

Special Dates to Remember



June 2 – Foot Clinic, 9am – 3 pm

June 4 – Youth Ministry Car Wash after Masses

June 12-16– Vacation Bible School, 9-11:30 a.m.

June 18 – Father’s Day

June 25 – July 1 – Glenmary Mission Trip

July 4 – **Independence Day**

July 7 – Foot Clinic, 9am – 3pm

July 21-23 – Steubenville Conference

July 26 – 7th & 8th Grade Kickball & Ice Cream Floats, 6:30 pm

TEC

BOYS:

August 4-7, 2017

GIRLS:

June 9-12, 2017

CURSILLO WEEKENDS:

MEN’S:

September 14-17, 2017

WOMEN’S:

October 19-22, 2017

PRE-CANA CONFERENCE:

September 16, 2017 – Sacred Heart Culemans Hall, Moline, IL

ENGAGED COUPLE ENCOUNTER:

September 8-10, 2017, Nazareth House Retreat Center, Henry, IL.

CHRISTIAN SEXUALITY WORKSHOP:

September 23, 2017 – Sacred Heart Culemans Hall, Moline, IL.

MORE INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE MAY BE FOUND IN THE PARISH OFFICE

SHARING



Parish Newsletter

June/July 2017

St. Malachy Catholic Church and School

Geneseo, Illinois

Diocese of Peoria



St. Malachy Parish
Diocese of Peoria
Bishop: Most Rev. Daniel Jenky CSC
Pastor: Fr. Michael Pakula

Parish Corporate Board: Most Rev. Daniel Jenky, Bishop; Rev. Msgr. Paul Showalter, Vicar General; Fr. Michael Pakula, Pastor; Joyce Webb and Ken Werner, Trustees.

Parish Staff

Administrative Assistant: Deacon Robert O'Rourke

Deacons: Harley Chaffee, Larry Honzel, Robert O'Rourke, Art Ries, Mike Sigwalt, Tom Wachtel

Parish Accounting Manager: Deb Hancock

Faith Formation Leader: Leigh Boorn

Faith Formation Assistant: Mardian Angelo

Youth Ministry: Debbie Mattan, Jr. High; Lance Carroll, Sr. High

School Principal: Heather Francque

Teachers: Bev Goethals, Jessica Haars, Mary Heiar, Erin Hofer, Elizabeth Hulsbrink, Judy Kanke, Ellen Nelson, Styphanie Palmer, Carol Roemer, Janel Vandemore, Kristin Wilson

Teacher Aides: Marcia Swanson, Lori Turpin, Vicky Wyffels

RCIA Coordinator: Gregg Swanson

Parish Nurse: Cathie Stinson, R.N.

Parish Office – Jessica Gilmore & Mary Sebastian

School Office - Tamara Moser, Mary-Margaret Herstedt

Maintenance Supervisor – Theresa Mariman

Custodial – Mario Mendez, Jean VanFleet

Grounds Coordinator: Joe Wyffels

Celebration Choir: Mary Frimml

Resurrection Choir: Mary Frimml

10:30 a.m. Choir: John Puentes

Buildings and Grounds Committee - Dan Haertjens, Kathy Hanford, Larry Meyer, Clint Warren, Joe Wyffels, Theresa Mariman, Heather Francque, Joyce Webb, and Ken Werner

Finance Committee – Gene Dodd, Patty Greteman, Steve Mroz, Paul Rapps, Kevin Koenig, Joyce Webb and Ken Werner



Charlee Jade Helgesen
daughter of
Daniel & Chonsie Eechaute

Greysen James Eechaute
son of
Daniel & Chonsie Eechaute

Audrey Katherine Clay
daughter of
Ryan & Mary Clay

Emma Grace Vandever
daughter of
Raymond Vandever & Kelli DeKezel

Caroline May Paxton
daughter of
Nathan & Emily Paxton

Nina Mae Paxton
daughter of
Nolan & Sara Paxton

Lane N. Cherry
son of
Brandon & Kelsey Cherry



Shirley Hawk
April 26, 2017

Margaret Calsyn
May 16, 2017

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Parish Council – Chairperson: Sue Ford, Vice-Chairperson- Nicole Reisner, Secretary – Chuck Snyder, Fr. Pakula, Joyce Webb, Ken Werner, Matthew Ganson, Connor Lillis, Charles LoGiudice, Jon McAvoy, Jacob Samuelson, Brian Seals, Cynthia Wells, Ryan Wilson

Stewardship Committee – Willis Andel, Julie Atwell, Bev Goethals, Tom Hughes, Tim Kretschmar, Adam Nelson, Gregg Swanson, Bob Thoene

Adult Faith Formation Team – Mardian Angelo, Cari Biamonte, Carrie Boelens, Leigh Boorn, Jeremy Bries, Nicole Freadhoff, Tom Mattan, Robert O'Rourke

Vocations Ministry Committee – Leigh Boorn, Joan Emerick, Dan Haertjens, Debbie Mattan, Connie Pond, Jolene Thompson, Fr. Mike Pakula

Youth Faith Formation Team – Mardian Angelo, Leigh Boorn, Lance Carroll, Teresa Cherry, Heather Francque, Shelly Ganson, Deb Mattan, Stacey Nelms, Melanie Peña, Leslie Raya, Janel Vandemore, Richard Vondra,

YMLT: Rick Benhart, Kevin Lillis, Penny Samuelson, Monica Venneberg

Social Justice Committee – Vicky Bean, Faith DeDecker, Larry Hopkey, Mary Hughes, Dee Menendez, Carol Meyer, Theresa Minnick-Ressen, Betty Palaski, Bob Palaski, Martha Ries, Cindy Tiedeman, Karen Turner, Teri Vondra, Barb Wolfe

Sister Parish Coordinators – Rich McClimon, Tom and Mary Hughes

Pastoral Care - Harley Chaffee, Ed Kemnitz

Elizabeth Ministry – Beth Eilers

Liturgy Committee – Marilyn Boardman, Kathy Carroll-Duda, Linda Ford, Jim Luikart, Julie Puentes, Mary Frimml (music), Melanie Peña (Liturgy Coordinator)

Wellness Committee – Victoria Bean, Darlene Gramling, Shirley Heitzler, Virginia Humbert, Molly Lewis, Robert O'Rourke, Mary Anne Peterson, Art Ries, Vicky Rowlands, Chuck Snyder, Cathie Stinson

Right to Life Coordinator – Mary Gillespie

Respect Life Committee – Colleen Dodd, Darlene Gramling, Mary Gillespie, Cindy Tiedeman, Jolene Thompson

Rosary Makers – Jolene Thompson

Food Pantry Board Representative – Karen Cathelyn

Winterfest Chairmen – David & A.J. Wolak

Altar and Rosary Officers – Mary Hughes, Liz Fristensky, Sharon McClain, Ellen Scranton

Holy Name Officers - Barry McVetty, Rod Remme

School Parents Club Officers – Presidents: Brian & Stephanie Seals; Vice-Presidents: Curt & Sara Dystra; Secretary: Erin Gillespie; Treasurer: TBA

Exposition Coordinators - Bill Boone, Rita Nelson, Tom Dauksas

Gift Shop – Julie Bauman, Kathy Carroll-Duda, Sue Ford, Liz Fristensky, Judy Kanke, Sue Lohman, Joyce Maher, Cindy Ries, Sue Woitel

Junior Girl Scouts Leader - Nicole Freadhoff

Trail Life Leaders – Chris Thompson

Safe Environment Training

St. Malachy Parish and School will offer Safe Environment Training on Thursday, June 1 in St. Malachy Hall. This is a Diocesan initiative implemented in 2001 for the purpose of educating adults 18 and over about the importance of protecting minors and recognizing dangerous or inappropriate behavior. It is available for any adult who is interested in attending.

Employees and volunteers involved with religious education (examples: St. Malachy School, CCD, Youth Ministry, Vacation Bible School, Trail Life, Children's Liturgy of the Word) are **required** to complete Safe Environment Training. More information about the training can also be found at cdop.org, the Catholic Diocese of Peoria website.

New Employees and Volunteers: Training will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The program includes a PowerPoint presentation, completing Diocesan and state forms such as a background check (CANTS) and fingerprinting. **Please bring your driver's license.**

Employee and Volunteer Annual Update: If you have already completed Safe Environment Training, you will need to attend and fill out forms as part of the annual update. You may stop in any time between 5:30-6:30 p.m. to complete the paperwork, which should take about 10-15 minutes. **Please bring your driver's license.**

Please sign up in the church or school office. If you have any questions, contact:

Mardian Angelo at angelomardian@saintmalachy.org (309)-944-5393

Heather Francque at hfrancque@stmalgeneseo.org (309)-944-3230

He also has a very fertile imagination in bringing to life practical ways of implementing these works of mercy in our own individual lives, in our parish ministries as well as in the workplace, together with a plan of action for making these works of mercy concrete and livable.

Something Beautiful for God by Malcolm Muggeridge. In celebration of Mother Teresa's beatification in October of 2003, HarperOne is proud to present a new edition of the classic work that introduced Mother Teresa to the Western world. *Something Beautiful for God* interprets her life through her conversations with Malcolm Muggeridge, the quintessential worldly skeptic who experienced a remarkable conversion to Christianity because of her exemplary influence. He hails her as a "light which could never be extinguished."

The Dance of Life by Henri Nouwen. This book could have been simply called, "The Best of Henri Nouwen." Thoroughly power packed, it presents the very best of the imitable Nouwen. He and Forrest Church are giants: universally appealing skilled writers who touch our souls are core. The Dance is an extremely well-organized collection of appetizers for most of his revered works. In The Dance life-changing insights are identified with subject line references titling the original book that provided the larger more in-depth treatment of the principle/idea/insight discussed. It addresses every spiritual principle and discipline in a creative, sobering, intimate, refreshing and simple manner

The New Testament Documents: Are they Reliable? By F. F. Bruce. This modern classic in the field of New Testament studies offers a compelling defense of biblical truth. One of evangelicalism's most trusted scholars, F. F. Bruce clearly presents the evidence for the historical trustworthiness of the Christian Scriptures.

Thrift Store Saints: Meeting Jesus 25¢ at a Time by Jane Knuth. *Thrift Store Saints* is a collection of true stories based on Jane Knuth's experiences serving the poor at a St. Vincent de Paul thrift store in the inner city of Kalamazoo, Michigan. At the outset of the book, Knuth is a reluctant new volunteer at the store, sharing that her middle-class, suburban, church-going background has not prepared her well for this kind of work. By the end of the book, Knuth has undergone a transformation of sorts, and neither she nor we can ever view the poor in the same way again.

Knuth's transformation is rooted in the prevailing message of *Thrift Store Saints*: When we serve the poor, they end up helping us as much as we help them. Throughout the book we are introduced to new "saints," as Knuth thoughtfully, at times humorously, describes how her encounters with the poorest people led her to the greatest riches of God's grace.

Thrift Store Saints makes clear that it doesn't require heroic Mother Teresa-types to make a difference with the poor, and it even more powerfully shows us that working with them is not gloomy, depressing work. Knuth's moving stories demonstrate the profound joy any of us can experience when we see serving the poor not as social work, but as a spiritual path that leads us to the heart of Jesus.

You Did It to Me by Michael Gaitley, MIC. What Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, has done in 33 Days to Morning Glory to promote true devotion to Mary, and what he has done in *Consoling the Heart of Jesus* to promote devotion to the Merciful and Sacred Heart of Jesus, he now does in 'You Did It to Me' to promote the works of mercy.

Fr. Michael Gaitley [MIC] has a genius for bringing together the spiritual and corporal works of mercy under the umbrella of 'The Five Scriptural Works of Mercy'

that Jesus will use to judge us at the end of the world, Matthew 25:31-46. He then enriches these Scriptural texts on mercy with the practical insights of St. Pope John Paul II, St. Faustina, and Pope Francis.



**ATTENTION
ALL CAR OWNERS!**

Is your car covered with winter dirt and salt?

Does it need a spring cleaning?

We can help!

**Members of the St. Malachy Youth Group are raising
Money for this summer's trip to a Steubenville Youth
Conference in Kenosha, Wisconsin.**

**A CAR WASH will be held
during both Sunday Masses on
*June 4th***

**Drop off your dirty car before Mass and
pick up your clean car after Mass.**

Donations accepted!

**If you have questions, call
Lance Carroll at 502-951**



St. Malachy Social Justice Committee

Have you ever wondered about the Social Justice Committee at St. Malachy's and why we are always asking for money – or food – or soap – or underwear?



In a nutshell, here is your answer: The Social Justice Committee at St. Malachy's exists to help all of us follow our call to be the hands and feet of Jesus. And what that really means is that our committee exists to help you love your neighbor like Jesus does! Loving our neighbor is as essential to our Catholic Faith as going to Mass and receiving the sacraments, and our purpose is to help you do that! Scripture and Catholic Teachings have a lot to say about how to love our neighbors. Are you familiar with the Corporal and Spiritual works of mercy? Are you familiar with the Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching? Two of the Corporal works of mercy are "Shelter the Homeless" and "Visit the Prisoners". This is why we ask you to support the Humility of Mary Shelter in Davenport and to give to Aunt Mary's Storybook Project.

One of the Themes of Catholic Social Teaching is a "Preferential Option for and with People who are Poor". This is why we ask you to purchase Fair Trade Coffee and other Fair Trade items. In coming months, we will be sharing more information about how Fair Trade helps to lift people out of poverty.

We will be pretty quiet this summer. We do ask that you contribute to the Student Services Project in July. (More information may be found on the next page.) But we also ask that you remember WHY we do what we do. We (all of us, not just the Social Justice Committee) are called to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Structured as a daily prayer guide for everyday use over six weeks, each day offers a thematic reflection, a guided meditation, an original prayer, a thoughtful question, and a related scripture quote. A built-in guide for small groups makes this the perfect resource for groups of all kinds as well as individuals.

The Man Who Wrestled with God by John Sanford. A retelling of four Old Testament stories from a psychological perspective to help contemporary readers become whole and conscious persons.

The Message of Ephesians by John Stott. Millions have caught Karl Marx's vision of a New Man and a New Society. "Paul presents a greater vision still," writes John Stott. In his letter to the Ephesians the apostle "sees the human predicament as something even deeper than the injustice of the economic structure and so propounds a yet more radical solution. He writes of nothing less than a 'new creation.'" John Stott expounds Paul's theme of uniting all things in Christ by uniting his church and breaking down all that separates us from God, one ethnic group from another, husband from wife, parent from child, master from slave. A book for all who want to build the church into the new society God has planned it to be.

The Five Love Languages by Gary Chapman. Unhappiness in marriage often has a simple root cause: we speak different love languages, believes Dr. Gary Chapman. While working as a marriage counselor for more than 30 years, he identified five love languages: Words of Affirmation, Quality Time, Receiving Gifts, Acts of Service, and Physical Touch. In a friendly, often humorous style, he unpacks each one. Some husbands or wives may crave focused attention; another needs regular praise. Gifts are highly important to one spouse, while another sees fixing a leaky faucet, ironing a shirt, or cooking a meal as filling their "love tank." Some partners might find physical touch makes them feel valued: holding hands, giving back rubs, and sexual contact. Chapman illustrates each love language with real-life examples from his counseling practice.

The Life of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque by Rev. Emile Bougaud. This is considered to be the best biography of The Saint of the Sacred Heart Devotion. The whole story of the revelations, plus the definitive story of her life. The author portrays St. Margaret Mary as a redoubtable soul, ready to give all for Jesus. And what an example she is! It is largely due to St. Margaret Mary that we know what we do about the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



WHAT'S NEW IN LIBRARY

(these books may be found on the "New Book" Shelf by the window)

Coming Down the Mountain by Thomas Hart. A unique follow-up guide for people who have recently completed a retreat, including a daily reflection on some aspect of Christian living, a scripture passage for prayer, and a suggestion for Christian action for a six-week period of time.

The Psalms: Meditations for Every Day of the Year by Sr. Joan Chittister. The psalms are the oldest prayers in the Judeo-Christian tradition. Joan Chittister sees them as a lexicon of the human condition, assuring us of God's caring presence and loving help in every situation. In this beautifully designed book, Chittister provides a favorite psalm for each month and a reflection on the prayer for each day.

Eternal Seasons: A Liturgical Journey with Henri J.M. Nouwen. The cycle of the liturgical year engages us with an entirely different rhythm than our usual frenzied pace. It invites us to live time in eternity, to discover a new understanding of God and creation. Henri Nouwen lived the liturgical year with sensitivity and imagination. The feasts and seasons inspired his sermons on the great mysteries of our faith. And praying the liturgical year gave him a glimpse of eternity in the present moment.

This valuable companion features a thoughtful introduction for each of the liturgical seasons, followed by a generous selection of brief, readable passages. Whether focusing on the tenor of the season, the many dimensions of a feast day or the import of a particular saint, these readings enable us to reflect and pray in closer harmony with the Church year.

Open the Door: A Journey to the True Self by Joyce Rupp. The long-awaited book from best-selling spiritual guide Joyce Rupp, creatively leads readers to explore how the image of the door can guide them in a process of discovering their true self.

Joyce Rupp brings new life to the ageless spiritual image of the door, weaving insights from East and West with the wisdom of contemporary spiritual writers, poets, and novelists in a practical format that is just right for contemporary readers.



STUDENT SERVICES PROJECT

In July, we will again be collecting items for local students in need. Grace United Methodist Church began this project three years ago, working with the Geneseo School system to help provide general everyday items for students in the McKinney-Vento Homeless

Assistance program as well as other students who might have similar needs. The plan is to have each Church in the Geneseo School system volunteer for a month to collect various items and donate them to the schools. The items are distributed on a need basis at the discretion of the counselors.

We ask that donations be placed in the designated area of the Narthex throughout the month of July.

Desired Items:

Drug Store Medical Items:

- Tylenol
- Cough Drops
- Band-aids
- Antibiotic Ointment
- Lip Balm
- Hand Lotion

Snack Items

- Juice boxes
- Granola Bars
- Snack Pack Pudding
- Other Snack Items

Laundry Supplies:

- LIQUID detergent
- Laundry bag
- Laundry baskets

Gift Cards for Fareway, WalMart, Walgreen's, Farm & Fleet, etc. or cash donations for gift cards are also very much appreciated

Toiletries:

- Shampoos & Conditioners
- Toothbrushes & toothpaste, dental Floss/non-alcoholic mouthwash
- Shaving supplies:
- Disposable double-edged razors, shaving cream or gel,
- Soap, bar and liquid
- Deodorant

Clothing of all sizes:

Serviceable, used clothing is acceptable, except used shoes

- Underwear (needed as small as kindergarten level)
- Coats & Hooded sweatshirts (hoodies), scarves & gloves, stocking caps
- Shirts & tops
- Jeans & slacks
- Shoes & socks
- Shower clogs (flip flops)
- Pajamas

Adult Studies for Summer: Summer is a good time to grow in your faith



Consoling the Heart of Jesus Study

Wednesday's beginning May 31st-August 2nd

Sessions start right after ADORE

Ending by 8pm—in the Youth Room!

Name _____

Email _____

Book and Workbook suggested donation \$30

Workbook only \$20

Book only \$10

Please write checks to: St. Malachy in memo note write Consoling. Thank You!

If you would be interested in forming a study group there are many options:

- Video Studies on Scripture or other faith topics are available to check out!
- Book Studies are also available on a variety of topics also.
 - "Love & Salt: A Spiritual Friendship Shared in Letters"
 - "The Joy of Discipleship: Reflections from Pope Francis on Walking with Christ"
 - Rediscover Catholicism or Other book from Dynamic Catholic.

If you are interested in joining or starting a study—contact Leigh at 944-5393 or email boornleigh@saintmalachy.org



Welcome to St. Malachy Parish

Adam & Natalie Parrish
Andrew & Gianna
709 Mineral Creek Drive
Colona, IL. 61241

Travis & Kalie Vandersnick
Charlotte & Blake
205 Causemaker Dr.
Atkinson, IL. 61235

Derek & Rebecca Wahlheim
Blake & Bennett
1028 Kadel Dr.
Geneseo, IL. 61254



Geneseo Food Pantry

<http://www.geneseofoodpantry.org> 944-3165

Hours: Mon, Tue, & Thurs: 9am-4pm;

Fri: 9 am.-Noon; Closed on Wednesdays

Progress is being made on the new building for the Food Pantry! You can like the Geneseo Food Pantry Facebook page to see pictures of the progress. The new building should be ready in October.

Thank you to the Geneseo Post Office workers who collected donations for the Food Pantry during the “Stamp Out Hunger” food drive on May 13. Also, thank you to all who donated food that day. The donations will help the Food Pantry continue to provide for those in need during the summer months, when donations often decrease. If you are watching your garden grow, please remember that the Food Pantry appreciates donations of fresh produce. It enables us to provide clients with healthier food choices, and it provides them with options to try foods they may not have otherwise considered.

Please consider donating a new or used fan to the Food Pantry. Most of our clients do not have air conditioning and they appreciate receiving fans to keep them cool. We are also accepting donations of summer clothing, household items, accessories, sheets, blankets, towels, kitchen items, small appliances, toys, books, videos, CDs, games & puzzles.

Girl Scout Service Unit 886 of Geneseo will be holding a food drive on June 18 during the Music Festival parade. Just have your donation with you during the parade and the Girl Scouts will pick it up as they walk down State Street. Monetary donations will also be accepted.

Our Volunteer of the month, Jaime, has been volunteering at the Food Pantry for a few months. She sorts and puts out housewares and clothing for the clients. Jaime has four daughters and a granddaughter. She enjoys camping, planner/scrapbooking, fishing, and finishing Nursing School. Jaime said the best thing about volunteering at the Food Pantry is that she is giving back, and it fills her heart to help others. During Jaime’s time at the Food Pantry, she has found that the director is “so nice”, she has made friends with other volunteers, and she has learned about how much hard work goes into volunteering. Jaime said she enjoys every week that she is at the Food Pantry.

The Food Pantry will be closed on July 3 and 4.

Food needs are: Tortillas, pizza crust mix, muffin mix, canned asparagus, and chili.

Non-food needs are: All-purpose cleaner, toilet paper, men’s razor blades, pain relievers, and bleach.

Pastoral Care



Tribute to a Friend by John Hunt (Hillcrest Home)

About six months after I came to Hillcrest Home, Duane Grafft came there and we became good friends. We went outside and talked about everything. We especially talked about the good ole’ days. We always ate together. He would have two ice teas and a straw with his meal.



Duane passed away from pneumonia complicated by MS. To remember him every day, I would have two ice teas with a straw at every meal. It is a simple way to remember a friend every day. I still miss him a great deal.

In regard to John’s article above; I sometimes wonder if some of us are too busy or distracted to get to the depth of friendship that he describes. Maybe those aren’t the right words, maybe preoccupied is better, but I do believe that we miss something if we don’t take the time for friends like that. One place that I have met people with the time and it seems desire to be good friends is Hillcrest Home. With the coming of summer, one place to meet some of them is to make arrangements with the activities director at Hillcrest to come out and take a resident for a walk or wheelchair ride around the grounds on a nice warm day. If you would like help getting this started or making a contact to just go visit someone, I will help you.

Call Harley Chaffee at 944-2091 or 945-2416.





From the Parish Nurse
Cathie Stinson, R.N., BSN
945-1752
email:StinsonCathie@saintmalachy.org

You are already sweet enough! The average American consumes 25 teaspoons of sugar a day. With raising global rates of obesity and chronic diseases, the World Health Organization (WHO) has taken note. The *World Health Organization's Guideline* suggests a goal of limiting sugars to 5 percent of daily calories (~100 cals). This means watching out for all the hidden sugars added to processed foods and sweetened yogurts. The sugar tax is working in Mexico. People are kicking the can and drinking more water.

Skip the soda and sugary beverages!

More Sleep = Better Blood Sugars. Get 7 to 8 hours high quality sleep a night. There is growing evidence that lack of sleep is associated with increased levels of stress hormones and cytokines leading to insulin resistance. It is worth taking the steps needed to improve quality and duration of sleep. Consistent restful sleep improves insulin sensitivity, and may lower the risk of developing diabetes.

Dentists as Diabetes Detectives. Because periodontal disease is associated with diabetes, the benefit of chair-side screening and referral to primary care seems promising. The dental profession offers the real potential to improve earlier diagnosis of prediabetes and diabetes. It is estimated that 30% of patients 30 years of ages seen in general dental practices have elevated blood glucose levels.

Indulge in Water. Water is the beverage of choice, especially for teens and kids. To enhance the flavor and drinkability, add some fresh berries, cucumbers or a sprig of mint. Water is a critical nutrient that man has relied on for a LONG time!

- As you plan for graduation gifts, vacations and even sending students off to college, remember Heaven Sent Scrip is a great option and also supports the school. Heaven Sent Scrip can be purchased all throughout the year after Mass or in the church office. You can also order online from many national businesses via <http://www.shopwithscrip.com> The code for St. Malachy School is ALA891823941 and will need to be entered to link your account to the school. Many online businesses also offer reload options so you can reload a card held by your college students. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Gilmore at 620-203-0994.
- Get your chance to be a winner every day with St. Malachy Luck of the Draw. Tickets to enter are \$20 per chance and provide you with 365 chances to win from June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018. Due to postal regulations, we will not be mailing tickets this year, but would instead ask you to pick them up after Mass. Early bird drawing is June 1. Please support St. Malachy with this "fun" fundraiser. If you would like tickets or if you have any questions, please contact Margo Hone [309-721-9440](tel:309-721-9440).
- Thank you to our families that attended the April meeting as well as all of our meetings this past school year. We greatly appreciate your attendance and participation!!

Have a wonderful summer!!!! We hope to see you all at our Back to School Swim Party scheduled August 13, 2017 at 6pm.

Parents Club News



It has been a great year and a lot of fun for both the School and Parents Club. We greatly appreciate the ongoing support of the St. Malachy community throughout the year. Here are a few items to consider as we close out another great year and get ready for more fun in the fall:

- A huge THANK YOU on behalf of the 2017 Car Party Committee. Everyone had a wonderful evening and we have plans for some exciting purchases for next year. We are so grateful for the support from all the donors, sponsors and attendees. Finally, thank you for all of your prayers which helped ensure the evening's success. The ongoing support from the families, parishioners and the Geneseo community is a wonderful blessing.
- We are excited to announce our officers for the 2017-2018 school year. Our Presidents will be Brian & Stephanie Seals. Vice Presidents will be Curt & Sara Dykstra. The Secretary position will be held by Erin Gillespie and the Treasurer will be announced soon. We express our appreciation to these individuals for committing to a leadership role for Parents Club for the upcoming year. Our thanks and gratitude to those officers that are completing their terms this year: Nicole Cherry, Jo Kelly, and Bryce Henderson.
- We have the sign-ups available for volunteer opportunities for our families for the 2017-2018 school year. You can sign up online: <http://signup.com/go/Mjewfg> We would strongly request all of our parents to consider how they can volunteer and support the School and Parents Club. It's a great way to meet other families and the involvement of our school families makes our school great! Email Stephanie at stephseals@gmail.com if you would like more information.

Emmaus Days for Boys: Emmaus Days for Boys is a summer retreat promoting vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Peoria. Participants deepen their faith and focus on discerning God's will through prayer and the sacraments. By listening to and spending time with priests and seminarians, participants get a glimpse into their lives. The retreats combine prayer, talks on various subjects, and free time for games and other fun activities. Session 1 is for those who are in college, as well as single men in their 20's and 30's who are discerning their vocation.



Session 1

June 9-12, 2017

College Age & Young Adult
Nazareth House, Henry, IL

Session 3

July 9-12, 2017

High School Freshmen & Sophomores
St. Bede Abbey, Peru, IL

Session 2

June 16-19, 2017

High School Juniors & Seniors
Nazareth House, Henry, IL

Session 4

July 12-14, 2017

Seventh & Eighth Graders
St. Bede Abbey, Peru, IL

Participants will hear informational talks and participate in structured prayer. In addition, there are plenty of fun-filled activities like basketball, cookouts, swimming, concerts, soccer and ultimate Frisbee.

For more information on the Emmaus Days retreats, and to access a registration form please use the following website: <http://comeandfollowme.org/emmausdays>.

Fee for Emmaus Days for boys is \$60 per person and the parish contributing \$95 to the registration.

Come Join the Fun!

VBS June 12-16



GREAT FOR KIDS. GOOD FOR THE CHURCH.

- A week-long, half-day VBS . Ages pre-K—grade 5
- Kid-friendly lessons about all vocations
- Reveals the beauty of marriage and family
- Connects priesthood with the Eucharist
- Shows the power of religious life
- Helps kids remain open to God's call
- 100% Catholic content, with imprimatur



St. Malachy School News

Summer is here! We began online registration this school year, and the process went smoothly. We have also moved to an online tuition management system with a company called FACTS, which allows parents more payment options. If you are interested in sending your children to St. Malachy School, please feel welcome to contact the school office to schedule a tour. Summer office hours will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11 a.m., or contact the school office if you need to stop in at a different time.

Robert Wachtel Painting will be painting the interior of the school throughout the month of June. Thank you to all of our generous Car Party donors, who made this possible!

Safe Environment Training is on June 1, 2017 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Please watch the church bulletin, or visit the school website under the Family Resources tab for more information.

Thank you to Jack Schlindwein, who has retired from St. Malachy School. I will be assuming the role of principal beginning the 2017-18 school year. He was a tremendous mentor while I sought my educational leadership degree, and his experience in education proved invaluable to me. On behalf of the students and staff at St. Malachy School, thank you, Mr. Schlindwein.

The first day of student attendance for the 2017-18 school year is Monday, August 21. Please continue to check the school website for calendar information.

God Bless,
Heather Francque

How will you GROW in your faith this summer?

You are invited to join others on pilgrimage



St. Malachy will be offering a pilgrimage in July which includes the Defending the Faith Adult Steubenville Conference

Leaving Saint Malachy on Wednesday, July 26th
Returning Tuesday, August 1st

Head to St. Mary of the Woods—Shrine of St. Mother Theodore Guerin on Wednesday.

Visit sites in the Cincinnati area on Thursday.

Heading to Steubenville on Friday.

Steubenville Conference speakers include: (Music by Bob Rice)

- Scott & Kimberly Hahn (Authors)
- Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR (Vice-Postulator for the Archbishop Sheen cause)
- Jeff Cavins (Author and Bible Study Presenter)
- Mark Hart (The Bible Geek)
- Patrick Madrid (Radio host and author)
- Curtis Martin (Founder of FOCUS)
- Dr. Edward Sri (Author and speaker on EWTN)

Head to Carey, Ohio to the *Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation* on Sunday.

On to Indianapolis, IN on Monday for some local Catholic sites and home on Tuesday.

Conference tickets are \$160. Contact Leigh for more information and to make reservations. 944-5393 or email boornleigh@saintmalachy.org Total Cost to be determined.



YOUTH MINISTRY

The school year is over and 7th & 8th Grade Morning Prayer Group is done for the year.
BUT WAIT.....the fun isn't over yet!

Happy June birthday to: Jacob Johnson, Caidence Kies, William Taylor, Micah Thoene, Jake Nelms & Ali Rapps

Happy July birthday to: Adriana Minnaert, Noah Schrader, Jack Snyder, Hunter Clark-Holke, Emma Frank, Gabriel Keimig, Reagan Lommell, Cameron Moe, Logan Pardoe & James Warner



I hope everyone has an amazing and blessed summer!
See you in the fall!

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CCD News

I pray that all our students and teachers will take the time to talk to God every day and get to know Him and fall in love with Him.



Thanks for a wonderful Year and may God richly bless you!
-Mardian

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Steubenville Youth Conference 2017: From July 21-23, we will have 24 teens and 7 adults attending the Steubenville On the Lake High School Youth Conference at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Please join us in praying for a safe and spirit-filled experience.

Adore (Praise & Worship Adoration): St. Malachy will continue offering Adoration on Wednesday nights from 6:00-6:30 throughout the year. The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is accompanied by live Praise & Worship music in addition to a time of quiet reflection. The more of us present, the more powerful the experience!

Oasis: Oasis will begin meeting again immediately after the start of school. Oasis meets at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday throughout the school year. All high school teens are invited to attend and bring their friend.

Teen Participation Mass: There are no special *Teen Participation Masses* in June or July. *Teen Participation Mass* will begin in August and will be held monthly throughout the 2017-2018 school year. Teen volunteers are needed to serve as Commentators, Lectors, Gift Bearers, Altar Servers, Ushers, Greeters, Choir Members and Servers for the after-Mass Coffees. We ask every parent and grandparents to encourage their high school teen to get involved.

TEC: *Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)* is an incredible weekend experience for any teens 16 years old or older. Upcoming *TEC* weekends are June 9-12 (Girls), August 4-7 (Boys), October 6-9 (girls), and December 1-4 (boys). For more information on how to register go to www.northwest-tec.com or talk to Debbie Mattan or Lance Carroll.

Scholarship Winners: Congratulations to our 2017 Scholarship Winners:

Youth Ministry Scholarships: Matthew Ganson and Haleigh Jacocks

Parents Club Scholarship: Shaun Garrity

St. Malachy Alumni Parents Club Scholarship: Jacob Verplaetse

Knights of Columbus Scholarships: Shaun Garrity and Noah Sebastian

For more information about High School Youth Ministry Activities contact:

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Email: DrLCarroll@gmail.com

Web Site: <http://www.SaintMalachy.org/YouthMinistry/HighSchool>



June 25th – July 1st
St. Malachy will be going
Toppa Joppa
to volunteer at
Glenmary Home Missioners

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE:

Groups are limited, ages 14 years and older.

Located about thirty minutes from Knoxville, Tennessee, Glenmary Home Missioners Volunteer Program is a retreat-like mission immersion program for high school, college-age, and adult volunteers. The participants experience a blend of service, culture, prayer, reflection and sharing in an environment of simple living.

Their goal is to connect people with God, help them find Christ in others, and teach them to serve others first and put themselves second. It is a great way to help young people experience God in a new way by giving of themselves freely.

Although Service is the foundation of the program, Glenmary strives to develop community and deepen faith through shared experiences. Volunteers come to serve and learn about the culture and traditions present in the Appalachian regions. Another goal is to broaden the volunteers' understanding of the causes of poverty, oppression, and injustice—and how their life choices can impact these issues.

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