



SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab

PASTOR NOTE

Remembering our Family and Friends: The month of November is dedicated to praying for our deceased family and friends. I have decided to mark this month in our parish in a new way. Listed below are the names of all of those for whom our parish celebrated a Funeral Mass, Memorial Mass, Funeral Service or Catholic burial. I have done my best to provide a complete list. I apologize in advance for any oversights. I encourage you to offer a prayer for our deceased brothers and sisters buried from our parish from Nov. 1, 2023 to Oct. 31, 2024:

Nancy Bickett
John Brokaw
Father Ed Harkrader
Adam Koch
Casey Kusiak
Frances Larson
Jeffrey Loftus
Mary McCauley

Loraine McMahon
Steven Philbrook
Warren (Joe) Ritz
Mary Ann Sims
Bernadine (Bernie) Skibinski
Florence (Ann) Taylor
Wayne Whalen

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.

Mass Intentions: Beginning Mon., Nov. 4th, you may contact the Parish Office and schedule two Masses for the 2025 calendar. You are free to request more than two Mass intentions, but only two may have a reserved date. The others will be scheduled by the Parish Office.

Rummage Sale: Wow! The Rummage Sale last week was a great success. There were continuous buyers the entire time. They found some wonderful deals and treasures. A large amount of the items were purchased. We received \$3,400. You might be interested in purchasing some of the leftover items. These include: pews, folding chairs, desks, cabinets and some house wares. Please contact me or the Parish Office if you are interested in buying these items. The Rummage Sale was a great success because of the wonderful work of our parish staff and a large group of volunteers. I am grateful for all of their hard work and dedication. Thank you for offering your time and talents.

Parish Relics: Our parish relics have been on display for your veneration near the front of the church. Our parish relics include:

Relic of the True Cross. St. Anthony of Padua. St. Athanasius. St. Bernadette Soborious. St. Claude Colombiere. St. Elizabeth Anne Seton. St. Jean-Theophan Venard. St. John N. Neumann. St. Maria Goretti. St. Pius X. St. Therese of Lisieux

There is a small book near the relics that gives a brief biography of each of these saints. This week the relics will be moved to a display case in the Eucharistic Chapel. I encourage you to visit the Chapel for a prayerful moment before the Holy Eucharist and venerate the relics.

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.

Fall Small Groups: Our Fall Small Groups ended this past week. I hope that all of the participants enjoyed their time of prayerful reflection. I thank all of the facilitators of the Fall Small Groups. I am grateful for your dedication. We will join again for Lent Small Groups in a few months.

Election Day! I encourage you to vote on Election Day. Voting is an obligation and great gift of freedom. Please join me in offering prayers as we approach Election Day.

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

Mortification: Like penance, mortification has a part in the cleansing from past faults, but its chief purpose is to safeguard us against sin in the present and in the future, but weakening in us the love of pleasure, the source of our sins. We shall therefore explain the nature, necessity and practice of mortification.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 4 <u>St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop</u> 7:00am + Ed Anderson by Bill & Carmel Kuhlman
Tuesday, November 5 <u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u> 5:15pm + David Doty by Family 4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour
Wednesday, November 6 <u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u> 7:00am +Mary Lorraine Miller by Tim Smith Family
Thursday, November 7 <u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u> 5:15pm +Mary McCauley by Joanne Stocking 4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour
Friday, November 8 <u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u> 7:00am +Joseph Kunkel by Barb Grebner
Saturday, November 9 <u>Vigil of the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> 4:00pm + John Brokaw by Dick Schmitt
Sunday, November 10 <u>The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> 7:30am +Bob & Peggy Baldrige by Alan & Bernetta Wood 9:00am People of the Parish 10:30am +Valaria & Lawrence Canale by Donna Milliron & Family

Mass Intentions: Beginning Monday, November 4th, individuals may contact the Parish Office and schedule up to two Masses for the 2025 calendar. As a reminder, additional Masses may be requested but you may only request two specific dates per year. The additional Masses will be recorded in the Mass Intention Book and scheduled at a future date.

The Spiritual Life: *Continued from previous page*

Nature of Mortification:

After explaining the scriptural and the modern terms whereby mortification is designated, we shall give its definition.

Scriptural terms used to designate mortification: In Holy Scripture we find seven principal expressions that describe mortification in its different aspects.

The word renouncement: "Every one of you that does not renounce all that he possesses cannot be my disciple." This presents mortification as a giving up of external goods in order to follow Christ as the Apostles did: "Leaving all things they followed him."

Mortification is likewise an act of abnegation or self-renunciation: "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself."

But mortification also has a positive aspect: It is an act that maims and cripples the inordinate inclinations of nature: "Mortify therefore your members...But if by the Spirit you mortify the deeds of the flesh, you shall live."

Nay more, mortification is a crucifixion of the flesh and its lusts, whereby we attach, as it were, our faculties to the law of the Gospel by devoting them to prayer and labor: "They that are Christ's have crucified their flesh, with the vices and concupiscences."

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4pm Saturday, November 9th

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

7:30 am: Sunday, November 10th

Altar Servers: *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy*
EMHC: Mary Beth Crowe, Rita Tracey
Lectors: Rita Pacunas
Sacristan: Joann Bowman
Ushers: Dennis Thompson, Tom Murphy

9:00 am: Sunday, November 10th

Altar Servers: Dominic Vasquez, Sylvie Viger
EMHC: David Lawrence, Tim Taylor
Lectors: Steve Bouslog
Sacristan: Quint Quiram
Camera Operator: Marty Makransky
Ushers: Dave Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, November 10th

Altar Servers: Jackson Mason, Luke Smith
EMHC: Cindy Behrends, Linda Carter
Lectors: Marcia Obenhaus
Sacristan: Linda Carter
Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound: David Lawrence 9/N
Tim Taylor 9/S

EMHC for Nursing Home:

Mary Beth Crowe - Hawthorne; Mandy Robinson - Goldwater;
Nancy Scoma—Greenfield; Rita Tracey - Liberty

Readings for the week of November 3rd

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30, 30, 31-32/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44



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!

"Keeping our emotions bottled up inside only extends the pain and postpones the healing." - Sarah Stoehr
The next Glimmer of Comfort Grief Support Group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 1 pm at 521 S. First St. The group is open to women who have lost a child because of an addiction, suicide, miscarriage, illness or accident. We all know the forever pain of losing a child. We are supportive, caring and we laugh and we cry together. New moms are always welcome and older members are always encouraged to come and share how they are coping with their grief. Questions- Call Jeanie Gelsomino at 815 866-6571.

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 October 27, 2024

Amount Budgeted	\$6,975.00
Amount Received	<u>\$5,323.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	(\$1,652.00)

Fiscal Period July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Amount needed to date:	\$118,575.00
Amount Received to date:	<u>\$116,735.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	(\$ 1,840.00)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you attend the 4pm Saturday Vigil Mass, please consider volunteering to be an Usher. The schedule runs bimonthly (every other month). Please contact the parish office to sign up or for more information.

Thank You to our pray-ers

Sincere thanks to all who participated in the weekend prayer vigil at our parish during the recent Rachel's Vineyard Retreat held in our diocese. Thank you for your part in the healing that took place for those who attended the retreat. As one participant remarked, the retreat was 'a miracle of grace'. Your worship of our Lord in Adoration was a mystical part of the grace received by all those who were there. May God bless you all. Sincerely, The Peoria Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Team



CATHOLIC Forum - Q&A
Please join us for the next Catholic Forum this Sunday, November 3rd at 6:30pm at Harkrader Hall. Everyone is invited to meet for a Question/Answer session about any faith topic. Individuals ask their questions and Msgr. Kruse attempts to provide an answer.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE: Last weekend the Knights of Columbus collected 191 nonperishable food items and \$1,972 in monetary donations for the Bureau County Food Pantry. The Pantry received a large number of high-need items along with a good number of Thanksgiving related items. The monetary donations received will buy a significant number of turkeys. St. Louis parishioners have now contributed 30,143 non-perishable food items and \$204,246 in monetary donations. The food insecure are the beneficiaries of your generosity. God bless you all!

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

DONATE WHILE
You Dine!



St. Louis Altar and Rosary Society
Tuesday Nov. 5th, 2024
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Baptism

Welcome to the newest member of our Catholic Christian family!

Maverick Michael Flowers,
 son of Christopher & Meghan Flowers,
 who was baptized on
 Sunday, October 27, 2024

MAGI BABY CHEST



We had a very successful distribution! More information to follow. Thank you to all the volunteers and donors who make this possible.

Our next distribution is Saturday December 7th from 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.



Don't forget to get your tickets to the Valentine Magi Gala! Tickets are selling and it will be a very fun night and for a good cause! Remember to invite some friends from the community as well! Our goal is to get the outside public involved. All proceeds will go towards purchasing supplies for the MBC. Invites are printed and located at the church entrances. Tickets available online by following the link/QR code below or at the parish office. We hope to see you there! <https://www.stlouisprinceton.org/magi-baby-chest>



Sheffield Knights of Columbus Chili Supper

St. Patrick's Parish Hall - Sheffield
 Saturday, November 9 5pm—7pm

All you can eat chili plus a dessert
 \$10 for adults; \$5 for children—Eat in or carry out

Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following couples celebrating their 50th Plus Anniversary!
John & Pat Bystry - November 10, 1956
Dan & Margaret Martinkus - November 23, 1972
Ronald & Patricia Butler - November 27, 1971