

Jackson County Catholic Community



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2nd, 2026

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Today's gospel reading continues the theme of God's providential care found in the first and second readings. The account begins with Jesus' failed attempt to find solitude. The crowds follow Him to "a deserted place," and Jesus, rather than becoming frustrated at their presence, is moved with pity. So much so that He does not merely tolerate their presence but begins to heal the sick in their midst.

Yet a dilemma arises, for in this deserted place there are no provisions or the means of acquiring provisions for such a crowd. While the disciples advocate for sending the people away, Jesus' response is the opposite, instructing the people to sit on the grass. He then performs the miraculous multiplication of loaves and fish, feeding the entire crowd, with twelve baskets' worth of food left over. This miracle is the only one found in all four Gospels, perhaps because it anticipates the institution of the Eucharist. The verbs "take," "bless," "break," and "give" are the same used in the accounts of the Last Supper and bring a liturgical quality to Christ's actions in the feeding of the multitude.

This reading presents two hallmarks of Christ's ministry: healing and feeding. These actions demonstrate God's providence in meeting our needs and doing so abundantly. If God so generously supplies for these physical needs, we can trust that He provides even more abundantly for our spiritual needs.

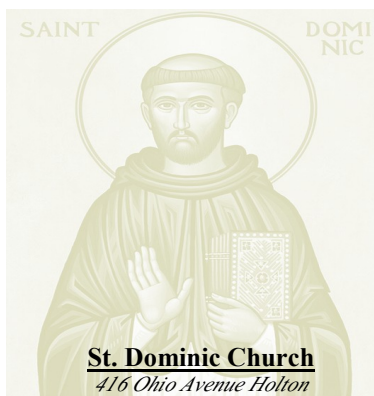
~Maria Enid Barga, PhD, MPhil, MA

TODAY'S READINGS:

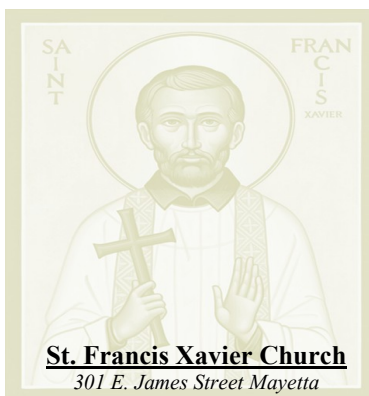
Reading I: Isaiah 55:1-3

Reading II: Romans 8:35, 37-39

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21



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416 Ohio Avenue Holton



St. Francis Xavier Church
301 E. James Street Mayetta



Our Lady of the Snows Shrine
5971 166th Road Mayetta

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Rev. Fr. Jonathan Dizon

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WEEKDAY MASS Schedule:

St. Francis Xavier:

8:30 a.m. Tues. and Thurs.

St. Dominic:

5:30 p.m. Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Friday

WEEKEND MASS Schedule:

Saturday Vigil

5:30 p.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

Sunday

8:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. ~ @ Our Lady of the Snows

10:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

CONFESSION Schedule:

Weekdays, Wednesday, following

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic Mass

Weekends, 30 minutes prior to weekend Masses

ADORATION Schedule:

6:00 pm Wednesday

BAPTISM: Those requesting baptism for their children need to be registered parishioners. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents prior to event.

MARRIAGE: Preparation begins with initial consult with parish priest. Please allow at least six months notice to fulfill the Archdiocesan marriage requirements.

ANointing of the SICK: Call the office during business hours. Call the rectory after hours or for emergencies.

DECLARATION of NULLITY: Please call the parish office for details.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: next week

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 8th & 9th	Sat. 08/08 @ 5:30 pm SD	Sun. 8/09 @ 8:30 am SFX	Sun. 08/09 @ 10:30 am SD
SACRISTAN	Lori Sohn & Judy Arnold	Joann Walker	Terry Ludvicek
MUSIC	Cody Utz	Andrea Bailey Patricia Goering	Robin Sides Michelle Niehues
LECTOR	Tim Henry	Thad Holthaus	Tena Brucken
GREETER- USHER	Rick & Katie Heinen	Jim & Marsha Seematter	Galen Brucken & Jim Child
EMHC	Theresa Watkins	Sharon Cole	Karen Leiker
Acolytes		Lanna Brown, Charlii Brown Paige Holthaus	Julia Keling (CB) Jack Keling, Xavier Howard
Homebound Communion Ministers: Niki Meerpohl (St. Dominic), Sharon Cole (St. Francis Xavier), and Annette Schreiber (Nursing Homes)			

CALENDAR of EVENTS

August 3rd, Monday

Parish Office is Closed

6:30 p.m. Rosary Fellowship

St. Dominic Hall

August 4th, Tuesday

8:30 a.m. MASS

St. Francis Xavier

August 5th, Wednesday

5:30 p.m. MASS

St. Dominic

6:00 p.m. Adoration and Confession

St. Dominic

August 6th, Thursday

8:30 a.m. MASS

St. Francis Xavier

6:00 p.m. Women's Study Group

St. Dominic Hall

August 7th, Friday

8:30 a.m. MASS

St. Dominic

August 8th, Saturday

9:00 a.m. Catechist Retreat

Our Lady of Snows

4:00 p.m. SD Server Training

St. Dominic

5:00 p.m. Confession

St. Dominic

5:30 p.m. MASS

St. Dominic

August 9th, Sunday

8:00 a.m. Confession

St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. Mass

St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. Mass

Our Lady of Snows

10:00 a.m. Confession

St. Dominic

10:30 a.m. MASS

St. Dominic

5:30 p.m. Men's Catholicism Study

St. Francis Xavier

August 10th, Monday

Parish Office is Closed

6:00 a.m. Royal Valley Prayer Breakfast

St. Francis Xavier

6:00 p.m. SD Altar Society Meeting

St. Dominic Hall



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Charlotte Rae Larkins

Daughter of Levi & Katrina Larkins

Baptized on July 26th, 2026

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS



CONGRATULATIONS!

Caleb & Brooke Doyle

Who had their marriage convalidated
in the Catholic Church on July 24th, 2026

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Beck & Maisyn Doyle

Children of Caleb & Brooke Doyle

Baptized on July 24th, 2026

SAVE
THE
DATESUNDAY
OCTOBER 04,
2026

SFX ~ GRATITUDE SUNDAY

Immediately following 8:30 A.M. Mass

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785-506-4101

✉ ruth.slocum13@gmail.com

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OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

OCIA Is For You If...

☐ You have never been baptized.

☐ You were baptized in another
faith tradition.☐ You are a baptized Catholic but
have not received Confirmation
and/or First Communion.☐ You are just exploring what it
means to be Catholic.

Coming Fall 2026

Contact Person:
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July 25th & 26th, 2026

St. Dominic

St. Francis
Xavier

Envelopes

\$1,955.00

\$1,370.00

Plate

\$497.00

\$210.00

TOTAL

\$2,452.00

\$1,580.00

Week of July 18th & 19th

\$3,391.11

\$1,953.10

Week of July 11th & 12th

\$2,907.00

\$1,179.00

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Donald Sunday

PRAYER INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO XIV FOR AUGUST:

For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR AUGUST:

For the young people in our parish as they prepare to go back to school, may they be inspired and encouraged to pursue knowledge sincerely and diligently.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Parishioners:

Robert Atkinson	Barbara Bausch	Bill Berns	Jim Bowhay
Bob Butts	Mary Devader	Steve Devlin	Mildred Eisenbarth
Joy Faulkner	Sheila Fernkopf	Freda Galer	Martin John Hamm
Mary Harris	Ed Hrenchir	Carolyn Koger	Alberta Lierz
Karen McClaskey	Mary Morford	Richard Mulroy	Mike Myers
Joe Purcell	Larry Reilly	Barb Schussler	Kade Sides
Arneil Springer	Evelyn Sullivan	Ray Zeller	

Relatives of Parishioners:

Bill Albright	Jorgan Beck	Christopher Brown	Rodney Brown
Roger Brown	Donald Deters	James DeVader	Don Dillner
Brad Fiedler	Dennis Fiedler	Jennifer Fiedler	Mike Fiedler
Sherri Fiedler	Warren Fiedler	Van Fuqua	Allan Gibson
Gladys Gibson	Darlene Glassel	Kase Glassel	Jamie Goldman
Vickie Goodman	Sondra Harkness	Jacob Hastings	Jo Hufford
Floyd Klein	Felicia Nicholes	Lainey Parks	Leonard Riley
Danyell Russell	Anna Segenhagen	Pat Spohn	Hannah VanHorn
Maddie Ward	Ramsey Ward	Terry Weldin	Michael Willcott

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM:

US Air Force: Andrew Morris, McClain Morris, MSgt. Dylan Parks, TSgt. Nicole Parks

US Army: MP ANG Therron Fox SSgt. Matthew Zeller **US Marines:** Maj. JP Turner

US Navy: E-5 Dennis Reed Potter **KS Air National Guard:** Sadey Gross

To place or remove someone's name on the prayer list, please call the Parish Office.

Weekend Mass Intentions

August 1st (Sat) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	18th Sunday, Ordinary Time Living & Deceased Members of Grollmes Family
August 2nd (Sun) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	18th Sunday, Ordinary Time All parishioners Living & Deceased Susana Dizon+
10:30 a.m. St. Dominic	
August 4th (Tues) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	St John Vianney, Priest Corky Albright+
August 5th (Wed) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	Weekday, Ordinary Time Darrel Meyer+
August 6th (Thurs) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	Transfiguration of Our Lord Pat & Tawnya Zeller
August 7th (Fri) 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic	Weekday, Ordinary Time Dale Reed+ Todd & Odette Helm
August 8th (Sat) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	19th Sunday, Ordinary Time Tim & Dyann Parks George Brtek+
August 9th (Sun) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier 10:30 a.m. St. Dominic	19th Sunday, Ordinary Time Betty Fuqua+ All parishioners Living & Deceased

SAVE THE DATE!!

2026 Parish Picnic

August 22nd (Saturday) 4 - 8 PM

Banner Creek Reservoir EVENT CENTER

Join us for our annual joint parish picnic!!
We'll start with a Eucharistic celebration at the chapel
followed by a meal and fellowship.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Angie Reith, Director of Parish Life & Faith Formation
(785) 364-5941 or jacocatholicsre@gmail.com



TEACHERS NEEDED

Please prayerfully consider volunteering for the following positions for our Religious Education for the upcoming Academic Year.

St. Dominic

4th Grade Assistant

5th Grade Teacher & Assistant

YOU ARE INVITED!

SERVE THE LORD WITH JOY!

SERVER TRAINING

LEARN TO SERVE! | MAKE NEW FRIENDS! | GROW IN FAITH!

CALLING ALL 4th, 5th, 6th, & 7th GRADERS!

CURRENT SERVERS WELCOME TO PRACTICE!

ATTEND ONLY ONE SESSION!

SESSION 1: SATURDAY, AUGUST 8th

SESSION 2: SATURDAY, AUGUST 15th

TIME: 4:00 PM | LOCATION: ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF KUMASI

MISSION APPEAL RESULTS

ST. DOMINIC \$1,349

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER \$1,061

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

THEMES: 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

The readings for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, show God's care for people. They remind us that God provides, loves, and invites all to come to Him.

- **God's Generosity:** God gives freely to all. Isaiah speaks of food and drink without cost, and Jesus feeds thousands with little.
- **God's Love is Unbreakable:** Paul says nothing can separate us from God's love. No hardship or struggle can take it away.
- **Trust in God's Care:** The disciples worried about feeding the crowd, but Jesus provided. This shows that God knows our needs and cares for us.
- **Invitation to Come to God:** Isaiah calls all to come and receive. Jesus welcomes the crowd and gives them what they need.
- **Jesus Feeds the Hungry:** The feeding of the five thousand shows Jesus' care for people's needs. He does not send them away but provides for them.
- **God's Promise is Eternal:** Isaiah reminds us of God's lasting covenant. God's love and care never end.
- **The Eucharist as Spiritual Food:** Jesus' miracle of feeding the crowd points to the Eucharist. Just as He gave them bread to satisfy their hunger, He gives us Himself in the Eucharist to nourish our souls.

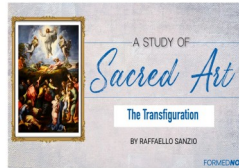
God provides for both physical and spiritual needs. The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, reminds us to trust in Him.

(YoungCatholics.com)



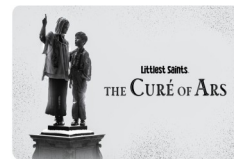
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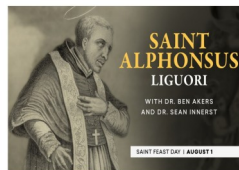
The Transfiguration | Sacred Art

Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down with Raffaello Sanzio's painting, "The Transfiguration," to discuss its theological meaning and how it can speak to us today.



The Curé of Ars: St. John Vianney

The Church investigates the life of the Curé of Ars to see if he should become a saint. Will the evidence of his holiness pass the test?



St. Alphonsus Liguori | Catholic Saints

Born to a noble Italian family and known as the "Prince of Moral Theologians," St. Alphonsus Liguori was a great preacher, lawyer, bishop, theologian, and Doctor of the Church. In this episode of Catholic Saints, Augustine Institute professors Dr. Sean Innerst and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this holy man, drawing wisdom from his life and works to aid Catholics today.

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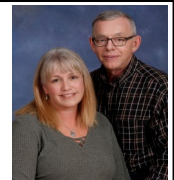
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