



SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

PASTOR NOTE

Book of Remembrance: The month of November is traditionally dedicated to praying for the dead. Earlier we celebrated All Souls Day on November 2nd. Near the front of the Church, you will find the Book of Remembrance. You are invited to write the names of deceased family and friends. Throughout the month prayers will be offered for those listed in the Book of Remembrance. This is a powerful way to pray for those who have died asking God that they may enter the joy of Heaven.

Altar Server Training: The youth of the parish are invited to become an Altar Server at Mass. Any youth, boy or girl, from Fourth Grade and up are invited to be an Altar Server. Training will take place on Saturday, Nov. 23rd, 10am at the Church. It will last about an hour. One parent is requested to be present and must complete a registration form. Generally, youth serve twice a month and we will do our best to accommodate the Mass time requested. For special cases, alternative training may be possible. Please contact the Office.

Youth Group will meet Sunday, November 10th at 6pm. All high school youth of the parish are invited.

Parish Bingo: Dec. 7th, 6:30pm. Come and join us for a fun evening of exciting Bingo. Beverages and snacks are provided. There will be wonderful prizes. Bingo is completely free.

St. Mary, Tiskilwa, Property Sale: Since the merger of the parishes in late July, some have made inquiries about purchasing the properties in Tiskilwa. Some are quite serious. A closing on the property may be soon. This purchase includes the church, rectory, garage and property. It is preferable to sell everything as one unit. If you or someone you know might be interested in purchasing the Tiskilwa property, please contact Msgr. Kruse.

Veteran's Day: Tomorrow we celebrate Veterans Day. I thank all of those who served in our military. I praise God for their sacrifice which has secured our freedom. I encourage you to offer a word of thanks and a prayer for our veterans.

A Prayer for Veterans

Lord God, Almighty Father,
creator of mankind and author of peace,
as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess,
we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces.
Give them courage, hope and strength.
May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing.
Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light.
To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.

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

This crucifixion, if it persists, produces a sort of death and burial whereby we seem to die completely to self and to be buried with Christ, to live with Him a new life: "For you are dead: and your life is hid with Christ in God...For we are buried together with him by baptism into death."

To indicate this death, St. Paul makes use of another expression. Since in Baptism new life is given us, supernatural life, the while our own natural life subsists with the threefold concupiscence, the Apostle, calling the latter the old man and the former regenerated man declares that we must put off the old man and put on the new man: "Stripping yourselves of the old man...and putting on the new man."

From all these and similar phrases it follows that mortification comprises a twofold element: one negative – detachment, renunciation, despoilment; the other positive: the struggle against the evil tendencies of nature, the effort to curb and deaden them, a crucifixion, a death of the old man and his lusts, in order to live Christ's new life.

Modern expressions designating mortification: Today milder expressions are preferred which indicate rather the object to be attained than the effort to be undergone. It is said, for instance, that we must reform ourselves, exercise self-control, train the will, practice self-discipline, turn our soul towards God.

Definition: Mortification, then, may be defined as the struggle against our evil inclinations in order to subject them to the will, and the will to God. Mortification is not an end itself, but a means to an end. We mortify ourselves in order to live a higher life. Hence, the end of mortification is union with God.

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Readings for the week of November 10th

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32



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!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 11 **St. Martin of Tours, Bishop**
7:00am +Jeremy Vandal by Mary Paula Schmitt

Tuesday, November 12 **St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr**
5:15pm +Buck Donnelly by Dick & Marie Anderson
4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Wednesday, November 13 **St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin**
7:00am +Theresa McNeill by Linda Mahnesmith

Thursday, November 14 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
5:15pm +Ray DeMarlie by John Lan Tran & Family
4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour

Friday, November 15 **St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
7:00am +Richard Bloch by Chuck & Pam Hanson

Saturday, November 16 **Vigil of the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:00pm +Mary Josephine Miller by Barbara Bass

Sunday, November 17 **The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30am +Karen Colgan by Tom & Mary Murphy
9:00am People of the Parish
10:30am +Paul Scoma by Nancy Scoma

Parish "Book of Remembrance"



Near the end of each Mass throughout the month of November, we will remember the "Poor Souls" via suffrages — prayers for a quicker purification process for them. Additionally, please consider providing the names of departed loved ones in the parish "Book of Remembrance" which will be located on a podium by the statue of St. Joseph. Those names provided for the "Book of Remembrance" will be prayed for at all Masses throughout the month of November.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of

Richard Bloch

and for consolation for his family & friends

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

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4pm Saturday, November 16th

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

7:30 am: Sunday, November 17th

Altar Servers: *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy*
 EMHC: Mary Beth Crowe, Rita Tracey
 Lectors: Mary Paula Schmitt
 Sacristan: Lori Atilano
 Ushers: Dennis Thompson, Tom Murphy

9:00 am: Sunday, November 17th

Altar Servers: Angelo & Patsy Bystry
 EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Tim Smith
 Lectors: Herb Rhees
 Sacristan: Quint Quiram
 Camera Operator: Marty Makransky
 Ushers: Dave Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, November 17th

Altar Servers: Jackson Mason, Luke Smith
 EMHC: Pat Galassi-Carlson, Linda Carter
 Lectors: David Roden
 Sacristan: Linda Carter
 Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound: Paula Lough - South
 Tim Smith - North

EMHC for Nursing Home: Cindy Behrends - Goldwater;
 Mary Beth Crowe - Hawthorne; Tom Jagers - Green-
 field; Rita Tracey - Liberty



BAPTISM PREPARATION

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

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 November 3, 2024

Amount Budgeted	\$6,975.00
Amount Received	<u>\$9,563.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	\$2,588.00

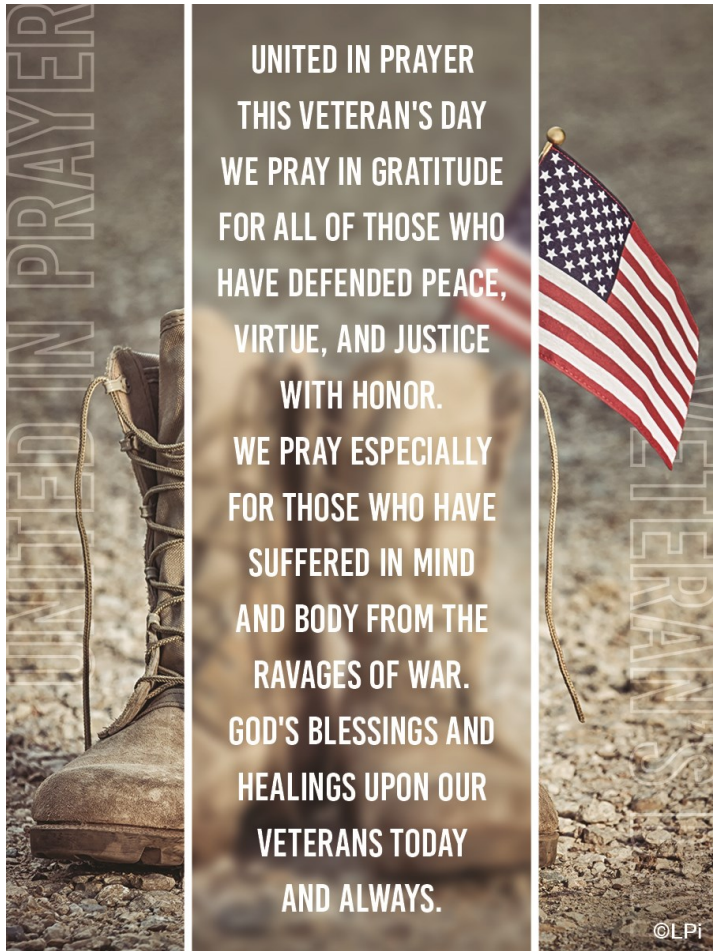
Fiscal Period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Amount needed to date:	\$125,550.00
Amount Received to date:	<u>\$126,298.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	\$ 748.00

Once at an evening Mass as a poor college student, the collection basket was fast approaching, and I only had a ten-dollar bill. I was planning on using that to buy my favorite Chipotle burrito that night for dinner. Should I keep the money? Who would know if I did? If I gave it away, what would I eat? Would I be okay? I kissed my future burrito goodbye, dropped the money in the basket, and winced. But strangely, the rest of the Mass I felt more engaged than usual. I had skin in the game. I left the Mass excited to see how God would take care of me. And he did, in amazing ways.

When the poor widow places two copper coins in the temple treasury, Jesus doesn't pity her. He praises her. He blesses her. He brags about her. He celebrates her as the temple's largest benefactor. Her giving is an act of radical, concrete trust in God. It is as if she is entering a new level of giving that excites Jesus, because she contributes not out of her abundance, but she gives "everything she had."

What a challenge this is to each one of us! How easy it is to ignore this! But imagine the eruption of the energy of faith, hope, and love that would be unlocked if our financial sacrifices to the Church actually tapped into daily bread and not only our disposable income. I challenge us to try this in some way this coming week and see what happens in our hearts. Even if it costs us a burrito. — Father John Muir ©LPi



MAGI BABY CHEST



We had a great turnout last weekend and served 188 families! Thank you to all the donors and volunteers who support all those little children. The families are so grateful to you. Our next opening is Saturday December 7th, 9AM-12PM.

We are collecting new children's nativity sets and new baby/toddler toys for our December opening. Please donate new toys for ages newborn to 4 years. Last year, we gave out 13 nativity sets! It's a wonderful way to spread the word of God and Christmas joy to these little children.



High Need Items: Toddler Socks, Infant Formula (Enfamil is most popular.), New Bottles, Diapers (Sizes 4, 5, 6, & 7), Wipes (Unscented Preferred), Prenatal Vitamins, Kids Chewable Vitamins, Baby Wash & Lotion, Winter Coats (Sizes 12mo-4T), Baby/Toddler Winter Hats & Gloves, Baby Food/Snacks, Infant Medicine (Tylenol & Ibuprofen), Thermometers, Humidifiers, Warm Winter Baby Blankets, New Winter Clothing (Sizes NB-4T), Gently Used Maternity Clothing.

ATTENTION Crafty Ladies! Our families love your beautiful handmade creations! If you knit, sew, quilt, or crochet, please consider donating items to the MBC. Families adore the handmade blankets, quilts, bibs, towels, burp cloths, hats, gloves, scarfs, and bags. They make beautiful Christmas gifts for our families who can't afford to buy much. Contact Jessica Murphy or Ashley Gray if you have any questions.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day.

DONATIONS NEEDED

FREE THANKSGIVING DINNER

St. Louis Parish will once again join the Evangelical Covenant Church to provide a free Thanksgiving meal for all those in need on Thanksgiving Day. We are asking for donations of various food items; a donation sign-up link was emailed on October 28th. There is also a paper sign-up on the Information Table in the foyer of Harkrader Hall. The items still needed are cooked/sliced Turkeys, loaves of bread and apple pies. If you would like to volunteer to work at the dinner, please contact the Evangelical Covenant Church at 815-875-2124.

Thanksgiving Dinner Information: Thursday, November 28th 11am—1pm. Pick-up or Delivery Orders Only. Curbside pick-up will be provided at the Evangelical Covenant Church, 24 N Main St. RESERVATION REQUIRED. To reserve your dinner visit www.eccprinceton.org/thanksgiving by 5pm on November 27th OR contact Tad Smith at 815-878-5473 if you do not have access to a computer.

Reservations will be accepted November 10th— 27th. A free-will offering will be accepted and given towards other local outreach events.