

APRIL 14, 2024

CRUCICIS

T H I R D S U N D A Y O F E A S T E R



ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS
AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD

JOSHUA 24:15

320 South Washington Street
Park Ridge, Illinois, 60068

Third Sunday of Easter

Schedule

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Upper Church

Monday through Friday 6:25 am
8:30 am
Saturday (weekday Mass) 8:30 am
Saturday (vigil) 4:30 pm
Sunday 7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am
12:00 pm

MONTHLY FAMILY MASS

Holy Family Chapel

2nd Sunday Family Mass 10:30 am

TEEN MASS (open to the public)

Upper Church

Sunday, May 19th @ 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

in vestibule of Upper Church

Monday through Friday 8-8:15 am
Saturday 3-4:00 pm

FUNERALS

Monday through Saturday Morning

WEDDINGS

Friday and Saturday

BAPTISMS

Saturday and Sunday

Baptisms

Emelia Rose Morabito

Daughter of Dominic Morabito and Jessica Cruz

Alessia Lidia DeBenny

Daughter of Anthony DeBenny and Caterina Giglio

Gabriella Maria Bosco

Daughter of Joseph M. Bosco and Giorgina M. Concialdi

Camilla Mercedes Dexeus

Daughter of Alexander Dexeus and Claire E. Adams

Mateo Victor Sassolino

Son of Matthew H. Sassolino and Erica P. Negrete

Pray for our Sick

Names Stay in Bulletin for 2 months

Delaney Bartz
Julie Benedetto-Wilcox
Joe Garvey
Baby Oliver Letcher
Vince Ross
Carole Zachary

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed in our SPC community.

Stanislaw Kazmierczak
George Michniuk

Wedding Banns

// Thomas F. Didier
&
Tara Ann-Marie Woodford

// Declan Mulcrone
&
Maureen O'Donnell

// Nick Welninski
&
Diana Bernatek



Stewardship Report

WEEKLY OFFERING (March 31st - April 6th)

Envelopes	\$8,811.00
Loose	\$4,000.00
Electronic Giving	\$16,047.04
Total Weekly Offering	\$28,858.04

ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS (through April 6th)

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land	\$3,267.00
Easter	\$99,648.00

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL DATA

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal (through March 19th)(goal: \$145,569)	\$75,546 paid (52%) \$87,366 pledged (60%)
Sunday Giving FY24 Year to Date (July 1st through April 6th)	\$1,422,517.94
Sunday Giving FY24 vs Budget (July 1st through February 29th)	\$6,141.85

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Letters from a Pastor to his People



Dear Parishioners,

We read in this Sunday's Gospel about the scene following the encounter at Emmaus. The two disciples who traveled with Jesus, though they didn't recognize him until Jesus broke the bread at their dinner table, returned immediately to Jerusalem to tell the apostles what had transpired. Now, the apostles

and even the two Emmaus disciples had already heard that Jesus had risen from the dead, from Mary and the women, but they didn't believe. The two Emmaus disciples come to belief because they've seen Jesus themselves, but the eleven apostles still doubt. So, that's three times the apostles don't believe.

To me, this is redemption for both Peter and Thomas. Peter denied Jesus three times during the Passion, as you recall. Now it's the turn for the other apostles to deny three times the Resurrection, arguably more significant than Peter's denial. As for Thomas, you remember last week we read in John's Gospel about how Thomas doubted and was not able to believe until he touched the wounds. Well, here in Luke's Gospel we see all the apostles have a similar doubt and request to touch the wounds. Jesus says to the group, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself." So, forget about "Doubting Thomas." It should be "Doubting Peter, Andrew, James, John, Matthew, etc."

Then occurs one of the more curious scenes in all the Gospels. "While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them."

Yes, Jesus ate the fish to prove to the apostles he wasn't a ghost. He was also showing them that, while he was glorified, he was still a man. Men need to eat. Men want to eat. Jesus, I'm sure, wanted to eat some of that great Sea of Galilee fish he had enjoyed during his life. It had been three days since he had eaten and he had been through a lot (greatest understatement ever), so he certainly deserved that fish. It would be like me wanting to have some Malnati's deep dish if I were away for a period of time. It's so good and a taste of home.

As much as Jesus loves the Father in Heaven, and is meant to be in Heaven, he still delights in parts of the earth. Him eating that piece of baked fish (and we could imagine him savoring it with a smile on his face) is him telling us that the world can still be good.

A student asked me the other day what's my favorite thing at SPC. I said "the people." As great as the church and ministries are, it's the people, each of you, that is important. Jesus would say the same thing. Yes, he enjoyed that piece of fish, but what he wants more is you. If he can be with you and savor your soul, he'll have the greatest smile on his face.

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The 2nd Grade **First Communion Retreat** will take place this Saturday, April 13th at 9am, starting in the Holy Family Chapel. I will do a teaching Mass with the families and then they will do a bread-baking exercise with Anna Mae Parkhill. We look forward to First Communion on May 4 and May 11.

This Sunday, April 14th will be the **Family Mass** at 10:30am in the Holy Family Chapel. A special thanks to the coordinators of the Mass and the musicians.

This Friday, April 19th at 10am in the church is the **SPC School VIP Mass** for kindergarten through 3rd grade. Each student will bring a "very important person" as their guest for the morning and for Mass. Welcome VIPs.

Our next **Word on the Street** event will take place at Harp and Fiddle on Tuesday, April 23rd. Fr. Tim Anastos, the previous associate pastor at Mary Seat of Wisdom and current assistant at the Newman Center at UIC, will join me for the discussion.

We are planning a special **book giveaway and discussion** in the next few weeks. The book will be *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary* by Dr. Brant Pitre. We thought this would be helpful for the month of May. The plan is to give the book free to whoever signs up. We will then have a parish-wide book discussion and lecture on Mary at the end of May. Stay tuned for more details.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. James Wallace

Catholic Reflections



When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, “If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!” As a lifelong late-arriver, it’s something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the “it counts” is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to rethink the Mass in its light.

The famous “Road to Emmaus” story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: Word, followed by Eucharist. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus’ presence in the “breaking of the bread.”

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that’s precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too!

— Father John Muir, pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Avondale, Arizona

Adoration Chapel

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

COME SPEND SOME TIME WITH JESUS!

Our Adoration Chapel is open from 5 am until 11 pm.

Our current adorer schedule is pictured below. Red boxes indicate where there are no committed adorers. We need at least two committed adorers for each slot before we can reopen during the night. Yellow slots are when we have only one committed adorer; additional commitments are needed to fortify the schedule. Green indicates two or more adorers are present.

If you would like to sign up for a timeslot, please call the parish office at 847-825-7605 or email adorationchapel@spc-church.org.

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
12:00 AM	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Yellow
1:00 AM	Red	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red
2:00 AM	Yellow						
3:00 AM	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Green	Red	Red
4:00 AM	Red	Red	Green	Red	Green	Green	Red
5:00 AM	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green
6:00 AM	Green	clean	Green	clean	Yellow	clean	Yellow
7:00 AM	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Green
8:00 AM	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow
9:00 AM	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow
10:00 AM	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
11:00 AM	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
12:00 PM	Green						
1:00 PM	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Green	Yellow
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3:00 PM	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Yellow
4:00 PM	Green						
5:00 PM	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
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7:00 PM	Yellow	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red
8:00 PM	Green						
9:00 PM	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
10:00 PM	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow
11:00 PM	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Red

Mass Schedule

FEAST DAY	TIME	PRESIDER	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	MASS INTENTIONS		
MON, 4/15 Easter Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. James			Nellee and Ernie Ortiz		
	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Florence Roman, John and Therese Troy, Blessings for Father Lawrence Springer, Healing and Blessings for successful surgery of my daughter-in-law		
TUE, 4/16 Easter Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. Nick			James Casey		
	8:30 am UC	Fr. James			Megan Melaniphy, Bernadetta Colletti, Sheila Doonan, Blessings for Martin McCarthy		
WED, 4/17 Easter Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. James			Barbara Hemmerle		
	8:30 am UC	Fr. James			Eileen Higgins, Martin Zaccone, Rev Daniel Smilanic, Bill O'Connell, Charlene Widmaier		
THUR, 4/18 Easter Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. Nick			Holy Souls in Purgatory		
	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Myrtle Reckert, Rosira Spuria, Diane M. Jensen, Margaret, Patrick Kelly		
FRI, 4/19 Easter Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. James			Maria Rose Serritella Streib		
	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Celine Clemens, Rose and Paul Koegel, Emily Hailmann, Joanne Schiller, Maria Rose Serritella Streib		
SAT, 4/20 Easter Weekday	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Frank Jakubow, Grace Kurkowski, Charles Maloney		
	4:30 pm UC	Fr. James			Walter Cwik, Kerry Plencner	Charles Korcz, Kim Mirabelli, Jim Mirabelli, Pat Lawlor	Eileen Cronin, Sean McGarry, Healing and Blessings for Sleszynski family, Healing and Blessings for Neva and Enrique Gireud, Healing and Blessings for Charles III, King of England, Healing and Blessings for Catherine Middleton, Princess of Wales
SUN, 4/21 World Day of Prayers for Vocations/ Fourth Sunday of Easter	7:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Paul Tinaglia, Kirke Machon	Alex Jasinowski, Christopher Buti, Reggie Higgins Reither	Carol Flanagan, Anthony Napolitano
	9:00 am UC	Fr. James			Anne Scialabba, Frances Johnson	Nicolette Vallejo, Cheryl Kaufman, Thomas Swoboda, Linda Swoboda	June Kerber
	10:30 am UC	Fr. Nick/ MN*	Debby Usher, Vincent Santucci	Iryna Olyva, Patty Beaudet-Frances, Philip Spagnolo, Joan Keefe	Stanislawa Gibas, Joseph Kuczmar, Claudette Kuczmar, Brian Masterson, Glenn Phillips, Zdzislaw Polakowski, Healing and Blessings for Mary Forrest Hopkins, Deceased members of the Dockery, Cooney and Forrest families		
	12:00 pm UC	Fr. James	Patti Nowak, Neda Naum	Katie Johnston, Patria Thomson, David Dempsey, Chris Paoelli	Elaine Cari, Robert Dumit, Mary Pieczalla		

*LEGEND: /MN = Deacon Martin Nyberg preaching

Inspirational First Communion Retreats

The first of our two First Communion Retreats was a wonderful success! A big thank you to Fr. James for his teaching Mass, to the volunteers that did all the set-up and clean-up, and to our families for their joyful participation!



Additional pictures can be found on the bottom of Catechesis' First Communion page: <https://spc-catechesis.net/first-communion/>

Anna Mae Parkhill
Director of Catechesis

Congratulations, Dr. Mickleburgh



On April 1, 2024 at the National Convention of Catholic Educators, St. Paul of the Cross School Principal, Dr. Erika Mickleburgh, received the prestigious Live, Learn, Proclaim Award. Dr. Mickleburgh is one of four principals nation-wide who received this award. The nomination was submitted by the Parish Council in recognition of Dr. Mickleburgh's dedication to Catholic education. When Dr. Mickleburgh was notified that the N.C.E.A. Board selected her to be an award recipient, she stated: "I am truly humbled by this award which truly reflects the strength of our faculty." SPC is blessed to have Dr. Mickleburgh's talent, commitment, leadership and faith. Congratulations Dr. M!!!!

Seminarian Lee Noel Wants to Tell You Thanks



Dear Fr. James, Fr. Nick, Erika, Leni, and the entire St. Paul of the Cross Church and Catholic School community.

Thank you very much for your support of the Diocese of Cheyenne through your Lenten almsgiving project with Catholic Extension. Your generosity means a lot to me because I know that it will contribute to building the kingdom

of God in the hearts of many people in Wyoming. Your almsgiving will go a long way towards supporting the work of missionary priests and churches out West.

It is a privilege to be part of the St. Paul of the Cross community with you all, and I am excited to serve you as a transitional deacon during my last year of seminary too. Thank you for allowing me to share my experience of Wyoming with you all and for welcoming me like family here.

God bless you, and if you find yourself in the Diocese of Cheyenne, it would be a privilege to show you the ropes out West

Peace,
Lee Noel



Opportunities at St. Paul of the Cross

JOE CAPITANI RISING STAR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES?

In an effort to promote and encourage Catholic Education, the St. Paul of the Cross Men's Club will award our 14th annual scholarship, worth \$5,000, to be utilized at any approved Catholic High School Institution in the Chicagoland area. This scholarship opportunity is open to any 8th Grade male parishioner of St. Paul of the Cross. The Rising Star Scholarship will be awarded to the deserving individual who...

- Demonstrates aptitude for extracurricular activities, has contributed to his community through philanthropy and demonstrates good Christian values.
- Completes a one-page essay.
- Participates in an informal interview with members of the SPC Men's Club Judging Committee.

All entries must be submitted by 5 PM Monday, May 6th. All applicants are to contact Steve Bachert from the St. Paul Men's Club at sbachert7@gmail.com or by phone, 312-399-9531 for complete details, eligibility requirements, and submission information.

Announcements

St Paul of the Cross School Board Openings for 2024-25 Academic Year

The St. Paul of the Cross School Board has three openings for the upcoming 2024-25 school year. We invite parents and parish members to consider taking a leadership role and participating on the school board.

As an advisory board, our school board assists our Principal, Dr. Erika Mickelburgh, in formulating and implementing policies and procedures to run our parish school. The school board meets monthly during the school year. Board activities include finance, academic education, religious education, public relations, technology and building planning. The eligibility requirements for the Board are as follows:

1. 21 years of age or older
2. Registered member of the Parish
3. No full time or part-time employees of the school or immediate member of the family of an employee shall be eligible for Board membership
4. Genuine interest in Catholic education
5. Ability to work with others to achieve consensus
6. Available for meeting and committee work
7. Ability to maintain confidentiality and exhibit the highest levels of respect and integrity.

If you are interested in participating on the school board, please email Siobhan Haugh at: siobhan.haugh3@gmail.com or schoolboard@spc-school.net. You may also contact any of the current board members listed on the SPC school website.

The nomination deadline is **Tuesday, April 16, 2024.**

SCRIPTURE SEMINAR *with* FATHER JAMES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH
9:00 am
Holy Family Chapel

Please join Fr. James at the next SCRIPTURE SEMINAR on Wednesday, APRIL 17th at 9:00 am in the Holy Family Chapel. The group will discuss and pray over a scripture passage, and try to use the sacred text to deal with some questions we all may have. Sessions are not dependent on one another, so attend at your leisure. No fee, registration or prior knowledge of the Bible required.

NEW PICK-UP BASKETBALL TIME

Pick up basketball will be held on Thursday nights from 8-10PM.

Please contact

Gerry Brett

geraldbrett@gmail.com

or Doug Mahoney

dmahone1@gmail.com

to get added to the APP list to ensure availability.

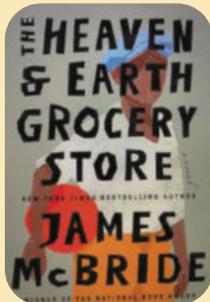
BOOK CLUB

MONDAY, APRIL 29TH

7:30 pm

Morello Center A/B Room

Please join us for our next book club meeting where we will discuss *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride



All are welcome!

SPC SCHOOL KID'S SUMMER CAMP IS ALMOST HERE

Our summer camp schedule is as follows:

JUNE 10-14

JUNE 17-21

JUNE 24-28

VISIT: <https://www.spc-school.net/parents/summer-camp> TO LEARN MORE.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE YOUR EASTER DONATION

www.givecentral.org/location/133/event/30045



Our Easter collection constitutes a sizable portion of our annual budget to fund vital ministries and areas of operation for our parish.

Thank you for your generosity to this year's Easter collection

A Tax-Savvy Way to Support St. Paul of the Cross

Please help us cover our increased operating costs by considering a direct gift of securities or mutual funds that have appreciated in value and have been held for more than one year. When you donate appreciated securities or mutual funds to our parish, you can reduce or even eliminate federal capital gains taxes on the transfer. You may also be entitled to a federal income tax charitable deduction based on the fair market value of the securities at the time of the transfer. For more information about donating stock or securities, please contact your financial advisor. To make a stock donation to St. Paul of the Cross, please visit archchicago.org/stockgiftform and complete the electronic Letter of Intention form. Once you have submitted the form, you will receive a confirmation email with detailed instructions for you to complete your gift. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Whitehead, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.7461 or kwhitehead@archchicago.org.

Word On the Street

TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

HARP & FIDDLE

110 MAIN ST, PARK RIDGE

**YOU ARE INVITED
TO AN EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP AND CONVERSATION**

WITH

FR. JAMES WALLACE

&

FR. TIM ANASTOS

APPETIZERS WILL BE PROVIDED!

CASH BAR WILL BE AVAILABLE!

EMAIL NICKTESTA@SPC-CHURCH.ORG WITH QUESTIONS

ALL ARE WELCOME!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

St. Paul's Vacation Bible School

Table of Plenty 2024

For ALL Incoming PK 4 yr – 5th Graders

Come join us here at St. Paul's for our VBS Program – Table of Plenty! The yummy schedule for this weeklong adventure is to strengthen your child's faith with fun and faith-filled activities. Children will learn that everyone is welcome at God's table! They will sing songs, play games, make crafts and have fun all while discovering the beauty of Jesus' love filled teachings. Sign Up Today!

When: June 17 through June 21 - 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Where: St. Paul of the Cross Campus

Cost: This adventure is \$65 for one child / \$95 for two children / \$105 for three or more children

Who: Students entering 4 year old Preschool through 5th grade this coming school year 2024-2025

Materials and Snacks ARE INCLUDED in the price!

PLEASE PRINT

CHILD'S NAME: _____

GRADE in FALL: _____

ALLERGIES: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

FULL ADDRESS: _____

BEST PHONE: _____ EMERGENCY # _____

PARENT EMAIL: _____

PAYMENT: Use our online payment site (accepts both credit cards & electronic checks)
<https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/133/event/37309>

OR

By check made payable to St. Paul of the Cross & drop off along with Reg Form at Kinane Center

Email the Reg Form to spccatechesis@yahoo.com

Information on groups & other specifics will be emailed in June

We Need High School or College age class leaders – email us!

QUESTIONS?
847-692-2758 OR spccatechesis@yahoo.com



Social Service Ministry Corner

SPC'S NEW BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY LEADER



It gives me great pleasure to introduce Kathy Jarosch, our new SPC Bereavement Ministry leader! Kathy officially takes over this role effective April 15, 2024.

Kathy has been a parishioner of St. Paul of Cross since Fall of 1984, about the same time she moved to Park Ridge. Aside from raising a family and working in corporate America, Kathy has spent many years serving others, doing volunteer work. After retiring from her job late in 2017, she was asked to join SPC's bereavement ministry and she said "yes"!

For those who don't know, a SPC bereavement minister is a trained volunteer parishioner who is dedicated to the needs of family and friends when they have suffered the loss of a loved one. They collaborate and consult with the families to prepare, and plan the specifics of the funeral liturgy. A leader has additional responsibilities of directing and supporting fellow bereavement ministers. With the recommendation of her predecessor, Margaret Teich, Kathy valiantly accepted her new leadership role. And while her schedule is full with babysitting duties (she has six grandchildren!), she finds solace and a calling to serve in the bereavement ministry.

Kathy, I know you will do a wonderful job! Thank you for your service!

Leni Duffy,
SSM Director

THE MINISTRY OF CARE



The Ministry of Care is an active ministry at St. Paul of the Cross with more than twenty friendly volunteers ready to bring Communion to parishioners at home. Whether you reside in a house, apartment or senior living community, they are happy to work with your schedule and bring Communion to you. The relationship can be short term or long term; either way participating will make you feel more connected to the St. Paul of the Cross Community.

For more information or to request a visit, please contact Ann Vidovic, our coordinator and lead for this ministry at viddesign4@gmail.com or (224)436-4646.

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God Bless You!
Leni Duffy, SSM Director



PANTRY NEEDS THIS WEEK

- * Pancake mix and syrup
- * Ketchup
- * Cookies
- * Strawberry jelly

Archive Corner with Mark Miller

This week in the Archive Corner, we have a testimonial from a parishioner who shared a story about his father and Mother Cabrini. In researching Mother Cabrini's time at St. Paul of the Cross, I have found it to be short. She started her farm in this area shortly before she died in 1917. Nonetheless, the Archive Corner has also added a few early photos of St. Paul of the Cross, showing what she must have seen at that time.

Testimonial

Not many Parishes can claim a canonized Saint as a Parishioner

My Dad grew up on a farm in Northeast Iowa. My grandmother was a devout Catholic and often prayed to Our Lady and the saints. She prayed for the causes of sainthood for various future saints, including Mother Cabrini. One of my dad's chores on the farm was to milk the cows. When he was 8 years old, he was kicked in the leg by a calf, which caused an infection in his leg. The infection was serious enough for the local doctor to tell my grandparents to take him to a hospital to get treatment for the infection.

The doctors at the hospital did not have a good prognosis. They said that the infection had traveled to the bone and there were two options. The first option was to amputate the leg to prevent the infection from spreading. There was a new option that had just become available to civilians the month before, after widespread use in World War II, which had saved a lot of lives from battlefield infections. That second option would employ a new antibiotic treatment called penicillin, with the wound remaining open during treatment.

My grandparents fortunately chose the latter option, and during my dad's hospitalization, my grandmother sent up a lot of prayers to Mother Cabrini, whose cause for sainthood had been progressing closer to her canonization at the time. After a long 30-day hospital stay, with the penicillin treatment and no doubt, Mother Cabrini's help as well, my dad's leg was saved, and he regained full use of his leg. Mother Cabrini would be canonized a saint in 1946, not due to her intercession for my dad, but nonetheless, I don't doubt she played a part in his healing.

Dad moved to Edison Park a year later, never knowing how close he was to Mother Cabrini's old stomping grounds at her order's farm near Oakton and Northwest Hwy and at St. Paul of the Cross, where she had been a parishioner.

When we became St. Paul of the Cross parishioners many years ago, I was pleased to learn that Mother Cabrini had been a parishioner at one time. Not many parishes can claim a canonized saint as a parishioner!

Thank you,

Tim O'Regan

Mother Cabrini Might Have Seen These...



The First Communion



Father Augustine Scannell
(Founding Pastor)



The First Church



The First Church's Altar

It's Time To Tend The Garden! Earn Service Hours!



Sponsor A Raised Bed in our Vegetable Garden to Feed the Hungry!

Sponsoring our parish vegetable garden means planting, watering, and harvesting your own 4'x4' raised bed throughout the growing season. We supply the boxes, organic mix, grids, trellises, and plants, plus all the information and support you need to make your garden grow. In keeping with our mission to feed the hungry, the vegetables we grow will be distributed through our food pantry.

OUR PARISH GARDEN IS LOCATED ON THE CORNER OF SUMMIT AND RIDGE TERRACE
PROJECT REQUIREMENTS:

1. Attend ORIENTATION MEETING on Monday, May 6 at 7 PM in the parish garden
2. Attend SPRING CLEANUP on Saturday, May 11 at 9 AM in the parish garden
3. Attend PARISH PLANTING DAY on Saturday, May 18 at 9 AM in the parish garden
4. Plant, water, and weed your box regularly May through October
5. Water daily in hot weather
6. Ask another gardener to tend your box if you go out of town
7. Sign up for a HARVEST, DISTRIBUTION, AND DELIVERY DATE (list of dates will be provided to all gardeners)
8. Pay \$30 fee to SPC Social Service Ministry to reserve your box (see below for instructions)
9. Sign and date this form and return it with your payment to the rectory or bring with you to the Orientation Meeting on May 6th.

Please Note: By Signing and Submitting the completed registration form below with your payment, you agree to the Project Requirements as outlined above.

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

Email _____ Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment: CASH/CHECK/ONLINE: Please make your check out to SPC Social Service Ministry and return check or cash payment to the rectory (to the attention of Leni Duffy) or bring it to the Orientation Meeting on Monday, May 6th. You may also pay using the following link: <https://shorturl.at/kHJT6>

Ministry Corner

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



With a parish as large as St. Paul of the Cross, the priests and deacons here rely upon our extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to help us to distribute this life saving food, the Bread from Heaven and the Precious blood of our Lord. I was first certified to deliver Holy Communion in college seminary and found it to be a humbling experience and a fulfilling ministry. We are always looking for those who would join our team and be a part of this sacred service. There are yearly trainings and a retreat in collaboration with our parish grouping for ongoing formation and learning. Anyone who has been confirmed can join this ministry. If you missed our most recent training and would still like to join or would like more information, email me at frnick@spc-church.org.

Yours in Christ,

Father Nicholas Cavallari

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(Upper Church)

Monday through Friday 6:25 am - 8:30 am*
Saturday 8:30 am* - daily Mass
4:30 pm* - vigil
Sunday 7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am*
12:00 pm

* Livestreamed services. Our 10:30 am Sunday Mass is also simulcast to our Upper Church vestibule and Holy Family Chapel

MONTHLY FAMILY MASS

(Holy Family Chapel)

2nd Sunday Family Mass 10:30 am

TEEN MASS (open to the public)

(Upper Church)

Sunday, May 19th, 2024 12:00 pm

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(Upper Church vestibule)

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Saturday 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

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