



SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIocese of Peoria ~ Princeton, Illinois

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.” - Mt 13:23

PASTOR NOTE

Sound of Freedom Movie. This new movie has been doing very well at the box office. It has been produced by Angel Studios, who also produced *The Chosen*. I usually do not publicly endorse a movie. But, I must make an exception for this movie. Over a week ago, I watched this movie. I continue to think about its message. I highly recommend that you take some time and see *Sound of Freedom*. It raises awareness regarding the horrible injustice of child trafficking – an \$18 billion racket, which ensnares millions of kids each year. The movie addresses a very serious and difficult topic. But, it does so in a very approachable and respectful manner by avoiding anything salacious or extreme violence. It is also a wonderful and engaging true story. The movie is rated PG-13 and is now available at our local theater. I look forward to hearing your reactions to this movie. I hope it will help bring an end to this horrible injustice.

Cenacle Prayer Group. You can still sign up for a Cenacle Prayer Group. This is a new initiative in the parish to promote personal prayer in a group setting. Join together with some friends or ask to be assigned to a group. Please email me to sign up for a Cenacle Prayer Group (jameskruse1996@gmail.com). During the Holy Hour there will be private prayer and group prayer following a prayer guide that I have developed.

Basketball Night. I invite everyone Junior High age and up – men, women, boys, girls, parishioners, non-parishioners – anyone interested in playing a little pick up. Meet at the gym on Wednesday, July 19th at 6pm. I hope that we will have a wonderful turnout.

Totus Tuus. Next Sunday, July 23rd, our parish will host Totus Tuus for our youth. Totus Tuus is a Catholic summer youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness and Eucharistic worship. We host three programs: (1) Totus Tots for age 3 to Kindergarten, which meets 9am to 11am, Monday to Friday; (2) Grades 1 to 6, which meets 9am to 3pm, Monday to Friday; (3) Grades 7 to 12, which meets 6:30 to 8:15, Sunday to Thursday. Registration is still available at the Parish Office. We host an extra daily Mass at 11:15am. Everyone is welcome. We host a parish family pot luck on Wednesday at 5pm. I ask you to please pray for our parish youth and all of our volunteers for the success of our parish Totus Tuus.

Youth Pool Party. As a follow up to Totus Tuus, there will be a pool party hosted at the Bystry home on Sunday, August 6th at 4pm. This pool party is for junior high and high school youth (and their families). Please mark your calendars. More details later.

Message from Deacon John:

I've had many parishioners ask what my plans are with the closing of St. Margaret's Hospital. I have decided to retire. I have been blessed to work for the Sisters of Mary of the Presentation for almost 20 years. I now hope to spend more time at home and also become more involved in our wonderful parish.

I pray for a gentle transition to "retired life" and am eager to move into this new phase of life. Thanks to all of you for your prayers and concern. God Bless all of you!!! Deacon John

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

Concupiscence of the Mind:

Concupiscence of the mind is pride. Pride is a profound depravity; it is the worship of self; man becomes his own god through excessive self-love. One with pride overrates himself; he considers himself the sovereign lord and master of those qualities, real or imaginary, which he possesses, without referring them to God. This arises that spirit of independence, or self-sufficient, that finally brings man to renounce allegiance to God and His representatives on earth. Egoism prompts him to do everything for self as though he were himself his last end. Conceit leads to believing in his good works as though they were not above all the result of God's action on the soul.

Pride is accompanied by vanity or vainglory which seeks inordinately the esteem, the approbation, the praise of men. Vanity leads to boasting, ostentation and hypocrisy.

The effects of pride are deplorable. This vice is the archenemy of perfection. It robs God of glory which deprives us of many graces and merits. Pride leads to many sins such as presumption, discouragement, dissimulation or hardship of confessing sins, resistance to superiors and envy and jealousy towards neighbors.

The remedy of pride consists in referring all to God, recognizing that He is the author of all good and is the first principle of all actions. We must also remember that of ourselves we are but nothingness and sin. No doubt, there are in us good qualities, natural and supernatural, in us, but coming as they do from God, and not ourselves. Trust not overmuch in thyself, for this is the beginning of sin. Covet not the glory of men. Seek only the kingdom of God.

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Mass Intentions

Monday, July 17 Weekday in Ordinary Time
7:00 am +Vera Conway by Mandy Robinson

Tuesday, July 18 St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
5:15pm For Mary Harmon for healing
4-5:00p Holy Hour

Wednesday, July 19 Weekday in Ordinary Time
7:00am +Kathy Mosz by Antoni & Danuta Maciczak

Thursday, July 20 St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
5:15pm +Beverly Nora by Louis Nora
4-5:00p Holy Hour

Friday, July 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor
of the Church
7:00am +Ray DeMay by Vicky DeMay

Saturday, July 22 Vigil of the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm +Robert and Heidi Jeffery and Brianna Merkley
by Bob and Sandy Jeffery

Sunday, July 23 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:00 am +Joseph Kunkel by Gerard & Jeanine Kunkel
10:30am +Benny Trowbridge
by Leo and Susanna Prushinski

OSF Hospice - Volunteers Needed: You can make a real difference in the life of a person who has a life-limiting illness. Volunteers are needed to help patients and their families in their time of need. **We have a wide variety of volunteer opportunities:** spend time with patients, run errands, assist with light housekeeping, provide respite for the family, and opportunities to serve in clerical functions in the office. There is no medical responsibilities involved for Hospice Volunteers.



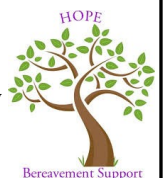
Please use the contact information below to obtain more information or to schedule an appointment to discuss any questions you may have. I would be glad to meet with you at your convenience and also am available to speak to groups, and explain our volunteer program, give the gift of compassion.

Normal volunteer hours are usually 52 hours per year per Hospice Volunteer. This adds up to an hour per week, visits are scheduled at your convenience unless otherwise requested by family. Hours include 1 to 4 hours each visit. Home visits and nursing home facilities are available. Please call Kathy Steinz, OSF Hospice Coordinator | Volunteer Coordinator - 815-343-5891; or email: Kathleen.steinz@osfhealthcare.org

"So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, gentleness and patience" - Colossians 3:12

AVAILABLE GRIEF SUPPORT SERVICES GROUP OR ONE-ON-ONE SUPPORT

Many people find grief support groups very helpful as they move through the grieving process.



Benefits of attending grief support groups:

- Emotional and physical support
- Permission to grieve
- Somewhere safe to talk
- Sharing your own experience
- Coping skills
- Companionship

Grief is a person's natural reaction to loss. It can cause conflicting feelings caused by the end of or change in what's familiar. Grief can show up after experiencing a normal loss after a minor setback. If interested in a group environment I facilitate groups in Streator, Ottawa, La Salle, Mendota and Princeton. Following is a list of some leading causes of grief outside of a loved one's death: Holidays, Illness, Relationship Loss, Multiple Losses, Financial Loss, Career Loss/Stress, Injury, Death of a Pet, Estrangement, Divorce, Relinquishment, Institutional Loss. I am also available for one-on-one meetings to start if that environment would be more comforting for someone. These can be done in the home or one of the OSF hospitals. There is no cost to attend group or one-on-one meetings. **Please contact: Kathy Steinz MHA, B. Sc(Psych), GC-C | Bereavement Coordinator OSF Healthcare | Cell: 815-343-5891**

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, July 22nd

Altar Servers: Gabby & Gretchen Carden
EMHC: Dave Boylan, David Lawrence
Lectors: Sophia Oester
Sacristan: Mandy Robinson
Ushers: Colleen Sissel

7:30 am: Sunday, July 23rd

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

9:00 am: Sunday, July 23rd

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

10:30 am: Sunday, July 23rd

Altar Servers: Jessica Carlone, Sylvie Viger
EMHC: Paula Lough, Tim Smith
Lectors: Patty Daluga
Sacristan: Tim Smith
Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound Pat Galassi-Carlson 9/N
Lynn Delaney 9/S

EMHC for Nursing Homes

Mary Beth Crowe—Liberty; Tom Jagers—Greenfield;
Mandy Robinson—Aperion; Tim Taylor—Liberty Hawthorne

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Doris Lewis
Shirley Balensiefen
and for consolation for their families

*Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and
let perpetual light shine upon their souls.
May their souls, and the souls of all of the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.
Amen*



A Holy Hour for Life Benediction, Rosary, and other Prayers Sunday, July 23rd 6-7pm

All are welcome to gather in prayer
in the Church for the intention of respect
for the sacredness of all human life.

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; end of fiscal year

Amount Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00
Amount Received	\$ 7,198.00
Amount Over (Under)	\$ 698.00

Fiscal Period July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Amount needed to date:	\$338,000.00
Amount Received to date:	\$350,885.00
Over/(Under) budget to date:	\$ 12,885.00

The collection amounts for July 2nd and July 9th will be
provided in the bulletin of July 23rd.

Readings for the week of July 16th

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23
Monday: Ex 18:14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4, 6, 7-8/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday: Ex 21:15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3, 4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43

PERU CATHOLIC SCHOOL GOLF FUNDRAISER

Let's have some fun for a great cause, please join us to
support Peru Catholic School!

WHEN: Saturday, August 26th 2023

WHERE: Spring Creek Golf Course

EVENT INCLUDES:

Four person scramble (men's, women's, mixed divisions)
\$95/person, \$85/person if paid by August 1st
18 holes of golf w/cart, games, lunch, awards, and prizes
For additional information please contact Peru Catholic
School at 815-224-1914 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

**TOTUS TUUS July 23 -July 28.
LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!**

TOTUS TUUS BEHOLD SUMMER CATECHETICAL EXPERIENCE

THE TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CATECHETICAL PROGRAM IS A WEEK-LONG PARISH MISSION FOR CATHOLIC YOUTH IN GRADES 1ST-12TH. IT IS DEDICATED TO SHARING THE GOSPEL AND PROMOTING THE CATHOLIC FAITH THROUGH EVANGELIZATION, CATECHESIS, CHRISTIAN WITNESS, AND EUCHARISTIC WORSHIP.

GRADES 1-6: MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9 AM - 3 PM
GRADES 7-12: SUNDAY-THURSDAY, 6:30-8:15 PM



- Grades 1-6 will meet 9 AM to 3 PM, Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28.
- Grades 7-12 will meet 6:30-8:15 PM, Sunday, July 23 through Thursday, July 27.

“Totus Tots” will be available for children 3 years old through Kindergarten. It will meet 9 AM to 11 AM, Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28.

Visit our website www.stlouispinceton.org to register or stop by the Parish Office.

Totus Tuus Parish Potluck Wednesday July 26 at 5:00 PM in Harkrader Hall

All Parishioners are invited to attend the Potluck! The parish will provide pulled pork, hot dogs and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to add to the meal. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Meals needed for Totus Tuus!

Could you provide a lunch or dinner for 4-5 young adults during the week of Totus Tuus? Lunch for 5 team/staff members can be homemade or catered, and should be delivered to the church before noon during the week of Totus Tuus (7/24-28). Dinner for the 4 team members can be hosted in your home or at a restaurant. Dinner is 5-6 PM on 7/24, 7/25, and 7/27.

BASKETBALL NIGHT!

Wednesday, July 19th at 6pm



Junior High & Up—men, women, boys, girls, parishioners, non-parishioners—anyone interested in playing a little pick up!

Meet in the gym!

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.

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

MAGI BABY CHEST

Thank you to everyone who donated to the MBC last weekend. We collected \$3,485! Wow! God has given this parish some very charitable hearts. Thank you!



A BIG thank you to St. John's in Walnut and the Knights of Columbus in Annawan/Sheffield for hosting baby drives for the Magi Baby Chest. Thank you for your generosity!



Our next opening is Saturday August 5th 9AM to Noon!

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