



# SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022

## 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” - Lk 12:39-40

## PASTOR NOTE



**Parish Clean Up Day:** Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am to noon. There are many projects around our facilities that need some tender care. Please join me on August 13<sup>th</sup> to do some work projects: washing down the pews, window washing, painting, and other projects around our facilities. Come in your work clothes and meet at Harkrader Hall at 8:30am. I will explain the various projects. You can choose your area of work and then we will break into small work groups. Come out and lend a helping hand for as long as you can. If enough people help out, it will all get done in just a few hours. At about noon, a light lunch will be provided. Our cleaning staff does a great job doing the regular cleaning. Our Parish Clean Up Day will tackle those once-a-year kind of projects. All of this will make our Church and buildings more beautiful and well maintained. Let's all pull together and get 'er done.

**Rectory Open House:** Everyone is invited to attend the Rectory Open House on Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 12 noon. Over the last year the rectory has been significantly renovated and updated. These changes are all finished and I am finally settled in to the rectory. Many people have asked me about the renovations and have asked for a rectory tour. Offering a bunch of private tours would take too much time. So, I have decided to host an Open House. Come by the rectory and check out the renovations. Come and check out where your pastor lives. Please come to the front door of the Rectory that faces Gosse Blvd. Let yourself in and I will be around to explain the renovations, art work, and family photos. There will be some light snacks. I share the rectory with my tabby cat named Boxer. Please be careful of any allergies and don't harass my cat! Generally, the rectory is a private place and so I encourage you to take advantage of this Open House.

**St. Louis Patronal Feast Day:** Everyone is invited to join together for a special Mass on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, at 5:15pm. This is the feast day of our parish. Sadly, Bishop Tylka will not be able to join us this year. So, I will be the main celebrant. After Mass we will enjoy a dinner hosted by the Council of Catholic Women. After dinner you are invited to tour the building and see the repurposed rooms, especially the Atriums used in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The new parish library and coffee bar will almost be set up and ready. Please come out for this special parish event. I hope we have a huge crowd to honor our patron, St. Louis.

## *NOURISHED IN SPIRIT BY MSGR. KRUSE*

This mutual gift is experienced and lived in three fundamental ways. This three-fold gift has been traditionally called the three goods of marriage: the bond, partnership and children. All aspects of married life fall into these three general categories.

The bond of marriage reflects the union of God. From all eternity we know that there is One God in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This is an absolutely unbreakable bond of pure love. When God chose to create humanity, he chose to create us in the bonds of family. The union of parent to child is a reflection of the unity of God. Just as God's union is unbreakable, so too is the unity between parent and child. Even if they become estranged and never talk or have contact, they are still parent and still child. Nothing can break that fundamental parent-child bond. They define each other. This unity and relationship was created by God and established by God – without our choice. But, as we get older, God calls us out of that initial family bond into a different bond and union.

For most people this is the bond of marriage. God said, "A man shall leave his father and mother and cling to his wife." Unlike the family bond, God allows the man and woman to choose the bond of marriage. The bond of marriage flows out of authentic human freedom. In the marriage ritual the priest asks the couple, "Do you come here freely and without reservation." The free choice for marriage is directed by God and willed by God. The couple's marriage is the mysterious combination of God's will and human freedom. God has created the couple for marriage but he allows the couple to freely choose each other. This exercise of marital freedom is a reflection of God's glorious freedom. God chooses to let the couple freely choose each other.

After a couple has validly entered into marriage, in a sense, they are re-created. Their old way of life is transformed into a new way of life. A couple is born. A family is born. This new life is the mysterious bond of marriage. This bond is invisible. Their unity transcends physical, emotional and spiritual attachment. The bond flows from their very being and redefines them. We see this as they take on new titles: husband and wife. Through the bond, they now define each other. He is husband because of her. She is wife because of him. These are not merely titles, roles or functions; rather, they are an entirely new way of existing. Through their marriage vows, God recreates the man and woman as a bonded union of married man and married woman.

### Parish Staff

<b>Pastor</b>	Msgr. James E. Kruse, JCL jameskruse1996@gmail.com cell: 309-634-5822
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### Parish Office

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**FaceBook Page: [www.facebook.com/stlouisprinceton](https://www.facebook.com/stlouisprinceton)**

**Keep in touch with us via email or text**  
**Text SLP To 84576 or**  
**Connect with us online at**  
**[stlouiscatholicchurch.flocknote.com](http://stlouiscatholicchurch.flocknote.com)**

## 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](mailto: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*

### Mass Intentions

Monday, August 8	<b><u>St. Dominic, Priest</u></b>
7:00 am	+ Stacey Brown Ryan by Donna Brown
Tuesday, August 9	<b><u>St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr</u></b>
5:15pm	+ Allyson Murray by Tim & Julie Puhr
4-5:00	Holy Hour
Wednesday, August 10	<b><u>St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr</u></b>
7:00 am	+Barb LaVelle by Chuck and Pam Hanson
Thursday, August 11	<b><u>St. Clare, Virgin</u></b>
5:15pm	+Anne Ceresa by Jeff & Kathleen Ellis
4-5:00	Holy Hour
Friday, August 12	<b><u>St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious</u></b>
7:00 am	+Clare Louis by Tom & Mary Murphy
Sat, August 13	<b><u>Vigil of the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b>
4:00 pm	+ Mary Johnson by John & Julie Hassler
Sunday, August 14	<b><u>The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b>
7:30 am	People of the Parish
9:00 am	+David Doty by Mandy Robinson
10:30 am	+Kenny & Susann Stremlau by Leo and Susanna Prushinski

### Readings for the week of August 7th

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40  
Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27  
Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26  
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21-19:1  
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-6/Mt 19:3-12  
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15  
Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

### CCW Bake Sale -

The annual CCW Bake Sale in the park will be Friday, August 19th. If you are planning to donate a baked good, please bring it to Soldiers and Sailors Park between 9 and 11am. Due to the heat, please do not donate items with frosting or cream pies. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you. - CCW



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!*

## Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

### **4:00 pm: Saturday, August 13th**

Altar Servers: Gabby & Gretchen Carden  
EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Tim Smith  
Lectors: Julie Hassler  
Sacristan: Julie Hassler  
Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy

### **7:30 am: Sunday, August 14th**

Altar Servers: Brady Peach  
EMHC: Elizabeth Peddicord, Rita Tracey  
Lectors: Luke Atilano  
Sacristan: Lori Atilano  
Ushers: Tom Tracey

### **9:00 am: Sunday, August 14th**

Altar Servers: Jessica Carlone, Chris Harmon  
EMHC: Mandy Robinson, Tim Smith  
Camera Operator: Marty Makransky  
Lectors: Diane Carlone  
Sacristan: Quint Quiram  
Ushers: Dan Legner, Quint Quiram, Jim Whiteaker

### **10:30 am: Sunday, August 14th**

Altar Servers: Anna Ellis, Nate Lough  
EMHC: Dave Boylan, Linda Carter  
Lectors: Jeff Peacock  
Sacristan: Linda Carter  
Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound Mandy Robinson 9/S  
Tim Smith 9/N

EMHC for Nursing Homes Mary Beth Crowe -  
Aperion; David Lawrence - Greenfield; Chris Williams  
-Hawthorn; Rita Tracey - Liberty

## **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 July 31, 2022**

Amount Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00
Amount Received	\$ <u>4,745.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	(\$ 1,755.00)

### **Fiscal Period July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023**

Amount needed to date:	\$ 32,500.00
Amount Received to date:	\$ <u>31,691.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	(\$ 809.00)

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

### **Caught in the Rising Action**

Think of some of your favorite iconic movies. I'm not talking about the feel-good comedies or the offbeat coming-of-age flicks. I'm talking about the movies that you found had a profound impact on you or made you go "Hmmm."

I'm willing to bet that the plot of this film features some tough moments and difficult scenarios. However happy the ending, at some point, the situation for the protagonist might look awfully hopeless. The script speaks some truth to you about what it is to be human in difficult circumstances. What it means to persevere.

We're attracted to the tension that exists when the hero is besieged. We're captivated by the decisions he makes in the darkest hour of the night when it seems like the dawn will never come. Why? Because we know that feeling so well. This is the essence of our human life on earth: waiting, hoping, doubting — and enduring.

We know the ending to our story, but we don't know when it's coming. We live our whole lives in the rising action of the narrative. Sure, it gets old. Tiresome, even dull. We may start to despair that the climactic scene is coming at all.

But faith is the realization of things hoped for, and evidence of things not seen. We feel it watching a great movie, because we recognize it intuitively: it is faith which earns the happy ending. No one is drawn to the story when the hero gives up or gets tired of waiting for the payoff. Everyday stewardship is the collection of choices we make while we're waiting, because we are called to action, not idleness, even in our perpetual state of expectation.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



**St. Louis Parish  
Feast Day Celebration  
Thursday, August 25th**

**5:15pm Mass  
& Parish Dinner  
At 6:15 pm**

**Join us to celebrate  
this special Solemnity  
with Msgr. Kruse &  
your parish family!**

## Religious Education:

Helps to build a strong foundation



**Register now for religious education!** Classes for 3-year-olds through 8th graders begin the week of September 11. Registration forms are available on the parish website and in the main office, and are due by September 3.

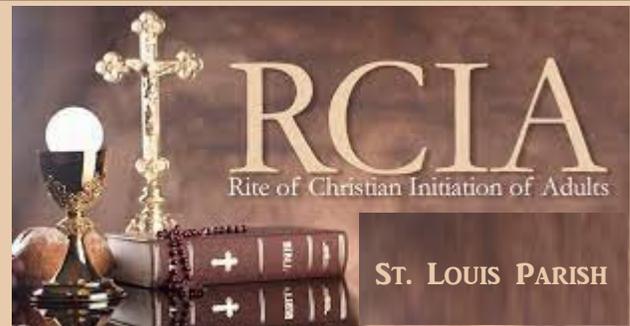
**Volunteers are needed at all levels**, no experience necessary. This is a great way to experience the joy of working with children, see your faith from a new perspective, and serve our church community. For more info, contact:

Rebekah Mead (815-303-2330,  
stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com).

## CATHOLIC Forum - Q&A



Please join us for the next Catholic Forum on this Sunday, August 7th 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.



## 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 in September. Please come and join us as our faith seeks understanding.

Please forward any questions/comments to:  
Susanna Prushinski 815-915-6960  
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## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

### *Couples celebrating their 50th Anniversary!*

*Steven & Mary Paula Schmitt celebrating  
their 50th Anniversary on August 12*

### *Couples celebrating 50 plus years!*

*Warren & Janet Ritz - August 6, 1955*

*Danny & Deb Stetson - August 7, 1971*

*Dr. Paul & Bridgette Castelain - August 8, 1969*

*Stephen & Jan Esme - August 8, 1970*

*James & Bernadette Donarski - August 9, 1969*

*Roger & Linda McCabe - August 21, 1971*

*John & Shelia Westor - August 24, 1968*

*Robert & Kathy May - August 27, 1966*

*Robert & Dorothy Oaks - August 27, 1960*

*Richard & Loretta Volker - August 27, 1960*

*Manuel & Myrna Arcano - August 29, 1966*

**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:** Last weekend, the Knights of Columbus collected 182 nonperishable food items and \$1,529 in monetary donations for the Bureau County Food Pantry. A majority of the items were "high need." The Pantry staff was very pleased with all the breakfast cereal, peanut butter, mac & cheese and canned fruit. **They were amazed with the donation of baby formula!** St. Louis parishioners have now contributed 24,596 nonperishable food items and \$132,829 in monetary donations since we started collecting in August of 2012. The food insecure in our area say Thank You!