

SAINTS
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CATHOLIC CHURCH

**“TAKE COURAGE,
IT IS I; DO NOT BE AFRAID.”**

Matthew 14:27

AUGUST 9, 2026 | NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

36 North Ellsworth Street | Naperville, Illinois 60540 | 630-355-1081 | sspeterandpaul.net

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 8

8:00am †Daniel Spence
5:00pm People of SSPP

Sunday, August 9

6:45am †Jose L. Alonzo &
Deceased Family
Members
8:30am †Chris Walker
10:30am †Arnold Kumorek
12:30pm †Tom Esch
3:30pm †Allyson
Vollman-Blevins
7:00pm †Michael Shehee Sr.

Monday, August 10

6:45am †Pete Inorio
8:00am Bill Bassetto
5:15pm †Robert Russo

Tuesday, August 11

6:45am Raymond Nesby
8:00am †Michael Crisanti
5:15pm †Dcn. Michael Crowell

Wednesday, August 12

6:45am †June Mrozinski
8:00am †Marilyn Pallot
5:15pm Vida Petrulionis

Thursday, August 13

6:45am Edward J. & Mary C.
Graham
8:00am †Gary Czyz
5:15pm Kathy, Jerry, & Jenna
Bruess

Friday, August 14

6:45am Fr. Arthur Mescher
8:00am †Christian Meyer

Saturday, August 15

8:00am †Amalia & Frank
Pribile
10:00am Deceased Priests and
Bishops of Diocese of
Joliet
5:00pm Deceased Members of
O'Connell & McMahon
Families



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

3:30pm

Sacrament of Penance

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

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)

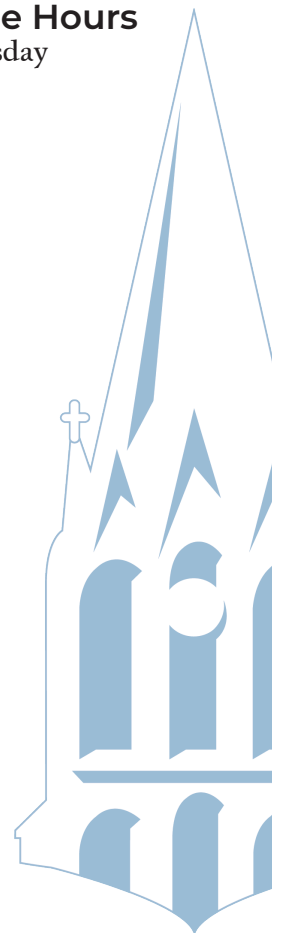
Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

8:30am - 4:00pm

Friday

8:30am - Noon





A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Often I remind you at Mass... *The most important thing in life, is the SALVATION of your soul.* And, nothing should keep you from reaching the goal. Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta once said that we shouldn't fear what others think of us when we are trying to live as faithful disciples. She said, "*in the final analysis it is between you and God; it was never between you and them anyway.*" Today's readings are a call to Faith and Trust in God. In the first reading, God asks the prophet Elijah to come out of the cave where he had taken shelter when the Lord passes by. Elijah waits until he hears *a tiny whispering sound*, and knows that God is to be found there, and not in the great displays of might and power. In the second reading, Saint Paul expresses sorrow for his fellow Israelites, for not trusting in God. In the Gospel, after time spent in solitary prayer, Jesus walks on the water toward the disciples' boat. He often spends the whole night in prayer, teaching us that it is good to seek quietness and stillness when in prayer. God is always with us, inviting and encouraging us in our faith, hope and trust in Him. But, we need to seek him out and listen for the tiny whispering sound of his voice calling us to him. And, we have to have the courage and love for Him to respond. His invitation is always there. That's the call to holiness we should pursue.

Often, it is difficult to be faithful to the Gospel, to be faithful to the Church, when so many people around us want to compromise those truths, lose our faith, abandon our hope in the Lord, and embrace the secular world that surrounds us. All of us struggle with this issue. It's not always easy, convenient or popular to live as a devout, sincere, and faithful Catholic. I appreciate your struggles. Living in such a secular atmosphere can cause much sorrow and fear, for all. But, the words of Jesus in this Sunday's Gospel should give us much comfort: *Take courage; Do not be afraid!* Put your trust, your hope, your love... your heart, in Jesus.

I would encourage you to increase in your efforts to really know our Catholic Faith. Take advantage of the many programs and presentations in the parish, offering faith formation. Make sure there is a Catholic Bible in your home, and a copy of *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*. They make great gifts (and a wonderful witness of faith) for family and friends. Read them often, and seek to conform yourself to the will of Christ. Embrace the truths of our Catholic Faith: "*Take courage, do not be afraid!*"

Our Adult Faith Formation Program is offering a wonderful opportunity for all married couples. September 17th, and continuing for five consecutive Thursday evenings [through October 15th], we invite all of our married couples to consider joining us for **5 Great Date Nights**. You love your spouse, and desire to have a great and loving marriage... and, we all know that anything worth having is worth



working for. To this end, Saints Peter and Paul Parish is offering this unique opportunity for marriage enrichment. A time for married couples to come together, just for them, to grow in faith, and in love for God and each other. Topics like communication, connection, forgiveness and family will be addressed. The evening will include dinner, a "formation video" from Alpha, and time to discuss certain questions only with your spouse. As I understand it, there is no small or large group discussion, and you will not share anything with the group. Our time together will be focused on the couple, and your marriage — your life and love, together. Information about this opportunity for marriage enrichment is in today's bulletin. You can certainly contact the Parish Office and speak with Mike Lewandowski, our Director of Adult Faith Formation and/or Natalia Blaszczyk the Associate Director of Adult Faith Formation if you have any questions. Consider joining us, strengthen your marriage and your life of faith, together. The five Thursdays of **5 Great Date Nights** is the perfect gift for our married couples to give each other, out of love, to enrich your marriage.

Let's all do what we can to grow in our faith, and increase our love for God and commitment to our Catholic Faith. I invite, challenge and encourage everyone to join us in fidelity, even when it is difficult for us to accept, and we are tempted to allow our own desires, opinions, pride, and agendas to rule our minds and hearts. It is precisely at these moments in life when we see the true veracity, meaning, and dedication to our faith in Jesus Christ, who we say is *our life, our sweetness, and our HOPE*.

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:

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



Please Remember in Prayer Those Serving in the Military

U.S. Air Force	U.S. Navy
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 Kuhrt
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
U.S. Army	U.S. Marine Corps
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	1st 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
Jonathan Faughn	LCPL Maddox Ritter
Col. Edward Fisher	Corporal Luke Russell
2nd Lt. Matthew Quinton Frame	Corporal Joseph Taylor
1st Lt. Robert A Freas	PVT Chris Vazquez
Sgt. Nick Gedvilas	
Major Thomas E. Goerling	U.S. Air National Guard
SPC Trevor Gomoll	LTC Scott Paeth
SPC Jarred Hampton	MSG Naomi Tillhof
Lt. Col. Sean Hermick	
Sgt. Kellen Jones	U.S. Coast Guard
SPC Mark Keough	SR John Aabram
Lt. Colonel Stephen Laz	P.D. John McNellis
1st Lt. Connor Mulhere	
SPC Steven Powell	U.S. Space Force
Col. Michael Predny	Major Nick DuPre
Captain Daniel Rickert	
1st Lt. David Rickert	
Sgt. 1st Class Pamela Schmecht	
SPC John August Sopuch IV	
1st Lt. Winnie Springer	
Sgt. Craig Vladika	
Captain Samuel Wehrli	
PFC Maeve Wrenn	
2nd Lt. Joseph Zolper	

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

Daily Readings

Sunday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Rm 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Monday

2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday

Ez 2:8-3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

Ez 9:1-7; 10-18-22; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 2 Cor 5:19; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday

Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday

Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



The Assumption of the Virgin Mary gives Christians hope of a future united with Christ, both in this life and in heaven. This feast tells us that we too will be with Jesus in the joy of God and invites us to have courage, to believe that the power of the resurrection of Christ can work in

us as well.

The feast of the Assumption serves to inspire the faithful to evangelize modern society and helps make us men and women who every day try to live as resurrected — carrying the light of goodness into the darkness of evil in the world.

In the story of the Visitation, found in the Gospel for the Assumption, the Blessed Mother travels to visit her cousin Saint Elizabeth, who is overjoyed that the “mother of her Lord” would come to her. Mary comes into the house of Zechariah and Elizabeth, but does not enter alone. She enters carrying in her womb the child in which God himself became man.

The evangelist Luke highlights the significance of Elizabeth, her husband Zechariah and the baby in her womb, John the Baptist, waiting for Mary's arrival: Zechariah and Elizabeth and the infant John the Baptist are, in fact, the symbol of all the righteous of Israel, whose heart, full of hope, awaits the coming of the Messiah. The Holy Spirit then opens the eyes of Saint Elizabeth to recognize that Mary is the new Ark of the Covenant, since she carries the Son of God within her very self.

When Elizabeth exclaims, “Look, the moment your greeting reached my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy,” Saint Luke uses the term *skirtan*, which translates to “bounce.” This is the same term used to describe the holy dance of King David in front of the Ark of the Covenant when it was returned to Israel in the Old Testament Book of Second Samuel.

John the Baptist in the womb is dancing before the ark, like David. Mary is the new Ark of the Covenant, before which the heart leaps for joy at the Mother of God in the world. Men and women today are also the recipients of God's love and must do as Mary did: accept Christ in faith, be enlightened and guided by his word, and follow him every day.

May the example and prayers of Mary, Queen of Heaven, inspire and sustain us on our pilgrimage of faith,” he told pilgrims, “that we too may attain the glory of the Resurrection and the fulfillment of our hope in her Son's promises.

Saturday, August 15th

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

In 1950 Pope Pius XII officially proclaimed the doctrine of the Assumption: *The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.* This doctrine, which has its roots in ancient Catholic belief, shows the connection between Mary's unique role as God's mother preserved from original sin and the reality of our final resurrection in Christ.



In Her assumption, Mary was preserved from the decay of death. Mary, the mother of the Savior, is the first to share in the Lord's resurrection. She is the living model for all people whose future destiny is union with the risen Lord. Her assumption into heaven is an anticipation of our own resurrection. However, since Mary was truly the Mother of God, the Mother of Jesus, and since she was preserved from sin from the first moment of the conception within the womb of Saint Anne [her mother], it only stands to reason that she should not have to undergo the ultimate price for sin... *the corruption of the grace.* And so, She was given the glorified body of resurrection that awaits all of us at the final judgement. The doctrine of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven “completes the story” of the Immaculate Conception of Mary which we celebrate on December 8th.

Saturday, August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because the 15th falls on a Saturday, it is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Instead, we are encouraged to attend Mass out of love and devotion to our Blessed Mother. Masses for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on Saturday at 8 and 10am for the Assumption. Because it is NOT a day obligation, there is no Vigil Mass celebrated on Friday evening.

Come celebrate our Mother's joy, and our hope of Heaven!

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
Or are you already baptized Catholic,
but have not yet been Confirmed?

CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 25!

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 Faith Formation, at 630-718-2156 or mlewandowski@sspeterandpaul.net.



The Icon of Our Lady of Silence

On June 15, 2016, Pope Francis I blessed the Icon of Our lady of Silence. He was moved by the meaning of the image, which invites us to interior silence, prudence and charity.

The Pope wrote on the back of the wooden panel in gold pen... "Do not bad-mouth others!" His Holiness had the icon installed at the entrance of the Vatican Offices, by the elevator for all to see and heed!



A good Mother is "timeless" in the lives of her children. She offers us, in every age of our lives, in every generation, truths that challenge us and call us to holiness. The wisdom of a mother is beyond compare. The Blessed Virgin Mary is a good mother! She speaks to Her children in every age, in every generation, and Her message is always for our good. This Icon of Our lady of Silence, with Pope Francis' "added message" on the back, is a needed one in our church, in our homes, and in our own hearts. You'll notice Our Lady of Silence has been installed in our Narthex for all to see as we come to worship and gather for parish events.

Silence is necessary. It prepares us for joy. "Silence is the womb of the Word of God. It also prepares us to have words that are a gift for others ... In a society full of noise, silence is a prophecy: it's a prophecy of the future world!" According to Father Emiliano Antenucci, in his book, *The Book of life* (2008)... "for Christians, silence is considered a form of presence; silence isn't emptiness, but rather a fullness, being filled with God's presence. Silence is an encounter with Jesus... it fills us inside and makes it possible for us to us touch heaven. According to Father Antenucci, prayer to Our lady of Silence brings 12 virtues: silence itself, listening, humility, joy, paying attention to others, patience, balance, docility, stability, purity, trust, and mercy. Pope Francis was impressed with this message and wrote on the back of the Icon of Our lady of Silence: "Do not bad-mouth others!"

The image of Our lady of Silence asks people to suspend their own judgment of others and be more merciful. As Saint Augustine taught... "we should be silent out of love and speak out of love, always." Socrates, who lived centuries before Christ, wrote... "if what you want to say is neither true, nor good, nor kind, nor useful, nor necessary, don't say anything at all." Backstabbing, envy and slander are all rooted in the same notion. "If we judge the person, we abandon them. In a world bombarded by noise, everyone should experience at least 30 minutes of silence each day. It's good for your head, clearing your mind, and purifying your heart. Christian silence is not about seeking a sense of emptiness or nothingness, it is about presence. It is an encounter with Jesus." The spirituality of silence, Father Antenucci added, can be summed up best by "a very wise girl," appropriately named Sofia, who told her mother, who then told me...

"If Our Lady asks us to be quiet, it's because her Son has something to tell us."

The Icon of Our Lady of Silence is installed in the lobby of the Ministry Center.

Homecoming Sponsor Spotlight

Floyd's Barbershop

We are grateful to Floyd's Barbershop for their generous support of the Saints Peter and Paul Homecoming Fest. When you step foot inside Floyd's Barbershop in Naperville, you will know you are there for not only an amazing haircut but for an experience. Located in the heart of Naperville's Historic District, Floyd's barbershop and hair salon is surrounded by numerous great restaurants and entertainment destinations. Floyd's delivers top-tier men's, women's, and kids' haircuts, classic shaves, and expert beard trims with a modern edge. Our experienced barbers and stylists specialize in precision fades, tapers, and razor shaves—ensuring every client leaves with a sharp, confident look. Book online to reserve your chair today! Floyd's barbershop will have a booth at the fest with swag, raf-fles and hair demonstrations.
Website-floydsbarbershop.com
Phone number- 331-248-5247



Raising Cane's

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Website-raisingcanes.com



Parish Sacrificial Giving

We sincerely thank everyone for their generosity & support

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 (48 Weeks) **\$47,460**

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

Weekly Average Compared to Budget - **\$183**

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.



Mass on August 16

On Sunday, August 16, the 3:30pm Latin Mass and the 7:00pm Mass will be held in the Holy Family Chapel in the Ministry Center.

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.



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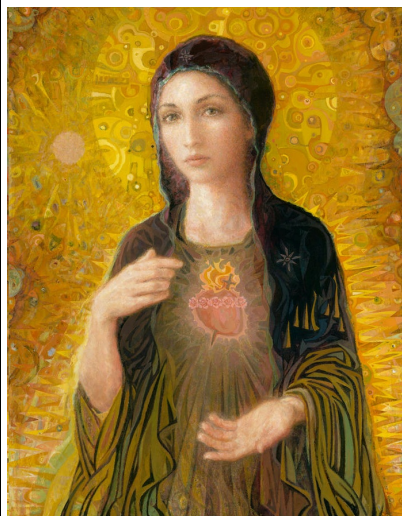


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August: The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary



The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of

Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue.

This devotion has received new emphasis in this century from the visions given to Lucy Dos Santos, oldest of the visionaries of Fatima, in her convent in Tuy, in Spain, in 1925 and 1926. In the visions Our Lady asked for the practice of the Five First Saturdays to help make amends for the offenses committed against her heart by the blasphemies and ingratitude of people. The practice parallels the devotion of the Nine First Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart. Let us remember this devotion year-round, but particularly through the month of August.

From: The Prayer Book by Reverend John P. O'Connell, M.A., S.T.D. and Jex Martin, M.A.

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\$2- Seniors (59 and over)

\$2 - Children (ages 5 to 11)

Free- Children (under 5)

Please order a ticket for children under 5
to help us with planning children's activities!

MAIN STAGE

3:00pm to 5:00pm

Tony Kidonakis

5:30pm to 7:30pm

Class of 68

8:00pm to 10:00pm

Mike and Joe



Homecoming Fest Chair
Ed Flavin
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**Immediate Need for an Adorer:
Sunday 3:00AM & Monday 3:00AM**

Co Adorers Needed- (Two people for each hour is preferred!)

MORNING

Friday 11:00am
Saturday 11:00am
Sunday 6:00am
Sunday 10:00am

DAYTIME

Tuesday 2:00pm
Wednesday 12:00pm
Friday 4:00pm
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 1:00pm

EVENING

Monday 11:00pm
Tuesday 10:00pm
Wednesday 9:00pm
Wednesday 10:00pm
Thursday 10:00pm
Friday 6:00pm
Friday 7:00pm
Saturday 6:00pm
Saturday 7:00pm
Sunday 6:00pm

NIGHT

Monday 12:00am
Monday 4:00am
Tuesday 4:00am
Thursday 2:00am
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Sunday 1:00am
Sunday 2:00am
Sunday 4:00am

Security access code from 9:00pm to 6:00am. Located just east of the Church. Enter off Benton Street alleyway. Contact Kathy with questions or to sign up- 630-818-7897

**For more information go to
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**Sign up for a weekly
commitment here!**

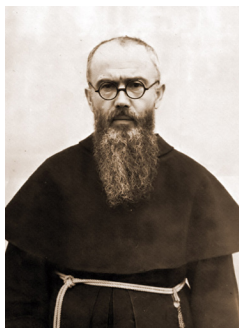


Saint of the Week

Saint Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941)
August 14

Perhaps most well known for his martyrdom in a concentration camp where he offered to die in place of a father with a family, his story of sainthood began much earlier. He entered the minor seminary of the Conventual Franciscans in his native Poland at a young age and was ordained a priest at 24. He founded The Militia of the Immaculata to fight evil through the positive witness of a holy life. He also began a magazine to spread the good news and it eventually reached one million subscribers. All that he did was driven by his devotion to the Blessed Mother, for it was she who appeared to him holding in her hands one white and one red crown, asking him if he would like to have purity or martyrdom. He chose both and lived out his days dedicated to her and her son, until he died by starvation and lethal injection to save another man's life. Although we may not be called to physically die for another, there are many ways we can die to ourselves each day in love and service to others. Let us follow the example of Saint Maximilian Kolbe and be willing to lose our lives that we might find eternal life in heaven.

-Tami Urcia



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When God Makes the Impossible Possible

Join us for a powerful reflection on the Solemnity of the Assumption and discover how Mary's faith continues to reveal God's mercy and His ability to do great things in our lives.

**Saturday, August 15, 2026
Sts Peter and Paul Ministry Center**

Come and hear a story about a miraculous healing of a four-year-old girl whose recovery could not be explained by medicine and how God's love was revealed through the intercession of Our Lady of San Juan de los Lagos. 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: When God Makes the Impossible Possible
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.

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New men welcomed every week!
Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, pray for us!
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5 GREAT DATE NIGHTS

September 17 - October 15

You love your spouse. You desire to have a great and loving marriage. However, all the responsibilities of life have drained your energy and your time. You realize you need to reconnect with the one you love. Maybe you are experiencing a difficult time in your marriage, and you are looking for something to help you strengthen and transform your relationship. To help assist you in this time, Saints Peter and Paul is offering the Alpha Great Dates Program to provide you and your spouse with quality time.

This opportunity will take place on 5 consecutive Thursdays, beginning on September 17 and going through October 15, from 7-9pm in the Social Hall. A fully catered dinner, including dessert, water and coffee will be provided by the parish.

Here is how it works:

- Each night you will sit down with your spouse, one-on-one at your own table
- You will watch a dynamic video, led by couples who present on real challenges within marriage
- Topics like Communication, Connection, Forgiveness, and Family will be addressed
- During each video, you will have time to discuss certain questions with your spouse
- There is no small or large group discussion. You will not share anything with the group
- These nights are for you and your spouse to connect and be together

What must I do to sign up?

- To sign up, scan the QR code.
- Cost: \$150.00 (\$30.00 per date). Please drop off cash or check to the Parish Office by September 3 to secure your spot. Make your check payable to Saints Peter and Paul.
- You and your spouse must both attend all 5 sessions together.
- Contact Natalia Blaszczyk at ncassata@sspeterandpaul.net or Mike Lewandowski at mlewandowski@sspeterandpaul.net for questions.





REGISTRATION

If you have not yet registered your child for religious education, please do so as soon as possible! Registration packets can be downloaded from the RE page of the parish website. Packets are also available on the table outside the Religious Education Office in the Ministry Center vestibule, and in the church narthex.



Classes begin Wednesday, September 16th.

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 first or second grade. Confirmation prep begins in Grade 5.

The Religious Education program is looking for a few volunteers to complete our dedicated and amazing team. You don't need to have a child in the program to volunteer.



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 6:00-7:15 PM
Assistants needed for Grades 3, 4, and 5

CROSSING GUARDS are needed for ALL sessions (4:15 – 5:30 PM, 6:00 – 7:15 PM and 7:15 – 8:30 PM).

All volunteers are required to undergo a background check and take the online *Protecting God's Children* and *Mandated Reporter* workshops. Please contact the RE Office at 630-357-2436 or email tp Pratt@sspeterandpaul.net for more information or to volunteer.



YOUNG ADULTS



SSPP SCHOOL

JOIN US FOR A
Young Adult Picnic

23 | Ages 18-30
aug | Whalon Lake
12:00-4:00pm

Whalon Lake's Lakeside Shelter:
1496 Royce Rd Bolingbrook

Sign up
here:



All are welcome to bring food, drinks, games, etc! Just email ncassata@sspeterandpaul.net for any questions :)

Hit the greens and

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

THE MOST EPIC GOLF OUTING OF THE YEAR!

38TH ANNUAL SSPP HAROLD & MARGARET MOSER GOLF OUTING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

CRESS CREEK COUNTRY CLUB

Get your foursome ready for a fresh start with on-course challenges, an incredible silent auction, cocktail hour and evening dinner reception all benefiting the SSPP SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

EXCITING ON-COURSE CHALLENGES

INCREDIBLE SILENT AUCTION

COCKTAIL HOUR

EVENING DINNER RECEPTION

ONE EPIC DAY. ONE AMAZING CAUSE.

Scan the QR Code to Register!

Stay tuned for information on our LADIES' TENNIS PROGRAM and other EARLY BIRD OPPORTUNITIES.

LET'S FREEDOM SWING!



SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 24, 2026 STS PETER AND PAUL ANNUAL SERVICE DAY

Saint Peter and Paul Service Day is an opportunity for all our parishioners to come together as one family and put our faith into action.

All are invited to participate: newly married couples, individuals – young and old alike, newly baptized adult Catholics, those in formation to become Catholic, families volunteering together, clergy.

We offer opportunities to volunteer at various organizations throughout the area, including Operation Support Our Troops, Katherine Manor Apartments, St Patrick's, Feed My Starving Children, Waterleaf Women's Center, and others.

If travel or mobility is difficult, we have numerous on-site activities as well. This day is designed for all of us, especially families, to be together, work together and serve together.

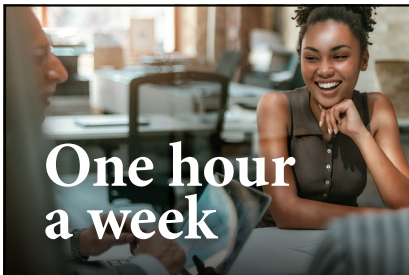
This year the Service Day Planning group is seeking additional volunteers to contribute their ideas and talents to help us plan the most successful Service Day ever. We meet select Tuesday evenings from 5:30pm to 6:30 pm. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, August 11th at the St. Paul Center. Please contact Deacon Joe Verdico, jverdico@sspeterandpaul.net, Paulette Shea, pshea@sspeterandpaul.net or Theresa Pratt, tp Pratt@sspeterandpaul.net for more information



We need and expect participating adults to monitor and guide young people on site during their chosen activities.

Join us Saturday morning, October 24th at 8 am Mass, receive a special blessing at the end of Mass, then...

"Let your light shine before others today, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your father in heaven"



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**Transitional
Housing Ministry**

GET INVOLVED TODAY!
Tom Dorn
(630) 270-7303
tdorn@sbcglobal.net

Saint Vincent de Paul



Conference meetings can be a time of grace or a time when sin threatens grace. "Meetings are a time of grace only through a communal quest to listen to God and communal attentiveness to the words of others. When there is listening, there is a climate of freedom for discussion and discernment. When there is no listening, meetings create strife and division. They disrupt rather than unify. When listening wanes, meetings degenerate rapidly. Among the signs that sin is at work in meetings is fighting, strife, bad feelings, disillusionment, and bitterness. (Maloney, He Hears the Cry of the Poor, p.28)

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.

National Day of Remembrance for Unborn Children

Save the Date: September 12, 2026

Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery

This annual prayer service gives us the opportunity to remember and pray for all the babies that have been aborted, their parents and those moms who lost their lives during abortions.

The ceremony begins at 12:30 pm with a rosary led by young people of the parish. Prayers, scripture readings, and sacred hymns are part of the day as well.

As in past years, the Knights of Columbus will post an honor guard at the memorial to the unborn throughout the event.

Note: This year marks the 30th year of the consecration of this memorial on Oct 19, 1996.

Our speaker this year is Angelica Perry, a faith rooted pro-life speaker who blends personal testimony with practical steps to help champion life with compassion and conviction.

Bring a lawn chair, bring some friends, and join us in remembering those who have lost their lives to the tragedy of abortion in a powerful and prayerful presentation.





A Swing and a Prayer Golf Outing



and families throughout the Diocese of Joliet.

The event will be held on Tuesday, August 25, 2026 at Cog Hill Golf & Country Club, Lemont.

Enjoy a day of golf, fellowship, and fun while supporting the important programs and services provided by Catholic Charities. Golfers will receive 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch at the turn, drinks on the course, cocktail hour, buffet dinner, and the opportunity to participate in contests and win prizes.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for businesses, organizations, and individuals who wish to support the event and the mission of Catholic Charities. To register or learn more, visit <https://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org/event/swing/> or call 815-724-1140.



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Join the Diocese of Joliet Deaf Ministry

- Competitive pay, 2 hour minimum, and meaningful interpreting opportunities.
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- Must complete Virtus and background check.

Apply today:

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or call 815.221.6165



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DIOCESE OF JOLIET

ST. RAPHAEL PRESENTS

JOYFUL MUSIC

FATHER ALEX
IN CONCERT

FREE EVENT

FAMILY FUN

6:00 pm
Friday, August 21st

St. Raphael
Parish Center (gym)

St. Raphael is pleased to host a special evening of music featuring our very own Father Alex! An accomplished guitarist and vocalist, Father Alex shares his love of the Lord through contemporary songs that celebrate our faith. It promises to be a joyful evening of music for all ages!

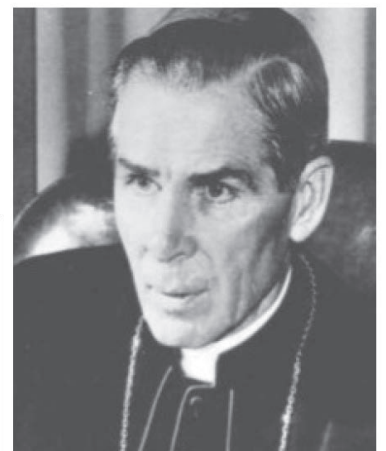
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CHECK OUT FATHER ALEX'S WEBSITE!
[FORREALALEXLORANG.COM](https://forrealalexlorang.com)

Beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Attend the Beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen on September 24, 2026 in St. Louis, MO.

Get your tickets here:





Parish Info

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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, 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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