



SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "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 and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

PASTOR NOTE

“Do Everything for the Glory of God.”
2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Today, the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal begins in our parish. Through the ADA we are able to advance the mission of our Lord Jesus throughout our Diocese. In our parishes, our schools, our Newman Centers on college campuses, in our social service ministries in Catholic Charities we create places of encounter with Jesus. And we know that when we encounter Jesus, lives are changed. The goal for our parish is \$101,682, and we can reach it only with your help.

This past week you hopefully received a mailing from Bishop Tylka. At Mass I discussed completing a pledge card. I ask that you complete the pledge card and either mail it directly to the diocese or place it in the Sunday collection. Contributions can be made by check payable to the Catholic Diocese of Peoria, by a credit or debit card, by direct debit from checking or savings account or online at www.cdop.org/ada. Gifts of appreciated stock, grain, qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) or donor advised funds have special considerations and requirements. Contact 309-671-1550 for more information. I ask you to prayerfully consider making a contribution to the Annual Appeal. Thank you for your continuing support of our parish, diocese and the work of the Church throughout the world.

Growing Disciples Update: As you recall, Bishop Tylka has decided that the parishes of Princeton, Walnut and Ohio are to be merged sometime within the next 24 months. The parish in Ohio celebrates its 150th Anniversary in 2025. Bishop Tylka has graciously agreed to delay the merger until the Spring or Summer of 2026.

Thursday Men’s Study Group: Men of the parish are invited to attend the Men’s Study Group on Thursday’s, 6pm to 7:30pm. We will continue our study of the Church Fathers. We will begin meetings again on Thur. Sept. 19th.

Youth Group: High School youth are invited to our parish Youth Group. Generally, we meet on the second and fourth Sunday’s, 6pm-7:30pm at the church. Our time includes a short spiritual presentation, social time with snacks, prayer time and a chance for confession. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, Sept. 22nd, 6pm.

Holy Hour for the Unborn: Each 4th Sunday of the month at 6pm, our parish holds a Eucharistic holy hour praying for an end to abortion and support for families. The next Holy Hour for the Unborn will be Sun. Sept. 22nd, 6pm. I encourage you to attend.

Trivia Night: Our next Trivia Night will be Sat. Oct. 5th, 6:30pm. Join your teams together or come alone and join a team. It is a fun time for all. There is a \$10 entry fee which supports the Magi Baby Chest and two prizes. Snacks and drinks provided.

Fall Small Groups: Weekly Fall Small Group meetings will discuss the previous Sunday’s Gospel guided by the reflection questions. The Fall Small Groups will meet beginning the week of September 22nd and continue through the week of October 27th. Each meeting will be at the same time and will have the same members each week. I have scheduled the Fall Small Group meetings throughout the week as follows: Mon. 11am.; Mon., 6pm; Wed. 3:30pm; Thur. 1pm; Fri. 9am.

ST. LOUIS CHURCH 2024 FALL SMALL GROUP

Please complete the information below. Cut it out. Return it to the collection or mail it to the office no later than September 18th. You will be notified to confirm your meeting time.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Meetings are from the week of September 22nd to the week of October 27th. Please mark your choice for the Small Group meetings.

Monday, 11am

Wednesday, 3:30pm

Friday, 9am

Monday, 6pm

Thursday, 1pm

Parish Staff

Pastor	Msgr. James E. Kruse, JCL jameskruse1996@gmail.com cell: 309-634-5822
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stlouiscatholicchurch.flocknote.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 16 **Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,
Bishop, Martyrs**

7:00am +Patchie Young by Amie Neiman

Tuesday, September 17 **St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church; Saint Hildegard
of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of
the Church**

5:15pm +Barb Strunk
by Susan Boylan & Linda Mahnesmith

4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Wednesday, September 18 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

7:00am +Stevie Puhr by Tim & Julie Puhr

Thursday, September 19 **St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr**

5:15pm +Gary Coates by Paul & Bridgette Castelein

4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Friday, September 20 **Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Priest,
and Paul Chõng Ha-sang and
Companions, Martyrs**

7:00am + Ken Henkel by Bill & Janet Politsch

Saturday, September 21 **Vigil of the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00pm +Donald & Regina Butte by their Children

Sunday, September 22 **The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30am + Ed Anderson by his Family

9:00am People of the Parish

10:30am +Ray Martin by Cindy & Lester Behrends

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

The Effects of Deliberate Venial Sin:

The effects of venial sin in the next world show us how much we should dread it. It is in order to expiate venial sin that many souls spend a long time in purgatory.

There they endure most unbearable of sufferings, the privation of the vision of God. This torture, it is true, will not last forever, differing in this from the pains of hell; nevertheless, for a time measured by the number and seriousness of their faults, these souls who love God and who, now removed from the pleasures and distractions of earth, think of Him constantly and long to see His face, are prevented from seeing and possessing Him, and therefore suffer indescribable anguish. They now realize that outside of God there is no solace and no bliss; and still before them looms, like insurmountable barriers, that host of venial sins they have not as yet sufficiently expiated. They are, moreover, so alive to the necessity of the purity required to contemplate the Almighty face to face, that their very shame would not allow them to appear before Him as long as there remains upon them the least stain of venial sin. They find themselves, therefore, in a state of torture the more excruciating as they realize that it is fully deserved.

Moreover, according to the teaching of St. Thomas, a subtle fire hinders their activity and makes them experience physical sufferings whereby they may expiate the guilty pleasures to which they gave consent. This trial, no doubt, they most willingly accept as they realize the need of it in order to effect their union with God.

And yet, God is not only just but merciful as well! He bears those souls a love that is real, tender, fatherly, He longs to give Himself to them for all eternity. If He does not do so, it is because there can be no possible fellowship between His infinite holiness and the least venial sin. Therefore, we can never hate venial sin too much, we can never undergo enough in order to avoid it, we can never endure enough to repair it.

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4pm Saturday, September 21st

Altar Servers: Cameron & Sam Lawrence
 EMHC: Linda McCabe, Mandy Robinson
 Lectors: Marcia Oberhaus
 Sacristan: Mandy Robinson
 Ushers: **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

7:30 am: Sunday, September 22nd

Altar Servers: *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy*
 EMHC: Pat Galassi-Carlson, Mary Beth Crowe
 Lectors: Gene Menard
 Sacristan: Lori Atilano
 Ushers: Gary Blessman, Dennis Thompson,
 Tom Murphy

9:00 am: Sunday, September 22nd

Altar Servers: Jessica Carlone, Dominic Vasquez
 EMHC: Tom Jagers, Tim Taylor
 Lectors: Bob Schabow
 Sacristan: Quint Quiram
 Camera Operator: Marty Makransky
 Ushers: Dave & Judy Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, September 22nd

Altar Servers: Angelo & Patsy Bystry
 EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Tim Smith
 Lectors: Patty Daluga
 Sacristan: Tim Smith
 Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound: Tom Jagers 9/N
 Tim Taylor 9/S

EMHC for Nursing Home: Pat Galassi-Carlson - Hawthorne; Mary Beth Crowe - Liberty; Colleen Harmon - Goldwater; Nancy Scoma - Greenfield

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
SAT	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
SAT	Men's Holy Hour 7am

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

STEWARDSHIP

Church Monetary Support Through September 1, 2024

Amount Budgeted	\$6,975.00
Amount Received	<u>\$8,212.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	\$1,237.00

Through September 8, 2024

Amount Budgeted	\$6,975.00
Amount Received	<u>\$6,488.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	\$ 487.00

Fiscal Period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Amount needed to date:	\$69,750.00
Amount Received to date:	<u>\$74,454.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	\$ 4,704.00

Readings for the week of September 15

Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
 Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3-5, 12, 22/Lk 7:31-35
 Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50
 Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
 Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13
 Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 /Jas 3:16—4:3/ Mk 9:30-37



BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please contact Rebekah Mead to schedule baptismal prep classes and the ceremony.
 stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com
 815-303-2330



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

FALL KICK-OFF MEETING

Tuesday, September 24th at 6 pm

Our Kick Off Meeting will be Tuesday, September 24th at 6pm. Msgr. Kruse will be our guest speaker. All women of the parish are welcome! Bring a friend and join us for a wonderful evening of fellowship, dinner and a great presentation.

Our Table September 23rd.

A Signup sheet is on the information table in the foyer of Harkrader Hall. Please contact Marcia Obenhaus 815-878-1812 with any questions.

ENRICHMENT OF FAITH FALL SIGNUP

Enrichment of Faith 104: Prayer in the Christian Life: Speaking Heart to Heart. This class will meet for 7 class sessions. There are two options for class times: Wednesdays 1:00-2:30 PM or 6:00-7:30 PM. **We will meet each week from Sep. 18 to Nov. 13.** This class is open to all even if you have not attended the Creed, Liturgy and Sacraments or the Moral Life classes. This class is led by Susanna Prushinski. Please sign-up for class by contacting Susanna at 815-915-6960 or stl.susannaprushinski@gmail.com or contact the Parish Office. Also, there was a Flocknote sent out and you can sign-up through Flocknote.

Enrichment of Faith 103: Life in Christ: Living the Moral Life. This class will meet for 9 class sessions. There are two options for class times: Wednesdays 3:30-5:00 PM and Thursdays 1:00-2:30 PM. **We will meet each week from Sep.18/19 to Dec.4/5.** This class is open to all even if you have not attended the Creed and/or Liturgy and Sacraments class. This class is led by Susanna Prushinski. Please sign-up for class by contacting Susanna at 815-915-6960 or stl.susannaprushinski@gmail.com or contact the Parish Office. Also, there was a Flocknote sent out and you can sign-up through Flocknote.



This year our children's library will feature "Saints of the month" in our book displays. Please take advantage of our great selection and read with your children about the heroes of God and our faith.

Sunday, October 6th 1pm

St. Louis Parish Pet Blessing



Church Parking Lot

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Dave Boylan and Knights of Columbus members presenting a \$30,000 donation to the Bureau County Food pantry on behalf of an anonymous donor.



New members inducted include left to right, Tim Stevens, Frank Bouxsein and Tony Macicak.

MAGI BABY CHEST



We had another very successful weekend this Saturday and **servd a record of 184 families!** All were so thankful for the supplies and support. THANK YOU donors for making this possible!

It is time to restock our shelves!

HIGH NEED ITEMS: Bottles, Diapers (Size 4, 5, 6), Wipes (unscented preferred), Baby & Toddler Winter Hats & Gloves, Winter Coats (Sizes 12mo-4T), Fall/Winter Clothing (New & Gently Used Sizes NB-4T) **we tend to always run low on the bigger sizes 18mo-4T*, Baby Wash & Lotion, Infant Medicine (tylenol, ibuprofen, allergy et), Prenatal Vitamins, Baby Blankets, Baby Gates, Humidifiers, Diaper Cream, Kids Toothpaste, Dish Soap, Baby Food, and Baby Laundry Soap.

**We will also start collecting baby/toddler nativity sets and toys for our Christmas distribution. We gave out over 13 nativity sets last year and many more toys. It is such a wonderful way to spread Christmas joy and put little baby Jesus into homes.

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTY LADIES! The families LOVE your handmade blankets, quilts, burp cloths, bips, bags, and towels! If you enjoy quilting, sewing, knitting, or crocheting please think of the MBC for your lovely creations! We get several comments at every distribution on how much the families adore them. We do tend to run low on "boy" blankets/items. Please keep that in mind when making your lovely creations. Thank you so much!