



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



**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JULY 21, 2019**



*“...which I am a minister in accordance with God’s stewardship given to me the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past.”*  
~ Colossians 1

**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,

From the moment that Jesus set out on this journey to Jerusalem, which comprises the section of the Gospel of Luke we are currently reading in our Sunday Lectionary, He knew what awaited Him there. He knew that He was going to His death. Much of the journey deals with the readiness to face this ultimate sacrifice for the love of the Father and the salvation of our souls. As the opposition against Him grows and His awareness of His fate continues to be apparent, it gives greater weight to an otherwise more casual reading, such as this weekend's reading. That house in Bethany where the three siblings, Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, lived was a place of solace for Him, along the journey toward His death upon the cross. It was a place where He could be at rest and at peace among friends. It might cause our minds to return to that theme, which keeps coming up in this Liturgical Year, of the place of Safe Refuge. This theme first came up when we first received our Saint Michael statue (front cover) into our sanctuary. The place of safe refuge in the desert was the place to which the woman, who stands both for Mary and for all of us as her children, goes to find solace, peace and rest, as Michael fights the battle for us. How often in life do we have to entrust the battles that often seem to confront us to the Lord, while we learn to seek refuge in Him?! May our Saint Michael statue always be a reminder to us that we can entrust these things to Him, especially with the help of the intercession of this angelic guardian of the whole People of God. As we entrust these things to Him, we can strive with the help of His grace, flowing from our prayer, to make our parish, as well as homes and social circles, places of safe refuge, where all who enter may find the freedom to cast their cares on Christ who cares for us. When we consider how Mary, Martha, and Lazarus made of their home a place of safe refuge for Our Lord, we can learn a few things about hospitality. At other points in the Gospels, we see the role of Lazarus in witnessing to the beautiful mystery of new life in Christ. After he was risen from the dead, people followed the disciples to that home in Bethany, not only to hear from Christ, but also to witness the miracle worked for Lazarus. In humility, Lazarus received these guests and allowed them to wonder at the good thing Christ had done for him, in order that they too might come to know Him! Meanwhile, we see two necessary aspects of hospitality in his sisters, as Martha exemplifies the service that is to be given to one's guest, while Mary reminds us of the need for personal attention and genuine presence. Service is indeed needed, in order to show fitting hospitality, but as Martha learns the hard way, it is all the more necessary to be genuinely present to your guests, giving them the gift of your attention. May we follow Mary's example, by being present, attentive and aware of those around us, especially at Mass, to whom we ought to show our hospitality. Especially in the summer, it is not uncommon to have visitors and extended family with us. Recently, I had a visitor share with me after Mass that she perceived, "This must be a very vibrant parish!" Naturally, this made me very pleased, as it is a sign of the Holy Spirit at work, resulting in a parish coming fully alive! May all of our guests encounter Christ in our liturgies and in the members of the Body, as parishioners welcome them warmly!

**ADULT DISCIPLESHIP EVENT AT TOTUS TUUS POTLUCK:** Naturally, since Mary's actions exemplify, not only attentive hospitality toward our guests, but also attention to the Lord in prayer, we are going to have an opportunity this week to recall this necessary link between prayer and hospitality. Our Totus Tuus Potluck is this Wednesday evening at 5pm. As I have said, it is not simply for the children and their parents, but a moment of fellowship and renewal for the whole parish. All are welcome and encouraged to join us. Please come and visit with old friends, as well as perhaps making new ones (always an important part of hospitality). After dinner, as the youth go on to their evening session, all adults are welcome to join us in the Saint Jerome Room, for a relaxed, but formative Adult Discipleship Event. We will focus on prayer this year, by watching the episode "*The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit*," from Bishop Robert Barron's *Catholicism* series.

**TOTUS TUUS & TOTUS TOTS:** Of course, this week is also a time of spiritual growth, fun and fellowship for our children as well. I am very excited about another week of Totus Tuus here at Saint Louis Parish, as well as the first year of Totus Tots! For Totus Tuus, we are excited to welcome Jack, Kristine, Mary Margaret, and Sam to our parish, who will lead our children and youth in their program for this summer, as they discuss the Sacraments and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, which help us to better appreciate the ultimate revelation of God's love for us on the cross! I am also grateful to Mary Jo Gustafson, Donna Milliron, and Rita Tracey for their leadership in our first ever Totus Tots program, which will bring these same truths to an even more introductory level, through an engaging and fun extension of Totus Tuus for our youngest children! Finally, thanks again to Caylee Kennedy for her work as our parish coordinator for Totus Tuus, as well as Lydia Mead and Carrie Jaeger, who have been working closely with assisting her in various capacities.

In Christ through Mary,  
Fr. Gifford

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

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#### **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**

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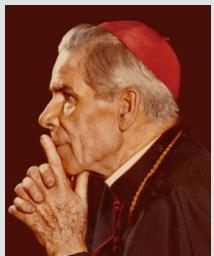
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#### **SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP**

##### **Venerable Servant of God Fulton J. Sheen**

With the return of Archbishop Sheen to his place of rest in the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Bishop Jenky was pleased to announce that his Cause for Beatification and Canonization has resumed.



To help communicate information about the Cause and a hopeful future Beatification, the Diocese of Peoria has launched a new website, [celebratesheen.com](http://celebratesheen.com). This website will provide information about the Venerable Servant of God as it becomes available and answers many questions about the Cause. There are many people who have already come to the Cathedral to make a visit to the tomb. Please know that you and all the faithful of the Diocese of Peoria are welcome to come to the Cathedral to visit the resting place of Archbishop Sheen. More information will be forthcoming as the Cause progresses.

**FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND:** Next weekend, July 27 & 28, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting nonperishable food items and monetary donations for the Bureau County Food Pantry. The Pantry is once again in the position where they need "everything." The usual high need items remain: breakfast cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, and rice/pasta. There is a continuing need for sugar-free, gluten-free and low sodium items. Thanks to all for so generously sharing your treasure.

#### **SUPPORT FATHER FABIEN'S AFRICAN MISSIONS!**



At all the Masses this weekend, we had the opportunity to learn of the many good works accomplished by the SMA Fathers in their ministry to the African people, and we also learned more about the great needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout Africa. Additional information about the SMA Fathers is available at all the entrances to the church. Your generosity to the SMA Fathers during the second collections this weekend is sincerely appreciated, as we thank Father Fabien for his coverage of our parish these last two weeks during Father Gifford's absence. Farewell and safe travels, Father Fabien! We hope to see you again next year!

## LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

### Liturgical Roles

**Daily Servers** For July 22-26, 2019 7-22 Daniel Mead, 7-23 Brennan Roden, 7-24 Jessica Carlone, 7-25 Sara Ruiz, 7/26 Brinley & Nolan Kloeppling

#### **4:00 pm: Saturday July 27**

Servers Milo, Simeon and Faustina Bystry  
Lectors Joanne Stocking, Bob Schabow  
Eucharistic Patty Daluga, Jim Whitmore  
Sacristan Peg Sandberg  
Ushers Rick Torri, Mike Boesch, John Cotter, Tim Hermeyer

#### **7:30 am: Sunday, July 28**

Servers *Servers needed, please check in with Sacristy*  
Lectors Rita Pacunus, Bea Coates  
Eucharistic Rita Tracey, Bernetta Wood  
Sacristan Joann Bowman  
Ushers Mike Farley, Gary Blessman, Wayne Stone,  
Dennis Thompson

#### **9:00 am: Sunday, July 28**

Servers Lawrence Cameron and Christian Harmon  
Lectors: Katie Lawrence, Steve Harmon  
Eucharistic David Lawrence, Irene Milligan  
Sacristan Colleen and Christian Harmon  
Ushers Jim Whiteaker, Quint Quiram, Dan Legner,  
Tyson Phillips, Addie Hecht

#### **10:30 am: Sunday, July 28**

Servers Luke Bowen, Tim and Debbie Daluga  
Lectors Mary Archer, Emma Roden  
Eucharistic Mark Mead, Gene Menard  
Sacristan Susanna Prushinski  
Ushers Bob Hartwig, Chris Romagnoli, Ken Lough,  
Olivia Longeville

Home Ministry ~ David Lawrence, Irene Milligan

Nursing Homes ~ Linda Carter, Roger & Linda McCabe,  
Mandy Robinson, Rita Tracey, Chris Williams

### Diocesan 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

On September 29, 2019 at 3:30 pm Bishop Jenky will celebrate a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary for couples who are celebrating either their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019. Please contact the Parish Office if you are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage this year to ensure you receive a personal invitation from the Bishop.

### Readings for the week of July 21, 2019

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10/Ps 15:2-5 /Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42  
 Monday: Sg 3:1-4/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 /Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
 Tuesday: Ex 14:21-15:1/Ex 15:8-10 and 12, 17 /Mt 12:46-50  
 Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-28 /Mt 13:1-9  
 Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1-6 /Mt 20:20-28  
 Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8-11 /Mt 13:18-23  
 Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15 /Mt 13:24-30  
 Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3,6-8/Col 2:12-14/  
 Lk 11:1-13

### Mass Intentions

Monday, July 22 St. Mary Magdalene

11:15 am + Joan Smith  
4:00 pm *Eucharistic Adoration*  
5:15 pm + Dave Austin by Nancy Scoma

Tuesday, July 23 St. Bridget

7:00 am + Roger Balensiefen  
\*9:00 am Fr. Edward Harkrader  
11:15 am + Tom Makransky

Wednesday, July 24 St. Sharbel Makhlûf, Priest

7:00 am + Pauline Arkels  
11:15 am + Leo & Esther Maloney

Thursday, July 25 St. James, Apostle

11:15 am + Mary Peterson  
4:00 pm *Eucharistic Adoration*  
5:15 pm + Gib Martin by Mary Archer

Friday, July 26 St. Joachim and St. Anne

7:00 am + Daniel Moloney by Cathy Trowbridge  
11:15 am + Karen Swanson

Saturday, July 27 Vigil of the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm + John Ypson by Amie Neiman

Sunday, July 28 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am + Tom Shea  
9:00 am + Bud and Helen Kubitz  
10:30 am People of the Parish

\*Mass at Greenfield

**Our Table** ~ Thank you to all who contributed to Our Table on Monday, July 8th. We planned for 120 and served 121!! Luckily many people wanted one piece of chicken. God is always looking out for us, providing what we need. We had some leftover baked beans and some dessert. We donated the extra food for the funerals we had that week. Thank-you is not enough to express how grateful I am to all that donate food, paper goods, and of course give of their time. You are truly a blessing and I am overwhelmed with your dedication and help.



Linda McCabe

### STEWARSHIP

#### Church Monetary Support for the weekend of July 13/14, 2019

Weekly Budget	\$7,250.00
Amount Received	<u>\$7,195.00</u>
Amount Over/(Under)	(\$ 55.00)

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

Amount needed to date	\$14,500.00
Amount received to date	<u>\$14,687.00</u>
Over (Under) budget to date	\$ 187.00

#### Children's Offering

Total this weekend	\$ 7.00
Fiscal year total	\$21.50

## YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP

Jr. High Youth Ministry! Mark your calendar for our next Lunch and Games on THURSDAY, August 1st from 12-1:30pm! We will hang out, have lunch, and play games! This is open to any 7th or 8th grader, so bring friends!

High School Youth Ministry! We'll have one last summer gathering in August before everyone goes back to school. More details and a date will be announced soon!

Totus Tots and Totus Tuus is happening THIS WEEKEND! Any youth from 3 years old to those entering 12th grade are invited to participate in either Totus Tots or Totus Tuus! Check out the booth outside the hall for more information and a registration sheet! If you have registered already, expect an email soon with more information! Also, pick up a Prayer Pal card on your way out of Masses this weekend and pray for one of the team members or students attending the camp this week!



Thank you!! I want to extend a huge thank you to all the parents, teens, chaperones, and Father for making our mission trip to St. Louis, MO such a great week! We were able to help clean up different neighborhoods in the community and participate in the Sacraments and prayer throughout the week. Thank you also to everyone who was here praying for us. Your prayers were truly appreciated!



## FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP



**Calling all families!**  
Please join us for our end  
of summer **FAMILY  
POOL PARTY** at  
Alexander pool on  
Saturday, Aug 3rd, from 6:30-8:30 pm. RSVP  
by July 27th to Laury Mavity. 815-915-6360  
| email [mavityL@yahoo.com](mailto:mavityL@yahoo.com)

**Belonging Reunion** ~ On Tuesday, August 6th beginning at 5 pm, all who have participated in a Belonging Baptismal Prep session are invited to a Reunion/Cookout! Come and enjoy a meal and a chance to meet others who have had (or will have) a child Baptized in our parish in the last year or so. For more information contact Julia, 815-872-3199 | [stl.juliamead@gmail.com](mailto:stl.juliamead@gmail.com).