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Fourth Sunday of Easter Apríl 30, 2023



Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

Reconciliation: Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

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contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, May 1 8:00 am Jose Gonzales +	St. Joseph the Worker	Altar Servers: May 1-7			
TUESDAY, May 28:00 amCommunion Service	St. Athanasius	Daily M-T-W: Lucy Walck & Kate Vorac Saturday: 5:00 pm: Avery Emmerson, & Samantha Minnaert			
WEDNESDAY, May 3 8:00 am Bob Cauwels +	Sts. Philip & James	Sunday: 8:15 am: Emma & Hannah Stone Sunday: 10:30 am: Liam Osborn & Leila Bries			
THURSDAY, May 4 5:45 pm John McGuire +	Easter Weekday				
FRIDAY, May 5 8:00 am Kim VanMeenen + 10:30 am Ronald Albright +	First Friday	Parish Eucharistic Revival Prayer Lord Jesus Christ, You have made Yourself PRESENT			
SATURDAY, May 6 8:00 am John McGuire +	First Saturday	to us in every age, through the			
5:00 pm Rich & Cindy Bassier 55th Wedding Annivers	Vigil 5th Sun. of Easter sary	Holy Eucharist. Help us to make You more			
SUNDAY, May 75th Sunday of Easter8:15 amPeople of the Parish10:30 amMick & Joyce Maher & Carolyn Thornton +++Confessions for Tuesday, May 2nd will be cancelled**		widely KNOWN, that You may be greatly LOVED. Amen.			
Weekend Mass	Schedules:	OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm.			

St. Anthony/Atkinson 4:00 pm Saturday 9:30 am Sunday Sacred Heart/Annawan 8:00 am Sunday Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm Bulletin articles MUST be submitted no later than Noon on Tuesdays.

READINGS FOR Sunday - May 7, 2023

1st Reading: Acts 6:1-7

They chose seven men filled with the Spirit.

Responsorial: Psalm 33

R./: "Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you."

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.

Gospel: John 14:1-12

I am the way and the truth and the life.



Come, let us Adore Him Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Thursday 4:30 pm (1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)

Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 1

Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel Tuesday, May 2 Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm Rm A

Circle 14 - 1:30 YR Social Justice committee 4:00 pm YR

Wednesday, May 3

Women's Bible Study 8:00 am - 9:00 pm YR CCD K-5 - 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm 1st Communion practice 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm Oasis 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm YR CCD 6-7 - 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Thursday, May 4

The Rock 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm YR Finance Council 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm CR

Friday, May 5 First Friday

Mass 8:00 am School Mass - Special Guest Day 10:30 am Saturday May 6 First Saturday

Mass 8:00 am

Sunday, May 7

Mass 8:15 am Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass 10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word 1st Communion 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm 8-9th Grade Confirmation Prep 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

Martin Franz

Father of Julie Boone

"God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar." ~ St. Maximilian Kolbe

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:

First Communion Practice: Wednesday, May 3, 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm First Communion: Sunday, May 7, 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

GIFT SHOP NEWS

Items are available in for the1st Communicant, Confirmand, or Graduate in your life.

First Communion (Sunday, May 7), Confirmation (Wednesday, May 10), Graduation (Sunday, May 21)



Saturday, May 6 Beginning after 8:00 am Mass until Noon Please bring: gloves, rakes, & shovels to complete the work to be done. Many hands make light work!

A Note From the Pastor

Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

Happy Good Shepherd Sunday! On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, we turn our focus toward the voice of the Good Shepherd, who knows and calls His sheep. May each of us hear His voice calling us and have the courage to follow where He leads. The call of the Good Shepherd is known as Vocation, which is really our focus on this Good Shepherd Sunday.

You may recall Vocations is one of the five foundations that we, as members of the Diocese of Peoria, have been invited by our bishop to build our lives upon. Do I live my life as if I trust that the Lord has a plan for my life and is calling me to walk with Him along a specific path? Do I seek Him in prayer? Do I make plans and big decisions with a spirit of prayerful discernment, not simply asking the Lord to bring about my will, my plan, but rather praying Thy Will be done?! When I pray those words in the Our Father, do I mean it? Do I realize that God calls everyone - that God calls me - to holiness?

Here are seven ideas of ways to honor Good Shepherd Sunday this week. I challenge you to do at least four of the seven!

- Spend some time prayerfully reading the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38) or the Agony in the Garden (Luke 22:39-46). Reflect on Our Lady's "yes" to God's Will in her life and Our Lord's "yes" to the cross. Pray to imitate that "yes" in your life.
- Spend some time praying for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life and Holy Marriage *in our own parish* (make it personal!). You might offer a rosary, a novena or a time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for this intention.
- 3) Talk with a young person about discerning God's will for their life. Encourage them to know that God has a plan for their life, which is the best plan for their

happiness, and to pray about knowing and doing His Will in their life. Encourage them to be open to religious life or priesthood. Encourage them to realize the value and importance of living marriage in the Church or to realize that even the single life is not meant to be selfish, but lived in service of the Lord and others.

- Write a letter to a seminarian or someone in religious life, encouraging them, thanking them and letting them know of your prayers.
- 5) Find a way to support a family in need. Maybe you know of a married person who could use prayers and a listening ear. Maybe you can offer someone in need a meal or childcare. Support family life!
- 6) Celebrate your own vocation! If you're married, spend some quality time with your spouse or family. If you're single, express your gratitude to God for this time by reaching out to someone in need. If you think there is any chance you might be called to religious life or priesthood, make plans to go and visit a religious community or a seminary, or to attend a discernment retreat. If you need help with that, let me know.
- Watch the video on Strengthening Vocations, featuring Fr. Chase Hilgenbrink and Sr. M. Bernadette Morse, FSGM: https://cdop.org/ pastoral-plan/five-foundations/

This weekend calls us all to remember that the Good Shepherd calls each and every one of us. First of all, He calls us all to holiness. As we grow in holiness, the Lord calls us down a particular path. Like calling us forth from the tomb, He calls us to realize that the Resurrection is a mystery to be lived. We enter the mystery together every time that we gather at His altar for the Holy Eucharist, where the Risen Christ is truly with us. Each time that we gather in the coming weeks of the Easter Season, we can enter more deeply into this mystery: Believing the Resurrection, Celebrating the Resurrection and Living the Resurrection. Opportunities to Come, Adore Him in the coming weeks:

- Every Monday (3-8 PM) and Thursday (4:30-5:30 PM)
- May ADORE: Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 PM ٠
- First Friday Mass, Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet: May 5, 8 AM
- First Saturday Mass, Adoration and Rosary: May 6, 8 AM

Merciful God, to whom the secrets of the heart lie

open, who recognize the just and make righteous the guilty, hear our prayers for our brothers and

sisters held in prison; grant that through patience

and hope they may find relief in their affliction and

soon return unhindered to their families

Monday, May 15: Holy Hour for the Imprisoned, Including a collection for Aunt Mary's Storybook Project, 7 PM

Come. Let Us Adore Him: Our Source. Summit & Center. "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer" (Luke 22:15).

In Christ through Mary,

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Fr. Daniel P. Gifford St. Malachy, Pray for us

Circle 14

Circle 14 will meet at 1:30 pm in the Youth Room Tuesday, May 2,. Come and enjoy the afternoon with us.

Children's Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays, depending on availability of volunteers.



College Scholarship Applications for Graduating High School Seniors:

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Parents Club Scholarship Youth Ministry Scholarship JoAnn Turner Memorial Scholarship

The Scholarship forms are all available on the bulletin board in the Narthex and on the website.



The deadline for ALL scholarships is MAY 1.

Fr. Pakula Memorial Food Pantry Collection

In Memory of Father Pakula, St. Malachy Parish is going to have a monthly theme for collecting items for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry.

The theme for May is "Toilet Paper". Donations can be placed on the shelves inside the front doors before entering the Narthex.



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Show us the Father You are invited to a morning of prayer, talks, and reflection, seeking the heart of God the Father, led by the

Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George.

Saturday, May 6, 2023 8:30 am - 12:30 pm Farrell Hall - St. Pius X 2502 29th Avenue Rock Island, IL 61201

Includes: light breakfast and lunch.

All are invited to share this time with the sisters. sponsored by the Christ Child Society. There is no cost to attend. For reservations call, text or email, Mary Anne Dockery-Jackson at 309-738-4679 or dockeryjacksonm@gmail.com



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

Parish Sacrificial Giving: 1% donated to:

St. Teresa of Kolkata Church

enjoy this event and hope to see you there.

Week 43 - April 23, 2023									
		Veekly Budget		Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	ΥT	D Actual	Variance
General Collection	\$	15,769	\$	14,805	(964)	\$ 678,077	\$	619,045	(59,032
School Endowment	\$	750	\$	357	(393)	\$ 32,250	\$	20,824	(11,426
Paraclete Fund	\$	750	\$	407	(343)	\$ 32,250	\$	18,891	(13,359)
Capital Improvement	\$	750	\$	522	(228)	\$ 32,250	\$	28,374	(3,876
Special Collections									
Rice Bowl			\$	599			\$	2,650	
Holy Land - Good Friday			\$	30			\$	990	
Easter			\$	85			\$	4,860	



and said, "Take it; this is my body."



PRAYER TO SAINT ISODORE THE FARMER

St. Isidore, you lived a humble life working the land. You attended Holy Mass each morning, which jeopardized the employment that allowed your family to eat. The Lord repaid your love by sending His angels to plow the fields while you were at Church.

Dear Isidore, ask Our Lord Jesus to place deep faith in our hearts and water it each day with your prayers that we may progress in holiness as you did. Pray that as our heart grows in love and humility we may be a living sign of Jesus to those around us.

As a farmer who used his hands to bring forth nourishing food, please ask Jesus to bless us with a bountiful harvest. Pray that our hands and bodies will remain strong that we may farm the land God has given us. Ask Jesus to care for our gardens as he tends our hearts.

Pray that weeds will be kept far from our fields and likewise give us an aversion to sin. Humbly we ask that you carry the petitions we hold in our heart to our most loving and generous Lord.

Amen.

St. Isadore the Farmer Feast Day: May 15

Saint Isidore, the patron saint of farmers and rural communities, was born in the city of Madrid, Spain, about the year 1110. When he was barely old enough to wield a hoe, Isidore entered the service of John de Vergas, a wealthy landowner from Madrid, and worked faithfully on his estate outside the city for the rest of his life. He married a young woman as simple and upright as himself, who has also become a saint - Maria de la Cabeza. They has one son, who died as a child. Both lsidore and Maria were most charitable and willing to help neighbors in distress and the poor in the city slums.

Isidore had deep religious instincts. He rose early in the morning to go to church and spent many a holiday devoutly visiting the churches of Madrid and surrounding areas. All day long as he walked behind the plow, he communed with God. Isidore love the earth, he was honest in his work, and careful in his farming practices. It is said that domestic beast and birds showed their attachment to him because he was gentle and kind to them. Master de Vargas watched Isidore plowing and saw two angels as his helpers. The saying arose, "Saint Isidore plowing with angels does the work of three farmers."

Saint Isidore died on May 15, 1130; he was canonized on March 22, 1622, with Saints Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, Teresa of Avila, and Philip Neri. Together, the group is known in Spain as "the five saints." By special decree of the Sacred Congregation of Rites, dated February 22, 1947, Saint Isadore was constituted as the special protector of Catholic Rural Life, and American Farmers. How appropriate for the Catholic farm family to be devoted to this simple and saintly couple, who, like farmers everywhere, are "partners with God," furnishing to the world food and fiber.

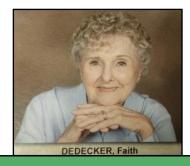


VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

A true disciple is not just a learner but a follower. She is one who applies what she has learned. She freely gives time and labor for community service. Community service to the Church and service to the Civic Community. This year we have selected two women in the Altar & Rosary Society that fit this definition very appropriately. They're Faith DeDecker and Ruth Fleming.

Last Wednesday, five other Altar & Rosary Members escorted Faith & Ruth to a celebration with Bishop Tylka. Rosary, May Crowning, Mass and luncheon filled the day with fellowship, community and joy with other Diocesan volunteers.

When you see either Ruth or Faith, tell them Congratulations and thank them for their longtime service.





TOTOS TOOS RETORIS...

THELOVE OF GOD HASBEEN POURED OUT INTO OUR HEARTS THROUGHT HE HOLY SPIRIT WHO HAS BEEN GIVEN TO US."

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The Catholic Messenger Presents a Pilgrimage to **The Holy Land** Walk Where Jesus Walked! Spiritual Director: **Bishop Thomas Zinkula** Group Leader: **Deacon Matthew Levy September 22 - October 1, 2024** Make your way through the Holy Land to experience Him, follow in His footsteps, and see Him in the works He performed - your footsteps will become His. Celebrate Mass in the very places where these miraculous gifts became pages in the Gospel. See where He was back then, and feel how He is still there today!

For more information & to register: https://www.pilgrimages.com/catholicmessenger/



St Malachy School We are a family in Christ.

You will always be a part of the St. Malachy School family; and as you prepare to graduate, we would like to invite you to come "home." Please bring your graduation cap and gown, as we will ask you to parade through the halls for the students.

Please RSVP by May 8th

Email Mrs. Herstedt, Secretary mherstedt@stmalgeneseo.org or Mr. Smith, Principal, tsmith@stmalgeneseo.org

Geneseo Community Choir & Children's Choir Invitation



The Community Choir of Geneseo will be celebrating their 15th anniversary this summer. The theme is "Perspective". The Community Choir includes those entering 8th grade & older adults. Rehearsals are: Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 pm beginning Wednesday, May 31 - June 21 in the GHS concert hall. The performance is Wednesday, June 28 at 7 p.m. in the GHS concert hall. If interested , please call Pam Edwards, 309-944-6641 or email (singplay53@gmail.com) by May 12.

Students entering grades 4-7 are invited to sing in the Children's Choir. They will rehearse June 22, 23, 26, 27, 28 and will perform with the Community Choir on June 28. Registration forms are available through your Geneseo elementary and middle school choir instructors or contact Pam Edwards. The deadline to register is May 12.

More information is available on the Community Choir of Geneseo Facebook page.

St. Malachy Graduate Homecoming

Who? Any Class of 2023 student who attended St. Malachy School in 5th and 6th grade

What? A visit to St. Malachy School including a graduate parade through the school and lunch -Compliments of the school

When? Tuesday, May 16, 10:50-11:50 am

Where? St. Malachy School: please enter through the school office

Why? To Reconnect with your St. Malachy classmates and allow us to share your accomplishments to inspire our students.



For pickup, please contact Bernie Tadda at 309-716-7295. All proceeds will go to help many Q.C. organizations throughout the year.

Women and Girls of All Ages

In the month of our Mother Mary Join us Saturday, May 13, 9:00-11:30 am for a Morning of Prayer, Honor, and Blessings at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Peoria As we immerse ourselves in beautiful music, song, and liturgy, surrounded by the beauty of the Mother Church of our diocese, we will honor Mary and all women of our diocese. "Blessed are you among women; blessed in turn all women, too."

We will recognize mothers of priests and seminarians with special seating in pews with ribbons.

The morning will include:

Recitation of the Most Holy Rosary with prayer and song, Procession bringing flowers to Mary's altar, Holy Mass-Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck officiating, Honoring of all Graduates and Rose Award Scholarships presented. *The Rose Award Scholarships encourage young women who actively live their Catholic faith to continue their participation and grow in leadership, spirituality, and service throughout their lives. For, in the words of Saint John Paul II, "the liberating message of the Gospel of Life has been put into your hands, and the mission of proclaiming it to the ends of the earth is now passing to your generation."

We invite you to bring flowers from your yard to be placed on Mary's altar during the procession.

No registration is required.

Sponsored by the Peoria Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (PDCCW)

and Women Connect Ministry

*If you have not heard of the PDCCW Rose Award, ask your parish priest about it. Nomination and essay information was sent in an email to all parishes of the diocese in March. Questions: contact April Adams at 309-369-5110

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