



**SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
DIOCESE OF PEORIA PRINCETON, ILLINOIS



**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**



***“GOD, IN YOUR GOODNESS, YOU HAVE MADE  
A HOME FOR THE POOR.” ~ PSALM 68***

**Mass Schedule**

Monday & Thursday 5:15 pm  
Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Friday 7:00 am  
Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm,  
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am

**Eucharistic Adoration** is held in the  
Adoration Chapel at all times.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/  
Benediction Tuesdays, 8 am - noon in  
the Chapel; Mondays & Thursdays in the  
Church from 4 - 5 pm

**Confessions**

Monday & Thursday  
from 4:30-5:00 pm  
Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm  
By appointment; please call the  
Parish Office.

Dear St. Louis Parishioners,

What a wonderful gathering we had last weekend, as we celebrated our parish feast day and looked forward to all that we have coming up in the fall. First, let me begin by thanking everyone for helping to make it such a great success. Thank you to everyone who attended, contributing to the overall community engagement. Thanks to all who brought a dish to share at the potluck - so many delicious choices were offered! Thanks to all of our volunteers, who helped with the individual booths, for your respective groups. And finally, I want to thank our parish staff, especially Paula Lough and Julia Mead (co-chairs), for all of the hard work in planning and preparations. Job well done! This great celebration provided us another opportunity to witness how the intercession of Saint Louis inspires us to be good stewards, giving of our time, talent and treasure to serve and build up the community. When we do this, we embrace living as faithful citizens in the Kingdom of God, which was the focus of that great king, who always sought to point to Christ the King. For this reason, we celebrate also the example of humility that our patron offers us. We don't work for any glory of our own, but seek to serve and advance the glory of the King of creation and of our hearts: Jesus Christ, our Crucified and Risen Lord. Our readings this weekend certainly point us toward this humility, as does the example of Our Blessed Mother. As Our Lord has made clear, the one who humbles himself or herself shall be exalted. Thus is the one who identifies herself as "the handmaiden of the Lord" greatly honored in becoming the Mother of God and finally crowned in heaven (Revelation 12). Many images of Our Lady depict her in her dual role as Mother and as Queen, including the one we are featuring this week: Our Lady of Czestohowa. Our copy (front cover) of the image hangs in the hallway outside of Harkrader Hall, next to the Annunciation image featured two weeks ago, and was donated by Ron Pioterek, whose funeral was celebrated here at Saint Louis just a few months ago. When I first met Ron, he and his wife Ruth were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. When I prayed with him in his final days, there was a certain gleam in his eyes, as he spoke of having gifted Our Lady of Czestohowa to the parish. May we all strive to have such a devotion to Our Lady, that she may teach us the humility of true children of God! This notion of allowing her to teach us this humility is quite appropriate for this particular devotion, as the more simple, original image from which the, now much decorated, Our Lady of Czestohowa evolved was a popular Eastern Catholic icon known as the "Hodegetria" ("One Who Shows the Way"). This "One Who Shows the Way" was originally clothed simply in a mantle covered in fleurs-de-lis (a meaningful image for us) and was so named because of the gesture of her hand, which directs our attention toward Christ, whose hand is raised in blessing toward us. Over the years, this image which hangs in Jasna Gora Monastery in Czestohowa, Poland, has withstood a great deal of turmoil and is believed to have miraculously both been protected from Hussite raiders in 1430 (who inflicted the two slashes on her cheek) and in turn protected the monastery from Swedish forces in 1655. In gratitude to Our Lady, not only was the image restored after such incidents, but also has been further decorated with crowns of gold and jewels. She who humbled herself has been exalted, in more ways than one. The image is devoutly venerated, especially by Polish Catholics, and has made Jasna Gora a very popular destination for pilgrimage. In fact, many Polish pilgrims testify to having made dangerous, secret pilgrimages, amidst the threat of Nazi occupation in World War II. One such daring pilgrim was none other than Karol Wojtyla, later known as Saint John Paul II. As a final fact, which makes her feature on this weekend's bulletin especially appropriate, her feast day was celebrated just this past Monday (August 26th), the day after our own! Our Lady of Czestohowa, pray for us!

**TEC KICKOFF:** Just like we had our parish fall kick-off event last weekend with the Feast Day Potluck & Activities Fair, Peterstown TEC will be having its own kick-off event next weekend. This will consist of a Sunday Mass at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Peterstown, followed by a social with music, games, snacks and guided tours of the center. Any high school teenager or adult, especially if you have been on a TEC team or have thought about doing so, are welcome to join us next Sunday night, at 5 PM in Peterstown. Likewise, any teens who will be sixteen or older this year, who haven't yet made a TEC weekend, are encouraged to mark their calendars for the next available weekends: November 2-4 (Guys) & December 7-9 (Girls).

**LABOR DAY:** This Monday (September 2nd), our Labor Day Mass will be moved to 9 AM and will serve as the only public liturgy for the day (no adoration, confessions, or evening Mass), as is our custom for civic holidays. It is good to take this time to remember what we were made for. Human work is indeed a good and noble thing. Nonetheless, we cannot be defined by our work or our utility. Even our work and our productivity will be better served by this recovery of priority and purpose in our lives. The intuition that prompted the establishment of this holiday is a manifestation of the fact that the need for a sabbath is indeed built into us, rather than being an arbitrary command of God. Let us embrace this day of rest to prioritize relationships and rest in our life. And let it be a reminder to prioritize our relationship with the Lord and to guard that relationship with a true weekly sabbath, a true day of rest consecrated to the Lord.

In Christ through Mary,  
Fr. Gifford

St. Louis, pray for us!  
Blessed Mary, Queen Mother of the King of Kings, pray for us!

## SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP



This Monday the Parish Office will be closed and Labor Day Mass will be moved to 9 AM and will serve as the only public liturgy for the day (no adoration, confessions, or evening Mass).

The Glimmer of Comfort Grief Support Group will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 6 PM at 121 Miles Court, Princeton. This group is for women who have lost children from an illness, accident, suicide or miscarriage and is open to all who can benefit from sharing concerns and feelings with women who know the pain of dealing with the loss of a child. It doesn't matter how long ago your loss occurred, you should never have to feel you are carrying your grief alone. The women who come to this group genuinely care about one another. Shelley Gorenz, a professional counselor, facilitates the gatherings. The door is always open and if you know of anyone, Catholic or non-Catholic, who could benefit by attending this group, please feel free to invite them and feel free to join us as a support person. For more information, please call Jeanie Gelsomino at (815) 872-6571 or e-mail me at gels5555@aol.com.

OUR TABLE ~ This will be the last weekend to sign up for Our Table. I will have a reminder sheet on the information table in Harkrader Hall foyer on September 7/8 weekend. Thank you. Call Linda McCabe with any questions—815-875-2539.

### Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

*St. Therese, Patroness of Vocations, pray for us!*

## STEWARDSHIP

### Church Monetary Support for the weekend of August 24/25, 2019

Weekly Budget	\$7,250.00
Amount Received	<u>\$6,618.00</u>
Amount Over/(Under)	(\$632.00)

### Fiscal period July 1, 2019— June 30, 2020

Amount needed to date	\$58,000.00
Amount received to date	<u>\$53,397.00</u>
Over (Under) budget to date	(\$4,603.00)

### Children's Offering

Total this weekend	\$25.00
Fiscal year total	\$137.28

### Parish Staff

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr Daniel Gifford Email: stl.fr.gifford@gmail.com
<b>Deacon</b>	John Murphy Wk: 664-1155/Hm: 646-4723
<b>Trustees</b>	Dan Legner Mary Paula Schmitt
<b>Admin Assistant</b>	Paula Lough
<b>Business Manager</b>	Renee Toomey
<b>Director of Religious Education</b>	Julia Mead Email: stl.juliamead@gmail.com
<b>Youth Coordinator</b>	Caylee Kennedy Email: stl.cayleekennedy@gmail.com
<b>RCIA Coordinator</b>	Susanna Prushinski Email: stl.susannaprushinski@gmail.com
<b>Maintenance</b>	Bill Uher

### Parish Office

616 S Gosse Blvd., Princeton, IL 61356  
Office hours: Monday - Thursday ~ 8 am - 3 pm  
Friday ~ 8 am - noon  
Phone/Fax: (815) 879-0181

Office of Religious Education Phone 815-872-3199  
E-mail: stlparishoffice@gmail.com  
Website: www.stlouisprinceton.org

### Other Sacramental Information

**Marriages** ~ Call the parish office at least eight months before the wedding.

**Baptisms** ~ Normally after 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Requires registration at St Louis Parish and participation in baptismal preparation (held the third Thursday of every odd month). Please wait until after the preparation to choose Godparents. Call parish office for more information.

### Other Information

#### **Rosary**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday *after* Mass  
Monday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday *before* Mass.

#### **If going out of town**

Locate Mass Times by visiting: [www.MassTimes.org](http://www.MassTimes.org)

#### **Bulletin Announcements**

Submitted to Parish Office *no later than noon*  
*on Tuesday* for publication the following Sunday.

#### **Joining the Parish**

Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

**Eucharist Adoration** is held in the Adoration Chapel at all times. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Benediction Tuesdays, 8 am - noon in the Chapel; Mondays & Thursdays in the Church from 4 - 5 pm

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## LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

### Liturgical Roles

**Daily Servers** For September 2-6, 2019 9-2 Ben Larsen,  
9-3 Brennan Roden, 9-4 Luke Smith,  
9-5 Simeon & Faustina Bystry, Daniel Mead

#### **4:00 pm: Saturday September 7**

Servers Luke, Matthew, Andrew Peacock  
Lectors Peacock Family  
Eucharistic Mandy Robinson, Jim Whitmore  
Sacristan Mandy Robinson  
Ushers Rick Torri, Mike Boesch, John Cotter, Tim Hermeyer

#### **7:30 am: Sunday, September 8**

Servers *Servers needed, please check in with Sacristy*  
Lectors Mary Paula Schmitt, Morgan Richards  
Eucharistic Rita Tracey, Bernetta Wood  
Sacristan Lori Atilano  
Ushers Mike Farley, Gary Blessman, Wayne Stone,  
Dennis Thompson

#### **9:00 am: Sunday, September 8**

Servers Jessica Carlone, Colton & Mallory Maubach  
Lectors: Diane & Mario Carlone  
Eucharistic Bethany Brigham, Pat Galassi-Carlson  
Sacristan Susanna Prushinski  
Ushers Jim Whiteaker, Quint Quiram, Dan Legner,  
Tyson Phillips, Addie Hecht

#### **10:30 am: Sunday, September 8**

Servers Dillion Forbeck, Daniel Mead, Brennan Roden  
Lectors David Roden and Emma Roden  
Eucharistic Joe & Sally Quagliano  
Sacristan Peg Sandberg  
Ushers Bob Hartwig, Chris Romagnoli, Ken Lough,  
Olivia Longeville

Home Ministry ~ Bethany Brigham, Pat Galassi-Carlson

Nursing Homes ~ Colleen Harmon, Mary Harmon,  
Linda Johnson, Cathy Trowbridge, Chris Williams

### Readings for the week of September 1, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19,  
22-24/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3-5, 11-13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18/Ps 90:3-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10,  
12-17/Lk 14:25-33

### St Louis Parish's Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima



Would you like to host Mary in your home?  
The host family is asked to pray a daily  
Rosary, praying in particular for an increase in  
vocations to the Priesthood. If you would be  
interested in hosting, please sign up on the  
sheet on the information table in Harkrader  
Hall's foyer.

### Mass Intentions

Monday, September 2 Weekday/Labor Day

\*9:00 am + Phyllis & Clarence Pagano

Tuesday, September 3 Saint Gregory the Great

7:00 am +Mary Peterson

\*\*9:00 am + John Stenbeck

Wednesday, September 4 Weekday

7:00 am Ron Hulslander

Thursday, September 5 Weekday

4:00 pm *Eucharistic Adoration*

5:15 pm + Karen Swanson

Friday, September 6 Weekday

7:00 am + Jean Hall

Saturday, September 7 Vigil of Twenty-third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

4:00 pm + Marita Jagers by Phyllis Johnson

Sunday, September 8 Twenty-third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

7:30 am +Gary Wright by Alan & Bernetta Wood

9:00 am People of the Parish

10:30 am +Jonathan Dyer

\*Note Change of Mass time

\*\*Liberty Village

### **Prayer for Labor Day**

Lord on this Labor  
Day, we thank You for  
the blessing of work.

We ask for strength to  
complete each day.

We ask for rest when  
we are weary.

We ask Your  
guidance for everyone  
seeking employment,  
and we ask that  
You be with those  
whose faces we might  
never see but who work tirelessly  
each day for the good of us all.

**Amen.**

—from *Our Sunday Visitor*



## FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP

### *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*

**Registrations** are underway! Please bring a completed form to the Parent Gathering next week. Forms can be found on our website or by contacting Julia Mead, [stl.juliamead@gmail.com](mailto:stl.juliamead@gmail.com) | 872-3199.

### PARENT INFORMATIONAL GATHERINGS (choose one)

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 6:00-7:00 pm

**OR**

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 6:00-7:00 pm

**Childcare is available!**

*Come find out about the opportunities available for your family this year at St Louis Parish.*

### Households of Faith for Parents

AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE  
WE WILL

*Serve the Lord*  
John 24:13

After much prayerful consideration and discernment over the summer months, our Households are set to begin! Households of Faith are Christ-centered groups of parents who gather together in mutual support, encouragement and ongoing formation in

their roles as primary educators of their children, in order to come to a better understanding of how to build up the Body of Christ in the Domestic Church, while acknowledging the challenges of that task with openness and honesty. These small groups, facilitated by Household leaders, gathering together to pray and study.

Our Household Leaders who will be leading us into a deeper prayer life this year are:

- ◆ Tom & Patty Daluga, meeting two Sundays/month from 11:40 am-1:00 pm
- ◆ Steve & Colleen Harmon, meeting on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month from 6:00-7:30 pm
- ◆ Tim & Jane Taylor, meeting on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month from 6:00-7:00 pm

We are so grateful for their willingness to share their fervor for our faith with the families of our parish. Please keep them in your prayers!

### Children's Mass and **Second Sunday**



All families of the parish are encouraged to attend the 10:30 am Children's Mass on Sunday, September 8th. Pews toward the front will be reserved for families with young children. Please consider sitting in those pews. Father Gifford addresses his homilies at the children's Masses *to the children*, and it would be helpful to have children there! 😊

## YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP

**Jr. High Youth Ministry:** Our first Jr. High Youth Ministry night will be Sunday, October 6th from 5:30-7pm! If you are in 7th or 8th grade, come kick-off the year with games and opportunities to deepen your relationship with Christ! This year, we also hope to offer a variety of opportunities for the Jr. High students to gather and grow in their faith together outside of the regularly scheduled youth ministry nights. Stay tuned for more info!

**High School Youth Ministry!** The school year has begun and soon, our youth ministry events will start up for the semester! Here are some dates to mark on your calendar! Sunday, September 8th, the TEC program is hosting a kick-off for any high school students. This will begin with Mass at 5pm at the TEC center and dinner will follow! Our parish Youth Ministry Kick-off will be Sunday, September 15th from 7-9pm! Bring friends!!

## YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

### Young Adult Ministry

We are bringing back **Spiritually Thirsty Thursday** this fall! Join us for our first event which will be on Thursday, September 19th at 7pm. We'll start with a Holy Hour and there will be pizza afterwards!



## ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

**Men's Study** will resume on Monday, September 16th (6:30 PM) with a dinner to introduce our new focus for the fall and plan for our next study.

### Word of God Women's Prayer Group

We will not meet Friday, September 6. We will resume September 13 at 8:00. All women are invited to join us for one hour of prayer and reflection. Hope to see you then. Please call Linda McCabe with any questions.

### Reinvigorate Your Prayer Life!

**Oremus: A guide to Catholic Prayer**  
Sept 17th—Nov 5th Tuesday Nights 6-7:30 pm  
For More Information contact  
Mario Carlone—815-878-6797  
Diane Carlone—815-866-1660

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