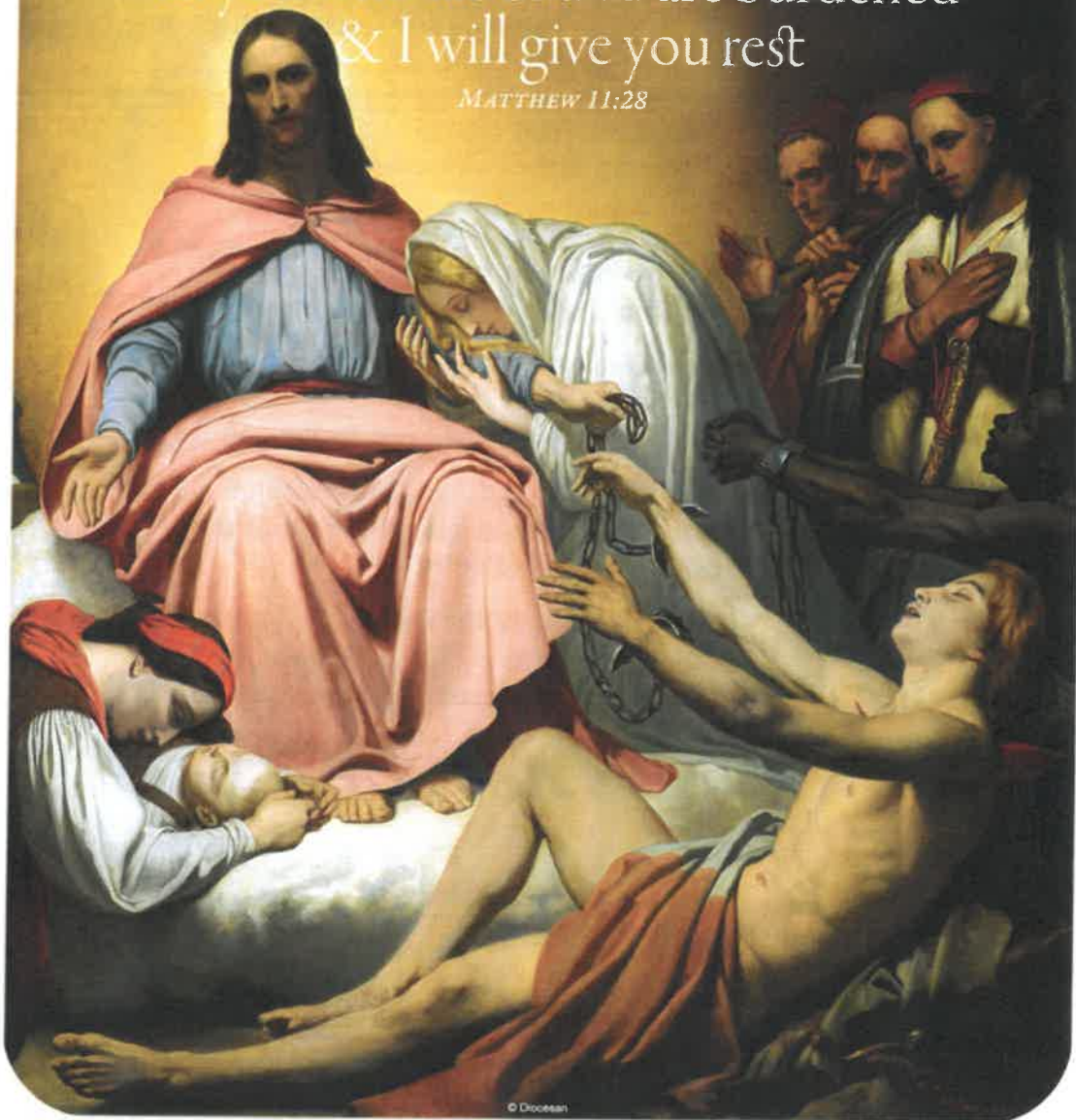


Come to Me

all you who labor and are burdened
& I will give you rest

MATTHEW 11:28





ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH
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14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 5 , 2026

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mass is celebrated on Saturday evening only

July 4	5:45pm	+Dan Phelan req. by The Family +Haley Donzella req. by Tina Plunk Quigley Parish Family of St. Patrick
July 8	5:30pm	+Grace Niemiec req. by The Family +Dan Phelan req. by Pat Poll +Donald & Dorthy Nugent req. by Pat Poll
July 11	5:45pm	+Dan Phelan req. by Steve & Ruth Hoehn +Frances & Marget Quigley req. by Pat Poll Parish Family of St. Patrick
July 15	5:30pm	+Dan Phelan req. by The Family +Steve Niemiec req. by The Cakora Family +Hailey Donzella req. by Tina Plunk Quigley
July 18	5:45m	+Dan Phelan req. by Ed & Judy Phelan Parish Family of St. Patrick

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Lector

July 4	Sue Nugent
July 11	Jerry Kinsella
July 18	Mark May

Minister

L. Cakora
C. Kinsella
P. Engler

SERVERS & USHERS

Please volunteer at the Mass you are attending



**Scripture Readings
For the Week of July 5, 2026**

Sunday Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Zech 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Monday Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15

Friday Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14, 17; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9

**WEEKLY OFFERING FOR
6/28/2026**

Sunday - \$1841.00

Maintenance - \$30.00

DOJ Priest Pension - \$10.00

Peters Pence - \$70.00

Our weekly budget goal is \$1,346.15
Thank you for your faith filled support.

**HOLY FATHER INTENTION FOR
JULY**

For respect for human life
Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Please Remember our sick: especially:

Ralph Kuntz, Greg Harnois, Jim Kreske, Ann Marie & Tori, Jasinski, Lisa Price, Barbara Schriver, Joe & Carol Price, Bernice & Dominick Marino, Tom Lane, Peggy Schiesow, Ken Smith, Laura Hanson,, Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernard.

**PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE A
LOVED ONE ADDED TO THE PRAYER LIST.**

**Our Blessed Mother
Candle Is burning for
THE PARISH FAMILY
OF ST. PATRICK**



Please remember in your prayers **STEVE NIEMIEC** who entered Eternal life. Remember also his family as we commend his soul to the Lord. It is holy and wholesome to pray for the dead.





God can't be outdone

Years ago, Chris and Nena Lavoie began welcoming seminarians into their home for a meal and a blessing. Over time, 10 or 12 young men gathered around their table. They couldn't have known that this simple hospitality was planting a seed in their own son, Joshua, now a priest for the Diocese of Joliet, ordained just a few weeks ago. The diocese walked with Fr. Josh through eight years of formation. For the Lavoies, giving to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is one way to walk with the next young man, and the next.



The 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

PARISH GOAL: 10,500.00

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$5,585.00

AMOUNT PAID: \$5,055.00

DONORS - 23



Father Sebastian has relocate to his new Parish in Carol Stream.

He will still help us as much as he can

Lets get together after Mass on July 25 and thank him for his continuing help.

Check you schedule and sign up to attend. Sign up sheet is in the vestibule.

**MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
WEDNESDAY AT 5:30PM
COME AND PRAY
FOR OUR PARISH**



Bishop Dennis Spies
Diocesan Administrator



Are You Being Called to the Permanent Diaconate?

The Diocese of Joliet is in the process of inviting men to discern the call to the next diaconate class of formation.

If the thought of becoming a deacon has whispered to your soul, I encourage you to contact the diaconate office for more information.

Office for the Diaconate
815-221-6174

vocations.diojoliet.org/start-a-conversation

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

With the Reformation, some early Protestants, including the "Anabaptists," rejected infant baptism in favor of "believer's baptism." Against Orthodox and Catholic practice, which favored baptism as soon as possible for a newborn, these movements desired that the candidate for baptism speak for him- or herself at a mature age, not through godparents as an infant. Today, it is clear that they were rejecting a very ancient practice (even as early as the second century) of baptizing children of all ages. Children came first in ancient baptismal ceremonies, and someone would speak for them. Gregory of Nazianzen wanted to delay the baptism of children to three years of age, since at that age they could retain at least some impression of the liturgy. He made an exception for the very ill, who were to be baptized ahead of the annual Easter baptism. That means that infants and children were normally baptized together with adults, and that everyone received confirmation and the Eucharist.

The tone of the early bishops' writings is generous and compassionate, and seeks to build up the eucharistic assembly by widely celebrating the gift of the Holy Spirit. If a priest celebrated baptism, then the gift of the Spirit was postponed for the bishop, but with no regard for the person's age. So, until the fifth century, confirmation was for infants, too.

— Rev. James Field

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Meek and Humble God

Jesus tells us in today's Gospel that he is "meek and humble of heart." Yet just a few lines before this, he says that he is equal to his Father, the almighty God. So how can the Son of God be both meek and mighty?

For Jesus, being meek does not mean letting people push him around. If he were meek in that sense, he could not have thrown the moneychangers out of the temple. Jesus' meekness meant doing the will of God completely. The challenge for us comes in his words "learn from me." We must learn to do God's will as completely as Jesus did.

First, it means that we do all that God wants of us. We cannot pick and choose what we want to do and what we want to ignore. If some things seem too difficult or painful for us, we may need more faith in Jesus' ability to make the burden easy. For example, sometimes we may hear Jesus' command to love one another and reserve the right to love whom we choose. Or we may reserve the right to decide which teachings of the Church we will follow. But doing God's will completely means doing it without reservation.

Second, we may try to do all that God asks, but give up if something becomes too difficult. We may say we forgive someone, for example, but when they reject that forgiveness, we become even angrier. Or we may tire of being patient with someone and be verbally hurtful. Or maybe we agree to help on a parish project but quit when someone disagrees with us. We can learn from Jesus how to do each part of God's will to completion, as Jesus did all the way to the cross.

So how is the Son of God humble? True humility means acknowledging who we are and what we can do. Jesus is simply being humble when he says that he is equal to the Father. So too, we are humble when we do not hide the fact that we are children of God and brothers and sisters of Jesus. Instead of a false modesty that claims "I'm not good enough to follow all of God's commands," it takes true humility to accept that we can do God's will because the Spirit is with us to help us.

Tom Schmidt