



Little Sisters of the Poor

HOSPITALITY AT HEART



SAINTS
PETER & PAUL
CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 20, 2025 |
Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 19

8:00am †Richard DeGraff
5:00pm †John Styler

Sunday, July 20

6:45am †Robert & Norma Gross
8:30am †Agnes Dolan
10:30am †Stanley Malnar
12:30pm People of SSPP
4:30pm †Albert Cappy Jr.
7:00pm †Robert Lawicki

Monday, July 21

6:45am †Cedric Cerna
8:00am †Peter & Anna Kozan
5:15pm †Barbara Jungels

Tuesday, July 22

6:45am †Russell & Madeline Sherer
8:00am †Mark Capuano
5:15pm †Eleanor Putz

Wednesday, July 23

6:45am Int. Claire Baek
8:00am †Mary McNellis
5:15pm †Carrie McDonald

Thursday, July 24

6:45am Mary Anne Brown
8:00am †Polly Kaufman
5:15pm †Mike & Mary Shabel

Friday, July 25

6:45am Ronald Rieser
8:00am †Rose Kupsche

Saturday, July 26

8:00am †Nancy Angerame
5:00pm †Isabelle Wagner



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-

Perpetual Adoration (24/7)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday

8:30am - 4:00pm

Friday

8:30am - Noon





A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,
Today we celebrate the Liturgy for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. In the first reading, the Lord promises Abraham and Sarah a son after they show abundant hospitality to their guests. And, in the Gospel, Martha becomes frustrated with Mary for not helping her serve Jesus. We see in the exchange between Martha, Mary, and Jesus the two dimensions of the true Christian life: WORSHIP and WORK. Both are necessary to live as a true Disciple of Jesus. Our faith MUST be seen in action.

The readings today highlight God's goodness through generosity. From blessing Abraham and Sarah with their long-awaited child to assuring Martha that she need not worry, the Lord knows our deepest needs and responds to them.

Today, we are being given the incredible and beautiful opportunity to model this compassionate response in our own lives.... Today we're being given the opportunity to grow in HOLINESS. To recognize God's goodness and respond with generosity.

Joining us for our Masses this weekend are The Little Sisters of the Poor. I've known the Sisters for over 40 years. To me, they are always welcome. Their religious life shows us exactly what Jesus is talking about in today's Gospel. In a very real, concrete, quiet, unassuming, day-in and day-out sort of way... through their simple and quiet life of prayer and contemplation, they grow in holiness and are able to recognize the face of God in the elderly poor they care for. Then, they put the fruits of their prayer into ACTION, in their service to the elderly. In everything they do, the Sisters show us the love, compassion and helping hand of Jesus. The elderly poor, who the sisters care for, are not at all "great" in the world's eyes. And yet, the work the sisters do is beyond measure.... beyond price in God's eyes.

I invited the Sisters here this weekend to share with us their work. Although they may not agree, the Sisters should not be grateful, at all, that we invited them to come and speak to us. Rather, I really do believe — and that's why they're here — WE should be grateful to them that they have come and have given us the opportunity to share in their beautiful work of caring for God's poor, the elderly poor... certainly, those among the most vulnerable among us. And, what's more, as a blessing, and opportunity for us to grow in holiness... to put faith in action, they allow us to join with them in their witness and work. How could we not progress in the spiritual life? How could we not take advantage of the opportunity being given us to grow in holiness?

And so, this weekend we welcome Sister Amy Marie and The Little Sisters of the Poor from Saint Joseph's Home in Palatine. The Order was founded in France in 1839. The sisters do incredible work in caring for the elderly poor. They do it with such humility, love, care, and dedication. God must certainly be smiling on their efforts. And, I want to



thank the sisters for coming, and giving us, here at Saints Peter and Paul Parish the privilege of assisting them in their work. There are a variety of ways ALL OF US can assist these beautiful sisters in their work:

- **PRAY** for the Little Sisters of the Poor... not only for their work, but for vocations to the Order. Perhaps God is calling some of our young ladies from Naperville to care for the elderly poor as a Little Sister? Consider going to the Home in Palatine and seeing the Sisters life, first hand.
- **CONTRIBUTE** to the work of the Little Sisters. Monetary contributions are always needed. The sisters rely solely on *Divine Providence*. They do not allow endowments, portfolios, etc. Instead, they abandon themselves completely to the Divine Providence of Almighty God. What He provides through generous donors is what they have to care for the poor. Their need at the home in Palatine is great. In addition to the donations greatly needed to provide care, major work is needed on their building. Give generously, and share in the spiritual benefits of their work.
- **VOLUNTEER**... Countless opportunities for you to offer your expertise and professional skills are available. Individuals connected with companies donate services, food products, cleaning supplies, etc., everything needed to run a house and care for the elderly. Never underestimate what you can give! There is always something that needs doing for the sisters and the residents. Other people contribute time to spend with residents, sharing their abilities, interests, etc. Families are also welcome to visit and help with various projects and events. Teach your children the beautiful "art of giving." Grow in holiness, through service, together. I'm hoping more of our parish organizations will provide service to the home.
- **SPREAD THE WORD**... Let others know about the work of the Little Sisters and their needs.

Please welcome the Little Sisters of the Poor, be generous in your response to their appeal, support their work, and know that God will certainly bless you for your care for His poor!

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:

Rosey Chudyk	Jillian Navarro
Michel Coniglio	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	Tim Roy
Bob Hoole	Betty Ryan
Tori Hudgins	Mary Sagen
Chris Johnson	Pilar Salazar
Richard Korenchuk	Dr. Derek Speten
Sarah Kukulski	Randall Stall
Edmund Kurzawa	Marty Szczech
Michael Lenz	Nancy VanderHye
James Lohse	Marino Verdico
Michael Luft	Theodore Weber
Joseph Marchese	Matthew Weidner
Christine Marra	Jim Weidner
Mike Marra	Pam Willis
Sam Marra	Janis Wozniak
Lynne McConaghy	Kristin Zwirkoski
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.



Please Remember in Prayer Those Serving in the Military

U.S. Air Force
Sgt. Cory Bassett
Staff Sgt. Joseph Burns
2nd Lt. Daniel Caddigan
Lt. Col. Frank Girdwain
Lt. Theodore M. Jackson
Master Sgt. Mike McDonnell
Sgt. Zachary McKenty
Sr. Airman Patrick Neis
Sr. Airman Daniel Shea
Sr. Airman Amanda Shea
Sgt. Dan Steenstra

U.S. Army
PFC Sam Allard
Major Angelo Bartocci
PVT Justin Bielefeld
SPC Ryan Bridgman
Captain Michael Caddigan
Major John J. Case
Major Sydney Case
Major Eileen Cassidy
Major Mary Cassidy
Major Tom Crane
SPC Joshua Adam Demerin
Captain Reilly Dougherty
Col. Edward Fisher
2nd Lt. Matthew Quinton Frame
Sgt. Nick Gedvilas
Major Thomas E. Goerling
SPC Trevor Gomoll
SPC Jarred Hampton
Lt. Col. Sean Hermick
Sgt. Kellen Jones
SPC Mark Keough
Lt. Colonel Stephen Laz
1st Lt. Connor Mulhere
SPC Steven Powell
Col. Michael Predny
Captain Daniel Rickert
1st Lt. David Rickert
Sgt. 1st Class Pamela Schmecht
SPC John August Sopuch IV
1st Lt. Winnie Springer
Sgt. Craig Vladika
1st Lt. Samuel Wehrli
2nd Lt. Joseph Zolper

U.S. Navy
LCDR Thomas Bock
LTJG Brian Conlisk
LCDR Dustin Flaum
Captain Anthony Giglio
Ensign Nicholas Jacobs
Captain Michael Jelinek
CDR Tom Kuhrt
Commander Chris Kurgan
Lt Andrew Parent
LCDR Patrick Marsh
SN Jenny McLaughlin
LCDR Caleb Moore
LCDR Kasey Scheel
LCDR Matthew Scheel
Ensign Michael Schmitz

U.S. Marine Corps
CPL BJ Boren
CWO2 John Crites
Major Donald J. Carlsen
Sgt. Richard DiBiao
PFC Jonathon Dragovan
Sgt. Luke Focer
1st Lt. Robert Gortner
2nd Lt. Eric Hovey
Sgt. Ivan Karamyev
Major Pete Keough
Corporal Joseph Murray
LCPL Matthew Prasse
LCPL Maddox Ritter
Corporal Luke Russell
Corporal Joseph Taylor
PVT Chris Vazquez

U.S. Air National Guard
LTC Scott Paeth

U.S. Coast Guard
SR John Aabram
P.D. John McNellis

U.S. Space Force
Major Nick DuPre

To arrange a welcome home for your soldier, contact Donna Morsovillo of Operation Welcome You Home at www.welcometheyouhome.org

Daily Readings

Sunday

Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

Monday

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

Friday

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Saturday

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30

Vocations to the Little Sisters of the Poor

A vocation to the Little Sisters of the Poor is a unique call from God to live for him alone. Usually, when Catholics in the United States think of *the sisters*, we think of the nuns teaching in our schools - or perhaps sponsoring hospitals (that is their more well-known work in the U.S.). But the Little Sisters live a more "private" or unseen vocation in healthcare and social service. As **Little Sisters of the Poor**, we care for the elderly poor in the spirit of humble service which we have received from Saint Jeanne Jugan, the foundress of our Religious Community which began in 1839. We welcome the elderly as we would Jesus Christ himself and serve them with love and respect until God calls them to himself.

If you think God might be calling you to give yourself totally to him in the religious life, we'd love to accompany you along the discernment journey. For more information contact me, Mother Mercy at (847) 358-5700 or by email at mspalatine@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

Steps you might take in discerning whether God is calling you to follow Saint Jeanne Jugan as a Little Sister of the Poor:

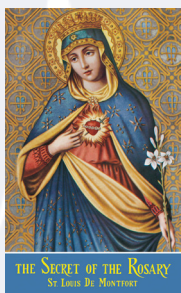
1. Visit our national website and read more about our life and our mission of hospitality to the elderly poor. Littlesistersofthepoor.org

2. Arrange to visit us for a tour of the home. Volunteer some of your time with the elderly "Be kind, especially to the infirm. Love them well... Oh yes! Be kind," Saint Jeanne Jugan often advised the novices. We strive to follow this advice of our foundress in all our dealings with the elderly.



Fr. Bader's Book of the Week

The Secret of the Rosary



Do you pray the Rosary well?

With well over 5,000,000 copies sold, *The Secret of the Rosary* is one of the most beloved classics of Catholic literature as it teaches its readers this very important and spiritually vital thing!

Written by St. Louis de Montfort, this short and revelatory book describes the many mysteries of the Rosary and teaches us how to pray it with proper devotion to Our Lady and her son, Jesus Christ.



BOTTLES for BABIES

Thank you for your Prayers, Support, and Donations

On behalf of Waterleaf and the SSPP Respect Life family thank you for your generosity in this year's "Change for Babies" Campaign.

This is the most we have collected in this campaign since 2011.

This year you generously donated \$12,651.30. Thank you!

Saints Peter and Paul Parish Welcomes the Little Sisters of the Poor

THIS WEEKEND we are being given the opportunity to recognize & help Jesus, present in his beloved poor!

Sister Amy Marie is with us this weekend at all of the Masses. The Little Sisters of the Poor have served the elderly of the greater Chicago area and beyond for over 130 years. They encourage independence, preserve dignity and respect for life, respect individuality, nurture spirit and involve family and friends.

In 1939 the future Pope John XXIII was so struck by what he witnessed in one of the Sisters' homes that he wrote to the Vatican: *Every day I witness with my own eyes the edifying spectacle of the survival of the spirit of simplicity, humility and inexhaustible and trusting generosity that the Little Sisters still offer today... It is as though certain traits of their blessed Mother Foundress [St. Jeanne Jugan] shine in each one of them.* The quiet but eloquent radiance of her life continues to shine out in the lives of the Little Sisters of the Poor today. The homes for the elderly poor, which they sponsor in Palatine (and throughout the world), are icons of mercy where Christ is welcomed and served in the elderly poor with the utmost respect for their dignity. *May God be praised and may the entire Church rejoice at the public proclamation of the extraordinary holiness of Jeanne Jugan.* [Francis Cardinal George - Archbishop of Chicago]

The Little Sisters of the Poor welcome the needy elderly into their homes, forming one family with them, enabling them to enjoy life and care for them with love and respect until the moment God calls them home! The care of the dying has always been the summit of the sisters' apostolate and it is an ever more powerful witness of the culture of life. For more information about the Little Sisters of the Poor, check out their website: littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org

Please be attentive to the Sisters' message, and generous in your response.

Mother Mercy, LSP
Little Sisters of the Poor
St. Joseph Home for the Aged
80 West Northwest Highway
Palatine, Illinois 60067-3582



BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: Are you anxious about many things? Then you need to be right where Mary is: at the feet of Jesus, with all your burdens.

Martha's Burdens

It's time to admit it: I've been unfair to Mary in the past. Been a little catty about her. *Oooh, Mary, she's so holy.* Well, do you like to eat, Mary? Who made your lunch? Yeah, that's right: it was Martha. Because you know what? It's the Marthas who get things done in the world while the Marys lounge around reading Aquinas and attending silent retreats and going to Eucharistic Adoration whenever they want.

And there you have it, folks: my bitterness on full display! I tend to identify with Martha, not with Mary, and I need to stop doing that.

Because I am not Martha instead of Mary. I am both. We are all both.

Mary was a woman; she was expected to do the serving, too. She shared that burden; she wasn't abandoning it, heaping her portion on Martha. And it's so wrong to assume that Mary didn't have the same cares and anxieties as Martha — perhaps she even had more!

Here's the difference: Mary, unlike Martha (and me, I guess) knew where to go with them.

We typically see our burdens as an impediment to a relationship with Christ. *I'm so busy. I'm so overwhelmed. There are so many demands on me, on my time, on my person, on my finances. Take a number, Jesus. Get in line.* But we're thinking the wrong way. Burdens aren't an obstacle that stands between us and Christ. Burdens are the straightest path to his feet.

God knows about burdens, okay? Aside from being all-wise and all-knowing, he basically completed a doctorate in suffering, taking on a human form (itself kind of a burden, if you think about it) and for 33 years lived among the hardest and heaviest burdens this world has to offer.

Why did he do this? Well, part of the reason was so that we could finally understand that our burdens aren't a barrier between us and God. On the contrary, they connect us to him.

Are you anxious about many things? Then you need to be right where Mary is: at the feet of Jesus, with all your burdens.



Saints of the Week

St. Bridget of Sweden- July 23



Saint Bridget or Birgitta was born in 1303, the daughter of Birger Petersson, governor of Uppland and his wife Ingeborg Bengtsson. She was married to Ulf Gudmarsson, who became governor of the province of Nericia. They had eight children, all of whom survived past infancy which was rare for the 12th century. One of their daughters would become St. Catherine of Sweden.

Saint Bridget was hailed as a mystic and her visions, which began in her early childhood when she had visions of Christ Crucified, made her somewhat of a Middle Ages celebrity. Her vision of the Nativity of Jesus even influenced the art of the Nativity through the Baroque era! She is said to have predicted the Vatican State. Saint Bridget's Revelations, which she dictated to Peter Olafsson, the prior at the Cistercian monastery of Alvastra near which she retired after her husband's death in 1344, were published in 1492. They have since been published in many languages and can still be purchased today.

Some of her most profound visions regarded the founding of a new religious order which would be primarily for women, ruled by an abbess, but with a separate house for monks who would serve as order chaplains. Her visions detailed everything from the abbey church to the clothing that would be adopted as the nun's habit, and how the order would be ruled. King Magnus II of Sweden granted Bridget land and buildings. The order, called the Bridgettines or the Order of the Most Holy Savior was approved by Pope Urban V in 1370.

Saint Bridget was canonized in 1391 by Pope Boniface IX and in 1999 Pope John Paul II named her one of the Patron Saints of Europe.

St. James the Apostle- July 25



Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In

Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.

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to help us with planning children's activities!*

MAIN STAGE

3:00pm to 5:00pm

Johnny Russler and the Beach Bum Band

5:30pm to 7:30pm

Serendipity

8:00pm to 10:00pm

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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.

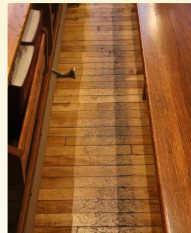
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2025 ALTAR AND CHURCH RESTORATION

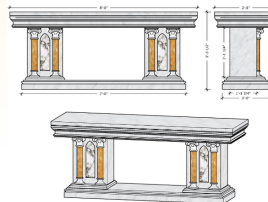
Church Pews and Floors

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 refinished. 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.



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.



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 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

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Judgement Day is Near!

When the angels harvest nations to meet God and be judged by his Son Jesus Christ at the end of times, will you be ready?

Saturday, July 26, 2025
Saints Peter and Paul Ministry Center

Come and hear stories about people who thought they were on their way to scoring a winning touchdown only to realize they fumbled at the five-yard line. The time is now to take stock of your life and make sure you're on the right path!

If you cannot join us in person a Zoom link will be emailed this week. Email us (see below) 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: **Judgement Day Is Near!**

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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pray for us!

fishersofmenspp@gmail.com





Holy Hour

"No words I can use would be too strong to state that the Catholic priesthood needs prayer and sacrifice as never before since Calvary. One saint after another has declared that the devil's principal target on earth is the Catholic priest. Priests need, Lord how they need, special graces from God. - Father John Hardon, SJ



Join us for a parish Holy Hour with Benediction to pray for Fathers De Salvo, Cerna, Rutnicki, Bader, & McGeean on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the Church

"Bring yourself as an offering for the priests. Unite your offering with my offering, to obtain graces for them ... I want to come again into the world ... in my priests. I want to renew the world by revealing myself through the priests. I want to give my Church a powerful impulse in which I will pour out the Holy Spirit over my priests like a new Pentecost. The Church and the world need a new Pentecost, a Priestly Pentecost, and interior Pentecost." - Jesus' words to Blessed Maria Concepcion Cabrera de Armida, a Mexican wife and mother of nine

Bring the whole family to pray and sign a card for our priests!

This Holy Hour is being offered in honor of St. John Vianney, Patron of Parish Priests, whose memorial we celebrate August 4th.

Save the Date! Birthday Party for Mary



On Monday, September 8, Saints Peter and Paul will be celebrating Mary's birthday with Mass, a rosary and a reception with Fr. Rocky Hoffman from Relevant Radio!

Mass at 5:30pm
Rosary at 7pm
Reception in Ministry Center to follow!

Rev. Francis J. Hoffman "Fr. Rocky" serves as Executive Director of Relevant Radio® in addition to serving on the Board of Directors for Starboard Media Foundation, Inc. (dba Relevant Radio). Since 2003, Fr. Rocky has been a regular contributor to the Relevant Radio programs and is a weekly host of the popular show "Go Ask Your Father." He was appointed Executive Director in April, 2010.

Bridge Group

The Saints Peter and Paul Bridge Club is looking for players. If you would like to meet new friends and play party bridge, we would love to have you join us! For more information, or to sign up please call Jack Flowers at 630-251-1311.



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.



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No special skills required other than your time. As a mentor you will meet once a week to go over basic budgeting and life building skills. It's this type of assistance that helps single mothers obtain the goal of independence and financial freedom. And the return on your investment is priceless!

 **Transitional Housing Ministry**

GET INVOLVED TODAY!
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Saint Vincent de Paul

"Have you noticed that there is no rejection of Martha, no suggestion that she should not have been engaged in preparing the meal? Jesus merely underlines a truth that St. Luke records earlier, namely, that they are blessed who hear the word of God and keep it. He is putting emphasis on a sense of attention to the word of God, if we are to offer that service to others which is the fulfillment of the second great commandment of the law. Hearing the word of God in prayer through reflection is a condition for true selfless loving service of the body of Christ." (McCullen, Deep Down Things, p. 298)

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.

Annual Service Day

Save the date for our Annual Service Day on October 25! The day brings together the entire Saints Peter and Paul parish with local organizations across Naperville to serve people in our community. The goal is to strengthen our parish community and serve as the body of Christ to individuals, organizations, and facilities in our greater community.



SERVICE DAY COLLECTIONS



As Service Day approaches, Saturday, October 25, we need items to be utilized for some of our indoor projects here on campus. The following items will be collected over the next several weekends!

Used Crayons- Beginning this weekend July 19-20 through August 8. We are requesting that you **bring in any used or broken crayons and place them in the bin that will be in the church entrance.** These crayons will be sorted and taken to SCARCE in Addison, IL. SCARCE is a non-profit for school and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education.

Christmas Cards for Prisoners- Beginning weekend of August 9-10 through August 22.
Thanks to all for your ongoing generosity!

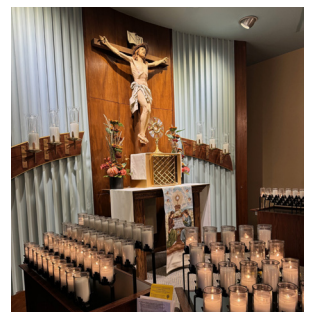
ADORATION CHAPEL



St. Francis Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Flame of Faith Candle Intentions

Six candles burn perpetually around the Blessed Sacrament in our St. Francis Chapel. The burning candles serve as a constant prayer before the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament.

1. For my blessings
2. For Natasha & Nika in their careers
3. For Prea & Michael in their future
4. For my physical health & pain and that my son return to the church
5. For healing of my breast cancer
6. For all our parish priests



ST. FRANCIS PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Open all week 7 days, 24 hours

Monday 8:00am- Co-Adorer Needed

Thursday 1:00am- Permanent Adorer Needed

Wednesday 3:00pm- Co-Adorer Needed

Thursday 2:00pm- Co-Adorer Needed

Security access code from 9:00pm to 6:00am
Located just east of the Church.
Enter off Benton Street alleyway.

**Sign up for a weekly
commitment here!**



For more information go to sspeterandpaul.net/adoration



OPEN POSITIONS



Become a part of our faculty and staff and join our vibrant learning environment, added support, and Christ-centered atmosphere.



Saints Peter & Paul Catholic school has the following open positions available for the 2025-2026 school year:

- Art teacher
- 3rd grade instructional assistant

Please contact Mrs. Tricia Weis at tweis@sspeterandpaulschool.com if interested.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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.



DIOCESE OF JOLIET



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!



SERRA CLUB OF DUPAGE COUNTY

50th Annual Seminarian Sendoff fest

Sunday, August 10, 2025

Meet the seminarians from the Diocese of Joliet

Event Information

Date: Sunday, August 10, 2025

Time: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Location: In the Gym of Benet Academy in Lisle

Schedule of Events

1:00 p.m. – Welcome by Bishop Hicks, Socialize, Eat and Meet the Seminarists

2:30 p.m. – August Madness Free Throw Contest

4:00 p.m. – Closing Prayer

You can register and donate online on our website: www.serradupage.org



SAMUEL GROUP
DIOCESE OF JOLIET
YOUNG ADULTS AGES 21-35

"SPEAK LORD, FOR YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING"

Learn how to make decisions according to God's will

WHAT IS SAMUEL GROUP?

Samuel Group invites young adults ages 21-35 who are striving for holiness and seeking a deeper relationship with God to commit to a rigorous seven-month program of prayer, discernment, and fellowship, guided by the spirituality and wisdom of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Samuel Group challenges participants to deepen their prayer life, heal from past brokenness, and find freedom in Christ to discern the call to marriage or consecrated life.

The goal for each participant is to know oneself, to know Jesus, and to know one's role in the Church and in the world.

AT EACH OF THE MONTHLY SESSIONS, PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPERIENCE:

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- Mass
- Confession
- Talks
- Small group sharing

Talks focus on topics such as prayer, healing from past wounds, vocation to marriage, vocation to consecrated life, and more.

Participants will be assigned a spiritual director (if they do not already have one) and are required to meet with a spiritual director to continue the discernment journey.

TO REGISTER:

Visit catechesis.diojoliet.org/samuel-group



WHO SHOULD JOIN?

Single and Dating Young Adults, ages 21-35, who are:

- Open to God and His prompting
- Committed to a regular spiritual life
- Willing to meet with a spiritual director monthly

Cost for the program is: \$75
Scholarships Available

WHEN AND WHERE

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
1450 Green Trails Dr. Naperville, IL

11:00am - 4:00pm

Starts with Mass and includes lunch

Sunday, October 27

Sunday, November 24

Sunday, January 26

Sunday, February 23

Sunday, March 30 - Full Day Retreat

Sunday, April 13



Parish Info

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday	8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m. to 12 noon
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, lpasarella@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, tp Pratt@sspeterandpaul.net.

Confirmation There is a two-year preparation period prior to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Theresa Pratt, 630-718-2133, tp Pratt@sspeterandpaul.net.

OCIA To inquire about the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults contact Mike Lewandowski, 630-718-2156, 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 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.

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 for Perpetual Adoration. Code needed from 9pm-6am.

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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