



ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA - PRINCETON, IL

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



“From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.”

- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. KRUSE

Wednesday, August 25th will be an historic day for our parish. It is the feast day of St. Louis and so it is the feast day of our parish. We are the only parish in the Diocese named after St. Louis. Traditionally, a parish's patronal feast day is a time of celebration and special worship. This year our parish has a wonderful celebration planned. I am grateful to Fr. Hepner and the many volunteers who have been working to plan this great event.

This year's feast day is historic because Coadjutor Bishop Louis Tylka will visit our parish. August 25th is his name's day and patron saint day. When I saw him recently, he expressed his excitement to visit the parish of St. Louis, on the actual feast day of his patron saint. It is a nice blessing for him and our parish.

Our celebration begins at 5:15pm with a Solemn Mass. It is a tremendous blessing to participate in a Mass celebrated by a bishop. Bishops are the successors of the apostles. A bishop possesses the fullness of Christ's priesthood. Therefore, a Mass celebrated by a bishop is the fullest expression of the mysteries of the Mass. It always brings special blessings, grace, and participation in the fullness of the Church's worship. I encourage you to make every effort to join us in this special Mass. There will be beautiful music and Bishop Tylka is a great homilist!

After Mass, we will enjoy a wonderful dinner in Harkrader Hall beginning about 6:15pm. If you cannot join us for Mass, please come to the dinner. This will be a wonderful moment for our parish family to join together for a wonderful celebration. And, we join with the head of our family – our Bishop. It will give you a chance to meet our new Bishop and even take a few pictures with him. The Bishop's visit to a parish is a rare moment due to his tending to over 120 parishes across the 26 counties of the Diocese.

Bishop Tylka is a very personable man and very approachable. Some ask me the proper way to address a bishop. The most formal way is to address him as Your Excellency. Less formal, Bishop or Bishop Tylka. But, he really prefers Bishop Lou. As Coadjutor Bishop, he will become our Diocesan Bishop when Bishop Jenky retires next year. Our celebration gives us a chance to pray for him.

I truly hope that you will not miss this historic opportunity to spend time with our Bishop on our parish Feast Day.

NOURISHED IN SPIRIT BY MSGR. KRUSE

These descriptions about sin may need some time for reflection and understanding. But, all of us know what sin is all about. We have all sinned and have felt its emptiness. We know that sense of feeling distorted or dis-integrated – feeling like the pieces of life are not fitting together. All of us have felt like hiding because of our shameful sin. Sin is a presence in our life and this world. Understanding sin, its consequences and its roots are an important factor in our pursuit of spiritual excellence. Spiritual perfection will require seeing and acknowledging sin in our life; meeting it with God's forgiving grace; and, learning to live without sin. In the future, we will explore these topics. But for now, I paraphrase an allegory from the ancient Greek philosopher Plato:

Imagine there was a cave. Deep inside, there was a huge room with a big empty wall. Lots of people were sitting in the room and facing the wall. Their heads, hands and feet were bound in such a way that they could only face forward. Behind them was a big fire that illuminated the giant wall. On the wall were beautifully pleasurable images that danced about and entertained the people. The people did not know that these dancing images were actually shadows. These shadows came from puppets that were moving in front of the giant fire. The fire cast the puppets' shadows on the wall. The people did not know that were looking at shadows.

Then suddenly one day, a man mysteriously broke free from his chains. He turned around. He saw the puppeteers and the giant fire. He saw how the pleasing images were mere shadows. He realized that he was in a great cave and began to run towards the entrance. Some of the puppeteers tried to stop him. But, he broke free of them. He ran past the great fire and out of the cave. Outside of the cave, at first, he was blinded by the sun. Soon he adjusted to the brightness and beheld the true beauty and true reality of created things. Until then, his life consisted of darkness, shadows, lies, bondage, and passing pleasure. Now, he saw the real beauty of what is really real. He escaped the cave!

In many ways, our sinful world leaves us in a cave where we look at a shadow world of passing pleasure. Most of us are chained and do not know it. Sin binds us to an illusion of security and pleasure.

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“After the love which we owe Jesus Christ, we must give the chief place in our heart to the love of His Mother Mary.”

--St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

RCIA, is it for you? Are you seeking answers to life's questions? Are you being inspired to inquire about the Catholic faith? Are you seeking to join the Catholic Church? Are you baptized, but have not received First Confession, First Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation? Do you want to deepen your faith? Do you desire to know the “why” of Church teachings?...then RCIA is for YOU! RCIA will be held on Tuesday evening at 6pm beginning Tuesday, September 14th. We will meet in the St. Jerome Room. Please come and join us as our faith seeks understanding. Please forward any questions/comments to Susanna Prushinski (RCIA Coordinator) 815-915-6960 | stl.susannaprushinski@gmail.com



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, August 16 **St. Stephen of Hungary**
7:00 am + Joan Smith by Ron & Elleen Behrends

Tuesday, August 17 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
5:15 pm +Arnold McCauley
4-5:00 pm Holy Hour

Wednesday, August 18 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
7:00 am + Tom Makransky

Thursday, August 19 **St. John Eudes, Priest**
5:15 pm Peter & Mary Carlson by Joanne Stocking
4-5:00 pm Holy Hour

Friday, August 20 **St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church**
7:00 am +Mary Kunkel by Bob & Erin Kunkel

Saturday, August 21 **Vigil of 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:00 pm + James D Prendergast by Prendergast Family

Sunday, August 22 **The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:00 am +Stevie Puhr
10:30 am +Pete Doyle Sr. by Doyle Family



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, August 22nd



Welcome to the newest members of our Catholic Christian family!

Alexander Robert Johnson and Nicholas David Johnson, sons of Eric Johnson & Rachel Gorenz- Johnson, were baptized on August 8, 2021.

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, August 21

Altar Servers Gretchen & Gabby Carden
Lectors Mary Paula Schmitt
Sacristan Mandeleine Robinson
Ushers Dan & Cynthia Tracy (Additional Ushers needed—please contact parish office to volunteer)

7:30 am: Sunday, August 22

Altar Servers *Servers needed please check in Sacristy*
Lectors Mary Murphy
Sacristan Joann Bowman
Ushers Tom Ballard, Tom Tracey, Bill Uher

9:00 am: Sunday, August 22

Altar Server Colton & Mallory Maubach
Camera Operators
Lectors Herb Rhees
Sacristan Mary Beth Crowe
Ushers Tom Giehl, Dave & Judy Moore

10:30 am: Sunday, August 22

Altar Server Anna Ellis, Sara Ruiz
Lectors Jeff Peacock
Sacristan Tim Smith
Ushers Ken Lough, Pat Mason (Additional Ushers needed—please contact parish office to volunteer)

EMHC for Homebound: Patty Daluga, Colleen Harmon, Gene Menard, Mandeleine Robinson

Readings for the week of August 15, 2021

Sunday: : Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

We are looking for a volunteer to fill the CCW Officer position of President.

If you are interested please contact Irene Milligan at imilligan1@yahoo.com | 352-502-6754

Immaculate Mary, Pray for us!

ST. LOUIS 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)

OUTDOOR DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(AT ANDERSON ST ENTRANCE)
SAT 5:00—5:15 PM
SUN 10:00—10:15 AM

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

PRIVATE PRAYER: Chapel is open for Private Prayer— same access code as before - if you need the code please contact the parish office.

STEWARDSHIP

Church Monetary Support Through August 8, 2021

Amount Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00
Amount Received	\$ <u>7,170.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	\$ 670.00

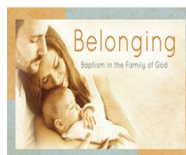
Fiscal Period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

Amount needed to date:	\$39,000.00
Amount Received to date:	\$ <u>39,181.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	\$ 181.00

Men's Holy Hour Every Saturday at 7am.

We will read the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday, spend time in silent meditation, and will often have the opportunity for confession. Enter through the adoration chapel door.

Belonging Baptism Preparation



Please contact the parish office to schedule baptismal prep classes and the ceremony. 815-879-0181 | stlparishoffice@gmail.com

ST. LOUIS PARISH FEAST DAY

Wednesday, August 25th
5:15pm Mass with Bishop Lou
& Parish Dinner

Join us to celebrate this
special Solemnity with
Bishop Lou and your parish family!

O most sweet Lady and our Mother, by the merits of thy happy death obtain for us holy perseverance in the divine friendship, that we may finally quit this life in God's grace; and unite with the blessed spirits in praising thee and singing thy glories as thou deservest. Amen.



Men's Bible Study Group will meet Tuesday, August 24, 6pm. in the St. Jerome Room. Discussion will be on John 6: The Bread of Life.

POKER NIGHT!

YOU'VE BEEN DEALT AN INVITATION TO...
No Limit Texas Hold 'Em

St. Louis Parish
Harkrader Hall
Saturday, August 21
6-9pm

Everyone, aged 21 and older, including non-parishioners, is invited to meet every third Saturday, 6pm to 9pm, at Harkrader Hall. Beginners and experts are welcome.

We will follow standard Tournament Rules for No Limit Texas Hold 'Em. The Buy-in is \$10, with a chance for Re-Buy and Add-on. Rules and payouts will be posted. A portion of the purse will go to charity. No alcohol.

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St. Louis Parish
Wednesday Euchre
1pm to 3pm
Harkrader Hall

ALL ARE WELCOME...

parishioners, non-parishioners, beginners and experts. Join us every Wednesday to play some friendly rounds of Euchre. Cost is a dollar per person and there will be a high/low payout.

Knights of Columbus
members picking sweet corn
at Joe Kunkle's farm.



Thank you
to all who
purchased
sweet corn!

