGUST 23, 2026	AUGUST 24, 2025
COLLECTION - \$ 1,200.00 	COLLECTION - \$ 1252.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 489.00 	MAINTENANCE - \$ 316.00

ORGAN FUND
NEED TO RAISE \$ 130.000
WE HAVE RAISED \$ 47,725.



You can also make donation by scanning this QR Code

We need to raise at least 40 to 45% of the estimated \$130,000 cost before signing a contract with the company that will build our new organ. I humbly ask for your continued prayers and financial support. Every gift, no matter how small, brings us one step closer to making this project a reality.



OLSS Feast Day Parish Picnic!

September 27
Noon to 5 PM

Plan now to join other parish families for food, fun, and fellowship! We'll enjoy all the traditional picnic foods and games – including a dunk tank (featuring Fr. Mariusz, of course!), a bouncy house, sack races, and more.
Don't miss it!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM IN OLSS

A newborn child should be baptized within the first few months of life. A child who has reached the age of kindergarten should receive some basic instruction/preparation before reception of the Sacrament. In order to have a child baptized at Our Lady Star of the Sea, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, and registered in the OLSS Parish for at least four months. A child to be baptized should normally have two Godparents, a male and a female. In order to serve as a Godparent, a person must be a practicing Roman Catholic, fully initiated, and at least sixteen years of age. A Godparent must supply a letter from his/her proper pastor indicating suitability to serve as a Godparent for Baptism. Parents are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation Class which lasts approximately one hour.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE IN OLSS

Those preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage need to contact the church office for a list of instructions at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding date. Definite plans for a particular date should not be made until such contact has been completed. Only when a priest or deacon has decided that he will officiate at the marriage, will a definite date be set. There is a requirement for marriage preparation classes. Options for these will be discussed when you meet with the priest or deacon you have chosen as your celebrant

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

All the names of the sick we receive will be entered on the prayer list for one month, and then removed. If you would like your loved one to remain on the prayer list longer, please let us know, and we will happily oblige.

Laurie Weiler

Clarence & Kimberly Thompson

Braeden Hormann, Joshua McLaughlin

Mike Perry

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
Sat 08/29	1. Bonnie Carr 2. Lucia Feijo	Landon Wilkins Colton Wilkins Waylon Wilkins	David Costa Diane Costa Dennis Foster David Bowman
Sun 08/30	1. Karen Cataldi 2. Eugene Sanchez	Samuel Dominici Evan Gomez Isaac Dominici John M Hopkins	Keith Danos Colleen Danos Robert Cappello Saulo Capulong
Tue 09/01	Karen Hill		
Wed 09/02	Tricia Jenkins		
Thu 09/03	Gene Niksa		
Fri 09/04	Tricia Jenkins		
Sat 09/05	1. Caroline Neff 2. Karen Hill	Bryant Shepard	Ronald Logan Darlene Logan Kenneth Sylvester James Marcin
Sun 09/06	1. Hunt Thornhill 2. Eugene Sanchez	Joaquin Gomez Evanisto Gomez John Michael Hopkins	Clyde Miller Carl Boria Robert Cappello David Bowman

SFOA LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday 08/30	Lawanda Jones, Art Fouracre
Sunday 9/6	Lynn Crews, Kathleen Rodgers

COUNTERS SCHEDULE

Sunday 08/30	Trish Jenkins, Larry White, Kathy White, Patty Sullivan, Julie McKeown
Monday 9/7	Diane Costa, David Costa, Ginger Foster, Dennis Foster, Diana Schneider

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is upgrading our kitchen appliances, and we're excited to be getting a new stove and dishwasher! We are looking for a new home for our current **working stove and dishwasher**. They are **free to a good home**, though donations to the church are gratefully welcomed. If you are interested in either appliance, please leave a message with Tina at 912.276.0978.



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WHAT'S GOING ON ?

Mon., 08/31	
Tue., 09/01	SFoA - Ladies Cursillo - 9:30 AM - Social Hall OLSS - Homily Continued - 6:00 PM - Social Hall
Wed., 09/02	SFoA Men's Cursillo - 9:00 AM - Social Hall OLSS - Legion of Mary - 5:30 PM - RE Room #8 OLSS - Hospitality - 6:00 PM - RE Room #5 OLSS - Men's Bible Study - 6:30 PM - Double Room
Thurs., 09/03	OLSS - Ladies Auxiliary - 9:00 AM - Count Room OLSS - Men's Cursillo - 5:00 PM - RE Room # 4 OLSS - Ladies Cursillo - 5:30 PM - Room # 5 OLSS - OCIA- 6:00 PM - Double Room
Fri., 09/04	OLSS - Eucharistic Adoration - 5:00 PM - Main Church
Sat., 09/05	
Sun., 09/06	SFoA - Pancake Breakfast - 9:30 AM - Social Hall OLSS - NO CYM or RE classes this weekend OLSS - Donut Social - 12:00 PM - Social Hall



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CALLED BY NAME

HONORING FAITHFUL YOUNG CATHOLICS

Help us recognize faithful young people in the Diocese of Savannah who love Christ and His Church. Bishop Parkes is asking parishioners to submit the names of unmarried young men and women, high school age or older, who may be called to priesthood or consecrated life, or who show the gifts to become faithful Catholic leaders in any vocation. Those who are named will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Parkes and support from the Vocation Office as they seek God's will for their lives. Complete a card at Mass or submit a name at www.savannahvocations.org/calledbyname. Thank you for helping another person hear the Lord's call: "I have called you by name; you are mine." (Isaiah 43:1)

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