



SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIocese of Peoria ~ Princeton, Illinois

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.” - Mt 10:42

PASTOR NOTE

This weekend we enjoyed another parish Trivia Night. Also, this weekend we celebrate our nation's independence. So, I thought we should have a little fun. Listed below are some trivia questions related to Catholicism in America. Later in the bulletin you will find the answers. How many can you get right? Don't cheat!

1. In 1513, who was the Spanish Catholic explorer who established the Spanish Territory of Florida?
2. Where was the first Catholic church established in what would be the United States?
3. How many Catholics signed the Declaration of Independence?
4. What was the first Diocese in the United States?
5. In what year was this first Diocese established?
6. Who was the first bishop of the United States?
7. In 1808, some sections of the first diocese of the United States were formed into four new dioceses. What were these dioceses?
8. Who is the patron saint of the United States?
9. Who was the first American citizen canonized as a saint?
10. Who was the saint that established many missions in California which are not cities?
11. What is the "youngest" or "newest" Archdiocese in the United States?
12. When was the Diocese of Peoria established?
13. Who was the first Bishop of Peoria?
14. How many diocesan bishops have served the Diocese of Peoria?
15. Who was the first Pope to visit the United States? What year?
16. How many times did St. John Paul II visit the United States?
17. What Saint became an honorary United States citizen?
18. What is the largest Catholic church in the United States?
19. How many Americans are Catholic?
20. What diocese has the largest Catholic population? The smallest?

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

The enemies of the Spiritual Life:

These enemies are: concupiscence, the world and the devil. Concupiscence is the foe we carry within us. The world and the devil are the foes from outside ourselves that feed the fires of concupiscence and fan its flames. Concupiscence is three-fold: flesh, eyes and mind.

Concupiscence of the Flesh:

The concupiscence of the flesh is the inordinate love of sensual pleasure. Pleasure in itself is not evil. God allows pleasure when directed toward a higher end, that is, towards moral good. The moderate enjoyment of pleasure, if referred to its end – moral and supernatural good – is not an evil. In fact, it is a good act, for it tends towards a good end which is ultimately God Himself. But to will pleasure without any reference to the end that makes it lawful, that is, to will pleasure as an end in itself and as an ultimate end, is a moral disorder, for it is going counter to the wisdom of a God-established order. Such disorder leads to further evil, because when one's sole motive of action is pleasure, one is exposed to love pleasure to excess; one is no longer guided by an end which raises its barriers against that immoderate thirst for enjoyment which exists in all of us.

God in His wisdom willed to attach a certain enjoyment to the act of eating, to offer us an incentive towards sustaining our bodily forces. But sensual men use this enjoyment rather to serve their own bodies than to serve Almighty God. The pleasure of eating enslaves them and instead of eating in order to live they live rather in order to eat.

Sensual pleasure is all the more dangerous as the entire body is inclined to it. Eyes, ears, and touch enkindle the flames of an impure love and excites our hidden tendencies to sensual joys. Overindulgence of these joys lead on to guilty pleasures. Through sensuality, man so cherishes his body that he forgets his soul. Over solicitous for his health, he is led to pamper the body at every turn. All sensual cravings are but the branches of the same tree, the concupiscence of the flesh.

The remedy of concupiscence of the flesh is found in the mortification of the senses. This includes mortifying our exterior senses which put us in contact with those things that stir within us evil desires. The obligation to mortifying our love for pleasure so imposes itself upon us that our spiritual life and our salvation depend upon it.

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Mass Intentions

Monday, July 3 **St. Thomas, Apostle**
7:00 am +Brian Thomas Tester
by Paul & Bridgette Castelein

***Tuesday, July 4 Weekday in Ordinary Time**
7:00am +Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
by Dr. & Mrs. Ascano

Wednesday, July 5 **St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;**
St. Elizabeth of Portugal
7:00am +Terry Martin by Doug & Pat Wiggim

Thursday, July 6 **St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr**
5:15pm +Virgil Bartman by Joanne Stocking
4-5:00p Holy Hour

Friday, July 7 **The First Friday**
7:00am +Jack & Theresa McNeill by Barbara Sawitoski

Saturday, July 8 **Vigil of the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:00pm + Stephanie Colby-Aburto
by Leo & Susanna Prushinski

Sunday, July 9 **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 am +Susan Welgat by Mary Archer
9:00 am +Thomas Delaney by Lynn Delaney
10:30am People of the Parish

***Mass will be at 7am on Tuesday, July 4th; Adoration & Confession are cancelled**

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman
A Prophet's Reward

"Move back in with us until you save enough for a decent house," my mother told me over and over again as the birth of my second child neared.

My little family was quickly outgrowing our rented space, but the housing market in our area was a nightmare for first-time homebuyers. As appealing as the offer was, I kept refusing, convinced that my mother didn't understand the chaos, disruption, and loss of personal space that such a move would mean for her and my dad.

I was wrong — she did. And eventually she wore me down. When my son was three months old my family of four moved back into my old bedroom. My parents made an office space for my husband in the basement, and they converted their den into a playroom for two of the loudest children you will ever meet. They told us we could stay as long as we needed to (it ended up being two years). They greeted us with love and warmth every morning and never made us feel like we were an inconvenience.

Today's first reading always reminds me of my mom, not because I consider myself a prophet (hardly) but because of the way she received me — specifically, in whose name she received me.

I've always tried to understand exactly what makes my parents' acts of love — toward me, toward each other, toward perfect strangers — feel so genuine. I think, after more than 30 years, I've finally realized the secret: my parents love God more than they love me. They love God more than they love anyone.

Like making room in their life and their home for me and my boisterous family, these acts originate in sacrifice. They don't come cheap. They come from the cross.

"Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." — Matthew 10:39 ©LPi

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, July 8th

Altar Servers: Anaisabela Ramirez-Tz, Dominic Vasquez
 EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Lynn Delaney
 Lectors: Sophia Oester
 Sacristan: Mandy Robinson
 Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy, Colleen Sissel

7:30 am: Sunday, July 9th

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

9:00 am: Sunday, July 9th

Altar Servers: Angelo & Patsy Bystry
 EMHC: Cindy Behrends, Pat Galassi-Carlson
 Camera Operator: Marty Makransky
 Lectors: Tim Kunkel
 Sacristan: Quint Quiram
 Ushers: Dave & Judy Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, July 9th

Altar Servers: Anna Ellis, Jackson Mason
 EMHC: Linda Carter, Linda McCabe
 Lectors: Patty Daluga
 Sacristan: Linda Carter
 Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound Cindy Behrends 9/N
 Pat Galassi-Carlson

EMHC for Nursing Homes

Mary Beth Crowe - Liberty Hawthorne; Gene Menard - Aperia; Paula Lough - Greenfield; Rita Tracey—Liberty

Readings for the week of July 2nd

Sunday: 2Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19(2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42
 Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29
 Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27 Wednesday: Gn 21:5-8, 20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34
 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 34, 56, 89/Mt 9:1-8
 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13
 Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17
 Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14(see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-3

OUR TABLE

St. Louis will be hosting dinner for Our Table at the Methodist Church, Monday, July 24. Because the Methodist Kitchen is being remodeled, we have decided on a sack lunch.

We will need a few volunteers to serve and some food items for that date. I have put a sign up sheet on the table outside Harkrader Hall. If you have any questions, please call Linda McCabe at 815-875-2539 or Marcia Obenhaus 815-878-1812. Thank you once again for all your help with this project. Your generosity of time and talent is greatly appreciated. Linda and Marcia

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
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PRIVATE PRAYER: The Chapel is open for Private Prayer— Contact the Parish Office for access code.

STEWARDSHIP

Church Monetary Support Through June 25, 2023

Due to the holiday early submission deadline for the bulletin, totals for June 25th were not available at the time of printing. They will be provided in the July 16th bulletin.

1. Ponce de Leon
 2. St. Augustine, Florida
 3. Charles Carroll
 4. Baltimore, Maryland
 5. Nov. 6, 1789
 6. Archbishop John Carroll
 7. Philadelphia, New York, Boston, and Bardstown, Kentucky
 8. Mary, under the title of the Immaculate Conception
 9. St. Elizabeth Anne Seton (1774-1821) or St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850-1917)
 10. St. Junipero Serra
 11. Archdiocese of Las Vegas, established 2023
 12. 1877
 13. Bishop John Lancaster Spalding
 14. 9
 15. St. Pope Paul VI, 1965
 16. Seven
 17. St. Theresa of Calcutta
 18. Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC
 19. As of 2020, about 62 million or 19% of overall population
 20. Archdiocese of Los Angeles (4.1 million).
- Juneau, Alaska (72,000)

Answers to American Catholic Trivia



A Prayer for the United States

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome— for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us—this great land will always be “one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Cenacle Prayer Group

Cenacle Prayer Groups are a new activity in the parish. It draws people into a weekly holy hour. The groups meet at the Mother’s Chapel in the Church. You are invited to form your own prayer group or ask to join a group. Email Msgr. Kruse to reserve a holy hour day and time (jameskruse1996@gmail.com). Msgr. Kruse will provide a prayer guide for the Holy Hour. Through this weekly Holy Hour may we grow in our relationship with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

YOUTH GROUP **Youth Group Night**
Sunday, July 9 6-7:30 pm

We will meet in the Youth Group Room for a short bible study, followed by games and prayer time.

CATHOLIC Forum - Q&A

Please join us for the next Catholic Forum this Sunday, July 2nd 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.

MAGI BABY CHEST



Thank you to everyone who helped and attended the MBC Volunteer/ Donor Appreciation dinner! Without you, the Magi Baby Chest would not be possible. "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." - 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Men and women of the parish, if you are still interested in volunteering please contact Jessica Murphy. We would love to have you! Her contact information is in the bulletin. Jobs include organizing baby items, doing laundry, running errands, and working on distribution days. Men are still welcome and needed!

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook! Find us through the St. Louis Facebook page.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

CONGRATULATIONS

- to the following couples celebrating 50 plus years!*
- Richard & Ruth Welte, July 4, 1959*
 - John & Ginger Murphy, July 4, 1970*
 - Don & Diane Evans, July 18, 1971*
 - Wayne & Faye Alarca - July 22, 1972*
 - August & Laura Boelli, July 26, 1969*
 - Alan & Bernetta Wood - July 29, 1972*

“Freedom does not mean that right to do whatever we please, but rather to do as we ought. The right to do whatever we please reduces freedom to a physical power and forgets that freedom is a moral power.”
-Archbishop Fulton John Sheen

Holiday Office Schedule

In observance of Independence Day, the parish office will be closed Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th. If you have an immediate need for a Priest for a medical emergency or funeral planning please call 815-879-0181 and press 5 and your call will be transferred to Msgr. Kruse as an emergency call.