



# GLORY BE

TO THE FATHER, THE SON AND  
THE HOLY SPIRIT.

JUNE 15, 2025 | SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Saturday, June 14

8:00am †David Fraser  
5:00pm †Thomas Esch

## Sunday, June 15

6:45am †Peter Pham Cong  
Pham  
8:30am †Schuster & Kuefler  
10:30am Edward Tivador  
12:30pm †John McGrath  
4:30pm RT. Rev. Dismas  
Kalcic, OSB  
7:00pm People of SSPP

## Monday, June 16

6:45am †Katie Magee  
8:00am †Dorota Zaba  
5:15pm †Thomas Esch

## Tuesday, June 17

6:45am Josephine Meehaw  
8:00am †Bob Piwowarczyk  
5:15pm †Frank Prucha

## Wednesday, June 18

6:45am †Anne De Salvo  
8:00am Int. Matthew Czop  
5:15pm †Penny Durow

## Thursday, June 19

6:45am †Ted Wysocki  
8:00am †James and Rose  
Guarascio  
5:15pm †Virgil W. Rink

## Friday, June 20

6:45am †Nick Peters  
8:00am Fr. Jose Cerna  
Anniv. of Ordination

## Saturday, June 21

8:00am Deceased members  
of Jedd and Feik  
Families  
5:00pm †Arnold Kumorek



# MASS SCHEDULE

## Monday–Thursday

6:45am, 8:00am and 5:15pm

## Friday

6:45am and 8:00am

## Saturday

8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)

## Sunday

6:45am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm  
& 7:00pm

## Tridentine (Latin) Mass

4:30pm

# RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

*Held in Holy Family Chapel  
located in the Ministry Center*

## Monday

4:15pm - 5:15pm

## Thursday

11:00am - 12 noon

## Saturday

3:00pm - 5:00pm

# EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

*Held in the St. Francis Eucharistic  
Adoration Chapel located in the St. Paul  
Center (Access code needed after hours)*

## Adoration Hours-

Sunday at 5pm- Saturday at 5pm

# PARISH OFFICE HOURS

## Monday–Thursday

8:30am - 4:00pm

## Friday

8:30am - Noon







## A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Happy Father's Day to all the dads in our parish, and to those visiting us this weekend. Do something to remember your father, and to make the day special, especially if he has gone home to the Lord. As we celebrate Father's Day today, and honor those men in our lives who have been "Father" to us.... our own fathers, the Holy Father - Pope Leo, our bishops, priests, who we call "Father," our spiritual fathers, and all those men who have cared for us and nurtured us in anyway, let's offer to God our Loving Father a prayer of thanksgiving for His continued care for us.

This weekend, at all the masses, we hold a second collection to help support the retirement and healthcare needs of our retired priests. You'll recall that the December collection for "Retired Religious" is for the women and men who have given their lives in service to the Church through the various religious orders of the Church. The Father's Day collection is for the retired and infirm priests of the Diocese of Joliet. Existing on very small pensions from the Diocese (some of the older priests don't even receive social security), they are in need of our assistance to live their lives without anxiety about the necessities of life. PLEASE be generous in your gifts to our retired priests who have given their lives for all of us in various parishes throughout the Diocese of Joliet. In our own parish, Father McGeean is one of our faithful "Senior Priests," still willing and able to be of service to us. Put your love, respect, and gratitude for them in action and be generous in your gifts to support the retired priests of the Diocese of Joliet. A number of retired priests generously serve us at various times throughout the year, here, at Saints Peter and Paul Parish. Let's show our gratitude to them, and be generous in this collection to care for the retired priests of the Diocese of Joliet.

*There is so much more to God than we can ever comprehend.* This is the mystery we celebrate today, *Trinity Sunday*. The Trinity — three persons in one God — offers us a model for living. Just as three persons of the Trinity are united as one, we must strive to live in ever-greater unity with God and with one another.

So much can be said about the nature of God, and as much as we can ever say there is infinitely more that we can't say or ever know. This is the mystery of God we celebrate today: *God Who gave Himself to us as a Father who created us, the Son who suffered and died to redeem us, and the Holy Spirit who sanctifies, guides, and is with us, always.* Yet, there are not three Gods, but only ONE: Three distinct persons in One eternal God. A mystery we can contemplate and comprehend in one sense, but nonetheless a mystery that escapes our understanding — and so we stand in awe and wonder of this beautiful mystery, and seek to draw closer to Him throughout our lives so that we can be happy with Him forever in Heaven... *For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.* [1 Corinthians 13:12]



Today's Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, is one of a number of what we call the "Summer Feasts"... the others being Pentecost, Corpus Christi, and the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. They are meant to focus our attention on the various ways God makes Himself known to us, and His consistent and faithful invitation to grow in our love for Him.

The most important, the most beautiful gift the Lord gives us, His most special presence among us is seen in the gift of the Holy Eucharist. In the Eucharist we receive the most sacred body and blood of Jesus Christ Himself. Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, a feast in honor of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist. To celebrate the feast we will hold our Corpus Christi Procession at the end of the 12:30pm Mass. A reception will follow the Mass and Procession. Please join us.

Also next weekend, Father Michael Lane, the Pastor of Queen of Apostles Church in Joliet will return to Saints Peter and Paul to speak at all our Masses on Eucharistic Devotion, inviting and challenging us to give the Lord an hour a week, so that we can restore Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our Adoration Chapel. Many of the older parishioners will remember when Father Lane was assigned to Saints Peter and Paul in the 1980's with Father Jim Lennon. Our parish has always been near and dear to Father's heart, and he is looking forward to returning and speaking with us about Perpetual Adoration. Throughout the past 40+ years, Father Lane has been instrumental in bringing, establishing, and maintaining Perpetual Adoration of the Eucharist in parishes throughout the Diocese of Joliet. Please welcome Father Lane, next weekend, and be attentive to his message, inviting us to grow in our love and devotion for Christ, really and truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

God's blessings!



Father De Salvo

# The Sick

*Please remember in your prayers the following people who are seriously ill, and others who are suffering with long-term or terminal illnesses:*

Chris Bruni	Jillian Navarro
Michael Condon	John Pisut
Deacon Michael Crowell	Carter Polizzi
Linda Gentzen	Carolyn Preston
Dennis Gorecki	Joy Quinn
Jim Gratzke	Ramona Race
Rita Guill	Walter Rafacz
Lynn Higgins	Lauren Reirson
Donald Hinterlong Sr.	Gina Rovito
Penny Holtz	Betty Ryan
Bob Hoole	Mary Sagen
Tori Hudgins	Pilar Salazar
Grace Humphrey	Dr. Derek Speten
Maria Irittria	Randall Stall
Jeffrey Johns	Barbara Strugalla
Chris Johnson	Marty Szczech
Sarah Kukulski	Nancy VanderHye
Edmund Kurzawa	Marino Verdico
James Lohse	Theodore Weber
Michael Luft	Matthew Weidner
Catherine Magee	Jim Weidner
Joseph Marchese	Pam Willis
Christine Marra	Janis Wozniak
Mike Marra	Kristin Zwirkoski
Sam Marra	
Samuel Mulay	

*Prayers for the sick and for our beloved dead are included in every Mass celebrated in our church, and are in the daily prayers of our priests. If you would like the name of a family member or friend included in the list published in our Sunday Bulletin, please call Kayla Knisley at 630-718-2131. When adding someone to the list of the sick, please make sure you have permission from the person you want listed, before you call us to add their name. The list of the deceased will ordinarily carry the names of those who were buried from our church that past week, or will be buried from our church the coming week. Ordinarily, names of the sick will be kept on for three months. The publishing of the names in the Sunday Bulletin will be the ordinary way to request prayers for specific loved ones.*



## Prayers for our Beloved Deceased

*We offer sympathy and the promise of our prayers to the family and friends of-*  
**Maria Jurado-Cobo**

## Please Remember in Prayer Those Serving in the Military

<b>U.S. Air Force</b>	<b>U.S. Navy</b>
Sgt. Cory Bassett	LCDR Thomas Bock
Staff Sgt. Joseph Burns	LTJG Brian Conlisk
2nd Lt. Daniel Caddigan	LCDR Dustin Flaum
Lt. Col. Frank Girdwain	Captain Anthony Giglio
Lt. Theodore M. Jackson	Ensign Nicholas Jacobs
Master Sgt. Mike McDonnell	Captain Michael Jelinek
Sgt. Zachary McKenty	CDR Tom Kuhr
Sr. Airman Patrick Neis	Commander Chris Kurgan
Sr. Airman Daniel Shea	Lt Andrew Parent
Sr. Airman Amanda Shea	LCDR Patrick Marsh
Sgt. Dan Steenstra	SN Jenny McLaughlin
	LCDR Caleb Moore
	LCDR Kasey Scheel
	LCDR Matthew Scheel
	Ensign Michael Schmitz
<b>U.S. Army</b>	<b>U.S. Marine Corps</b>
PFC Sam Allard	CPL BJ Boren
Major Angelo Bartocci	CWO2 John Crites
PVT Justin Bielefeld	Major Donald J. Carlsen
SPC Ryan Bridgman	Sgt. Richard DiBiao
Captain Michael Caddigan	PFC Jonathon Dragovan
Major John J. Case	Sgt. Luke Focer
Major Sydney Case	2nd Lt. Robert Gortner
Major Eileen Cassidy	2nd Lt. Eric Hovey
Major Mary Cassidy	Sgt. Ivan Karamyev
Major Tom Crane	Major Pete Keough
SPC Joshua Adam Demerin	Corporal Joseph Murray
Captain Reilly Dougherty	LCPL Matthew Prasse
Col. Edward Fisher	LCPL Maddox Ritter
2nd Lt. Matthew Quinton Frame	Corporal Luke Russell
Sgt. Nick Gedvilas	Corporal Joseph Taylor
Major Thomas E. Goerling	PVT Chris Vazquez
SPC Trevor Gomoll	
SPC Jarred Hampton	<b>U.S. Air National Guard</b>
Lt. Col. Sean Hermick	LTC Scott Paeth
Sgt. Kellen Jones	
SPC Mark Keough	<b>U.S. Coast Guard</b>
Lt. Colonel Stephen Laz	SR John Aabram
1st Lt. Connor Mulhere	P.D. John McNellis
SPC Steven Powell	
Col. Michael Predny	<b>U.S. Space Force</b>
Captain Daniel Rickert	Major Nick DuPre
1st Lt. David Rickert	
Sgt. 1st Class Pamela Schmecht	<i>To arrange a welcome home for your soldier, contact Donna Morsovillo of Operation Welcome You Home at <a href="http://www.welcometheyouhome.org">www.welcometheyouhome.org</a></i>
SPC John August Sopuch IV	
1st Lt. Winnie Springer	
Sgt. Craig Vladika	
1st Lt. Samuel Wehrli	
2nd Lt. Joseph Zolper	

## Daily Readings

### Sunday

Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

### Monday

2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42

### Tuesday

2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/Mt 5:43-48

### Wednesday

2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

### Thursday

2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15

### Friday

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23

### Saturday

2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 6:24-34



## Every Family Needs a Father

Pope Francis I

Every family needs a father, and I would like to talk about this role starting from several phrases we find in the Book of Proverbs, words that a father addresses to his son: *"My son, if your heart is wise, then my heart will be glad indeed. My inmost being will rejoice when your lips speak what is right."*

One could not better express the pride and emotion of a father who acknowledges that he has transmitted to his son what truly counts in life, a wise heart, he affirmed, explaining that the phrase in the Book of Proverbs is that of father who says, "This is what I wanted to leave to you, so that it might become yours: feeling, acting, speaking and judging with wisdom and rectitude. And in order for you to be able to do this, I taught you things you did not know, I corrected errors you did not see. I myself, first of all, had to test the wisdom of my heart, and monitor my excesses of sentiment and resentment, to bear the weight of the inevitable misunderstandings, and to find the right words to make myself understood."

A father knows well how to transmit this legacy: with closeness, gentleness and firmness. However, what consolation and compensation he receives, when his children honor his legacy! It is a joy that repays every hardship, that overcomes every misunderstanding and heals every wound.

To be a good father, the first requirement is to be present in the family. To be close to his wife, to share in everything, joy and pain, burdens and hopes. And to be close to the children as they grow: when they play and when they make efforts, when they are carefree and when they are distressed, when they dare and when they are afraid, when they make missteps and when they return to the right path. A father must always be present, but being present is not the same as controlling. Fathers who seek to control end up stifling their children; they do not let them grow.

The Gospel provides us with the example of the Father in heaven, the only one, Jesus says, who can truly be described as a "good father." Everyone knows the extraordinary parable of the prodigal son, or better of the merciful father in the Gospel according to Luke. How much dignity and tenderness we find in the father who stays at the door of his house awaiting the return of his son! Fathers need to be patient. Sometimes you can do nothing other than wait; pray and wait with patience, gentleness, magnanimity, and mercy. A good father knows how to wait and how to forgive, from the bottom of his heart. He certainly also knows how to correct firmly. A father who knows how to correct without humiliating is the same as he who knows how to protect unstintingly.

If there is anyone who knows how to explain in depth the Lord's Prayer, taught by Jesus, it is precisely he who experiences pater-nity in the first person. Without the grace that comes from the Father in heaven, fathers lose courage, and abandon the field. But children need to find a father who awaits them when they return home after their failures. They will do everything to avoid admitting or showing this, but they need him, and not finding him opens up wounds that are difficult to heal.

The Church, our mother, is committed to supporting with all her power the good and generous presence of fathers in families. And, like St. Joseph, they are the indispensable guardians and mediators of the faith for new generations, in goodness, justice and God's protection.



## Fatherhood

Pope Francis I

*Father* is a universal word, known to all. It indicates a fundamental relationship that is real and ancient as the history of mankind. Today, however, we have reached the point of affirming that ours would be a "society without fathers." In other words, in particular, in western culture, the figure of the father would be symbolically absent, to have vanished. At first, this was perceived as a form of liberation: freedom from the father-master, from the father as the representative of a law imposed from the outside, from the father as the censor of the happiness of his children and an obstacle to the emancipation of the autonomy of the young. Indeed, in the past in some cases authoritarianism, indeed even oppression reigned in some homes: parents who treated their children like servants, who did not respect the personal needs of their growth, fathers who did not help them to embark on their path in freedom, to assume their own responsibilities for building their future and that of society.

And, as often happens, we have passed from one extreme to the other. The problem of our times no longer seems to be the invasive presence of fathers, but rather their absence. Fathers are so focused on themselves, on their work and at times their personal fulfilment, that they even forget their families, leaving children and the young to their own devices. I would like to say to all Christian communities that we must be more careful: the absence of the paternal figure in the life of children and the young produces wounds that can be very serious. And in effect the deviance of children and adolescents may, to a considerable extent, be due to this lack of examples and authoritative guidance in their everyday life, to this lack of closeness and love from their fathers.

The feeling of orphan-hood experienced by many young people is more profound than we might think. They are orphans in their families because their fathers are often absent, also physically, from the home, but above all because when they are present, they do not act like fathers: they do not speak with their children, they do not give their children, by their example accompanied by words, those principles, those values, those rules for life that the young need in the same way as they need bread. At times it seems as if fathers are not sure what position they should occupy in the family, or how to educate their children. And so, in doubt, they abstain, they withdraw and neglect their responsibilities, possibly seeking refuge in an improbable relationship of parity with their children.

Civil Society, with its institutions, too, has a certain responsibility towards the young, that might be described as paternal: A responsibility that at times it neglects or exercises poorly. This too leaves them as orphans, and does not offer them true prospects. The young are therefore orphaned of sure paths to follow, orphaned of teachers in whom they can trust, orphaned of ideals to warm their hearts, orphaned of values and hopes that support them day by day. They are filled with idols but robbed of their hearts; they are driven to dream of enjoyment and pleasure, but they are not given work; they are deluded by the god of money and denied true richness.

Therefore, it is good for all of us, fathers and children, to listen once again to the promise that Jesus made to His disciples: *I will not leave you orphans*. Indeed, He is the path to follow, the master to listen to, the hope that the world can change, that love will conquer hate, that there can be a future of brotherhood and peace for all.



# **JUNE 22** **CORPUS** **CHRISTI**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION** **FOLLOWING THE 12:30PM MASS**

The Procession will take place around the parish campus and end with Benediction inside the church.  
Refreshments will be provided following the Procession on the Ministry Center Lawn.







### Corpus Christi Weekend

Next weekend, Fr. Michael Lane from Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church in Joliet will be preaching at all our Masses. He will speak on Eucharistic Devotion, inviting and challenging us to give the Lord an hour a week, so that we can restore Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our Adoration Chapel.



We will also have sign up forms in the pews next weekend to commit to a weekly hour of Adoration. You can also use the form below to sign up now!

### ST. FRANCIS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

36 N. ELLSWORTH ST. | NAPERVILLE, IL

#### Permanent Adorer Needed:

Thursday 1:00AM

#### Co-Adorers Needed:

Monday 4AM; Wednesday 2PM; Wednesday 3PM;  
Thursday 9AM; Saturday 10AM

#### Open Sunday at 5pm through Saturday at 5pm

Security access code from 9:00pm to 6:00am

Located just east of the Church. Enter off Benton Street alleyway.

For more information go to [sspeterandpaul.net/adoration](http://sspeterandpaul.net/adoration)

Sign up for a weekly  
commitment here!



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SIGN-UP

**Yes! I accept the weekly call to prayer and holiness...**

*(Sign up as an individual or a family, ensuring that someone will be there for the specific hour of adoration, to which you commit. Please print clearly and **turn in this form by June 25.**)*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the day(s) and hour(s) of Adoration you prefer.

**Saturdays** 5PM-6PM 6PM-7PM 7PM-8PM 8PM-9PM 9PM-10PM 10PM-11PM 11PM-12AM

**Sundays** 12AM-1AM 1AM-2AM 2AM-3AM 3AM-4AM 4AM-5AM 5AM-6AM

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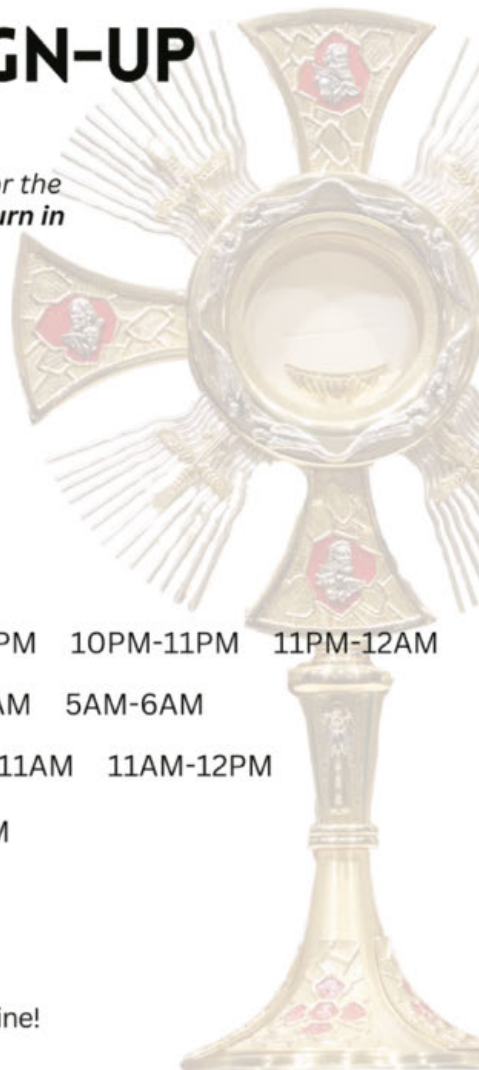
12PM-1PM 1PM-2PM 2PM-3PM 3PM-4PM 4PM-5PM

Please place your completed form in the Sunday Offering or sign up with the QR Code. Someone will reach out to you to confirm your selected day and time.

For questions contact Kathy Durow at [adorerkd@gmail.com](mailto:adorerkd@gmail.com) or 630-818-7897.



Sign up online!



## Pope Francis — The Trinity

Love that is at the heart of the divine life of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is a life of profound communion and perfect love, the origin and end of the whole universe and of every creature. But the Holy Trinity is also the model of the Church in which we are called to love one another as Jesus has loved us. Love is the distinctive mark of the Christian.

As Catholic Christians, we are called to bear witness to and announce the message that *God is love*, that God is not distant or insensible to our human affairs. God, the Pope said, is close to us, He is always by our side, He walks with us to share our joys and our sorrows, our hopes and our struggles. He loves human beings so much that He sent His only Son, the Second Person of the Trinity, into the world, that the world might be saved through Jesus.

It is the Holy Spirit, the gift of the Risen Jesus, that communicates the divine life to us and so makes us enter into the dynamism of the Trinity, a dynamism of love, of communion, of reciprocal service, of sharing. A person, a family, a parish that loves others for the sake of love is a reflection of the Trinity. But although true love is without limits, true love also knows when to limit itself in order to meet the other, to respect the liberty of the other.

Today's feast of the Most Holy Trinity is beautifully connected to next week's Feast of Corpus Christi. The Eucharist is like the "burning bush" in which the Trinity humbly dwells and communicates Itself. Devotion to the Eucharist is something I wish you all to keep, to grow ever deeper in your love and desire for Jesus in the Eucharist!



## EVANGELIZATION

### Legion of Mary



The Legion of Mary group at Saints Peter and Paul Parish is called Our Lady of Sorrows. The Legion of Mary is one of the largest lay apostolic organizations, with over three million active members throughout the world.

The Saints Peter and Paul Legion of Mary group has been active since 2007. In addition to devotional prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary, we do Spiritual and Corporal works of Mercy, such as visiting nursing homes and parish homes. We also foster Catholic ideals and devotions in our parish with the Pilgrim Virgin Visitation Home Program. Our members share a fellowship with others who share their ministry, a sound prayer life, and a devotion to Our Lady, who invariably leads all souls to Jesus Christ. **We meet every Tuesday morning at 10:30a.m. at SSPP in the Ministry Center (Room 227).**

### Homecoming Fest August 23, 2025

We are in need of chairpersons for Homecoming Fest 2025. Please email [sspphomefest@gmail.com](mailto:sspphomefest@gmail.com) for more information.

Alumni Tent  
Overall Event Chair



### Are you Interested in Becoming Catholic? Or are you already baptized Catholic, but have not yet been Confirmed? Classes begin in August!

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which one becomes a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church. Participants can be those who are unbaptized and have no Christian background, or those who were baptized and raised in other Christian communities.

This class is also intended for baptized Catholics who have not yet been Confirmed.

If you would like more information, please contact Michael Lewandowski, Director of Adult Catechesis and Evangelization, at 630-718-2156 or [mlewandowski@sspeterandpaul.net](mailto:mlewandowski@sspeterandpaul.net).



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Instagram at [@ssppnaperville](https://www.instagram.com/ssppnaperville)

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Are you looking for a way to grow in faith, serve others, and build community? Join one of our parish ministries! Browse through our many ministries by scanning the QR code or going to [sspeterandpaul.net/our-ministries](https://sspeterandpaul.net/our-ministries)

- Parish Life
- Liturgy and Worship
- Adult Faith Formation
- Christian Service









## The Mass: Music at Mass

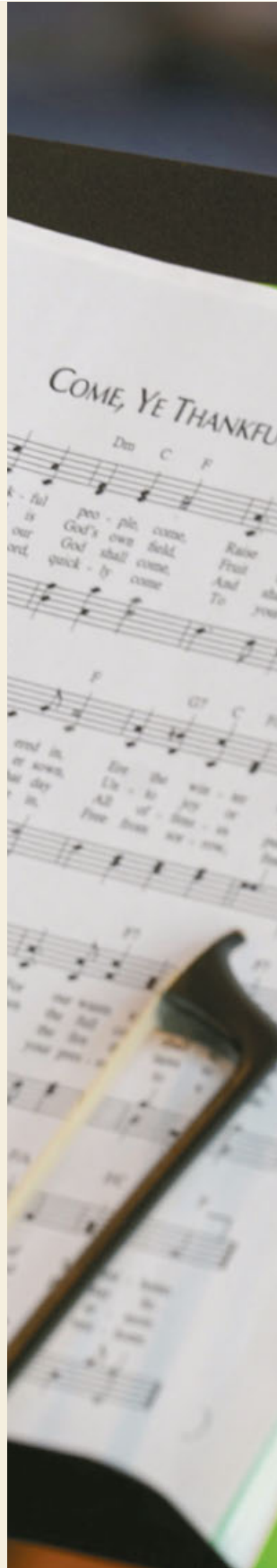
"Shouldn't it be uplifting and upbeat?..."

**To live and love our Catholic Faith, we have to know it!**

*Each week we will examine the mass, piece by piece, looking at all the elements that go into this great prayer, the greatest act of worship of the Roman Catholic Church.*

It's a familiar question: *Should the music at mass be upbeat and motivating, pleasing to the taste of the listener?* A popular genre of music making head-way in the Catholic Church is the popular/rock style "Praise Music." Understandably, the music is comfortable and familiar in sound to the music we hear on the radio all day long. "Praise Music" is full of emotion, able to motivate, and create an energy like none other. However, Praise Music (a genre developed in/by, and primarily used in the Protestant tradition), is not Liturgical Music — another genre of sacred music: composed, approved, and directed to liturgical use. The approved, preferred, and carefully legislated musical style for Catholic Worship. Often, Protestants don't understand why some of our Catholic congregations rush to bring this Praise genre into "official worship." While used in the Protestant tradition, it is not used in the official worship services of the traditional "high" churches in the Protestant traditions. Praise music fulfills a certain function, but is not a "catch-all."

While beautiful and able to stir the emotions of the listeners it is not Liturgical Music, composed for sacred use, at the service of the Liturgy. The liturgical music "scene" in the U.S. seems to be a more eclectic repertoire, the days of a "contemporary mass" or even (at the opposite extreme) a "Mozart Mass" full of classical sacred music, are pretty much a thing of the past. Such "themed" masses seem to be contrary to the mind of the bishops, and the Holy Fathers, in their attempts to "reform the reform" and restore a sense of the sacred to the liturgy which has been lost over the past several decades... due, in part, to the introduction of non-liturgical music. Ultimately, those experiments failed, using such non-liturgical music destroyed piety and devotion, and shifted the emphasis of the liturgy from the Divine to the human. Particularly in a secular mind set the emotions become the "measuring rod" of good music. The music became the point and "salvation" of the liturgy for the young, the old, those not really "connected" to the Church, etc.. When, actually, Jesus Christ is the Savior, not the elements we use to bring us closer to the Lord... music, like all elements of the liturgy are at the service of the worship of God. They are not an explanation for or a substitute for our focus on the Lord. Not catering to fleeting human emotions, liturgical music is based on sound liturgical, aesthetic, theological, and music principles— it has a certain "function" to perform at the liturgy. Like all the elements of good liturgy, music and art are at the service



of the liturgy, they are not the focus. When they become the focus, their "use" has failed, and reform is needed. Praise music, like liturgical music is successful when it is used in the context in which it is intended, and does not detract, in any way from the liturgy.

Liturgical music serves the liturgy and aids us in the worship of God, He is the focus. While emotionally appealing, uplifting and motivating, the praise music genre doesn't seem to accomplish that ultimate goal. It was never meant to. It's not liturgical music (i.e. composed for liturgical use — although it is certainly sacred). If you have witnessed that type of music used in parishes, it becomes the focus, the "emotional high." Often times, it takes center-stage and is seen as the ultimate good, and the worship of the Lord becomes the backdrop for such displays. Liturgical music, on the other hand, in all its styles, keeps the focus on the worship of the Lord, in keeping with its intended use.

A "sampling," now and then, would go a long way to bring some variety and "spirit" to the liturgy, but it should not be the focus and point of our worship. To some extent, the Catholic Church already uses it outside of the liturgy, where it is most appropriate. That delicate balance needs to be maintained. Fidelity to the Liturgy, and to the Church is a means to holiness for all of us. Comments about people leaving a parish because they didn't like the music, because the parish wouldn't compromise Church teaching, are disturbing. Though sad, priests and parishes can't base their actions on the lack of knowledge and desire for fidelity upon the emotions of a few. After all, emotions are fleeting. Trying to "lure" people back with dis-obedience and infidelity will produce no good, and will not ultimately attract a whole new cadre back to Mass. Both Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis specifically addressed this misguided pastoral approach and warned against such strategies.

Obedience is not optional, it's necessary to grow in holiness. Some parishes abandon such notions in favor of building-up the emotional high (on all sorts of issues/levels). That will not ultimately make us faithful, loyal, and obedient sons and daughters of the Church. Faith is a choice, not an emotion. Emotions change and are fleeting. Not being ruled by our emotions, or the emotional highs we can easily create, is not easy in this increasingly secular age. That's why we need to keep our focus on Christ and the Church he gave us... and not so much the Church we envision, and on "what every one else is doing." It's a non-argument to say "we should do it because everyone else is doing it." It doesn't make sense. The old adage is true: *Just because something is loud and popular, it doesn't mean it's important.*

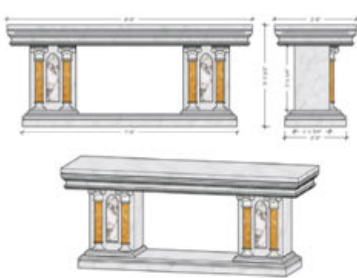
# 2025 ALTAR AND CHURCH RESTORATION

## The Altar

While the parish priests were performing the traditional washing of the Altars and sanctuary floor in preparation of the Good Friday Services, Father De Salvo discovered that all eight of the black marble supports/legs holding up the massive marble top of the Main Altar of Sacrifice in our church were shattered. The weight of the mensa [the top of the Altar], is too heavy to be supported by the eight marble pillars/legs of the Altar. Installed in the 1970s for the reformed liturgy, the Altar has failed.

**Total cost to properly repair the Altar of Sacrifice in our Church:**  
\$59,200

**Total cost to restore High Altar [Tabernacle Altar] and Baptismal Font:**  
\$82,400 [if available/provided]



*Rendering of Restored Church Altar*



*Crack in Marble Altar leg*



*Temporary bracing system under the Altar*

## Church Pews and Floors

The pews in the church need refinishing. During the Covid shut-down, harsh chemicals were mandated to be used to sanitize the church. Because of this, the finish on the pews was ruined and must be replaced. Additionally, new kneelers need to be installed on the pews. They are more than 40 years old and are failing. Most importantly, the 100 year old wooden floor under the pews MUST be refinshed. The old finish is completely worn. Sanding and refinishing the floors before further damage is done will save us the expense of completely replacing the wood floors under the pews.

**Total cost to refinish/repair pews: \$274,000**

**Total cost of new kneelers: \$49,400**

**Total cost to refinish the wood floor: \$35,000**

*\*to totally replace the wood floor would be hundreds of thousands of dollars. Our 100 year floor has one more refinishing in it, saving us a lot of money.*



*Current floors in church*



*Torn Kneelers*



*Wood is faded and worn on pews in church*

## OUR GOAL!

**To make the necessary immediate repairs to our church...  
\$500,000 is the Total Parish Goal.**

Please do what you can, allow the Lord to direct you in your generosity, and make your gift today. We have to have the funds in hand by July 1st so that the work can be done as soon as possible. Gifts received at the \$250 level or more will be included on a permanent scroll of names to be placed within the leg of the restored Altar.

## GIVE ONLINE

Scan the QR Code  
or go to  
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/online-giving







## Parish Sacrificial Giving

*We sincerely thank everyone for their generosity & support*

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024  
through June 30, 2025  
(based on 52 Sundays)

Actual Fiscal Year to Date Average  
Sunday Collections  
(47 Sundays) \$46,215



## Offertory

Support the ongoing, operational needs at Saints Peter and Paul. As we gather to celebrate the Holy Eucharist, we are reminded that every blessing we receive is a gift from God. The Offertory is not only the presentation of bread and wine, but also a moment when we are invited to offer ourselves—our time, talents, and treasures—back to the Lord in gratitude.

Thank you for your continued generosity and faithful stewardship. Your offerings support our parish ministries, outreach efforts, and the mission of Christ in our community. Make a gift online at [speterandpaul.net/online-giving](http://speterandpaul.net/online-giving).



## Father's Day Second Collection

This weekend we celebrate all fathers on Father's Day, including our spiritual fathers, also known as our parish priests. Our parish priests dedicate their lives to serving God, the Church, and their parish families. And when a priest may fall seriously ill, it is our duty as Catholics to care for them.

Please prayerfully consider supporting our infirm and retired priests so they receive the dignity, safety, and higher quality of care needed with a gift to the Father's Day Second Collection.

Just scan the QR code to make a quick and secure online gift or give through the Father's Day Second Collection. On behalf of all priests who will benefit from your sacrifice, thank you!

Scan to make a gift to the Father's Day  
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*God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.*

- Hebrews 6-10

## Father's Day Collection

For Infirm and Retired Priests of the Diocese of Joliet • June 14-15, 2025



## FISHERS OF MEN

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**Whoever Eats This Bread Will Live Forever!**

Our Lord is the living bread that sustains us and prepares us to achieve eternal life. Do you believe in his real presence in the Holy Eucharist?

**Saturday, June 21, 2025**  
**Sts Peter and Paul Ministry Center**

Come to hear and share stories about the many Eucharistic miracles that confirm our Lord's presence in the Holy Eucharist.

If you cannot join us in person a Zoom link will be emailed this week.

Email us if you want to be added to our contact list.

## AGENDA

- 6:15am: Welcome, Fraternity and Prayer Need Requests
  - 6:30am: Rosary in Holy Family Chapel
  - 7:00am: Talk Theme: **Our Living Daily Bread**
  - 7:15am: Small-group discussions
  - 7:40am: Wrap up
  - 7:50am: Closing prayer
  - 8:00am: Daily Mass at Saints Peter and Paul
- Bring your own coffee and reflection guide (see email).

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## REGISTER NOW FOR 2025/2026 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION!

If you have a child in public school and have not registered them in Religious Education, we invite you to register! Registration packets can be downloaded from the RE page of the parish website or picked up in the RE Office.

The Diocese of Joliet requires two years of preparation prior to receiving a sacrament, which means that children typically start preparing for First Communion in 1st or 2nd grade. Those preparing for Confirmation must complete Grade 5 prior to entering PreConfirmation.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** The following volunteer opportunities are available, and you don't need to have a child in the program to volunteer! Material, training, and support provided, as well as the opportunity to work with other amazing volunteers.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS 4:15 – 5:30 PM

Catechists and assistants needed for Eucharist 1, Eucharist 2, Grade 3 and Grade 4

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT 7:15 – 8:30 PM

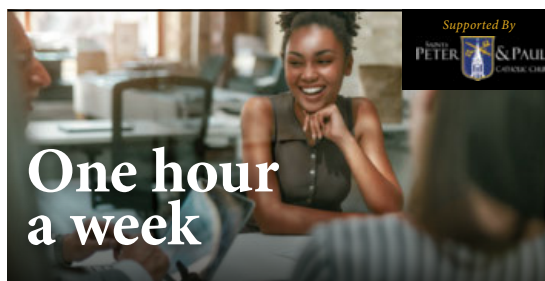
Catechists and Assistants needed for PreConfirmation and Confirmation 1.

Safety monitors are needed for all sessions. Free childcare is available for the younger children of volunteers for the Wednesday 4:15 session.

For more information about registering or volunteering, contact the Religious Education office at 630-357-2436.



## CHRISTIAN SERVICE



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Gratitude is a good barometer of our spiritual condition. If you find that you are giving thanks to God frequently in your prayer, for big things and small; if you find yourself showing gratitude to others, your spiritual life is probably in a healthy condition. To give thanks is a sign of humility. If we are humble, we will certainly be in God's favor and His love, and the most valuable gift we can offer to the poor, will be in our hearts. If we have a grateful heart, we will see everything as gifts of God. May God give us the grace to be grateful for everything He has given us and to show that gratitude by generosity to others and to the poor. (McCullen, Deep Down Things, p. 203)

Society of Saint Vincent dePaul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and its patron, Saint Vincent de Paul. Call 630-718-2127 to learn more or to request assistance.



## Seasons of Hope



At Saints Peter & Paul, Seasons of Hope is a unique, Christ-centered Catholic support group for the bereaved. Sessions are intended for the bereaved who have lost a spouse, family member or close friend through death. The program is divided into four, six-week sessions, called Seasons, which are held throughout the year. Our next Seasons of Hope meeting is on June 16 from 6:30—8:00pm in the St. Paul Center.



## Change for Babies

Baby bottles to support Waterleaf Women Center's CHANGE FOR BABIES campaign are due back this weekend! The proceeds of this event will help support the life-saving work of Waterleaf, a Catholic pregnancy center serving the Diocese of Joliet with its pregnancy medical clinic and education center located in Aurora. Please make checks payable to Waterleaf.

Thank you for your prayers and generous support!





## Quo Vadis Days

July 27-July 30

Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, IL

Quo Vadis is a camp led by Chicago and Joliet Seminary, open to young men who have graduated middle school and have an openness to growing in discipleship and fraternity, and learning more about the priesthood. Scan the QR code for registration and more information!



## Save the Date!

The celebration of the conclusion of the National Eucharistic Revival will take place at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet on Sunday, July 13 beginning with the 10:30am Mass. After the Mass, Bishop Hicks will lead a Eucharistic Procession around the Cathedral grounds ending in the Cathedral with Benediction. Mark your calendars and make plans to attend this Mass and Eucharistic Procession.



## A Respect Life Event

Saturday June 21, 2025, at St. Ambrose Parish in Crest Hill. Check in and lunch will begin at 11:30am and end by 3pm.

We will have 3 amazing speakers who will present on a variety of topics relevant to respect for human life. There is no charge for this event. Register by scanning the QR code.



## Jubilee Mass for Grandparents and the Elderly

All grandparents and the elderly and their family members are invited to a special Jubilee Mass with Bishop Hicks at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus Sunday, October 4, 2025, at 11:00AM

Location: Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus, 604 N. Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL



## Stewardship: A Journey of Hope

September 21 – 24, 2025

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151 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

You are invited to attend the 63rd International Catholic Stewardship Council annual conference from September 21-24, 2025 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago. The theme for this conference is Stewardship: A Journey of Hope.

The 2025 ICSC Stewardship Conference offers attendees a chance to gather, share common experiences and challenges and reflect on stewardship in the Catholic Church and how it is an integral part of our faith.

The Conference presents inspiration and practical ideas through conference liturgies, plenary sessions, 80 conference sessions to choose from and much more with experienced leaders presenting best practices, strategies and inspiration you need to continue building up Christian Stewardship in your part of the Lord's vineyard. Go to <https://catholicstewardship.com/icsc-2025-annual-conference> for more information.



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# WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

**August 17, 2025**  
**2:00 p.m.**  
**Cathedral of St. Raymond**  
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**Registration Required**

Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years, are welcome to attend. Bishop Ronald A. Hicks will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding commitment.

Pre-registration is required by August 8, 2025. Scan the QR code or website link:  
<https://forms.office.com/r/qu9fbEpfkr>

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Saturday and Sunday	Closed

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**Baptisms** Held each Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. Prep classes are held every other month on the first Monday in the Parish Ministry Center at 7 p.m. If this is your first child, you must attend a class before receiving a date for your baby's baptism. To register for a class, contact Lynne Passarella, 630-718-2101, [lpassarella@sspeterandpaul.net](mailto:lpassarella@sspeterandpaul.net).

**First Communion** There is a two-year preparation period prior to receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Contact Theresa Pratt, 630-718-2133, [tpratt@sspeterandpaul.net](mailto:tpratt@sspeterandpaul.net).

**Confirmation** There is a two-year preparation period prior to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Theresa Pratt, 630-718-2133, [tpratt@sspeterandpaul.net](mailto:tpratt@sspeterandpaul.net).

**OCIA** To inquire about the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults contact Mike Lewandowski, 630-718-2156, [mlewandowski@sspeterandpaul.net](mailto:mlewandowski@sspeterandpaul.net).

**Marriage** Diocese requirements include a formal engagement preparation period of at least six months before the date of the wedding. Wedding dates fill up quickly and you must confirm a date as your first step in the process. Visit [sspeterandpaul.net/marriage](http://sspeterandpaul.net/marriage) if you are interested in being married here.

**Holy Orders** Contact any priest to be connected to others exploring a vocation. For more information on formation events, visit [dioceseofjolieta.org/vocations](http://dioceseofjolieta.org/vocations).

**Reconciliation** Confessions are held in the Ministry Center on Mondays (4:15 to 5:15 p.m.), Thursdays (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.) and Saturdays (3 to 5 p.m.).

**Anointing of the Sick** If you or a loved one are in need of anointing, call the parish office at 630-355-1081.

**Eucharistic Adoration** The St. Francis Adoration Chapel is open Sunday at 5:00pm to Saturday at 5:00pm.

**Funerals** Most funerals are scheduled through area funeral homes. To inquire about a liturgy, call the parish office at 630-355-1081.

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