

SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16

PASTOR NOTE

Eucharistic Revival: Our parish has been participating in the National Eucharistic Revival. Earlier this month we enjoyed listening to some reflections by parishioners who discussed the Eucharistic Devotion of Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, visits to our Blessed Sacrament Chapel, and the weekly Men's Holy Hour. I have been summarizing these devotions. I hope this will help you go deeper in your devotion to our Lord Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

Saturday Men's Holy Hour: Every Saturday, 7am, our parish has the Men's Holy Hour. This is an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. This is a holy hour for the men of our parish. It is for men only for a very simple reason. Experience has demonstrated that when it comes to spiritual devotions, men are more apt to participate when it is men only. Certainly, this is debatable; but, it often proves true. During this holy hour, I offer a short reflection on the Sunday Gospel. There is quiet time of prayer which may include personal reflection, Scripture meditation, other prayers, and personal petitions. There is also the opportunity for Confession. It concludes with Benediction. This weekly moment with Jesus transforms the men and keeps them focused on our Lord. This in turn helps them grow in holiness and become holy men. I invite the men and teen boys of our parish to join in the Men's Holy Hour.

Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Traveling Monstrance: As part of the Diocese's participation in the National Eucharistic Revival, Bishop Tylka purchased a special Monstrance. This is a golden vessel that holds the Sacred Host during Eucharistic Adoration. This Monstrance has been traveling around to all of the parishes across the Diocese. It has been traveling between the parishes for about a year and will continue to journey across the Diocese for the next year. This is a wonderful way for the Diocese to join together in Eucharistic Adoration during our National Revival. This Monstrance will be in our parish for a few days beginning June 18th. Considering that the 18th is Father's Day, I have decided to have a parish Eucharistic Holy Hour on Monday, June 19th, 6:30pm to 7:30pm. I am still working out the details for this special event. This will be a wonderful way for our parish to participate in our Diocese-wide Eucharistic Revival. It is truly amazing to consider how all of the parishes of our Diocese will offer adoration to our Savior Jesus Christ through this traveling Monstrance. I am confident that it will be a moment of special graces for our parish and for each one of us. I encourage you to clear your calendar and join us for this special time of Adoration.

Funeral Visitations: I remind everyone of a policy that I enacted in our parish soon after my arrival. I decided that our Church will not accommodate funeral visitations. Traditionally, this is a wonderful time to express support for the grieving family. Visitations provide an opportunity to converse, visit and reminisce about the deceased loved one. The very nature of a visitation is conversation and support. I do not believe that our Church can accommodate a visitation while also maintaining the dignity and reverence of the sacred Church space. I may allow a rare exception to this rule.

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

Possessing such a great treasure as the Most Holy Trinity we ought to make it the object of frequent meditation – “to walk inwardly with God.” Such a thought awakes in us chiefly three sentiments: adoration, love and imitation.

The very first impulse of the heart is that of adoration: “Glorifying and bear God in your body.” How could we do otherwise than glorify, bless and thank that Divine Guest who transforms our soul into a sanctuary. He understands that being God's dwelling he ought to offer himself constantly as a sacrifice of praise unto the glory of the Triune God. He realizes his inability to praise Him adequately and unites Himself to the Spirit of Jesus who alone can render to God that glory which by right is His.

After having adored God, the Christian gives vent to sentiments of the most confiding love. Infinite as He is, God nevertheless stoops down to us like a loving father towards his child, asking us to love Him and to give Him our heart. He has a strict right to demand this love, yet He prefers to entreat us with the sweetness of affection so that our return may be, so to speak, more spontaneous, and our recourse to Him more confident and childlike.

Our love should be a repentant love, a love that expiates infidelities past and present; a grateful love that renders thanks to our great Benefactor. Above all, it should be the love of friend for friend holding sweet converse with the most faithful, the most generous of friends, whose part we should take, whose glory we should make known, whose name we should forever bless. This love should not be a mere feeling, but a generous sacrificial love of submitting our will to God's precepts and counsels.

Such love will lead us to imitate the Most Adorable Trinity in the measure in which this is compatible with human weakness. Adopted children of an all-holy Father, living temples of the Holy Spirit, we can better appreciate the reason why we must be holy in body and soul. Jesus taught: “Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.” At first sight this ideal does seem too high. But when we recall that we are the adopted children of God and that He lives in us in order to impress upon us His image and to collaborate in our salvation, then we realize that a high rank imposes obligations, and that is no more than our plain duty to approach ever nearer the divine perfections.

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stlouiscatholicchurch.flocknote.com

2023 Parish Greenhouse

Thank you to everyone who supported the parish greenhouse this year, whether you worked in the greenhouse, purchased plants or made donations. The proceeds totaled \$1400.02, and because of your generosity, \$700.01 was donated to the Magi Baby Chest, and \$700.01 was donated to the Princeton Food Pantry. We were also able to donate close to 20 trays of live plants to 4 food pantries; Princeton, Wyanet, Sheffield, and Spring Valley.

Many Thanks,
The Parish Greenhouse Team



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!

***Belonging* Baptism Preparation**

Please contact Rebekah Mead to schedule baptismal prep classes and the ceremony.
stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com | 815-303-2330

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 5 **St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr**

7:00 am +Mary Kunkel by Bob and Erin Kunkel

Tuesday, June 6 **St. Norbert, Bishop**

5:15pm +Mary Miller by Bill and Sue Phalen
4-5:00p Holy Hour

Wednesday, June 7 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

7:00am +Fr. James Murray by Leo and Susanna Prushinski

Thursday, June 8 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

5:15pm +Jill Bystry Thompson by Mandy Robinson
4-5:00p Holy Hour

Friday, June 9 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

7:00am +Jack & Theresa McNeill by Tim & Julie Puhr

Saturday, June 10 **Vigil of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

4:00pm +Special Intention by Joanne Stocking

Sunday, June 11 **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

7:30 am +Earl Hartwig by Mary and Tom Murphy
9:00 am People of the Parish
10:30am +Richard Milliron by Family

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS We Bear the Name of the Lord

The name of the Lord is a curiously powerful thing. Say it deliberately, even in a group of people who are not particularly religious, and you'll know what I mean. There is a shift in the mood, a change in the atmosphere. When we utter the name of the Lord, He turns His head.

Once, in confession, I admitted to the sin of using the Lord's name in vain. "When you do that, tell God that you love him," advised the priest, who was wise enough to know that I would repeat this sin at some point. "You've said His name, after all. You have His attention."

We hear the name of the Lord, and we think of what it represents — John 3:16, salvation history summed up in a neat little sentence, the why and the how and the who of it all laid out before us. The Lord, so slow to anger that He offers us a million chances. The Lord, so rich in kindness and fidelity that He literally gave Himself to us that we might be saved.

But the name of the Lord is more than that. It is not just a symbol, it is an invitation. I think of Moses clutching the commandments, beseeching the Lord: "Come with us. Forgive us. Receive us as your own." The Lord accompanies us down the mountain. We bear the name of the Lord into the world with us wherever we go.

I have to ask myself: do I do that name justice?
"Blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages." — Daniel 3:52
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, June 10th

Altar Servers: Anaisabela Ramirez-TZ, Dominic Vasquez
 EMHC: Lynn Delaney, Mandy Robinson
 Lectors: Julie Hassler
 Sacristan: Mandy Robinson
 Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy, Colleen Sissel

7:30 am: Sunday, June 11th

Altar Servers: *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy*
 EMHC: Mary Beth Crowe, Rita Tracey
 Lectors: Mary Murphy
 Sacristan: Lori Atilano
 Ushers: Tom Ballard, Tom Tracey, Bill Uher

9:00 am: Sunday, June 11th

Altar Servers: Angelo Bystry, Jessica Carlone
 EMHC: Linda Carter, Linda McCabe
 Camera Operator: Marty Makransky
 Lectors: Herb Rhees
 Sacristan: Quint Quiram
 Ushers: Dan Legner, Quint Quiram, Jim Whiteaker

10:30 am: Sunday, June 11th

Altar Servers: Anna Ellis, Elizabeth Keutzer
 EMHC: Paula Lough, Tim Smith
 Lectors: Marcia Obenhaus
 Sacristan: Tim Smith
 Ushers: Bart & Anthony Maciczak, Michael Ellis

EMHC Homebound Linda Carter 9/S
 Linda McCabe 9/N

EMHC for Nursing Homes: Mary Beth Crowe—
 Liberty-Hawthorne; Colleen Harmon—Aperion;
 Nancy Scoma—Greenfield; Rita Tracey—Liberty

Readings for the week of June 4th

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56(52b)/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18
 Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-4, 5-6/Mk 12:1-12
 Tuesday: Tb 29:14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9/Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8, 9/Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 12:28-34
 Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mk 12:35-37
 Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8/Mk 12:38-44
 Next Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

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

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

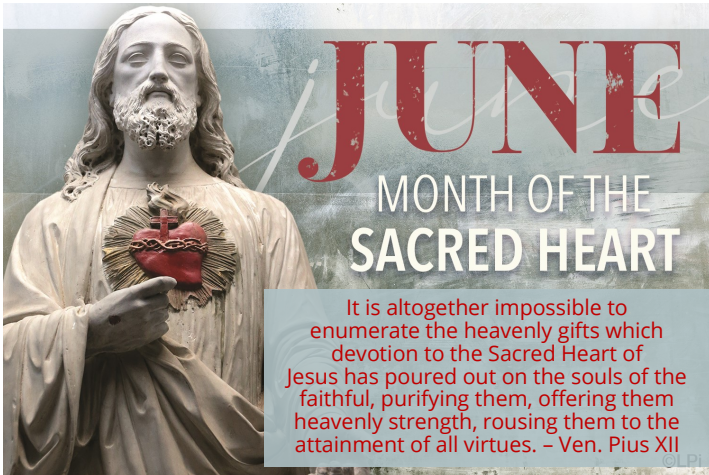
STEWARDSHIP

**Church Monetary Support
 Through May 28, 2023**

Amount Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00
Amount Received	\$ <u>3,096.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	(\$ 2,594.00)

Fiscal Period July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Amount needed to date:	\$312,000.00
Amount Received to date:	\$ <u>323,831.00</u>
Over/(Under) budget to date:	\$ 11,831.00





St. Louis Catholic Little Lending Library Summer Reading!

Learn to love the Saints this Summer! We have many chapter books about those people that loved Jesus; Discover for yourself how the Catholic Church changed lives in the 2,023 years of its history... by the saints!

MAGI BABY CHEST

Donors and Volunteers SAVE THE DATE! MBC Gratitude Dinner on Saturday, June 24th 5:30-8PM in Harkrader Hall

"In every way I have shown you that by hard work of that sort we must help the weak, and keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'
-Acts 20:35

The Magi Baby Chest is hosting a gratitude dinner for all volunteers and donors who have helped support the MBC this year! We want you to know how grateful we are for your love, time, and support. Anyone who has volunteered or donated in the past is welcome to attend! Please **RSVP by June 10th** to either Jessica Murphy, Ashley Gray, by calling the parish office (see contact information in the bulletin) or, on Flocknote at stlouisatholicchurch.flocknote.com/signup/124256



Volunteers are still needed, *men too!* If you are interested in helping organize baby items or work on the 1st Saturday distribution, you can still sign up! Please contact Jessica Murphy, Ashley Gray, or the parish office for

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

ATTENTION ALL DADS- Last chance to sign up! We are hosting a special brunch on June 10th at 10am for all Dads of our parish and their children and/or grandchildren! Please join us whether or not your family is able to! The *signup sheet will be located outside Harkrader Hall or you can sign up through Flocknote — stlouisatholicchurch.flocknote.com/signup/123371
*Signing up will help us plan appropriately

Calling on all Ladies of the Parish. We are in need of your delicious pies. **Our Pies in the Park Sale** will be held on **Saturday, June 17th** in conjunction with Beef & Ag Days. Please drop off your pie to Soldiers & Sailors Park between 10 & 12. Early drop offs can be made on Friday at Harkrader Hall Kitchen until 1pm. Questions, call Rita Tracey 815-879-0303. Thanks!
(As always, please no cream pies)

CATHOLIC Forum - Q&A

Please join us for the next Catholic Forum this Sunday, June 4th 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.

Register now for Totus Tuus!! This Catholic summer youth program is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through games, skits, faith, fun, and friendship! Registration is only \$10 **per family** through the end of June (early bird rate), or \$20 per family starting July 1. Register online at stlouisprinceton.org, or pick up a form in the parish office.

- Totus Tots" (ages 3-5) will meet 9-11 AM Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28.
- 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.

We are still in need of volunteers to help with the day-time program and provide snacks and meals. Any questions? Please contact Rebekah Mead (815-303-2330, stl.rebekahmead@gmail.com).



Youth Group Night Sunday, June 11th 6-7:30 pm

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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

CONGRATULATIONS

*to the following couple celebrating their
50th Plus Wedding Anniversary in June!*

William & Susan Phalen - June 6, 1970

Robert & Shirley Balensiefen - June 13, 1964

John & Joanne McGlone - June 13, 1959

Bill & Sharon Weber - June 15, 1960

Bob & Sandy Jeffery - June 15, 1968

Charles & Pam Hanson - June 18, 1966

Dr. Robert & Colleen Bockel - June 28, 1969

Thomas & Vicki Giehl - June 29, 1968