SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2024

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

PASTOR NOTE

Last week our parish enjoyed a wonderful Eucharistic Procession. It was a beautiful day, not too hot. There was a wonderful crowd. I think it was a prayerful event for all the participants and for the whole parish. I was praying for all of you during our procession.

A Eucharistic Procession requires a lot of planning and a lot of volunteers to help make it a truly prayerful experience. I am especially grateful to Deacon John who coordinated the entire procession. Deacon John made sure we followed the right procession route and gave excellent direction to the servers. I am grateful to all of those who helped set up and take down the items needed for the procession. I especially thank Tim Smith and his family. Rita Tracey once again provided beautiful flowers. The girls dropping rose petals added a special touch of reverence. I thank the girls for participating. I am especially grateful to the alar servers. It was a completely unique liturgy and they really stepped up. They did a great job, even while enduring the heat. I thank the four men who carried the canopy for the procession, Paul Castelein, Tom Jagers, Dan Legner, and Tim Taylor. This was a lot harder than it looked. It's not easy to walk as a group holding the canopy. They did a great job. I thank the pastor of St. Valentines in Peru for lending us the canopy. Our choir did a great job providing music as we processed. I thank Matt Ernat and all of those who helped in the choir. Finally, I thank all of those who participated in the procession. It was a wonderful witness to our faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. I hope that you received many blessings. Our procession was a wonderful way to participate in the National Eucharistic Congress. May we work more and more to make the Eucharist the center of our life.

Merger of Tiskilwa and Princeton. Last Sunday, the parish of St. Mary, Tiskilwa, and St. Louis, Princeton, were merged as one parish. I participated in their closing Mass and reception. It was a wonderful event as memories were shared. This past week I hosted a small welcome reception for the people of St. Mary. We were able to discuss the transition and many practical details. The parishioners of St. Mary now belong to the parish of St. Louis. I encourage us to become one family of faith. I have taken up the responsibility of oversight for the buildings and cemeteries of St. Mary. These will be reasonably maintained. In the future, decisions will be made regarding the use of the buildings and the items in the buildings. The Parish Office has begun the process of merging the finances, updating the parish budget and roster. Please contact me if you have any questions.

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

God is to us also a Father, who has adopted us as His children and who bestows on us the thoughtful care of a parent. He heaps upon us His choicest favors, endowing us with a supernatural organism, in order that we may live a life like unto His; He showers upon us abundant actual graces that we may make good use of His gifts, and thus by good works increase our spiritual life. Now, by mortal sin we scornfully fling aside those gifts, nay we fling them back at the Giver, our Benefactor, our Father; we spurn His grace at the very moment He overwhelms us with His bounty. Is not this ingratitude? Ingratitude all the more culpable because we have received so much, ingratitude that cries out for vengeance!

In relation to Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, mortal sin is a sort of deicide. It is sin that has caused the sufferings and death of the Savior: "Christ suffered for us...And washed us away from sins in his own blood." That this thought makes an impression upon us, we must think of the personal share we have had in Christ's bitter Passion. It is I who betrayed my Master with a kiss, and, at ties, for even less than the thirty pieces of silver. It is I who caused violent hands to be laid upon Him, and a sentence of death to be passed on Him. I was the rabble that cried out: "Not this man, but Barabbas...Crucify Him." I was the soldiers, lashing Him through my self-indulgence, crowning His head with thorns through my interior sins of pride and sensuality, laying the heavy beam upon His shoulders and nailing Him to the Cross. Thus, our vices rack and strangle, and quarter the Christ that lives in us. What hatred should we bear a sin that has so cruelly fastened our Savior to the Cross!

Of course, we can no longer visit fresh tortures upon Him, since He can suffer no more, but our present faults do offer Him fresh insults; for when we willfully commit them, we scorn His love and favors; as far as we are concerned, we render void the blood He shed in such profusion; we hold back from Him that love, that gratitude, that obedience to which he is entitled. What is this, if not repaying love with black ingratitude, and thereby calling down upon our heads a dreadful punishment?

OUR TABLE

Thank you for all that helped serve, clean up, and bring food for Our Table Monday. A special thank you to the St. Louis Altar and Rosary Society for donating money for the main meal. We served 72 people which also included servers. Thank you again for your support and for being the hands and feet of Jesus. Linda McCabe



Do you like to play cards? Looking for fun and fellowship this summer? Join us for some friendly rounds of Euchre every Wednesday! 1pm to 3pm, at Harkrader Hall.

ALL ARE WELCOME...parishioners and nonparishioners, beginners and experts! Cost is \$1 per person and to add to the fun there will be a high/ low payout

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MAGI BABY CHEST



Our next opening will be Saturday, August 3rd from 9AM to 12PM.

<u>**High Need Items:**</u> Baby Laundry Soap, Powdered Formula (especially Enfamil yellow and purple can), Diapers (sizes 4, 5, & 6), Wipes (unscented preferred),

Dish Soap, Bottles, Sippy Cups, Pacifiers, Toddler Socks (Sizes 12mo-4T), Kids Chewable Vitamins, Prenatal Vitamins, Infant Medicine, Kids Toothpaste, Clothing (sizes newborn-4T), Diapers Bags, Car Seats, Strollers, and New Children's Books (ages Newborn to 4 years). We are also in need of boys and girls gently used clothing sizes 12mo-4T and maternity clothes. Please keep us in mind if you are cleaning out the closets! Please make checks payable to St. Louis Church with MBC in the notes section. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 29 <u>Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus</u> 7:00am +Janice Schaefer by Dan & Cynthia Tracy

Tuesday, July 30 <u>St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and</u> <u>Doctor of the Church</u>

5:15pm +Fr. Ed Harkrader by Chuck & Pam Hanson 4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Wednesday, July 31 <u>St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</u> 7:00am +Mary Dennis by Linda Carter

Thursday, August 1 <u>St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and</u> <u>Doctor of the Church</u>

5:15pm +John Brokaw by Sandra Lord 4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Friday, August 2 <u>St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;</u> <u>St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest</u>

7:00am +Faye Enriquez by Reynato & Anita Magsino

Saturday, August 3 First Saturday Devotion;

Vigil of The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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4:00pm Living and deceased members of the Knights of Columbus by Jim Whitmore

Sunday, August 4 The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am People of the Parish

9:00am +Donna Draganski by Mary Sue Goldsmith 10:30am +Lynn Cuevas by Donna Milliron & Family

Grief has three N words...normal, natural and necessary...to learn about this and more, plan on attending the next Glimmer of Comfort Grief Support Group on Tuesday, August 6 at 1 pm at 521 S. First St., Princeton. Moms of any age who have lost a child because of an illness, accident, addiction, suicide or miscarriage are welcome to gather with other moms who only know your forever pain. Questions - Call Jeanie Gelsomino at 815 866-6571.

Readings for the week of July 28th

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 /Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15 Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43 Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17, 18/Mt 13:44-46 Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 13:47-53 Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58 Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12 Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54/ Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-3

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4pm Saturday, August 3rd

Altar Servers: Cameron & Sam Lawrence EMHC: Lynn Delaney, Mandy Robinson Lectors: Patty Daluga Sacristan: Mandy Robinson Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy

7:30 am: Sunday, August 4th Altar Servers: *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy* EMHC: Mary Beth Crowe, Rita Tracey Lectors: Mary Murphy Sacristan: Joann Bowman Ushers: Gary Blessman, Tom Murphy, Dennis Thompson

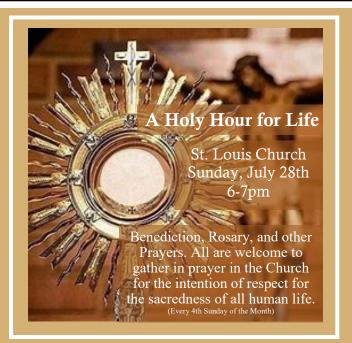
9:00 am: Sunday, August 4th Altar Servers: Dominic Vasquez, Sylvie Viger EMHC: Cindy Behrends, Tim Smith Lectors: Steve Bouslog Sacristan: Susanna Prushinski Camera Operator: Marty Makransky Ushers: Dave & Judy Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, August 4th Altar Servers: Angelo & Patsy Bystry EMHC: Linda Carter, Dave Boylan Lectors: Marcia Obenhaus Sacristan: Linda Carter Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound: Cindy Behrends 9/S Tim Smith 9/N

EMHC for Nursing Home:

Mary Beth Crowe—Hawthorne; Colleen Harmon— Aperion; Paula Lough - Greenfield; Rita Tracey—Liberty



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

First Saturday Devotion

7:00 AM

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*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, THR4:00 PMSATMen'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 July 21st, 2024

Amount Budgeted	\$	TBD
Amount Received	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,646.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	\$	TBD
Fiscal Period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2 Amount needed to date:	2025 \$	

Amount needed to date: \$ TBD Amount Received to date: <u>\$ 21,845.00</u> Over/(Under) budget to date: \$ TBD

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First Saturday Devotion

St. Louis Parish Saturday, August 3rd 7am

IN REPARATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY FOR THE SALVATION OF SOULS AND PEACE IN THE WORLD

> Mass, Adoration, Rosary





























ST. LOUIS CHURCH SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024















