

ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SANDOVAL, ILLINOIS

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 20, 2025

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A Family of Faith

A Community of Kape

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

HOLY MASS SCHEDOLE: St. Lawrence: Sunday-8:30 am – Thursday-8:30 am - Holy Day Vigil-6:00 pm St. Mary-Centralia: Saturday-4: 00 pm – Sunday-10:30 am – St. Mary-Carlyle: Saturday-4:30 pm-Sunday-10:00 am

Reconciliation. Before Sunday Mass 8:00 am - 8:20 am.

Buptism: Contact the office for Baptism preparation.

Marriage. Contact Pastor at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the sick. Available as needed and at Mass twice a year.

Communion for the homebound: Contact Pastor or call the office.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Jul 20 Marcus, Robert & Marilyn Oehmke

Jul 24 Milddred Korzenewski Nicholas Davino Linda (Hall) McGibany

Jul 27 Josephine Rohner

Jul 31 Teddy Holstlaw Eric Lyons Clarice Bosley Donald Saale

Aug 03 Open

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 13, 2025

Envelopes \$846.00

Loose 159.00

Peter's Pence 5.00

Candle Money 124.00

Attendance - 108 -

Thank you for all your donations.

LITURGICAL ROLES

SERVERS: Loren Pepple II GREETERS: Anna Adams

Brenda Schaubert GIFT BEARERS: Anna Adams & Bob Perry

LECTOR: Mary Clark CANTOR: Marlene Lackey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Dennis Krupp (Body of Christ)

Eugene & Nancy Nalewajka (Blood of Christ)

SERVERS: Eugene Nalewajka GREETERS: Dennis Krupp

Theresa Ingles GIFT BEARERS: Brenda Schaubert & Bob Perry

LECTOR: David Schulte CANTOR: Marlene Lackey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: ORGANIST: Mary Ann Weatherspoon

Wayne Houser (Body of Christ)

COUNTERS TEAM: Bob Perry

Jdaime Toedte& Jane Waddell (Blood of Christ)

Theresa Ingles

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun Jul 20 16th Sunday in OT

MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am

St. Teresa:

Marydale: 8:00 am St. Mary: Carlyle

10:00 pm

St. Mary: 10:30 am

Thurs Jul 24 MASS:

St. Lawrence 8:30 am

Sat Jul 26

MASS:

St. Mary: 4:00 pm St. Mary: Carlyle 4:30 pm

St. Teresa:

Marydale 7:30 pm

Sun Jul 27

17th Sunday in OT

ORGANIST: Mary Ann Weatherspoon

Theresa Ingles

COUNTERS TEAM: Linda DeKalb

MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

WELCOME FR. GEORGE MAUCK

Knights News

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Tuition Assistance Breakfast and Country Store on Sunday, August 10th. The menu will include sausage, ham, eggs, biscuits, gravy, pancakes, fruit cocktail, coffee, milk, and juice. All profits from your free will offering for this breakfast will assist students with tuition at St. Mary School in Centralia. Please use the enclosed flier to help advertise the breakfast.

St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Tuition-Assistance Breakfast & Country Store

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Tuition-Assistance Breakfast on Sunday, August 10, 2025, at the St. Lawrence Parish Center. As part of the event, we're excited to reopen the Country Store—but our storage shelves are looking a little bare! If you have any gently used items, homemade goods, or treasures you'd be willing to donate, we'd be grateful for your help in restocking the store.

Need help transporting your items? Please contact any Knight or reach out to Theresa Ingles at 618-247-3300. Thank you for supporting this important cause for our students!





Message from our Pastor, Father Steve

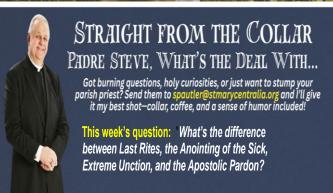
Excuse Me While I Don't..." A lighthearted reflection on Luke 10:38-42

Let's be honest, we all know someone who's really good at dodging work. And if you're sitting there thinking, "Well, I don't know anybody like that..." it might be you! We're talking about the great escape artists of everyday chores: the ones who suddenly remember they need to reorganize their sock drawer when it's time to wash dishes. The ones who vanish into thin air at the very mention of taking out the garbage. Or the seasoned pros who are "just about to" mow the lawn, clean the gutters, fold the laundry, scrub the toilet, sweep the garage, rake the leaves, or organize the Tupperware drawer that somehow only has lids. And oh, the excuses! "I'd help, but my back's acting up again." "I would've cleaned, but I couldn't find the mop." "I was going to do it, but I had to take the dog to the vet... well, no, not our dog." "I thought you liked doing dishes." "I didn't want to mess up your system." Or the holy classic: "I started praying and lost track of time." Nice try.

Believe it or not, these shenanigans aren't new. Even in Jesus' time, people tried to multitask their way around the moment. In today's Gospel, we hear about Martha, busy, bustling, probably burning the bread, and Mary, sitting quietly at Jesus' feet, soaking it all in. Martha, understandably annoyed, wants Jesus to back her up. But instead, He gently reminds her that Mary has chosen "the better part." Jesus isn't knocking hard work. After all, someone had to do the dishes! But He's making a point: sometimes we get so busy doing things for the Lord, that we forget to actually spend time with Him. We choose stress over stillness. Tasks over presence.

And here's the twist: sometimes, in our effort to look busy or feel productive, we miss out on what actually feeds our soul. Sure, the floors might shine and the laundry may be folded like a department store display, but if we've skipped the quiet, prayerful moments with God, we're just spinning our wheels. Mary teaches us that sometimes the holiest thing you can do... is nothing. Just be still. Be present. Be with Him. And if someone asks why you're just sitting there, you can smile and say, "Hey, I'm doing the better part, Jesus said so!"





Answer: Great question—and nope, they're not all the same, though they often happen together. Anointing of the Sick is the sacrament given to anyone seriously ill, elderly, or preparing for surgery, asking God for healing, peace, and strength. Extreme Unction is just the old name for this sacrament, back when it was reserved mostly for those near death. Last Rites isn't one sacrament but a combo: typically Confession (if possible), Anointing of the Sick, and Viaticum, which is Holy Communion given as "food for the journey" home to Heaven. And then there's the Apostolic Pardon, a beautiful blessing the priest offers at the time of death that forgives all temporal punishment due to sin, like a spiritual "get-out-of-purgatory-free" card. So while they're connected and often given together at life's end, each part has its own purpose.

The 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Hope in the Lord

Did you know **YOUR GIFT** to the 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese's website at www.diobelle.org and click on "Giving". It's

that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on **YOU**. Please visit www.diobelle.org today!





The Sanctuary Candle for the month of July in loving memory of...

Marcus Oehmke

In Loving Memory

July 2025 Marcus Oehmke

August 2025 Marcella Schulte

September 2025 Jim Gore,

Shedelbower & Gore Familes

October 2025 Bobby Hill,

Aaron & Dorothy Niepoetter

November 2025 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

& Burns Family

December 2025 Shaun Ford

January 2026 Altadonna Family

February 2026 Mike Shaffer

March 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

& Burns Family

April 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny Burns

& Burns Family

May 2026 Marcella Schulte

June 2026 Ron Clark

July 2026 Marcus, Marilyn & Robert Oehmke

August 2026 Knabe & Dunphy Family

September 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny,

& Burns Family

October 2026 Bobby Hill,

Aaron & Dorothy Niepoetter

If, you would like to put a picture in front of the Sanctuary Candle put it up there on the 1st of the month until the last day of the month. You don't have to put a picture up if you don't want to. It is up to you.



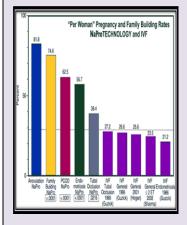
RECENTLY DEPARTED SOULS

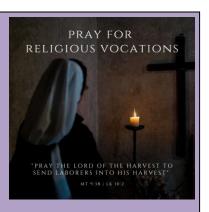
2025

Mary Kay Gunther Michael Wooden Victoria (Vic) Steele Sharon (Jane) Rizzo

July 20, 2025, Respect Life Corner

Infertility is not a diagnosis, it is a symptom of an underlying issue. Have you ever heard of Naprotechnology? If you or someone you know is experiencing infertility, this is a safe, more effective solution to achieving pregnancy. Check out https://naprotechnology.c om/infertility/ to learn more and https://www.diobelle.org/ nfp/infertility to receive guidance.





16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 2025

"The countless gravestones at Normandy American Cemetery in France stirred my heart. These brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives challenged me: Would I be willing to lay down my life, as these men did, for the Lord and his people? Long before this pivotal moment, the seeds of my vocation had been planted by family role models. My grandfather served his family and parish sacrificially for many years after his WWII duty. Likewise, my father coached me in self-discipline, and my dear mother raised me to serve others. It was at college that the Lord Jesus truly captured my heart. After graduation, I served as a missionary and met the Brotherhood of Hope. I admired the brothers and their work evangelizing students at secular universities, but I resisted the idea of celibacy and did not have the courage to explore a vocation with them until after my experience at Normandy Beach. My years with the Brothers of Hope have strengthened my conviction that Jesus Christ alone can satisfy our deepest desires." Brother Brandt Haglund; Brotherhood of Hope,

Tallahassee, FL.; Columbia

Magazine May 2022

Quote for the week: We cannot always choose the music life plays for us; we can choose how we dance to it.

Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time

The readings for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time tell us about service. In the Genesis story, Abraham generously cares for three strangers who then tell him that his wife, Sarah, will finally have a son. Luke's gospel recounts the classic story of Martha and Mary: Martha ran around serving Jesus while Mary sat at his feet listening. "Mary has chosen the better part," Jesus says.

Tuesday is the Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene. Friday is the Feast of Saint James, Apostle, with its own special readings. Saturday is the Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The daily readings continue our second week from the Book of Exodus continuing the story of God's faithful deliverance of the people from slavery in Egypt. Pharaoh has a change of heart and chases the fleeing Israelites. Moses tells them to "Fear not! Stand your ground, and you will see the victory the Lord will win for you today." With Moses' outstretched arm, they pass through the sea on dry land, while their pursuers drown. Still the people grumble against God in the desert and God gives them manna to eat, with Moses saying, "This is the bread which the Lord has given you to eat." Then God comes to the people in smoke and fire. He summoned Moses and gave him the Ten Commandments and Moses shares them with the people in a covenant ceremony, sprinkling the blood of sacrificed bulls on the altar, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you."

In Matthew's Gospel this week some people come up and ask Jesus for a sign. He answers mysteriously by saying that the only sign they will receive is the sign of Jonah the prophet, whose preaching brought about conversion. His family comes looking for Jesus and he again asks the mystifying question about who is really a relative, an intimate, with him. His answer is that all of us who do the will of his Father. Then we hear the parable of the sower. It is important for us not to be discouraged because all of the seed doesn't find its way to good soil. Jesus encourages us to be sowers of the Word. He will guarantee a rich harvest. To understand his parables is Jesus' gift to us. Finally, we hear the parable about the weeds in the field again.

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time begins with a reading from Genesis. Abraham pleads for compassion for those few innocent people of Sodom and Gomorrah. God promises him, "For the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it." Jesus teaches us to pray in the reading from Luke's gospel, using the familiar words, "Father, hallowed be your name." He urges us to be persistent in our prayer: "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

Daily Prayer This Week

These weekly guides offer us an opportunity to practice being "contemplatives in action." For us busy people, it is possible to pray - "to lift our minds and hearts to God" - in the midst of our everyday, active lives. Prayer is really about our relationship with the Lord, a relationship that is always a gift of the Holy Spirit. That relationship can stay alive, and grow in its intimacy, to the degree we can let the daily events, responsibilities and relationships of our lives become a part of our relationship with our Lord. All it takes is a little focus and some practice.

Every morning this week, we can begin our day with a brief conversation with our Lord that expresses a desire that comes from within us and is shaped by the scriptures this week. We might say, "O Lord, help me trust your presence in what you call me to do today, letting me remember how tiny seeds grow." I may pray: "Dear Lord, thank you for this day. Let me trust your care for me. Let me not be afraid or grumble, but fill me with the nourishment of your presence today." Or we might ask, "Lord, let me do your will today, and experience the closeness you offer me as I do so." Perhaps, we can pray, "Thank you, Lord, for the gift of my children. Help me to trust that not everything I say or do will seem to work, but that you will take care of them and allow my efforts to be fruitful."

Throughout each day, we can repeat and refine these desires and prayers in our hearts. Each thing we do, each person we relate to, each request that is made of us will help us say this or that expression of gratitude or request for grace.

The practice comes in having this ongoing conversation and connection with our Lord in the background of our day - in the brief in between times: in the shower, while getting dressed, on the way to work, while walking to a meeting, during a meeting, while shopping, as we transition from any part of our day to the next. It all comes together as we take a brief bit of time at night, before we go to bed, to say thanks for the graces we have received, for the opportunity to feel connected and know that we are not alone throughout the day. Sometimes, we'll ask the same thing for several days. At times, we'll notice a pattern in what we are asking for and what we experience ourselves as receiving. In this very simple way, with just a little focus and practice, we will find a pearl of great value - a growing relationship with our Lord that transforms our spirits in the midst of our busy lives.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: h ps://onlineministries.creighton.edu/Collabora veMinistry/Praver/A1-OT-30.html

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Gathering: #575 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Pres. of Gifts: #679 Only In God

Communion: #697 Because the Lord Is My Shepherd Recessional: #709 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Readings: 975





Purrs from the PewSister Fluff of Divine Mischief

This week at St. Mary, I was minding my own business, which, as you know, usually involves sunbeams, soft naps, and just a dash of mischief, when the Summer Program kids decided to play hide and seek. Naturally, I was intrigued. Hide and seek? That's my game. I practically invented it!

They picked some good hiding spots, under desks, in closets, behind the copy machine—but nothing compared to my hideaways. Let's just say... I was in the rafters. Overhead. Watching. Waiting. I could have leapt down with a glorious Sister Fluff **MEOW!** just to see them scatter like startled squirrels. But I decided to be merciful. This time. Instead, I supervised from above. One kid hid inside the supply cabinet, bold move. Another tried to blend in with the mop. Points for creativity, minus points for smell. In the end, they had their fun. And I? I claimed victory without lifting a paw.

So, until next week... stay sharp, hide well, and if you hear a faint purr in the hallway, that's not your imagination, it's me. Sister Fluff. Silent. Swift. And always watching. P.S. Snacks left by the office door will be considered tribute.

With divine mischief, Sister Fluff

ST. MARY SCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR A FEW HELPING HANDS!

DO YOU HAVE ONE DAY A WEEK TO SPARE? WE'RE SEEKING PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, PARISHIONERS, AND FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL WHO CAN COMMIT TO ONE DAY EACH WEEK-ON THE SAME DAY-TO HELP WITH SERVING LUNCH AND CLEANUP. IF YOU'RE WILLING TO ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES AND LEND A HAND IN OUR LUNCHROOM MINISTRY.

PLEASE CONTACT MARIA PRYOR AT 532-3473 OR MARIAPRYOR@STMARYCENTRALIA.ORG.

SMS CALENDAR WINNERS

MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025

LISA KOGER - CENTRALIA

DANIELLE BARBRE - CENTRALIA

SUNDAY MASSES:

Sandoval:

St. Lawrence - 8:30 a.m.

Centralia:

St. Mary (Vigil) - 4:00 p.m.

St. Mary - 10:30 a.m.

Carlyle:

St. Mary (Vigil) - 4:30 p.m.

St. Mary - 10:00 am

Marydale:

St. Teresa (Vigil) - 7:30 pm

St. Teresa - 10:00 am

Salem:

St. Theresa (Vigil) - 5:00 pm

Kinmundy:

St. Elizabeth - 7:30 am

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, July 21, 2025 Exodus 14:5-18 Exodus 15:1bc-6 Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 22, 2025 Exodus 14:21C; 15:1 Exodus 15:8-10, 12, 17 Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15 Psalm 78:18-19, 23-28 Matthew 13:1-9

Thursday, July 24, 2025 Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b Daniel 352-56 Matthew 13:10-17

Friday, July 25, 2025 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 Psalm 126:1bc-2ab, 2cb-6 Matthew 20:20-28

Saturday, July 26, 2025 Sirach 44:1, 10-15 Psalm 132:11, 13-14, 17-18 Matthew 13:16-17

St. James Summer Festival
Saturday, August 2nd, 2025 St.
James Parish Grounds: 405 W.
Madison St. Millstadt, IL Mass
at 3pm Fried Chicken Dinner, 4
6pm (Carryout after 6pm) Cash
Bingo, 7-10pm (Indoors), Sandwich
Stand, Cornhole Tournament, 50/50
Raffle, Cake Stand, Barrel of Booze
Raffle, Poker Stand, Basket
Boutique, Kids corner, Ice Cream
stand & MORE!

Knights Helping Students Breakfast and Country Store

August 10, 2025 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.



St. Lawrence Parish Hall Sandoval, IL

Free Will Offering
All Profits from this breakfast will assist students
with tuition at St. Mary School in Centralia

Menu: Sausage, Ham, Eggs, Biscuits, Gravy, Pancakes, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee, Milk, and Juice



Sponsored by

St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus

Dine in or Carry out





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BIRTHDAY

07-20 Rachel Peters

07-22 Ricardo Alonso

07-25 Sarah (Rohner) Gebke

07-27 Tracy (Gillett) Minton

07-28 Loren Pepple II

07-28 Brent Toedte

08-01 Pat (Gerish) Roestel

08-02 C. Dale Cain

08-03 Makenzie Laffoon

08-03 Kylie Nalewajka

08-04 Lawson Hill

08-06 Mark Aydt

08-07 Sierra Ford

08-09 Tony Nalewajka

08-11 J. D. Gore

08-12 Lisa (Gore) Speiser

08-15 David Gore

08-16 Kimberly Schaubert

ANNIVERSARY

07-30 Tom & Theresa Ingles 08-02 Bill & Mary Hall 08-07 Garry & Joyce Pryor 08-12 Mark & Renee Aydt

SHALOM IS NEEDING HELP

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025 SETTING UP FROM 9:30 AM - ?. DISTRIBUTE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025 FROM 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT **BRENDA SCHAUBERT**

Those in nursing homes or assisted living are: Gerald &

Phyllis Fanger. Please pray for them, their families and their care-givers.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED JULY:

01-97 Florence Altadonna

01-21 George Carson

02-93 Fred L. Chambers

05-00 Donald P. Saale

09-09 Darrell A. Gambill

14-18 Bob Oehmke

14-02 Anthony E. Schweda

14-93 Dorothy Marie Voss

17-14 Michelle Mason

19-01 Clarice E. Bosley

20-19 Clair "Pat" Busscher

21-93 Frank C. Fizzon

22-94 Helen A. Isaak

22-20 Mildred Korzenewski

24-33 Linda (Hall) McGibany

25-00 Alfred F. Isaak

26-97 Nicholas E, Davino

27-84 William "Bill" Busscher

29-08 Ruth A. "Teddy" Holstlaw

29-10 Eric Lyons

Administrative Assistant Position Available.

Parish office is now accepting applications for a part-time position for St. Mary's Parish Carlyle. Please send a letter of interest to Father Steve at spautler@stmarycentralia. org. He may also be reached via phone at 618-532-6291 ext 307.

TO BE REMOVED PLEASE LET OFFICE KNOW 2 Special Cancer People, Chris Berry, Brianna

PRAYER REQUEST - CAN YOU PLEASE GO

OVER THESE NAMES TO SEE IF ANY NEEEDS

Blakley, Earl Bosler, Shirley Brady, Clayton & Kay Cain, Craig Church, Heather Clark, Mindy Clark, Daisy Conrad, Linda DeKalb, Jared Fogerson, Don Frazier, Sue Gambill, Debra (Small) Gerrish, Mary Gore, Ron & Barb Grasher, Debbie Grasher, Alexus Hall, Bill & Mary Hall, Mary Ann Hall, Tom Hall, Michelle Irvin, Wilma Jourdan, Judy Jenkins, Bob Kannall, Cassy Karcher, Curt & Marlene Lackey, Tom Lusch, Karleigh McClaren, Tracy Minton, John Mullen, Jerry Nitz, Earl Nolte, Jeff Orrell, Rachel & Sandie Peters, Brenda Pinkston, Jerry Ratermann, Pat (Gerrish) Roestel, Kenny & Mary Saatkamp, Rachael Sager, Otto Schaffer, Kim Schulte, Fr. Carl Schrage, Jack Shanafelt, Mickayla Skibinski, John Alan Small, Milya Smith, Patti & Jerome Stack, Brittany Starbreck, Evelyn Szatkowski, Janette Torrance, Jane Waddell, Waylon Vick, Ledger Whisenand, Ella Wiemerslager, Sara Wright.





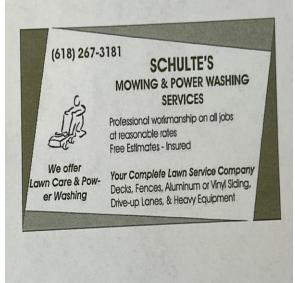


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