

Saint Louis Catholic Church
Diocese of Peoria ~ Princeton, Illinois

The Ascension of The Lord

“All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness, For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome, is the great king over all the earth.” Responsorial Psalm 47

PASTOR NOTE

Invitation to Become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

It is truly good to see so many people returning to Mass. I hope that you all have noticed an increase in the Mass attendance. You may have noticed that we have returned to having four stations for the distribution of Holy Communion at each Mass. I hope that you have also noticed that this has facilitated faster distribution. Currently, we have only about a dozen Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC), previously called Eucharistic Ministers. These are the volunteers that help the Deacon and me distribute Holy Communion. I am grateful for their dedication. I know that lately they have been going the extra mile. We need more volunteers to help lessen the load.

I invite you to consider volunteering as an EMHC. This is a tremendous service to the parish and can help you grow closer to our Eucharistic Lord. Considering that this volunteering is directly related to the Eucharist, there are some requirements to volunteer. The Diocese summarizes these requirements as: being at least aged 18 and a “Catholic of excellent character and obvious spiritual devotion and who live their faith in harmony with the Gospel and the laws of the Church.” EMHC’s must attend a training session; serve at least two Masses a month; bring Communion to the homebound at least one time a month; and, receive a mandate from the Bishop.

There will be a training session of Sunday, June 5th at 1pm in the church. During this session I will explain the requirements in more detail as well as explain the manner of distributing Holy Communion. This session may be about 90 minutes. Anyone interested in becoming an EMHC is invited to attend. I ask that all current volunteers also attend this training session. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Msgr. Kruse

Trivia Night: Mark your calendar: Sat. June 25, 6:30pm. More details will be coming. It will be a fun night for all.

NOURISHED IN SPIRIT BY MSGR. KRUSE

“James Edward Kruse,” the deacon called out during Mass. I answered, “Present,” and bowed to the Bishop. Ten men were called forward and ten responded. And, so began the ritual of our ordination on May 25, 1996 – twenty-six years ago. Our simple response – Present – was not simply a perfunctory roll call. Instead, it was the culmination of years of listening, responding, maturing and preparing. It captured our willingness to receive ordination graces at that moment and our willingness to accept sacrifice and hardship in the future. Our response was filled with awesome joy, trembling, peace, and expectation. But, most of all – love. For at that moment, I was never more present before God, his Church, and myself. God created me for priesthood. He called me and I said yes! Present! And, then he made me his priest. These twenty-five years since that moment are simply an unfolding of that moment long ago. For each day he calls me to be his priest – present to his people and their manifold needs.

Christ ordains his priests to make his ministry present – his ministry of priest, prophet and king. Beginning with the apostles and continuing throughout the ages, Christ has built up the Church by choosing men to continue Christ’s holiness, teachings and leadership. The ordained does not simply imitate this three-fold work of Christ; rather, he actually makes Christ’s life and work present. Christ is the only priest. He alone sanctifies, teaches and leads. The ordained participate in Christ’s priesthood and manifest his ministry. The ordained enjoy the sacrament of Holy Order through which the life of Christ, in his very person, is made present and active. Where the priest is, there is Jesus. The priest stands *in persona Christi*, in the person of Christ.



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!

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Mass Intentions

Monday, May 30 **Monday of the Seventh week of Easter**
7:00 am +Hank Skibinski by Bernie Skibinski

Tuesday, May 31 **The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
5:15pm +Stephen & Mary Forgus by Nancy Scoma
4-5:00 Holy Hour

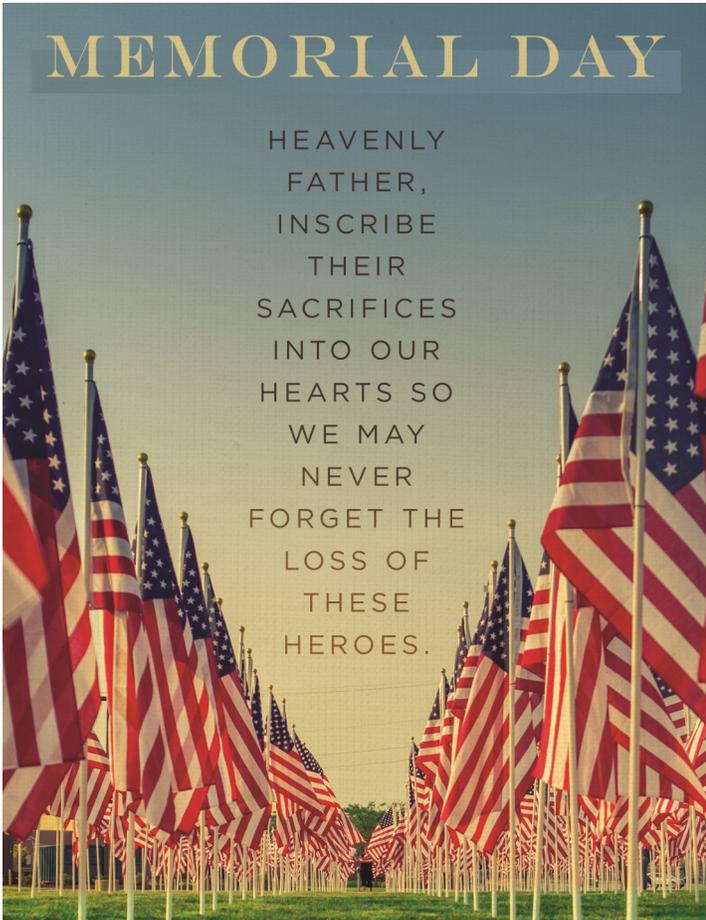
Wednesday, June 1 **St. Justin, Martyr**
7:00 am +Ron Hulslander by Annette Hulslander

Thursday, June 2 **Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**
5:15pm +Special Intention by Joanne Stocking
4-5:00 Holy Hour

Friday, June 3 **St. Charles Lwanga and Companions,
Martyr; First Friday**
7:00 am + Mary Kunkel by Chris & Sharon Kunkel

Sat, June 4 **Vigil of Pentecost Sunday**
4:00 pm + Tom Shea by Joan Shea

Sunday, June 5 **Pentecost Sunday**
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:00 am +Peter Bergagna by Jackie Weissmann
10:30 am +Charles & Anna Scoma by Nancy Scoma



Readings for the week of May 29, 2022

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Lk 24:46-53

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a /Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Prayer for Memorial Day

God of power and mercy,
you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our
tears, that we may all deserve to be called your sons
and daughters.
Keep in your mercy those men and women
who have died in the cause of freedom
and bring them safely
into your kingdom of justice and peace.
We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, June 4

Altar Servers: Cameron & Sam Lawrence
EMHC: Dave Lawrence, Mandy Robinson
Lectors: Sophia Oester
Sacristan: Mandy Robinson
Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy

7:30 am: Sunday, June 5

Altar Servers: Brady Peach
EMHC: Rita Tracey, Mandy Robinson
Lectors: Mary Paula Schmitt
Sacristan: Joann Bowman
Ushers: Tom Ballard, Tom Tracey

9:00 am: Sunday, June 5

Altar Servers: Sydney Scully, Luke Smith
EMHC: Linda Carter, Mary Beth Crowe
Camera Operator: Marty Makransky
Lectors: Herb Rhees
Sacristan: Quint Quiram
Ushers: Dave & Judy Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, June 5

Altar Servers: Anna Ellis, Jackson Mason
EMHC: Dave Boylan; Tim Smith
Lectors: Patty Daluga
Sacristan: Tim Smith
Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC for Homebound: Linda Carter (N), Mary Beth Crowe (S)
EMHC for Nursing Homes: Rita Tracey - Liberty; Mandy Robinson - Hawthorne; Dave Lawrence - Greenfield; Colleen Harmon - Aperiaon

**Thank you all for your willingness to serve
our Lord and parish family!**

ST. LOUIS PARISH SCHEDULE

MASS SCHEDULE

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| 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

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| 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

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| 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 May 22, 2022

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| Amount Budgeted | \$ 6,500.00 |
| Amount Received | \$ <u>5,666.00</u> |
| Amount Over (Under) | (\$ 834.00) |

Fiscal Period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

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| Amount needed to date: | \$312,000.00 |
| Amount Received to date: | \$ <u>317,888.00</u> |
| Over/(Under) budget to date: | \$ 5,888.00 |

God's Game of Telephone

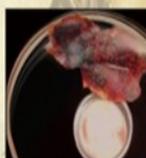
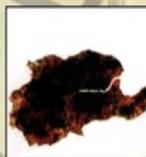
You've probably played the game of "pass it on" before, maybe years ago on the playground. It's a simple concept: one person whispers something in another person's ear, and it gets repeated person by person throughout the group, until finally the last one to hear the message has to say it out loud. Whatever ends up being said at the end of the game is usually a far cry from the original statement, and everyone has a good laugh.

As individuals, we don't receive news in the same way. Our personalities, our histories, our weaknesses, and our strengths determine how we interact with information we encounter in the world, both good and bad. One person will interpret a compliment positively; someone else will take offense. One person reacts to news of a job promotion with joy, another is disappointed that now they will have less time with their family. The same news can mean completely different things to different people.

But what God gives us is the truth in love, and the truth in love is the same in every place and in every time, for every person of every race. When Christ prayed to the Father that "the love with which you loved me may be in them," he was asking that the magnificent gift that had been imparted to him would also be imparted to us. Our job is to play a game of pass it on with this gift of love. How do we keep it from becoming warped? Through remaining committed to the word of God, to the sacraments, and to one another.

In this game, we don't change the message. The message changes us. And we have to give it away to keep it.
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Eucharistic Miracle EXHIBIT



Visit the Eucharistic Miracle Exhibit at Trinity Catholic Academy
650 4th Street, LaSalle
(Enter through the gym doors on Marquette Street.)
Saturday, June 11 from 11 am to 7 pm
Sunday, June 12 from 10am to 4pm
No Charge, but a free will donation is appreciated.

Knights of Columbus News

The Knights of Columbus would like to invite all Catholic men of the parish, over the age of 18, to a cook out on **Monday June 6 at 6 PM** in the parish pavilion. Please come enjoy a complimentary meal and some fellowship with other Catholic men of the parish. There will be a short presentation about the Knights and what our role is in supporting the parish. We look forward to seeing you on Monday June 6 and 6 PM.

WINE AND CHEESE PARTY

SUMMER DATES:
JUNE DATE IS CANCELLED
JULY 2 - 7PM
AUGUST 6 - 7PM
SEPTEMBER 3 - 7PM



Word of God - Women's Prayer Group

The Women's Prayer Group will meet this summer on Friday Mornings at 8:00am. We will discuss the Sunday's Gospel. We try to finish by 9. We know how busy Summer can be, but feel free to come when you can. We follow a Lectio Divina format. What a great way to begin your weekend, vacation, or day by spending time discussing the Gospel and praying for our community. If you have any questions, please call Linda McCabe at 815-875-2539.

S'MORE-GASBORD AND BONFIRE

All parishioners are invited to join us for a s'more-gasbord and bonfire at 7 PM on Friday, June 17th!

We'll bring the marshmallows, graham crackers, and all the works. Bring your family, friends, and appetite! We'll gather at the St. Louis picnic shelter for a night of fellowship and fun.

BEGINNING JUNE 7TH SUMMER TUESDAY FOOD & FUN!!

Junior High (6th-8th) kids are invited for food & games every Tuesday from noon -1pm

Totus Tuus 2022 registration is here!!

Register now for Totus Tuus and Totus Tots! Forms are available in the main office or on the Family Discipleship page of the parish website

- Grades 1-6 will meet from 9 AM to 2:30 PM, Monday, July 11 through Friday, July 15.
- Grades 7-12 will meet from 7 to 9 PM, Sunday, July 10 through Thursday, July 14.

"Totus Tots" will be available for children three years old through Kindergarten. It will meet from 9 AM to 11 AM, Monday, July 11 through Friday, July 15.

Any questions? Please contact Rebekah Mead (815 -303-2330, stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com).

MEMORIAL DAY

★ REMEMBER AND HONOR ★

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

May 30th – June 7th

In observance of Memorial Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 30th.

Office hours will be 10am - 2pm beginning Tuesday, May 31st thru Tuesday, June 7th. Normal office hours will resume on Wednesday, June 8th.