

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40

PASTOR NOTE

We had a wonderful Totus Tuus youth program this last week. I loved watching our youth grow in faith while having some fun. I loved watching their devotion and prayerfulness at Mass. I was moved watching our older youth during Eucharistic Adoration. I enjoyed being with them while they played the games.

This wonderful program required so many volunteers. I am grateful for the Tracey and Whiteaker families for hosting our four leaders. Thank you for opening your homes and providing hospitality. I thank our many volunteers including our youth who helped with the Totus Tots and our first through sixth grade session. Thank you to those who provided snacks and meals and especially Susanna Prushinski for organizing the Potluck. I thank Bethany Brigham for leading the Totus Tots program. Thanks to the leadership of our parish staff, especially Rebekah Mead and Matt Ernat. I am grateful for the anonymous donor who provided Sisler's Ice Cream for the potluck. So many others helped with this wonderful program that I regret not being able to thank so many by name. But, please know of my gratitude for all of your hard work.

New Staff Member: I am very happy to announce that I have hired Tim Smith as our parish Facility Manager. Tim will be responsible for cleaning the Church, Harkrader Hall, Catechetical Center and the Rectory. In the future he will also help me with overseeing the buildings involved in our parish mergers. I ask you to welcome him to our parish staff.

Peter's Pence Collection: Every year a collection is taken up throughout the entire world called Peter's Pence. This collection assists the Vatican in its administration. But even more, it is a charitable fund which the Holy Father uses especially to address natural disasters throughout the world. Envelopes are available near the doors of the Church. You can deposit them in the regular Sunday collection.

Eucharistic Revival: You may recall that for the last two years the Church in the United States has been embracing a Eucharistic Revival. This revival culminates in a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis from July 17 to July 21. There is still an opportunity to sign up for the Eucharistic Congress events by visiting, https://www.eucharisticcongress.org. As we get closer to this historic event, I will share some activities I am planning for our local participation in the National Eucharistic Congress.

As preparation for the National Eucharistic Congress, four Eucharistic pilgrimage routes have been established across the nation. These routes have begun in California, Connecticut, Minnesota and Texas. They each end in Indianapolis. Since mid-May, the Blessed Sacrament has been carried in procession across thousands of miles on each of these routes. These four pilgrimages continue now and will end at the Congress on July 17th. People walk a small portion of each route. Some people have been walking one of the entire routes. Along each route there are many special events, especially Eucharistic Holy Hours. These processions are bringing many graces as our Savior is adored in the Blessed Sacrament.

You can find each route at the website listed above. The Eucharistic routes will not cross the Diocese of Peoria, but two routes will come close. From June 26th to June 29th, the Northern route will pass through the Chicago area. Special events will be held in about fifteen places. The Western route will pass through the Diocese of Springfield July 8th to the 12th. On July 8th there will be a special event in Collinsville, IL. The Bishop of Belville will "hand off" the monstrance to the Bishop of Springfield. On July 11th, there is an event at the Springfield Cathedral.

These four Eucharistic Processions are amazing and historic events. They offer public witness to our belief in Christ's real presence in the Blessed Sacrament. I have decided not to arrange for a parish sponsored event to one of these pilgrimage sights. Instead, I encourage you to look more closely at the website details and choose one of the events that fits your schedule. Maybe groups can carpool to an event. I encourage you to take time to be part of these historic pilgrimages. I believe that the required travel to one of these special events will bring many graces. It is a wonderful way to offer witness to Jesus as you participate in one of the holy hours. Or, even walk some of the route. What a wonderful moment of grace to walk with our Lord on His way to the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis.

The Spiritual Life: Excerpt from *The Spiritual Life* by Adolphe Tanquerey, Desclee and Co., Belgium, 1951.

Introduction to Penance:

We shall briefly state the a) necessity and b) the notion of penance. Then we shall explain a) the motives that should prompt us to hate and avoid sin; b) the motives and the means of atoning for sin.

The Necessity of Penance:

Penance after prayer is the most effective means for cleansing the soul of past faults and even for guarding it against future ones. (Continued on next page)

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 24 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

7:00am +John Thomson

by the Thomson & Lough Family

Tuesday, June 25 Weekday in Ordinary Time

5:15pm +Kristina Giehl by Paul & Bridgette Castelein

4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Wednesday, June 26 Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00am +Jeanne Austin by Joann Bowman

Thursday, June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and

Doctor of the Church

5:15pm +Bert & Mildred Whitmore by Jim Whitmore

4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Friday, June 28 St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

7:00am +Joan Smith by Maureen Harney

Saturday, June 29 *Vigil of The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00pm +Robert and Heidi Jeffery and Brianna Merkley by Bob & Sandy Jeffery

Sunday, June 30 *The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30am People of the Parish

9:00am +Lucita Querubin Arguinsula

by Reynato & Anita Magsino

10:30am +Christine Jordan Kalil

by Alan and Lynne Weber



Please remember to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially from St. Louis Parish! St. Therese, Patroness of Vocations, pray for us!

(The Spiritual Life: continued from previous page) When our Lord is about to begin His public ministry, He has His Precursor (St. John the Baptist) proclaim the necessity of penance: "Do penance, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." He Himself declares He has come to call sinners to repentance: "I came not to call the just, but sinners to do penance." This virtue is so necessary, that unless we do penance, we shall perish: "But except you do penance, you shall all likewise perish." So, well was this doctrine understood by the Apostles, that from the very first they insisted on the necessity of penance as a condition preparatory to Baptism: "Do penance, and be baptized every one of you." For the sinner penance is an act of justice; for having offended God and violated God's rights, he is bound to make reparation for the outrage. This he does through penance.

Penance is defined as a supernatural virtue, allied to justice, which inclines the sinner to detest his sin because it is an offense against God, and to form the firm resolve of avoiding sin in the future, and of atoning for it.

Hence, penance includes four chief acts, the origin and interrelation of which may be readily perceived. 1) In the light of reason and of faith, we see that sin is an evil, the greatest of evil, in truth the only evil, and this is because it offends God and deprives us of the most precious gifts. 2) Moreover, conscious that this evil is ours since we have sinned, and that, even once forgiven, its traces remain in our soul, we conceive a lively sorrow, a sorrow that weights upon and crushes our soul, a sincere contrition, a deep sense of humiliation. 3) To avoid in the future this heinous evil we form the firm resolve or the firm purpose of avoiding it, by carefully shunning dangerous occasions and by fortifying our will against the allurements of sinful pleasures. 4) Lastly, realizing that sin constitutes an act of injustice, we determine to atone for it, to expiate it by sentiments and works of penance.

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4pm Saturday, June 29th

Altar Servers: Cameron & Sam Lawrence EMHC: David Lawrence, Mandy Robinson

Lectors: Marcia Obenhaus Sacristan: Mandy Robinson Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy

7:30 am: Sunday, June 30th

Altar Servers: Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy

EMHC: Mary Beth Crowe, Rita Tracey

Lectors: Margaret Martinkus Sacristan: Joann Bowman

Ushers: Tom Ballard, Tom Tracey

9:00 am: Sunday, June 30th

Altar Servers: Angelo & Patsy Bystry EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Tim Smith

Lectors: Steve Harmon Sacristan: Quint Quiram

Camera Operator: Marty Makransky

Ushers: Dan Legner, Quint Quiram, Jim Whiteaker

10:30 am: Sunday, June 30th

Altar Servers: Jackson Mason, Luke Smith

EMHC: Linda Carter, Tim Taylor

Lectors: Bob Schabow Sacristan: Linda Carter

Ushers: Bart & Anthony Maciczak, Michael Ellis

EMHC Homebound: Mandy Robinson 9/S

Tim Smith 9/N

EMHC for Nursing Home:

Mary Beth Crowe - Hawthorne; Lynn Delaney - Greenfield; Gene

Menard - Aperion; Rita Tracey - Liberty

When you lose a child, it is so important to find a group of "healing people". HEAL stands for Here, Empathetic accepting and Listening.....The Glimmer of Comfort Grief Support Group is a group of other mothers who have lost a child (children). We will meet again on Tuesday, July 2 at 1 pm at 521 S. First St. Princeton. We support one another and know each other's grief. The door is always open to moms of any age who have lost a child to an illness, suicide, addiction, miscarriage or accident. Questions, call leanie Gelsomino at 815-866-6571.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of

Loraine McMahon

and for consolation for her family & friends

Eternal Rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her soul. May her soul, and the souls of all of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen

ST. LOUIS PARISH SCHEDULE

MASS SCHEDULE

MON, WED, FRI 7:00 AM TUE, THR 5:15 PM SAT 4:00 PM

SUN 7:30, *9:00, 10:30 AM

First Saturday Devotion 7:00 AM

*SUN 9:00AM Live-streamed on YouTube & FaceBook (when a volunteer camera operator is available)

RECONCILIATION

TUE, THR 4:00-4:50 PM 3-3:45 PM

Or, by appointment. Call or email Msgr. Kruse to make an appointment. In order to maintain privacy, he will be in the confessional a few moments before the arranged time. 309-634-5822 | jameskruse1996@gmail.com

HOLY HOUR

TUE, THR 4:00 PM

PRIVATE PRAYER: The Chapel is open for Private Prayer— Contact the Parish Office for access code.

STEWARDSHIP

Church Monetary Support Through June 16, 2024

Amount Budgeted 6,750.00 Amount Received 5,513.00 Amount Over (Under) 1,237.00)

Fiscal Period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Amount needed to date:
Amount Received to date: 342,000.00 <u>349,323.00</u> 7,323.00 Over/(Under) budget to date:

Readings for the week of June 23rd

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

Monday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 15/Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29 Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Mt 8:1-4 Saturday: Acts 12:1-11/34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8,

17-18/Mt 16:13-19 Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11,

12, 13/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Thank you to the St. Louis Altar and Rosary Society for their generous donation to our Youth Ministry! With your support, we are able to continue providing opportunities for faith and fun to the young people of our parish. May God bless you for your charity!





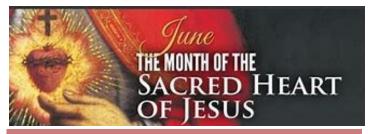
Altar & Rosary Society

St. Louis Respect Life Committee BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN 'Change for Life'

All funds raised will be given to support the pro-life efforts of Abigail's Women's Clinic in Mendota. The Magi Baby Chest and Abigail Women's Center provide different kinds of support to pregnant women in need,. Statistics show that once a mother sees an ultrasound of her unborn child, she is 90% more likely to continue her pregnancy. Your donation will help fund ultrasounds. Baby bottles are available at the Church entrances and should be returned to the church on **Father's Day, June 16th**.

A big thanks to all of the ladies of our parish that donated such amazing pies for our Pies in the Park Sale. We completely sold out , but not before selling over \$1100 of delicious pies. Many thanks for sharing your Time and Talent. God Bless You.

—Rita Tracy



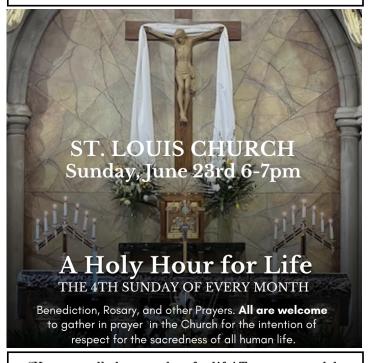
Magi Baby Chest



Thank you to the Altar and Rosary Society for donating an extra \$1000 to the Magi Baby Chest!

Our next distribution is Saturday July 6th, 9AM to 12PM.

High Need Items: Enfamil (especially the purple can, Gentlease), Dish Soap & Baby Laundry Soap (We can't keep it on the shelves!), Toddler Socks (Boy&Girl Sizes 12mo-4T), Baby Sun Hats, Baby Sunscreen, Wipes (unscented preferred), Infant Medicine (Tylenol & Ibuprofen), New Clothing (Boys & Girls Sizes NB to 4T), Baby Wash & Lotion (We are almost totally out!), Diapers - Sizes 5 & 6 (We need bigger size diapers. We do not give out pull-ups so the bigger size diapers really help out those families with young toddlers who are potty training.), Bottles, Sippy Cups, Kids Chewable Vitamins, Prenatal Vitamins, Toddler Food (This was a hit! Ideas: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mac n' Cheese, Fruit Cups, Applesauce etc...), New Children's Books/Board Books (ages newborn to 4 years), car seats, pack n' plays, and strollers.



"You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies, giving real help and encouragement to mothers in difficult situations. You are called to work and pray against abortion."

-St. John Paul II