

# SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021**

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



“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” - Mk 10:43-45

## A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. KRUSE

Since arriving at the parish, I have been considering some policy issues regarding parish facility rental and funerals. I have made a few decisions which our parish will follow these policies. Please contact me if you have any questions. – Msgr. Kruse

**Parish Facility Rental:** This policy includes rental of Harkrader Hall, the pavilion, and the gymnasium for private events. Rental will no longer be provided by the parish. There are a few reasons for this decision. First, rental always includes a lot of time and energy including scheduling, set-up, cleaning, securing insurance and monitoring the event, which is simply too time consuming for me and the parish staff. Second, it is quite difficult to schedule rentals in relation to the myriad of parish activities. Third, I am concerned of the wear and tear on our facilities that is associated with rental. Regular parish activities, including funeral luncheons, will continue. Finally, please remember that renting our facilities is ancillary to the overall mission of the parish.

**Funerals:** Funerals are an important function within the parish as we remember the deceased and bring comfort to the family. The funeral liturgy is well established by the Church and should be respected. This liturgy includes three actions: the visitation (rosary or scripture service), the funeral Mass and the final committal at the cemetery. There has been a growing trend for the visitation to be held at the church prior to the funeral Mass. Visitations at the church provide a variety of difficulties, especially balancing the respect for the sacred space of the church with the visiting of family and guests. Also, our church space does not easily accommodate a visitation. Therefore, I have decided that visitations will not be held in the church. Instead, visitations should be held at one of the local funeral homes. On very rare occasions, I may allow an exception to this general rule.

Eulogies offered by a family member have also been a growing trend. Although the eulogy may bring comfort to the family, the eulogy is not an integral part to the funeral liturgy. Many times, the secular nature of a eulogy detracts from the sacred funeral liturgy. Eulogies are best offered at the visitation, burial, luncheon or in some rare circumstances, immediately prior to the funeral Mass. Eulogies will not be allowed during the funeral Mass.

Music is integral to the funeral Mass. The music ought to be drawn from our Catholic tradition. Secular music will not be allowed during the funeral Mass. Secular music is best used at the end of visitation rituals, after the committal rituals, or at the luncheon.

## NOURISHED IN SPIRIT BY MSGR. KRUSE

Unity with Jesus requires unity with his Church. Outside of his Church, we are exposed to the whims of opinion, fantasy, mythology and error. Only the Church keeps us grounded and connected with the true Jesus. Our spiritual perfection is found only in Jesus. And, the fullness of truly knowing the real Jesus is found only in the Church that he established. Therefore, our spiritual perfection must include our unity with the Church. We cannot grow to perfection unless we become more and more perfectly united to the Church. Our perfection and our union with the Church are inseparable because Jesus and his Church are inseparable.

So, when answering the question, *Who is Jesus?*, our answer cannot simply be based upon history books, movies, conversations with friends, or our own opinion. It must be based upon the life and teaching of the Church. As we pursue spiritual perfection we must examine our relationship with the Church of Jesus. We must strive to be more and more united to the Church which, if fact, is to be more and more united to Christ.

From her earliest days the Church has been proclaiming the complete truth of Christ and she has safeguarded that truth down through the centuries. Apart from the Church, our understanding of Jesus can slip into illusion, fantasy and error, leaving us separated from the fullness of Christ's saving mission. Union with Christ requires union of his Church. Our perfection must include unity with Christ in his Church.

In our journey towards perfection, we must now examine our union with the Church. What would full communion look like? Reflect upon your relationship and understanding of the Church. How important is the Church in your life? How completely are you united to the Church? What is your relationship to the Church? What does true membership and participation look like?

Answers to these questions can take great time and detail to answer. But, for a summary we can look to the baptism ritual of the Catholic Church. Immediately after someone is baptized, the priest or deacon anoints the person's head with sacred chrism while saying the words, "As Christ was anointed priest, prophet and king, so may you always live as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life." These three characteristics of Jesus can be a good foundation for understanding one's participation in Christ and his Church. They are three functions of Christ, the Church and the individual.

Question to Ponder:

Is Jesus Christ a human person?

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**Mass Intentions**

Monday, October 18 **St. Luke, Evangelist**  
7:00 am + Richard "Dick" Olds by Pat Wiggim

Tuesday, October 19 **Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac  
Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyr**  
5:15 pm +William "Bill" Walowski by Amy Allison  
4-5:00 pm Holy Hour

Wed, October 20 **St. Paul of the Cross, Priest**  
7:00 am + James & Laura Prendergast  
by Prendergast Family

Thursday, October 21 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
5:15 pm +Father Thomas F. Kelly  
4-5:00 pm Holy Hour

Friday, October 22 **St. John Paul II, Pope**  
7:00 am +Mary Ellen Dugosh

Saturday, October 23 **Vigil of 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:00 pm +John & Jean Austin by The Austin Family

Sunday, October 24 **The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 am People of the Parish  
9:00 am +Mary Miller by Norma Weineke  
10:30 am +Eva Mae Williamson by Mary Beth Crowe

Our thanks to all who prayed in the Adoration Chapel , or prayed at home, for the participants of the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat held on September 24-26th. Our loving and merciful God used those prayers to pour out His abundant mercies on those present. It was a beautiful weekend of restoration for all who attended. May we all continue to pray for all who are affected by the scourge of abortion, in our families, our communities, and our nation. Sincerely, the Peoria Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Team.

**1ST WOMEN'S RETREAT AT  
SACRE COEUR RETREAT CENTER  
October 29-31, 2021**

**Theme: The Victory will Come Through Mary**

**LED BY: THE SERVANTS OF THE PEIRCED HEARTS  
OF JESUS AND MARY**  
Price \$250


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***Rest In Peace***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
***Cletus Sims***  
and for consolation for his family

***Eternal Rest grant unto them  
O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon his soul.***



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!***

**Knights of Columbus Blood Drive**

Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus hosting the recent blood drive in conjunction with Impact Life. It was a great success. A total of 19 units were collected which saved 57 lives! There were 6 first time donors. In a few months, certainly we will host another blood drive. Please consider donating.

## Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

### 4:00 pm: Saturday, October 23

Altar Servers Cameron & Sam Lawrence  
 Lectors Mary Paula Schmitt  
 Sacristan Mandy Robinson  
 Ushers Dan & Cynthia Tracy (Additional Ushers needed—please contact parish office to volunteer)

### 7:30 am: Sunday, October 24

Altar Servers Brady Peach  
 Lectors Mary Murphy  
 Sacristan Joann Bowman  
 Ushers Tom Ballard, Tom Tracey, Bill Uher

### 9:00 am: Sunday, October 24

Altar Server Christian Harmon  
 Camera Operators Marty Makransky  
 Lectors Mario Carlone  
 Sacristan Quint Quiram  
 Ushers Tom Giehl, Dave & Judy Moore

### 10:30 am: Sunday, October 24

Altar Server Anna Ellis, Sara Ruiz  
 Lectors David Roden  
 Sacristan Linda Carter  
 Ushers Ken Lough, Pat Mason (Additional Ushers needed—please contact parish office to volunteer)

EMHC for Homebound: Patty Daluga, Pat Galassi-Carlson, Colleen Harmon, Rita Tracey

## 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
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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 October 10, 2021

Amount Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00
Amount Received	\$ <u>5,565.00</u>

Amount Over (Under)	(\$ 935.00)
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### Fiscal Period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

Amount needed to date:	\$97,500.00
Amount Received to date:	\$ <u>94,371.00</u>

Over/(Under) budget to date:	(\$ 3,129.00)
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## CCW MEETING



Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 26th at 6pm in Harkrader Hall. Please join us for a delicious ham dinner provided by Jeanie Gelsomino and her Committee. We will have a short meeting followed by a fun game of Take Away Bingo. We will end the evening with a Decade of the Rosary at 7:45pm. All women of the parish are welcome!

## 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, October 24th

## Readings for the week of October 17, 2021

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45  
 Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 /Lk 10:1-9  
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38  
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48  
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53  
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59  
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9  
 Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/ Mk 10:46-52

## Pet Blessing



Oct. 4th was the Feast of St. Francis who was known for his love of animals. In the spirit of St. Francis, there will be a pet blessing on Sunday, October 24th at 1pm in the parish parking lot. Bring your dogs, cats, gerbils, snakes, lizards, or any other pets. There will be a short blessing lasting about twenty minutes.

## Join LaSalle Parishes for Mission Week!

Presented by:

**Frs. Bob & Dick Gielow, C.M., and other area priests.**

**Please join us for Mass and Meditation on St. Joseph each weeknight at 7pm:**

Monday, Oct. 25	St. Patrick
Tuesday, Oct. 26	St. Hyacinth
Wednesday, Oct. 27	St. Patrick
Thursday, Oct. 28	St. Hyacinth
Friday, Oct. 29	St. Patrick

Our Parish Mission Week will conclude with our Parish St. Joseph Celebration on Saturday, Oct. 30, at St. Hyacinth. Please join us at 12:00pm for:

- **Blessing**
- **Devotions to St. Joseph**
- **Picnic to follow!**



## 2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month

All High School students are invited to Youth Group Night

**Sunday, October 24th 6-7pm**  
We will meet in the Youth Group Room

All in the name of  
**Jesus**

## 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Have you made a pledge for the 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal? You are not too late! Your gift to the ADA, large or small, is combined with many others to serve the needs of the Catholic Diocese of Peoria. Please consider a one-time gift or a monthly pledge for eight months. There are pledge cards at all the entrances to the church. Or, call the parish office and one will be mailed to you. **Even if you cannot make a pledge at this time, we kindly ask that you complete a pledge card stating that so we can save the postage on our follow-up mailings.** To date, we have received 118 pledges of \$50,675 toward our goal of \$92,318. To those who have pledged, thank you! Remember, every dollar raised over our goal will be returned to the parish.



FOR CHILDREN WHO WISH FOR **JUST ONE GIFT**

**Your Box of Joy may be the only Christmas gift a child receives!**

CCW is participating again in the Box of Joy ministry sponsored by Cross Catholic Outreach (CCO). The ministry sends Christmas gifts to children in developing countries. For many poor children, a Box of Joy – filled with toys, clothing, school supplies, a rosary and the Story of Jesus – was the first Christmas gift they ever received. For more information go to [www.CrossCatholic.org/BoxOfJoy](http://www.CrossCatholic.org/BoxOfJoy)

If you want to donate, please pick up your box at the table in front of Harkrader Hall. **To ensure your Box of Joy arrives in time for Christmas, please return it no later than October 24th.** Boxes can be dropped off by the doors of the Church or the parish office.