

SAINTS
PETER



& PAUL
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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HE CRIED
OUT
IN A
LOUD
VOICE,
“LAZARUS,
COME
OUT!”

John 11:43

Fifth Sunday of Lent | March 22, 2026

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 21

8:00am Rachael Isaac &
deceased members of
the Isaac family
5:00pm Fr. Jerry Rogers

Sunday, March 22

6:45am Manfred Baumbach
8:30am People of SSPP
10:30am Stephanie Tivador
12:30pm Frank Buonamici
4:30pm Phyllis O'Shaughnessey
7:00pm Maria Popa

Monday, March 23

6:45am John H. Sharkey, Jr.
8:00am Holy Souls in purgatory
5:15pm Donna Conklin

Tuesday, March 24

6:45am Iolanda Tudisco
8:00am Adelia Isaac & Oscar
Balcita
5:15pm Danielle Kerrigan

Wednesday, March 25

6:45am Int. of Douglas
Guarascio
8:00am Anne De Salvo
5:15pm Merle Jeanne Kempis

Thursday, March 26

6:45am Joseph Karingada
8:00am Romana Kekish
5:15pm Suzie Kuhn

Friday, March 27

6:45am Fr. Demetrius di
Marogna
8:00am Purgatorial Society

Saturday, March 28

8:00am Mary & Dennis
Dunford
5:00pm People of SSPP



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 - Noon
Saturday
3:00pm - 5:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

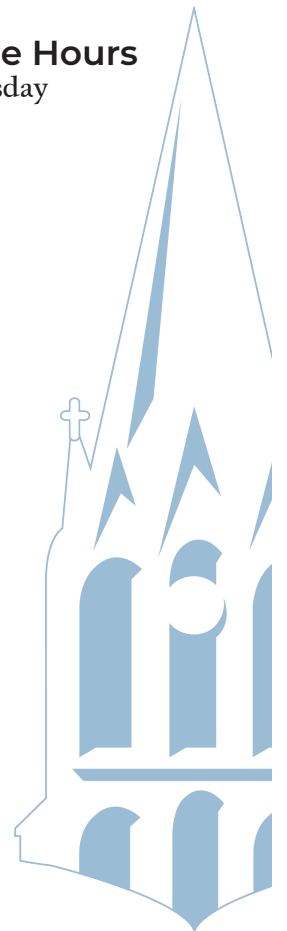
*Held in the St. Francis Eucharistic Adoration
Chapel located in the St. Paul Center.*

(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,

Last weekend, I shared with you the news that “things will be changing” at Saints Peter and Paul. Father Jose` Cerna has been appointed the Parochial Administrator of our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Gibson City, Saint Mary Parish in Paxton, and Saint Joseph Parish in Loda. Father will make a wonderful, loving, attentive, and conscientious pastor. Because Bishop Spies is the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Joliet, and not the Bishop/Ordinary of the Diocese, he is not able to appoint pastors. Those taking parishes over, this year, will be named “administrators” and will receive their appointment as Pastor - once the new Bishop is named and installed in the Diocese.

Father Rutnicki, Father Bader and I are so happy for Father Cerna as he assumes his first pastorate. He is thrilled to be appointed to these beautiful smaller parishes in the southern end of our Diocese, a few hours away from Naperville. I'm sure we all offer Father our congratulations, best wishes and thanks for his three years of service to Saints Peter and Paul Parish as he begins his new assignment on July 1st.

Thanks to all those who signed-up to serve as Liturgical Ministers for the liturgies we celebrate in our church. The Mass, the celebration of the Eucharist is the most important work our parish undertakes. We exist as a parish to make Christ known, loved, and served. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives and efforts as Catholics. In the celebration of the Mass Christ joins us to His sacrifice, offering Himself as the spotless victim, to His Father in Heaven. How awesome is this mystery! What a privilege and a blessing he gives us in letting us serve at his altar. I am so grateful to all those who want to serve the Lord in the Liturgy. If you are interested in joining, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

This weekend, we welcome Sister Joseph Andrew Bogdanowicz, OP and Mother Assumpta Long, OP who will present our Lenten Parish Mission: Eucharistic Amazement. Sister Joseph Andrew will speak at all masses this weekend, and then I invite you to bring family and friends and to join us each night of the Mission — Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evening at 7pm for the Mission Talks. I have known the Dominican Sisters of Mary - Mother of the Eucharist from Ann Arbor Michigan for more than 25 years. They are beautiful Sisters, and I am sure the message they will bring to us will be spiritually enlightening and uplifting. It will help to prepare our hearts for the coming of Holy Week and Easter. Please join us for the Mission this week.

The end of Lent is coming, and I want to thank all those who have responded so generously to this year's Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our parish target goal for this year's Appeal is 215,600. I'm hoping we reach that goal by the end of Lent. Did you make your gift yet? If not, please do so TODAY! Let's meet and exceed our parish target goal quickly and generously. Let's increase the number of givers from our parish, and increase the number of members in the Deo Gratias Society, with gifts of \$1000 or more to the Appeal

Today, we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Holy Week is fast approaching. I want to encourage everyone to take the time to quiet yourself and allow Jesus to speak to your heart over the next few weeks, especially through a good confession of your sin, in preparation for the coming feast of Easter. Although there are always many aspects of parish life to address, these later weeks of the Lenten season offer us the opportunity to focus on what counts. And, what counts... the only thing that matters, is the salvation of our souls! The next few weeks, especially Holy Week — the only week in the year that is called “holy” — we should focus our attention on our relationship with the Lord, our spiritual lives, our sorrow and repentance for our sins, our desire for Heaven, and the salvation brought to us by Jesus Christ through His most merciful suffering, death, and resurrection.

Our relationship with the Lord is most seen and deepened in the Holy Eucharist. Throughout Lent, I tried to encourage everyone to spend an hour with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. Our Parish Mission this week will focus on Eucharistic Amazement. Throughout the season of Lent we have been participating in our “Lenten Challenge” to spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration in the Adoration Chapel. But, these five weeks of adoration during Lent should be much more than a “passing spiritual exercise.” Let's truly be able to say that our parish has had a “good Lent.” PERPETUAL Adoration has been restored and going well in our parish. I would ask those of you who joined us for Adoration during Lent to continue the practice... Give Jesus that one hour a week. To everyone else, I would ask you to consider signing-up for a specific hour of Adoration. The sign-up form is in the bulletin this week, and on our parish website. Let's fill the Adoration Chapel to over-flowing, day after day, week after week. How pleased the Lord must be with the love we are offering in Eucharistic Adoration. What a blessing to our parish, our families, and to ourselves. Jesus is waiting for you with great love... come, be with Him in Eucharistic Adoration.

Traditionally, beginning today, we enter into what, before the days of the reform of the liturgy, was called Passiontide: a sort of “season within a season.” The “season” of Passiontide is no longer observed as a separate liturgical season, but elements of the bygone days have remained. The penance and discipline of Lent change focus, a bit. The prayers, readings, and songs of the Mass now focus our attention on the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus — The Paschal Mystery — and the events leading up to this central mystery and belief of our faith as Catholic Christians.

One of the most “noticeable” and dramatic changes that occurs, beginning this Fifth Sunday of Lent, is the observance of the custom of the veiling of the cross and images in our church. But, “Why?” The veiling is done to remind us that the true beauty and meaning of the Cross, for a time, is hidden from our eyes. The “beauty” of the Cross is obscured, “veiled,” and stained by the suffering and blood of the passion (symbolized by the red color of the red veil)... but, just “for a time!” The veiling also serves as a reminder to remove from our “sight” everything that keeps us from focusing on the passion of Christ. The veil makes us take a “second look” at the cross, to see the Cross in a “new” way.

In 1988, the Congregation for Worship in Rome issued a document lauding the practice of restoring the custom of veiling crucifixes and images in the church. Actually, the practice was never completely done-away with. But, over the 50 years or so since Vatican II, the practice fell out of use for a number of reasons.

The custom is to veil from before first vespers or the vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent until the Easter Vigil. In some places images and statues are actually removed from the church and not simply veiled, especially after Holy Thursday. Crosses are unveiled after the Good Friday ceremonies. Neither the Stations of the Cross nor stained glass windows were ever veiled. The veils for images are usually made of purple cloth without any decoration. Crucifixes are veiled in red, the color of the passion, reminding us of the Blood of Christ, shed for our salvation.

As we move toward Holy Week and the celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death, more and more the Lenten purple is replaced by the red of the passion. A red veil is placed on the cross to remind us that the true meaning, the real beauty of the Cross is (for a time) hidden or veiled from our eyes. The Glory of the Cross is stained and covered by the Blood of Christ's suffering. The practice of veiling the cross goes back many centuries and is meant to make us take a second look. It is meant to let us know that something is different. Just as the “veil” was removed from the eyes of the disciples at Easter, so too, the red veil [a symbol of the suffering and death of Jesus that “hides” from our eyes the real meaning of His Passion and Death — the true beauty and meaning of the Cross] will be removed when we come to mass on Easter.

Together, let's take seriously the Church's invitation to focus our attention, devotion, and energy upon the celebration of this last full week of Lent, looking forward to the celebrations of Holy Week. Let's give the Lord our hearts, in the hope of His promise of Heaven. Next weekend, as we celebrate Palm Sunday and begin Holy Week, a number of extra times for Confession have been added to our schedule. They are printed in today's bulletin. Ample time is being provided for all Catholics to make a good confession of their sin in preparation for the coming of Easter. Give Jesus your heart, and He will give you Heaven!



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:

Martha Alexander	Samuel Mulay
Ema Blahova	Jillian Navarro
Patricia Branham	Carter Polizzi
Chris Bruni	Carolyn Preston
Joan Buckingham	Joy Quinn
Wally Buckingham	Natalie Reed
Michael Condon	Gina Rovito
Dino Crisanti	Betty Ryan
Michael Crisanti	Mary Sagen
Finley Edgar	Bill Salzman
Mary Forkel	Jack Scott
Linda Gentzen	Kevin Sinnott
Rita Guill	Edward Slowik
Dennis Habbly	Dr. Derek Speten
Matthew Hermes	William Stanish
Grace Humphrey	Barbara Strugalla
Marty Jayne	Stan Szachnitowski
Sarah Kukulski	Marino Verdico
Edmund Kurzawa	Theodore Weber
James Lohse	Matthew Weidner
Michael Luft	Jim Weidner
Joseph Marchese	Katie Tyrrell Weimann
Mike Marra	Pam Willis
Sam Marra	Janis Wozniak
Lynne McConaghy	Fred Zaeske

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

William Bassetto

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 Stenstra

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
1st Lt. Robert A Freas
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 DiBiasco
PFC Jonathon Dragovan
Sgt. Luke Focer
1st Lt. Robert Gortner
2nd Lt. Eric Hovey
Sgt. Ivan Karamysev
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
MSG Naomi Tillhof

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

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rm 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday

Dn13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday

Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102: 2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8: 21-30

Wednesday

Is 7: 10-14; 8:10; Ps 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday

Gen 17:3-9; Ps 105: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday

Jer 20: 10-13; Ps 18: 2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday

Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56



ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Adoration During the Easter Triduum

Our Parish's efforts to adore Christ, present in the Blessed Sacrament, have met with great success, and many blessings have come forth from the prayers offered in the Chapel before the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament.

During Holy Week we celebrate the most ancient and solemn liturgies of the Church's Year. The entire week is made "holy" by our annual commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. The Church is very clear in Her insistence that nothing interfere or take away from the annual celebration of the Lord's Paschal Mystery — The Easter Triduum.

Liturgical Law is very clear for the observance of Holy Week. Since our Eucharistic Adoration flows from the celebration of the Eucharist, the Mass, the laws governing Eucharistic Adoration during the Easter Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are also very clear.

During Holy Week, times for adoration and availability of the Adoration Chapel will be adjusted [according to the law of the Church] as follows:

Wednesday, April 1st

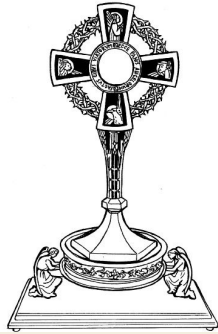
Adoration will end, and the Chapel will close at 5:00pm.

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday

April 2nd, 3rd, and 4th
The Adoration Chapel is CLOSED.

Saturday, April 4th - Holy Saturday

The celebration of the Easter Vigil at 7:00pm is the most important and solemn liturgical celebration of the whole liturgical year - It is *the* Mass of the Resurrection. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel will resume after the Vigil. Those with assigned hours of adoration will resume adoration at 10:00p.m. on Holy Saturday night. The regular schedule resumes.



Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us!

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is available for Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament seven days a week, 24 hours a day! Frequent visits to the chapel are encouraged. Everyone is welcome at any time.

We live in troubling times with many worries and decisions. Who better than Jesus to bring them to? Stop in any time of the day or night in the Adoration Chapel [located in the Saint Paul Center/ former Convent, behind the church].

Regular, committed adorers are always needed. You can sign-up for ANY HOUR of the day or night... more adorers are always welcome. Sign-up as an individual, or as a family/group. Commit to a specific weekly hour of adoration, and then, simply make sure someone is there from the family/group to fulfill the commitment. By making a "public" commitment to be there, the obligation becomes easier to keep, because others are counting on you. We are always in need of more people to make the sacrifice of time and effort, to be with HIM in Eucharistic Adoration. Find out which hours need to be covered, and consider giving the Lord one hour a week.

For information, contact Kathy Durow at
630-818-7897 or amayusrd@gmail.com.

Sign-up for a Specific Hour of Adoration

Fill out this form and return it to the Parish Office

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I prefer (circle one): Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, Saturday

List your specific hour (on the hour)...

Morning (6:00am to Noon) _____

Afternoon (Noon to 6:00pm) _____

Evening (6:00pm to Midnight) _____

Night (Midnight to 6:00am) _____

_____ I will also substitute

_____ Contact me regarding specific needs of adorers



The Parish Office will close on Wednesday, April 1st at Noon and will reopen on Tuesday, April 7th at 8:30am.

The Parish Office will also be closed on Friday, April 10th.

Next Week: Confessions and Devotions...

Ample time is being provided for everyone to make a good confession of their sin in preparation for the coming Feast of Easter. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches: *According to the Church's command, after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess at least once a year. Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition, without having first received sacramental absolution.* The second precept of the Church: *You shall confess your sins at least once a year,* ensures preparation for the Eucharist by the reception of the sacrament of penance, which continues Baptism's works of conversion [#2042 Catechism]. Easter provides us with one of the traditional times for making a good confession.

Confessions

Palm Sunday and Holy Week Confessions

Saturday, March 28th / 2:00-5:00pm

Sunday, March 29th / 5:00-7:00pm

*NO Sunday morning Confessions

Monday, March 30th / 9:00-11:00am

Tuesday, March 31st / 3:00-5:00pm

Wednesday, April 1st / 6:00-8:00pm

*Please Note: All Confessions are heard in the Holy Family Chapel, located in the Ministry Center. These will be the last scheduled Confessions before Easter. There are NO Confessions on Monday, April 6th or Thursday, April 9th. Scheduled Confessions resume Saturday, April 11th at 3:00pm. Ample time has been provided throughout the Season of Lent to prepare for the Easter Triduum. When the feast dawns, it should find us ready to celebrate the joy of Easter.



Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Friday at 7:00pm. The Knights of Columbus will also hold a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday evening from 5:00-9:00pm in the Social Hall of the Ministry Center.

Adoration Chapel

Make frequent visits to Jesus, really and truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The Chapel is available 24-hours a day. *Jesus is waiting for you!... Don't disappoint Him!* For more information about the Chapel, to sign-up for the *Lenten Prayer Challenge*, or to sign-up for a specific hour of adoration during Lent, contact Kathy at adorerkd@gmail.com or 630-818-7897.

Lenten Giving - Lenten Giving Tree

Alms, gifts to the Church and for those in need, should be a regular Lenten practice. Envelopes with your Lenten Giving Tree offering is due back NEXT SUNDAY, Palm Sunday. Return your envelope to the Parish Office or through the Sunday Offering.

Spiritual Bouquet for Archbishop Hicks and Pope Leo XIV

The form with your spiritual offering for Archbishop Ron Hicks (the former Bishop of Joliet) and to Pope Leo XIV (as He discerns to name a new Bishop for the Diocese of Joliet) are due back on Palm Sunday. Information and the return form is in today's bulletin.

Parish Mission: Eucharistic Amazement

Sister Joseph Andrew, OP will speak at all Masses this weekend. The Mission Services will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening of this week at 7:00pm.

Five Ways to Make Holy Week More "Holy"

1. Find an hour to dedicate to prayer:
On Holy Thursday night, Jesus asks His disciples, "could you not watch with me for one hour?" (Mark 14:37) Spend one hour fully awake with the Lord. Perhaps on Holy Thursday night after the evening Mass during adoration in the church until midnight, come and spend an hour in silence with Jesus. Perhaps read Scripture, go for a walk, pray the Rosary. Whenever you do it, make it for one, solid, intentional, uninterrupted hour with the Lord.

2. Noticeably and severely limit your access to social media and your phone during the Easter Triduum:
Instead of scrolling through social media on your phone/computer, spend time alone with the Lord. "Sit in silence" letting the Lord speak to your heart. Empty yourself so that He can "fill-you-up." If the Lord is asking us to be silent, perhaps it is because He has something to say to us?

3. Make peace with your neighbor:
As we prepare for Easter, now would be the time to heal and smooth over troubles in family relationships or friendships by offering the "olive branch." Forgiveness is key to the Christian life. Forgive, move on, because God asks you to...He'll take care of the rest.

4. Make a significant act of almsgiving:
You've been practicing it all through Lent. Holy Week and Easter is the time to make a single "significant" alms. Give until you notice you're giving - then, you'll know that you made a significant, spiritual alms/gift TO GOD.

5. Go to Confession:
The Lord Jesus is waiting for you with great love, compassion and mercy. Especially if you have been away from the Sacrament for a while, come to Confession and meet the forgiving Christ. Taking the time to reflect on our sins and to confess them with a contrite heart is this wonderful Sacrament of healing and forgiveness - the perfect preparation for Easter.

The Empty Tabernacle of the Triduum

Scott P. Richert / publisher for Our Sunday Visitor ~ April 2024

Each year, there is one period when every Catholic church feels qualitatively the same as the churches of our separated brethren. From the morning of Holy Thursday through the Easter Vigil two days later, the tabernacles of our churches sit empty, devoid of the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Our Savior, which normally lies in repose within the tabernacle of the church.

When we enter a Catholic church - from the lowliest chapel to the most ornate shrine or cathedral - during those 48 hours, the recognition that something is different is palpable. The emptiness of the tabernacle is not the same as the emptiness of the tomb that the apostles will experience just a few hours later, on Easter Sunday. The empty tomb fills them with wonder and amazement and a certain holy fear at the enormity of "The Event," and two thousand years later, we still grapple with the reality that the God who made us, has died and risen for us, so that we, who have rejected him and thus embraced death, might once more, enter into eternal life.

But to see a tabernacle empty, to bow toward the altar rather than to genuflect toward the place of Christ's repose, is - or at least should be - for a Catholic to acknowledge a gaping hole at the center of our universe. Anyone who has sat in his parish church on the mornings of Good Friday and Holy Saturday and contemplated the empty tabernacle, painfully aware of the absence of Christ's presence, has glimpsed the reality that, while God is (in the words of an Eastern Christian prayer to the Holy Spirit) "everywhere present and fills all things," he is especially present in the memorial of his sacrifice that he gave to his Church to have and to hold until the day that time fades at last into eternity. *We do not know* (the old saying goes) *what we have until it is gone*. Even the most beautiful church is qualitatively different during those two days and those who feel that difference know that the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist is not an abstract teaching but the most concrete of all concrete realities at the heart of our Catholic faith.

The two disciples on the road to Emmaus on that first Easter Sunday recalled their hearts burning within them as the Word of God opened the scriptures as they walked alongside him. They had undoubtedly heard Christ preach many times before, but were not among the twelve present at the Last Supper three days earlier. And yet they recognized him not in his preaching but only in the Breaking of the Bread (the "original" name for the celebration of the Eucharist, the mass). The experience of the Sacrament of the Eucharist made them aware of his presence in a way that even the hours spent walking with him through the scriptures had not.

The Easter Vigil ends with the return of Christ to his tabernacle, where he will remain until the Triduum begins again next year. The tomb is empty; the tabernacle is full. Christ lives among us, right here and right now, body, blood, soul and divinity. We enter our churches and genuflect before the Lord of Hosts under the form of the consecrated host. Once again, we experience the qualitative difference between the lowliest and most plain Catholic chapel and the most beautiful ornate gathering place for our separated brethren. We rejoice in Christ's presence as the priest calls us to lift our hearts and lift them to meet our risen Lord. **Christ is in his tabernacle, and all is right with the world!** Make frequent visits to Jesus, really and truly present in the Blessed Sacrament in both our church and adoration chapel. He is waiting for you with great love!

Please Mark Your Calendars:

Spiritual Bouquet forms for Pope Leo XIV & Archbishop Ronald Hicks are due back no later than Palm Sunday, March 29th. Thank you.

A gift from Saints Peter and Paul Parish Spiritual Bouquet for Pope Leo XIV and Archbishop Hicks

On December 18, 2025 His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV appointed Bishop Ronald Hicks the Archbishop of New York. He was installed as the 11th Archbishop of New York on February 6th. The Diocese of Joliet is now awaiting the appointment of our new Bishop. We are encouraged to pray for Pope Leo, asking the guidance of the Holy Spirit upon His Holiness as he discerns and makes the appointment of a new Bishop to shepherd the Church of Joliet — of which Saints Peter and Paul Parish is a part.

The priests, deacon, staff and parishioners of Saints Peter and Paul Parish offer our prayers for Pope Leo, for the continued inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and for our new bishop... whoever that will be.

The entire parish is asked to join in offering Pope Leo XIV AND Archbishop Ronald Hicks a spiritual gift of prayers, Masses, holy hours, and good works.... a Spiritual Bouquet... as the Holy Father discerns and names a new Bishop for the Diocese of Joliet. Our spiritual gift will be presented to the Holy Father and to Archbishop Hicks at the end of Lent, as an Easter gift to them.

A **Spiritual Bouquet** is a time-honored, common Catholic practice in which a number of people, or a parish community, gathers together their prayers, holy hours, and good works offered for a specific person or intention and presents them as one "grand chorus" of prayer. Just as many flowers are gathered together to make one bouquet, so the image is used in a spiritual sense: Many prayers, sacrifices, holy hours, rosaries, and good works are gathered together to make one "spiritual" bouquet. Please return the form below through the Sunday Collection, or directly to the Parish Office. **Please make your return by Sunday, March 29th, Palm Sunday.**



Spiritual Bouquet for Pope Leo XIV & Archbishop Ronald Hicks

As part of the Spiritual Bouquet from Saints Peter and Paul Parish, to pray for Pope Leo as He discerns His naming of a new Bishop for the Diocese of Joliet, and to Archbishop Ronald Hicks in gratitude for his five years of service and leadership to the Diocese of Joliet... I/we offer the following:

_____ Rosaries
_____ Holy Hours in the Adoration Chapel
_____ Prayers
_____ Good Works
_____ Masses
_____ Other: _____

Name: _____

**Write the number of prayers/works on the line provided. Return form to the Parish Office or in the Sunday Offering throughout Lent.*

All returns due by Sunday, March 29th ~ Palm Sunday.

Easter Flower Memorial



Traditionally, for both Christmas and Easter, most parishes receive memorial donations to help decorate the church. Saints Peter and Paul Parish invites you to help beautify our church and chapel for the upcoming Feast of Easter, reflecting the joy and promise of the resurrection. Your donation may be in memory of a living or deceased loved one. Funds collected will help with the costs of decorating the church and chapel for Holy Week, Easter and the Easter Season, leading to Pentecost on May 24th.

Any and all donations are gratefully accepted. You can use the "Flower Envelope" in your envelope packet, or use the form below and drop your donation in the Sunday Offering. **ALL** memorials received by noon on Thursday, March 26th will be acknowledged in our Easter Sunday Bulletin. Make your check payable to Saints Peter and Paul Parish, and either use your "Flower Envelope" or fill out the form below.

Easter Flower Memorial

Name: _____

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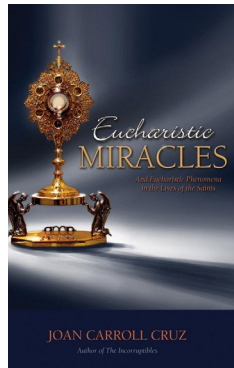
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Fr. Bader's Book of the Week

Eucharistic Miracles: And Eucharistic Phenomena in the Lives of the Saints

by: Joan Carroll Cruz

This work documents historical accounts of Eucharistic miracles that provide visible testimony to the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament; including Hosts that have visibly bled, levitated, or become flesh and breathtaking phenomena in the lives of the saints. Drawing on official investigations, eyewitness testimony, and the Church's long tradition of reverence for the Eucharist, it invites the reader to deepen reverence for the sacred mystery of Christ's abiding presence in the Eucharist.



Explaining the Faith

What Did Jesus Do in the Tomb and What 'hell' Did He Descend To?

with Fr. Bader

Join Fr. Bader for an evening to explore your faith deeper through videos, discussions and talks.

Next Session: Tuesday, March 24th at 6:30pm in Room 217/218

All You Can Eat

Fish Fry

Saints Peter & Paul 25th Annual Fish Fry Dinner

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #1369

Where: Saints Peter & Paul Church
Ministry Center Social Hall
(36 N. Ellsworth St. Naperville, IL 60540)

When: Six Fridays of Lent
(Feb 20, Feb 27, March 6, March 13,
March 20, March 27)

Time: 5pm-9pm
(Kitchen Closes at 8pm)

Menu

- Six Piece Jumbo Shrimp Dinner- \$15
- All You Can Eat White Fish Dinner- \$15
- *Senior & College Student
Early Bird Discount 5-6pm- \$13
- Cheese Pizza Meal- \$7
- Kids Atlantic White Fish Dinner- \$10

Dinners Include- french fries, roll, coleslaw & cookie
Pizza Meals include- juice box & cookie

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For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 the weekly Sunday collection budget is \$47,277 (based on 52 Sundays)

Actual Fiscal Year to Date Average Sunday Collections (34 Weeks) **\$48,684**

Budget Fiscal Year to Date Average Sunday Collections **\$47,277**

Weekly Average Compared to Budget - **\$1,407**

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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.



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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 10:30am at SSPP in the Ministry Center (Room 227).

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LENTEN GIVING TREE

As part of our Lenten practice of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, we ask you to make a special Lenten offering to one or more of the following organizations. Starting on Wednesday, February 18, there will be trees located in the Church and in the Adoration Chapel.

LENTEN GIVING TREE ORGANIZATIONS

- Little Sisters of the Poor, Palatine
- Waterleaf Women's Center
- Our Lady of the Angels Mission, Chicago
- SSPP St. Vincent DePaul
- Sisters of Charity, Chicago
- Hope for Tanzania

Make checks payable to "Sts. Peter and Paul Church" and return in the Sunday collection basket by March 27th.

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- Resource Interventionist
- Elementary Teacher
- Junior High Teacher

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

You're Invited To Our EASTER EGG HUNT



Please join us for our Easter Egg Hunt!

Sunday, April 12th after the 12:30pm Mass on the Ministry Center lawn.

We look forward to seeing you there!

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

**VOLUNTEER EVENT
FOR
SSPP YOUTH GROUP
(8TH-12TH GRADE)**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28
2:00PM - 3:45PM**

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Students must be dropped off at the location between 1:45-1:55pm

Use the QR Code to sign up



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MIRIAM DINNER

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026
@ 6:00PM

THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET VOCATIONS OFFICE IS INVITING YOUNG WOMEN AGES 14+ AND THEIR MOTHERS TO JOIN US FOR DINNER AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SISTERHOOD WITH SR. CHARBEL JOSEPH OF THE DOMINICAN SISTERS IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PROVINCE! THERE WILL BE A QUESTION-AND-ANSWER SESSION AND YOU WILL GET TO MEET OTHER YOUNG WOMEN WHO ARE EXPLORING THEIR OWN VOCATIONS!

MIRIAM DINNER IS A FREE EVENT



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Rejoice in Life!

From: Our Sunday Visitor

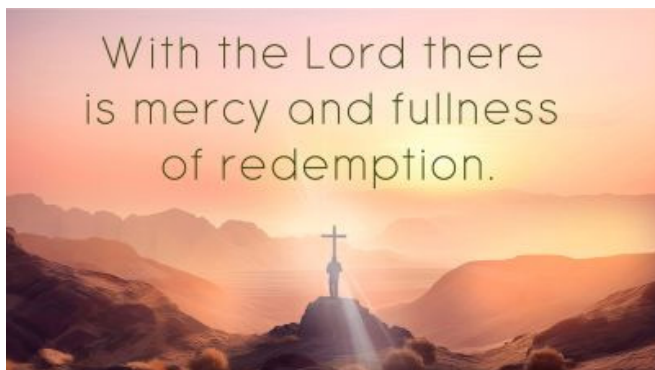
On Wednesday, March 25th, we celebrate the feast of the Annunciation of the Birth of the Lord Jesus to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The feast is celebrated nine months before the feast of Christmas. It's a beautiful reminder of the teachings of Scripture which remind us that the reason Jesus came into the world was to suffer, die, and rise from the dead - and thus accomplish our salvation. By celebrating the Annunciation during the Lent, these two feasts of the Lord's "coming and going" are liturgically joined together, showing us the cohesive beauty of the cycle of feasts and seasons we celebrate in the Liturgical Year.

Christianity brings joy to the world. Mary is the world's first Christian. Her conception and the birth of her son are sources of great joy, as is the prospect of salvation for all mankind. Mary is told by an angel, a most reliable nuncio, to rejoice because birth and life are both good. The first Christian declaration from God, then, is decidedly a pro-life affirmation. And notice, it is the **conception** of Jesus within the womb that is announced to Mary, nine months before His birth. Life is sacred from the first moment of conception.

Christianity in the modern world is often so entangled with secularism that it has lost sight, to a certain extent, of its original and directing mandate. Today, even among self-identified Christians, conception and birth are no longer seen as occasions for rejoicing, but as equal opportunities for rejecting. Consequently, we are no longer convinced, as a society, that life is good.

The angel's first word was not "choose." It was "rejoice." Christianity is not ambiguous. It is decisive. Conception, birth, life and motherhood are all unequivocally good. There are plenty of opportunities for Christians to question and think about no end of things. But when it comes to life, they should rejoice without questioning. The alternative is to question without rejoicing. When the umpire cries "play ball," no ballplayer questions whether he should play or not play. They may question balls and strikes, safe and out calls, but not whether they should play. Every sporting event begins with an agreed upon axiom or it does not begin at all. So, too, Christians should not abandon their original mandate that urges them to rejoice in life. To agonize over one's pregnancy and contemplate abortion contradicts the Christian message.

Pope Saint John Paul II began his pontificate by announcing *Be not afraid*. He was responding to the very real perception that fear had displaced joy in the hearts of many Christians. Be not afraid; be joyful, completes the original Christian message. Joy is first and foremost. The more we rejoice, the less we will have to repent.



Father Thomas McCarthy, OSA - Friend and Helper Priest at Saints Peter and Paul Parish chosen as Grand Marshall of The Chicago Saint Patrick's Day Parade!



On March 14th, Chicago's St. Patrick's Day Parade was led by Augustinian, Father Tom McCarthy, OSA. Father is well known to parishioners at Saints Peter and Paul Parish. He has been assisting with Sunday Masses for the past few years, and is a beloved celebrant, homilist and speaker for various parish events. Father McCarthy has strong ties to St. Rita High School and the South Side of Chicago. He is a well-known educator, speaker, and Mission Priest... giving parish missions throughout the United States. Currently, Father serves as director of community relations and Shrine Chapel director of St. Rita High School, Prior of the formation community of Augustinians, Vocation Director for the Augustinians, and was chosen as the Grand Marshal for the March 14th Saint Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Chicago. Father McCarthy, who in December was elected to serve as prior provincial of the Midwest Augustinian Province of Our Mother of Good Council, grew up in Marquette Park and is a 1983 graduate of St. Rita High School on the south side of the City. Saints Peter and Paul Parish offer our congratulations to the newly elected Father Provincial!

The theme of this year's parade is faith, peace and unity — a theme the Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee said resonates from Chicago to Rome because of the locally born Pope Leo XIV. "When Pope Leo XIV was first elected during a papal conclave on May 8, 2025, he addressed thousands from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica with the words: 'Peace be with you all.' He vowed to work for peace and unity," the parade committee said in a statement. Pope Leo XIV, born Robert Francis Prevost, made history as the first pope to be born in the United States, the first pope from the Order of Augustine — and the first pope to be from Chicago.

Father McCarthy considers the first American pope a good friend. Prevost appointed McCarthy as president of St. Rita in 2002. Last fall, Father McCarthy visited Pope Leo at the Vatican. In a statement after being named Grand Marshal of the Chicago Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Father McCarthy spoke of Pope Leo XIV's motto and coat of arms: "In Illo Uno Unum: They mean, In the One, We are One. We are all different, but as Christians, we are all one in Christ. The theme of the 2026 St. Patrick's Parade is Faith, Peace and Unity. What better way to celebrate this great saint?"

Congratulations to Father Tom McCarthy, OSA for being chosen Grand Marshall of the Chicago Saint Patrick's Day Parade, on his recent election as the Father Provincial of the Midwestern Province of the Augustinians, and all of the great work he does to build-up the Catholic Church and make Christ known and loved in the Chicago area. Saint Peter and Paul Parish is proud to be among the many places Father McCarthy is able to call "home!" On Wednesday, April 29th Father will present an evening for all men of the parish and their friends. "Men of the Heart: Called, Strengthened, and Sent — An evening with Father Tom McCarthy, OSA" ... the evening should prove to be a wonderful event for the men of the Parish, their friends and guests. His friendly, engaging and informative style of speaking will make for an interesting, faith-filled, and fun evening. Let's get a good turn out of men for the event!



EVANGELIZATION



FISHERS OF MEN

They shall be my people and I will be their God

Ezekiel speaks about God bringing His people back together, giving His people the One Shepherd so to be with them forever.

Saturday, March 28th
Saints Peter and Paul Ministry Center

Come and hear and share stories about God's will: unity rooted in holiness, not compromise. Unity comes only when God is placed back at the center. 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: They Shall Be My People and I Will Be Their God
7:15am: Small group discussions
7:40am: Wrap-up
7:50am: Closing prayer
8:00am: Daily Mass at SSPP
Bring your own coffee.

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"The days of Jesus' life-giving death and glorious resurrection are approaching, the hour he triumphed over Satan's pride, the time we celebrate the great event of our redemption" (Preface of the Lord's Passion II, Sacramentary). Thus the Church begins the one week of the year that we formally designate as "Holy." Simple rituals can link the domestic church to parish church and Church universal. Enthroned Sunday's palms where you pray, behind the family crucifix, even as part of front door decorations: "Christ reigns here," they proclaim; "all are welcome!" During the first three days of Holy Week, ready Easter clothes, prepare festival foods, clean the house, and beautify the yard. Late Holy Thursday afternoon, share Lent's final meal before the Lord's Supper Mass. Pitcher, bowl, and towel make a fitting centerpiece; perhaps conclude the meal by washing each other's feet. On Good Friday, observe the paschal fast from food—from TV and computer, too! Then come to Holy Saturday's Vigil with mind clear, stomach empty, and heart full of "holy anticipation" that bursts into living flame when the new fire is kindled.

-Peter Scagnelli

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Lent Parish Mission

Eucharistic Amazement

March 23- March 25 | 7:00pm in the church

With Sister Joseph Andrew, OP
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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.

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.

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