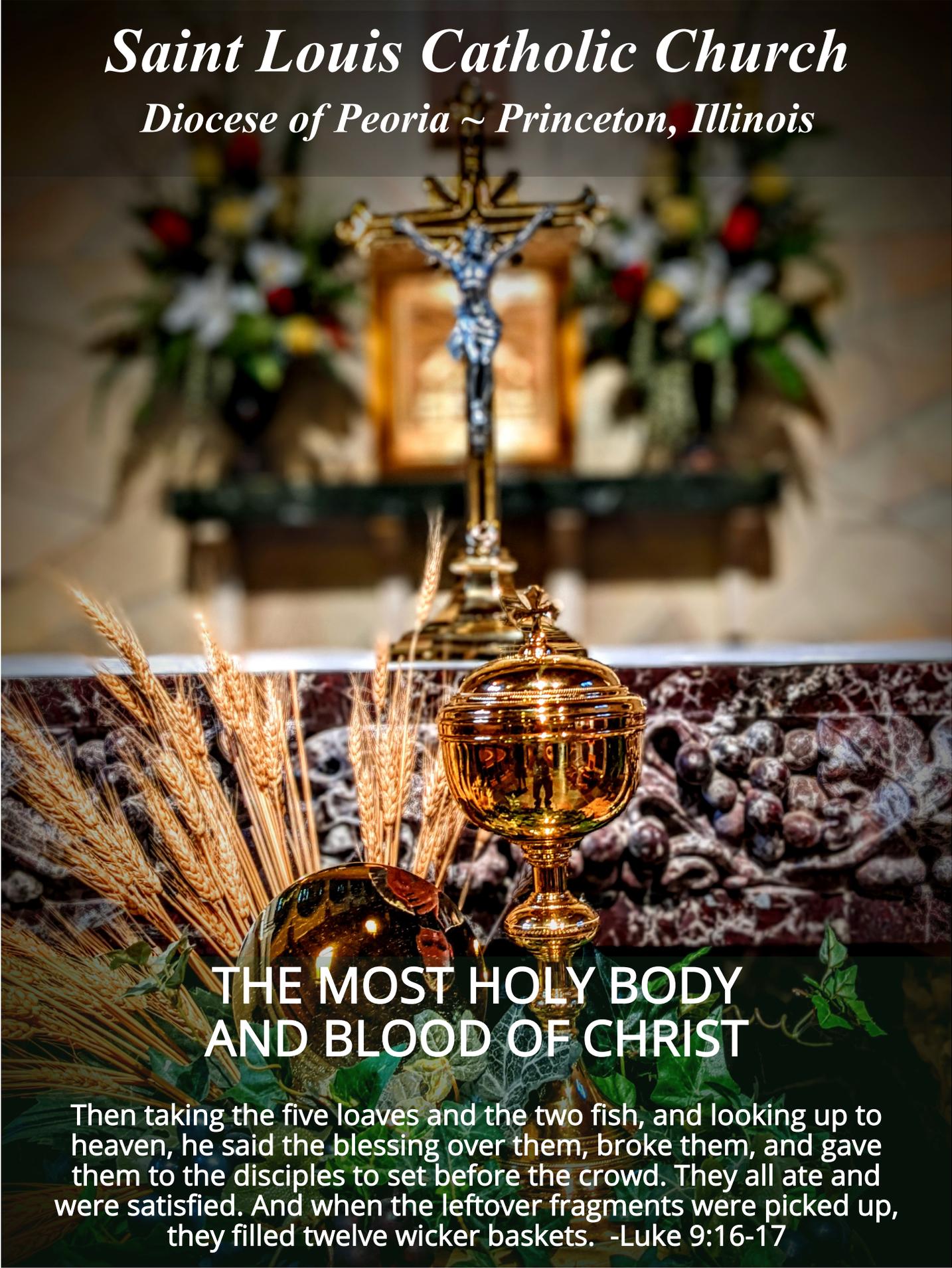


# *Saint Louis Catholic Church*

## *Diocese of Peoria ~ Princeton, Illinois*



### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. -Luke 9:16-17

## PASTOR NOTE

Happy Father's Day! I congratulate all of the fathers of our parish. I thank God for all of the many blessings that you bring to your families. It is good for us to take a day and honor the hard work, loving guidance, dedication and example of our fathers. I am especially grateful to God for my father who later this week turns 81. I have a special bond with my dad because he is a deacon. Although he is retired, he continues to serve at St. Mary, Princeville. This was my former parish assignment. It was wonderful to serve with him for a year and half. I hope that everyone will do something special for their father this weekend, even if it is offering a prayer for the repose of their soul. Remember, that in death our relationships simply change. They do not end. May God bless all of our Fathers. Here is a prayer for your father:

God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Throughout this week, the Church celebrates many feast days. I highlight them for your prayer thoughts.

Today we celebrate Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus. We recall the great miracle of the Holy Eucharist and the many blessings we receive through Christ's abiding divine presence.

Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> is the feast of St. Aloysius Gonzaga (1568-1591). He was a pious young man who joined the Jesuits. He is an example for the youth of our parish.

Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrate two British martyrs. St. John Fisher (1469-1535) was a bishop who refused to follow King Henry VIII's revolt against the Church. St. Thomas More (1478-1535) was a laymen and Lord Chancellor of England. He was martyred by Henry VIII. Thomas died saying, "I die the king's good servant, but God is first."

Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, we celebrate the birthday of St. John the Baptist. He is one of the greatest saints who prepared for the coming of Jesus.

Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> is the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We often refer to the heart as the place of our love. Christ's human heart is the font of His divine love flowing to us. We adore His Sacred Heart through many devotions. I encourage you to join us for Mass to celebrate His Sacred Heart.

Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> is the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This feast focuses on Mary's sinless life as well as her tender motherly love for Jesus and each of us.

## NOURISHED IN SPIRIT BY MSGR. KRUSE

For those who know me well, it may be hard to believe that I used to be a Boy Scout. I remember once going on a camping trip in Wisconsin. This was no ordinary trip because we were going to camp inside a cave. I remember our group going down farther and farther into the depths of this cave. I remember that it was damp and full of bats. But, what I remember most of all was the darkness. Deep in that cave, the darkness took on an indescribable power. Although I knew my fellow scouts were near by, I felt totally alone and scared. In the depths of that cave, with its darkness, its silence, its isolation and its loneliness, I distinctly remember wondering if this is what death would feel like.

Although I safely survived my cave camping, that experience has stayed with me. Maybe you have never gone camping in a cave (and I recommend that you don't), but I'm sure that you have felt fear and loneliness. Take a moment and reflect upon those moments in your life where these feelings were intensely present. It would even be good to take a moment and write out the experience. Fear is a basic human emotion. Loneliness is present in all of us at different times. None of us can escape the fear of death. What has been your "cave" experience?

Much later in life, the memory of that emotional moment back in the cave helped me understand what our Lord was experiencing while suffering on the cross. Your similar experiences can help you understand our Lord Jesus. While our Lord was in the heights of his pain and just moments before he died, the Gospel of Matthew records Jesus saying, "'Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani,' that is, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?'"

On the surface, these words of Jesus are simply a quotation of scripture. They are the opening words of Psalm 22. Take a moment and read this psalm and see it's connection to our Lord's passion. Considering that this psalm was written hundreds of years before Christ, its prophesy to detail is amazing. Jesus quotes this psalm in order to clearly show us that he is that suffering servant spoken of long ago. Christ's words give context to his suffering as prophesied in Psalm 22.

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**Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:** Almighty and eternal God, consider the Heart of thy well-beloved Son and the praises and satisfaction he offers thee in the name of sinners; appeased by worthy homage, pardon those who implore thy mercy, in the name of the same Jesus Christ thy Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

**Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary:** Grant we beseech thee, O Lord God, that we thy servants may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body, and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, be delivered from present sorrow and enjoy everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Sacred Heart Mass & Procession:** Catholics from our area are invited to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday, June 24th. There will be a Mass and Eucharistic Procession held at St. Mary's Church in Utica (303 S. Division St.). Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.

**Mass Intentions**

Monday, June 20 **Weekday**  
7:00 am +Ray DeMarlie by Louise Bell

Tuesday, June 21 **St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**  
5:15pm +Brittney Bales by Tony & Carla Vergamini  
4-5:00 Holy Hour

Wednesday, June 22 **St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop;**  
**Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs**  
7:00 am +Todd Hermeyer by Mike & Doris Smith

**\*Thursday, June 23 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**  
**\*7am** +Phyllis Sims by Bob and Patti Maubach

Friday, June 24 **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
7:00 am +Hilaire & Frances Castelein  
by Paul & Bridgette Castelein

Sat, June 25 **Vigil of the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:00 pm +Theo Piano, Jr. by Cathy Trowbridge

Sunday, June 26 **The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 am People of the Parish  
9:00 am + Christine Jordan Kalil  
by Alan and Lynne Weber  
10:30 am +Allison Murray  
by former St. Louis School Staff

**\*Mass time changed to 7am and Holy Hour and  
Confession cancelled for Thursday, June 23rd**

**Readings for the week of June 19**

Mon: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5  
Tues: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/  
Mt 7:6, 12-14  
Wed: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20  
Thursday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk  
1:57-66, 80  
Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7  
Sat: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Lk 2:41-51  
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal  
5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62



**Welcome to the newest member of our  
Catholic Christian family!**  
**Leah Ann Austin,**  
**daughter of Andrew and Brittany Austin,**  
**who was baptized on June 12th.**

## Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

### 4:00 pm: Saturday, June 25

Altar Servers: Cameron & Sam Lawrence  
EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Dave Lawrence  
Lectors: Gene Menard  
Sacristan: Mandy Robinson  
Ushers: John Brokaw

### 7:30 am: Sunday, June 26

Altar Servers: Brady Peach  
EMHC: Rita Tracey, Mary Beth Crowe  
Lectors: Rita Pacunas  
Sacristan: Joann Bowman  
Ushers: Tom Tracey

### 9:00 am: Sunday, June 26

Altar Servers: Chris Harmon, Sydney Scully  
EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Linda Carter  
Camera Operator: Marty Makransky  
Lectors: Steve Harmon  
Sacristan: Chris Romagnoli  
Ushers: Quint Quiram, Jim Whiteaker, Dan Legner

### 10:30 am: Sunday, June 26

Altar Servers: Nathan Lough, Luke Smith  
EMHC: Tim Smith, Cindy Behrends  
Lectors: Jeff Peacock  
Sacristan: Susanna Prushinski  
Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound: Mandy Robinson 9/N, Linda Carter 9/S  
EMHC for Nursing Homes: Rita Tracey—Liberty; Colleen Harmon - Hawthorne; Chris Williams - Aperia; Dave Lawrence - Greenfield

## KOC News

**FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND:** Next weekend, June 25 and 26, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting nonperishable food items and monetary donations for the Bureau County Food Pantry. We have all seen our grocery bills go up due to inflation and those with a fixed income really struggle. Seniors are now seeking assistance at the Food Pantry in greater numbers than ever before. Increases in Food Stamp benefits that started during the pandemic are ending. School is now out and the shelves need to be refilled. All the high need items are in short supply. Those are: breakfast cereal, peanut butter, mac & cheese, canned fruit, hamburger helper, boxed potatoes and canned pasta. Thanks to all who donate so generously each month,

**Men's Holy Hour Every Saturday at 7am** - read the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday and spend time in silent meditation. Enter through the Chapel door.

## 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

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

### RECONCILIATION

TUE, THR	4:30—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
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**PRIVATE PRAYER:** The Chapel is open for Private Prayer— if you need the access code please contact the parish office.

## STEWARDSHIP

### Church Monetary Support Through June 12th, 2022

Amount Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00
Amount Received	\$ <u>6,384.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	(\$ 116.00)

### Fiscal Period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

Amount needed to date:	\$331,500.00
Amount Received to date:	\$ <u>338,037.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	\$ 6,537.00

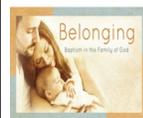


### A Holy Hour for Life Benediction, Rosary, and other Prayers

All are welcome to gather in prayer on the fourth Sunday of each month from 6-7 pm in the Church for the intention of respect for the sacredness of all human life.

Please join us Sunday, June 26th

### Belonging Baptism Preparation



Please contact Rebekah Mead to schedule baptismal prep classes and the ceremony.  
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## ST. LOUIS PARISH



**Saturday, June 25th - 6:30pm**  
**St. Louis Parish - Harkrader Hall**

Form a team of no more than 8 people. Or, you may come on your own and form a team with others or be assigned to a team. The cost is \$10 per participant. 10% of all entry fees will be donated to the Princeton Food Pantry. The top team will receive 65% of the entry fees. 25% will go to the second place team. Drinks and simple snacks will be provided. **Come out for this fun evening and let's see who will be the trivia champs!**

**Child care will be provided.**

## **Talk on Freedom - Harkrader Hall** **Wednesday, June 29th - 6:30pm**

This talk will be based on Msgr. Kruse's master's thesis paper at the seminary. It will explore the true nature of human freedom and its interaction with divine freedom. It will explore Christ's agony in the garden, which reveals the true nature of freedom. It will touch upon divine providence, love and prayer. It will be a thought-provoking talk, possibly raising more questions than answers. It will reveal the power of human freedom and its limitations. We were created free and recreated for greater freedom. The presentation will have some deep ideas but will also be very practical.

As we prepare to celebrate the Fourth of July, come join Msgr. Kruse to discover truth of freedom, which reveals the heights of God's love.

## **Please return your Baby Bottles!**

As we celebrate Father's Day this weekend, it is time to return the baby bottles distributed over Mother's Day weekend, that you have been filling with your checks, dollars and spare change to support Abigail Women's Center in Mendota. **You will notice a cradle placed before our Blessed Mother in the church. Please leave your bottles there.** Or, they may be dropped off any time during normal office hours. **Checks made payable to Abigail Women's Center** are also gratefully accepted. Our support and prayers can change hearts!

## Youth Information

**Schedule change: The Pool Party scheduled for June 26th has been moved to Sunday, July 24th and will now include both Junior High and High School students and their families. Please mark your calendars for this fun event! More information will be provided in July.**



All High School students are invited to Youth Group Night

**Sunday, June 26th**  
**6-7:30 pm**

We will meet in the Youth Group Room

**Only 3 more weeks until Totus Tuus and Totus Tots!** Registration forms are available in the main office or at [stlouisprinceton.org](http://stlouisprinceton.org). Three-year-olds through seniors in high school won't want to miss this super fun summer experience July 10-15! Only \$10 per family.

Contact Rebekah Mead with any questions or to volunteer: 815-303-2330, [stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com](mailto:stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com)

## *Happy Father's Day*

### **Father's Day Prayer**

God our Father, through the intercession of St. Joseph, foster father of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks and praise for all fathers in the world.

We pray for them so that they may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for those whose children are lost or suffering; May they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men, especially the priests and monks, who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen

