



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



**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 13, 2019**

**ST. LOUIS CHURCH**  
**INVITES YOU TO OUR**



*Day of  
Recollection*

**OCTOBER 19 | 8:30 am - 2:30 pm**

Humility as a Foundation for Prayer  
presented by Dr. Lawrence Feingold

A light breakfast and lunch will be provided and childcare is available!

*All are welcome!*

Dear St. Louis Parishioners,

The cover of this week's bulletin reminds us about the great opportunity we will have next Saturday to spend a day reflecting on humility as a foundation for prayer, with the help of Dr. Lawrence Feingold. Humility is both a foundation and a fruit of prayer. It is needed to approach the Lord, but also grows within us the more time we spend with Him. One who lacks humility takes God's gifts for granted or even takes credit for them. Meanwhile, humility moves our hearts to recognize the presence and activity of God in our lives, causing us to overflow in gratitude. This causes us to live lives of thanksgiving and praise. Without humility, we expect the world to notice and appreciate our own accomplishments, while humility wonders at the words of this weekend's psalm response: "*The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.*" This kind of humility that overflows into gratitude and praise causes us to behave like Naaman (in our first reading) and the one leper who returned to thank the Lord (in the Gospel). Notice in the story of Naaman how his gratitude overflows into praise of God, into genuine worship and adoration. Recognizing the gift God has given him, he is able to recognize the truth of who God is and the need to regard God as



holy. His thanksgiving overflows into praise. This is what we are to remember in our praying of the Our Father, when we come to the first petition of the prayer: "*Hallowed be Thy Name.*" This prayer both requires humility and causes humility to grow within us, as we begin to ask the Lord, not for any credit or glory of our own, but that His Name would be regarded as holy. Far too often, we fall short even of thanksgiving, lacking the humility to recognize God's gifts and thank Him for them. But, this thanksgiving is really only supposed to be the first step to living a life of *praise*, one that selflessly seeks to glorify God. When Jesus teaches us this petition in the Our Father, it should remind us that God has told us numerous times in the Old Testament that He intended to make His glory known in us, His people. He intends to reveal His glory and His saving power to the nations through the people He calls His own. So, the petition moves us to pray that His Name would be known and recognized as holy *in our own lives*. Consider how the images on the tabernacle in the main church (pictured here in this letter) invite us to reflect on this desire that His glory would be seen and known, that His Name may be regarded as holy. Atop the cross rests what appears to be a Eucharistic Host, displayed as if in a monstrance, with rays of glory emanating from it. On the cross-bars of the cross, we see the symbol of the Alpha and Omega (the beginning and the end) as the Lord is identified in the Book of

Revelation. And along the bottom, we see the words of the beautifully simple prayer: *Veni Jesu (Come, Jesus)*. When we reflect upon Our Lord waiting within the tabernacle, hidden under the humble disguise of the appearance of bread, the desire may grow within us for Him to come forth and show His glory. We may begin to desire that the world would begin to see that the living God, the Alpha and the Omega, the One who ever was and ever shall be, is ever present and active in our lives, from beginning to end. We may desire that the world would see the greatest of gifts, that God Himself is present to us and gives Himself to us in the humblest of forms, in the Holy Eucharist. In His humility, He hides His glory, inviting us to search for Him, to long for Him, to pine for Him. When we take the time to accept this invitation, we no longer take Him for granted, but we begin to see His glory and desire that all would see it and show Him fitting worship and adoration. We desire that His Name would be regarded as holy. When we stop and notice His gifts, we cannot help but to be humbled and to overflow in both thanksgiving and praise. Then, the prayer He taught us begins to become our own: *Hallowed be Thy Name*.

**ANOTHER RECOMMENDATION ON FORMED:** On a related note, since I have recently encouraged you to check out Formed.org (again, if you haven't for awhile), I have a more specific recommendation for you. On Formed, you can find a couple of great studies to add to your watchlist while you're folding laundry or whenever is your best time. There is an engaging and enriching feature on the Eucharist in the series called "Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist." If you want to go a bit more in depth for a longer study on the same topic, I also recommend the study called "Lectio: Eucharist with Dr. Brandt Pitre." While the first is more of a creative series, the second entails a more involved bible study, which looks closely at how everything we believe about the Eucharist is deeply rooted in Scripture.

**ST. LOUIS LIVE! THANKS:** This is the first bulletin article I've written since our second annual *Saint Louis Live!* Due to time constraints, I have not even had a chance yet to acknowledge this year's guests in the bulletin. This year, we welcomed Steve Kelly, Jeanie Gelsomino, Dcn. John Murphy and Patsy Bystry (along with her mother, Rachel). I am grateful that the Lord called this diverse group of people to share a bit of their own journey in growing in prayer. And I am very grateful to them for being willing to share that with all who came to join us for that fun and inspiring event. Thank you to all of you for your generosity. Also, thank you to Dave Roden, our host, and Vince Gelsomino, our co-host and musical accompaniment. Stay tuned, as the video should be appearing on our YouTube channel very soon!

In Christ through Mary,  
Fr. Gifford

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

#### 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.

**Pastor** Fr Daniel Gifford  
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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 and Thursday *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.

## **STEWARDSHIP**

### **Church Monetary Support for the weekend of October 5/6, 2019**

Weekly Budget	\$7,250.00
Amount Received	\$6,851.00
Amount Over/(Under)	(\$399.00)

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

Amount needed to date	\$101,500.00
Amount received to date	\$93,206.00
Over (Under) budget to date	(\$8,294.00)

### **Children's Offering**

Total this weekend	\$12.50
Fiscal year total	\$250.73

### Readings for the week of October 13, 2019

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19  
Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1-4/Lk 11:29-32  
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 11:37-41  
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46  
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-6/Lk 11:47-54  
17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9  
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12  
Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-8/2 Tm 3:14—4:2  
/Lk 18:1-8

### **World Mission Sunday**

Next Sunday, October 20, 2019, Catholics throughout the world celebrate World Mission Sunday, which offers the opportunity to support the mission dioceses in Africa, Asia and other vulnerable communities throughout the world. Designated contribution envelopes are available at the 3 information tables outside the church. If you wish to support this effort, you may drop your donation in the collection basket over the next few weeks. Or, visit [MISSIO.ORG](http://MISSIO.ORG) on the web, and learn about specific projects toward which you can donate directly. Thank you for your generosity to help bring the Gospel to all; the missionary work of the Church depends on each of us.

**OUR TABLE** St. Louis will be providing a meal for Our Table November 11, at the Methodist Church. I have put a sign up sheet for food, paper products, and workers on the table outside Harkrader Hall. Thank you for helping with this project. We appreciate all the teens that volunteer and help with this Ministry. This is a great way to earn credit for your school requirement as well as help others. If you have any questions, please call Linda McCabe.

### **Pennies for Life Collection**

Thank you to all the parishioners who contributed to this year's Pennies for Life Campaign, in recognition of Respect Life Sunday last week. A total of \$236.89 was collected in the canisters! The beneficiary of this year's campaign is the Abigail Women's Clinic in Mendota. This clinic is the resource in our area which offers tangible support to women in crisis pregnancy situations. St. Louis Parish is proud, with the help of our generous donors, to support their efforts in a number of ways throughout the year!

**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:** Last weekend the Knights of Columbus collected 182 nonperishable food items and \$1,085 in monetary donations for the Bureau County Food Pantry. The Pantry staff was too busy to see what was delivered but it was our usual mix of high need items. Lots of cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit and rice/pasta. St. Louis parishioners have now contributed **19,061** nonperishable food items and **\$100,687** in monetary donations. Both represent quite an accomplishment! Thanks to all for your gifts to this important service to our community.

## LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

### Liturgical Roles

**Daily Servers** For October 14-18, 2019 10-14 Ben Larsen, 10-15 Brennan Roden, 10-16 Luke Smith, 10-17 Simeon Bystry, 10-18 Daniel Mead

#### **4:00 pm: Saturday October 19**

Servers Kenzie & Jackson Mason, Luke Smith  
Lectors Liz Dahlen, Joanne Stocking  
Eucharistic David Lawrence, Mandy Robinson  
Sacristan Susanna Prushinski  
Ushers John Brokaw, Joel Quiram, Ray Carrington

#### **7:30 am: Sunday, October 20**

Servers *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy*  
Lectors Rita Pacunus, Margaret Martinkus  
Eucharistic Rita Tracey, Bernetta Wood  
Sacristan Joann Bowman  
Ushers Bill Uher, Tom Ballard, Tom Tracey

#### **9:00 am: Sunday, October 20**

Servers James Erwin, Nick & Nathan Lough  
Lectors Steve Bouslog, Steve Harmon  
Eucharistic Mary Beth Crowe, Patty Daluga  
Sacristan Colleen & Christian Harmon  
Ushers Don Evans, Diane Evans, Tom Giehl

#### **10:30 am: Sunday, October 20**

Servers Luke, Matthew, Andrew Peacock  
Lectors Tracy Boylan-Roden, David Roden  
Eucharistic Joe & Sally Quagliano  
Sacristan Peg Sandberg  
Ushers Andrew Sims, Patrick Mason,  
Jeff & Michael Ellis

Home Ministry ~ Mary Beth Crowe, Patty Daluga

Nursing Homes ~ Bethany Bringham, Pat Galassi-Carlson,  
Mary Harmon, Roger & Linda McCabe, Gene Menard

### Mass Intentions

Monday, October 14 **Saint Callistus I**  
**Columbus Day**

4:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration

5:15 pm + Stevie Puhr

Tuesday, October 15 **St. Teresa of Jesus**

7:00 am + Tom Makransky  
by Samuel & Victoria Schiera

\*9:00 am +Roger Balensiefen

Wednesday, October 16 **St. Hedwig,**

**St. Margaret Mary Alacoque**

7:00 am +Mary Ellen Dugosh  
by Lynne Weber & Vicky DeMay

Thursday, October 17 **St. Ignatius of Antioch**

4:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration

5:15 pm + Gene Stocking

Friday, October 18 **St. Luke**

7:00 am + Phyllis & Clarence Pagano

Saturday, October 19 **Vigil of Twenty-ninth Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm + Gib Martin by Mike Smith

Sunday, October 20 **Twenty-ninth Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**

7:30 am +Robert Walter Jr.

By Gary & Marcia Blessman

9:00 am +Mary Anne Minneci by Amie Neiman

10:30 am People of the Parish

\* Greenfield Nursing Home

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH IN OBSERVANCE OF  
COLUMBUS DAY.**

We need 2 Adorers to fill the 8:30-9am or 8-9am time slots for Tuesday Adoration. Please contact Cathy Trowbridge at 815-876-6952 to sign up.

LOVE INCARNATE  
... waiting for you



"The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace." -Saint John Paul II

# Abbot Philip's

# Rock & Roll

# Party

In the Perino Science Center



## Sunday, October 27 at 4:30 p.m.

### St. Bede Academy \$75 per person

Enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Chef Charlie Klinefelter as he presents "Around the USA Buffet" featuring food from coast to coast.

Dance to the sounds of Steve Sharp & Wake the Sheep.

\*This will be the final package offered by Chef Charlie & Steve Sharp, so don't miss out! Together they raised over \$2.5 million for various charities in the Illinois Valley.

For More Information Contact Bonnie at [bprokup@st-bede.com](mailto:bprokup@st-bede.com)

## FAMILY DISCIPLESHP



### *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*

Our first 'Parent Atria' took place this past week! Thanks to all the parents who took the time and effort to attend, keeping abreast of what their children are experiencing and learning in Atrium.

Our focus this month was the Holy Bible. For the first time the children in Level 3 (grades 4-6) were presented with their very own Bibles that will stay with them through their years in Atrium and go with them as they continue onto Confirmation preparation.



### *Mary Miller Memorial*

#### October Parent Atria



The Bibles that were gifted to the Level 3 children, as well as new quality Bibles purchased for use in the Level 2 Atrium this year, come from a donation made in memory of Mary Miller. Thank you to Diane Evans and family for the beautiful legacy in memory of her mother, Mary, to ensure God's Word will be shared with the many children in the parish.

## YOUTH DISCIPLESHP

**Jr. High Youth Ministry!** Our next Jr. High Youth Ministry night will be Sunday, November 3rd from 5:30-7pm! If you are in 7th or 8th grade, come play games and learn more about prayer!

**High School Youth Ministry!** High school youth ministry meets tonight from 7-9pm! Come enjoy games, snacks, and Eucharistic Adoration! Next weekend, we will be having a Respect Life night at the Harmon's barn. More information will be sent out this week. The following week will be our fall bonfire! Stay tuned for more details!

**Abide in Me!** Abide in Me is a weekend retreat for high school students hosted by our diocese in Bloomington, IL. It will take place November 1-3 and registration is due to Caylee by October 14th. More information will be distributed at our youth ministry gatherings the next few weeks!



## SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP

**Eucharistic Adoration** will be held at St. Louis Parish Adoration Chapel during **ALL HOURS** the weekend of October 25-27 beginning at 7 pm on Friday and ending at 7 am on Sunday. This extended period of adoration will coincide with the **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** for healing after abortion that will be taking place during the same hours, at a separate location. Sign-up sheets are available in the foyer of Harkrader Hall; please sign up early. For more information call Colleen Harmon at 875-6233.



**Saturday, October 26th at 5 PM**

**Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.**

**Pizza will be provided.**

## YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHP

**Young Adult Ministry!** We are bringing back Spiritually Thirsty Thursday this fall! Join us on Thursday, October 24th at 7pm. We'll start with a Holy Hour and there will be pizza and games afterwards!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat program is a part of the Church's Project Rachel outreach to men and women who struggle with the emotional and spiritual pain of a past abortion. The weekend retreat offers a spiritual and psychological process designed to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing after abortion. This healing weekend is for singles or married couples; mothers, fathers, grandparents, siblings or anyone impacted by an abortion experience. If you are searching for peace and inner healing from a past abortion, this retreat is for you. Register for the October 25-27, 2019 retreat by calling 309-264-1489 or e-mailing [rvrpeoria@gmail.com](mailto:rvrpeoria@gmail.com). All communications are strictly confidential. For more information please visit [www.cdop.org-rachelsvineyard](http://www.cdop.org-rachelsvineyard) or [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).