



June 1, 2025
Feast of the Ascension

The Solemnity of the Ascension

Today, we celebrate the solemnity of the Ascension – a celebration that reminds us how our Lord Jesus ascended back to the father in his glorified body about 40 days after Easter. The Ascension of Jesus Christ marks the day when Jesus ascended into heaven in the presence of his apostles. This event is recorded in the Gospels of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, where it is described as a visible and transformative moment of Christ's divine glory. The Ascension signifies the culmination of Christ's earthly ministry, which St. Athanasius sums up as "The Incarnation." This event also signifies the beginning of Jesus' reign in heaven. It is a transition from Christ's physical presence to his spiritual reign, offering a deeper understanding of God's plan for humanity – a broken humanity.

Spiritually, the Ascension emphasizes hope and continuity in the life of the people who believe in Jesus Christ. It marks the moment when Jesus, having completed his work on earth, is exalted to the right hand of the Father. For Christians, and especially Catholics, the solemnity of Ascension affirms the promise of Christ's return and encourages an active, hopeful waiting for his second coming. It also serves as a reminder that Christ's mission is now entrusted to his disciples, you and I, and that we are called to continue his work on earth – in our various states of life.

Theologically, the Ascension also points to the human nature of Christ being lifted up to share in the divine glory, bridging the gap between humanity and God. As the Church celebrates the Ascension, it reflects on its mission to proclaim the good news of

salvation and to live as Christ's witnesses, empowered by the Holy Spirit. The Ascension reminds us that, just as Christ ascended, we too are destined for a life in God's presence.

This week, let us take time to reflect on whether we hope for a life in God's presence and what we are doing to nurture this hope.

A Blessed Month of June to you and yours.

Fr. Peter

Father Peter's Summer Address

Fr. Peter Chineke

Curley Hall – The Catholic University of America

620 Michigan Avenue NE

Washington, DC 20064

APOLOGIES TO TYLER STEFANO! WE LEFT YOUR BIRTHDAY OFF THE LIST! WE HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT DAY ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 CELEBRATING THE BIG SEVEN!

Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year on the feast of Pentecost we rejoice that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to the Church in every age. As we celebrate this feast, I ask you to consider a generous response in the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection to meet the immediate retirement and health care needs of our priests.

Please pray for our priests who serve so generously in various apostolates throughout our diocese. Please thank God for all that we have received from our priests who are now retired, many of whom continue to offer generous service in every way that they are able throughout our diocese.

If you are unable to make an in-church contribution, please make your donation online at parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections. You can also mail your donation to your parish office.

Thank you in advance for your support this year. May the Holy Spirit give us every gift we need to build up the Body of Christ in our time and place.

With every best wish and prayers, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

PLEASE JOIN US
Women's Fellowship Group
June Meeting
 Tuesday, June 3
 5:30 pm
 St. Jude Parish Center
 Sign up in the back of church, or click on
 the link provided in email sent!
 (\$5 donation suggested)



The Baby Bottle Boomerang Fundraiser has begun and continues until Sunday, June 15th, Father's Day. Please consider taking a baby bottle and making a donation to this campaign. Your gift will be used to assist the Loving Arms Pregnancy Center in all the great work they do. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

The Holy Spirit and Spiritual Gifts
Bible Study

The Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus, dwells among us and showers us with spiritual gifts. In this study Stephen Binz has chosen key biblical texts to help readers discover how to rekindle the fire of the Holy Spirit and allow God's Spirit to manifest these divine graces and spiritual gifts more richly within them. He shows how the same Spirit who inspired the prophets and evangelists and who filled the life of Jesus now blows within and among all God's people. Purchase your own book through Twenty-third Publications or elsewhere.

First and Third Wednesdays beginning June 18, 6:15-7:45pm, Cathedral School Library, rsvp to vcompton@cathedral.dio.org or 217/522-3342

Cursillo

A 3-day faith filled experience!
 If interested, please talk to Joe and Kristin Kohlrus.
 You can reach them at (217) 652-5393 or
 (217) 971-7765.

Helping Hands in Christ Fan Collection

As the temperatures rise, many in our community are struggling to stay cool. We are collecting **new or gently used fans** through May and June. Please leave fans in or near the collection box in the church vestibule. All donations will go to local charities. Let's share God's love by bringing comfort to our neighbors!
 For more information, contact Jim Havera
 Phone: 217-710-0955
 Email: jhavera_54@hotmail.com /
jim.havera@outlook.com

Coffee and Donuts



We have coffee and donuts THIS weekend between the two Masses. Our next weekends are June 15 and 29! See you there!

Diocesan parishes have chosen their 2025 Women of Distinction (WOD)!

St. Jude is proud to announce that our candidate is Rita Williams!

Mass will be at the Cathedral on June 21st at 10am.. A luncheon at the Crowne Plaza will follow. Deadline to register for the luncheon is June 4th. Questions? SDCCW President Janet Zimmerman 217-494-4743

Looking for a Room to Rent

Hi my name is Steven Slaney. I am a 2024 graduate of Ave Maria School of Law and parishioner at St. Alphonsus Liguori in Zionsville, Indiana. Prior to law school I served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Latin America. I was just presented with the opportunity to clerk at the federal courthouse in Springfield for a one-year term. However, because of this short term, my wife and daughter will remain in Indiana. Therefore, I am appealing to the local parishes in Springfield for a room to rent from June 2025 through May 2026. I plan to travel back to Indiana most weekends to be with my family. You can contact me at slaneysteve@yahoo.com or 814-860-1411. I can supply references. Thank you and God bless you.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

This is the liaison between the diocese and anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor.
217-321-1155

Faith Formation Update

Summer Youth Group Plans!



Summer meeting times are Tuesdays from 6-8pm!

We will NOT have youth group on June 10 due to the Mission Trip.

July 8 and 22 will be run by Peggy Cochran and Angie Powell.

These meetings are open to all current 8th-12th graders! Please contact Jennifer Frericks to be added to the Band App so you can have up to date information!

Jennifer's Summer Hours!



Tuesdays' hours are 1-8pm
Thursdays' hours will be 9a-4pm

Faith Formation Schedule

June 3:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
June 8-13:	CHWC Mission Trip NO HS Youth Group June 10
June 17:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
June 24:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
July 1:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
July 10:	NO HS Youth Group
July 15:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
July 21-25:	VBS
July 22:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
July 27:	VBS Mass Presentation TENTATIVE
July 29:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
Aug. 5:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
Aug 12:	HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
Aug. 14:	Mission Trip Dinner
Aug. 20:	HS Youth Group resumes Wednesday Hours, 7:45-8:45pm



Mission Trip Wish List

In the back of the church, you can find the list of items that the participants would like to have for the snacks/drinks on the trip!

Please have all donations in by Tuesday, June 3.
Thank you so much for your generosity!

Mission Trip Dinner

We are selling tickets for a Mission Trip Dinner for August 14th at 6pm.

Each dinner includes a salad, fried chicken, potatoes, green beans, a roll, and dessert.

You must purchase a ticket to attend, and payment is due at the time of purchase.

Adults are \$20, children ages 5-10 are \$15, and children under 5 are free.

Also, as part of the dinner, our mission trip participants will share their experiences from the week!

Tickets will be on sale through June 3!

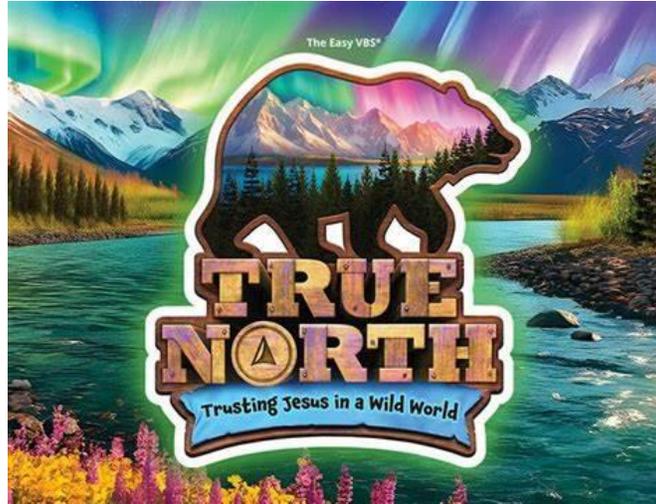
Please keep all those attending the Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission Trip as we prepare for our week and depart on Sunday, June 8th!



Jean Allen
Kelsey Amerson
Tinley Bialas
Gianna Capriotti
Fr. Peter Chineke
Peggy Cochran
Addison Daniels
Talia Daniels
Jennifer Frericks
Maizie Harris
Kali Hoerner
Angie Powell
Vincent Powell
Isabella Roth
Shannon Swaney
Adam West
Jack Zucco
Molly Zucco

St. Jude TRUE NORTH VBS

Monday, July 21-Friday, July 25
9:00-11:30am



We will have the same format as in the past, but in the morning! So, our Pre-K students-5th graders will partake in games, crafts, videos, Bible lessons, and snacks each day!

On our last day, we will end in our traditional water gun fight, weather permitting!

This event is open to Pre-K through 5th Grade. All children 6th grade and older can volunteer to help as well!

We ask that all Pre-K children be potty trained. If that is not possible then a parent needs to attend with that child.

There is no cost to VBS, but we do ask for donations. You can help by donating needed items for VBS (that list will be out soon) OR you can donate money to help cover the costs!

Anything is much appreciated and helps us to put on a great week for the children!

Childcare for those who need the extra assistance is available from 8:00-9:00am and from 11:30am-1:00pm. You will need to register in advance and the cost for this childcare is \$5 a day per child to help with the additional costs of meals.

Register Now!



Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

Saturday, May 31st:
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Gary Leach†)
Sunday, June 1st:
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Kimberly Brandis & Deceased Members of the Brandis Family†)
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Juanita Kirkman†)
Monday, June 2nd:
 5:30 pm Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
Tuesday, June 3rd:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Al Urbanckas†)
Wednesday, June 4th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Al Urbanckas†)
Thursday, June 5th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Gary Leach†)
Friday, June 6th:
 7:30am Mass (Int: Sharon Saner†)
Saturday, June 7th:
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Harry Coe†)
Sunday, June 8th:
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Catholic War Veterans' Deceased Members†)
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†)

Sacrificial Giving, July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 3,804.00	\$ 185,964.60
EFT-Ordinary		\$ 54,280.00
Renovation Fund Env's	\$ 110.00	\$ 44,205.00
EFT-Renovation Fund		\$ 3,339.00
Loose Checks	\$ 591.48	\$ 61,957.49
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 5,420.00	\$ 26,165.01
Total this Week:	\$ 9,925.48	
Fiscal Year Total:		\$ 415,812.95

June Volunteers: Week #1

Monday, June 2nd, Counting Day:

Team #1

Church Dusters:

Barb Scheufele & Mary Jo Duesterhaus

June Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Will O'Brien

June St. Martin de Porres Food:

Steve & Debra Decker

Advertiser of the Week:

Bently's Hair & Nalon Company

126 John Street

Rochester, Illinois

(217) 498-1081

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, June 7th - 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, & B. Scheufele

Lectors: T. Bertrand and **NEEDED**

Servers: A. & N. Horstman

Hospitality: J. Sponsler, H. & M. Bruno

Sacristans: I. Long

Sunday, June 8th - 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, C. Vogt, L. DeGroot, & C. Leach

Lectors: J. & H. Hendrickson

Servers: J. & B. Britz

Hospitality: S. Martyn, L. McWard, & L. Drewes

Sacristan: E. Van Dyke

Sunday, June 8th - 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, Dcn. Roth, S. Roth, & L. Fjelstul

Lectors: A. Harney and E. Woehrmann

Servers: S. Harney & R. Roth

Hospitality: S. & D. Decker

Sacristan: H. Crusen

CLOW: Beth Auxier

Sew and Sews



Please join us for food, sewing, crafting, and fellowship on Saturday, June 14th from 10a-3pm!

CLOW

Please consider joining the line up to help teach the lessons on Sundays at the 10:30am Mass!

Contact Jennifer for more information!

Called & Sent
 Dive Deep with God

JULY 19-23, 2025

VILLA MARIA RETREAT CENTER
 Springfield, IL

A fun and powerful retreat for
 high school students
 filled with prayer and fellowship!



go.dio.org/cas

Spiritual Support for the Sick

Request the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one facing illness or surgery. The Sacrament may be administered privately or after any Mass. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, Father would like to know so it is possible for him to visit. Please call the Parish Office at (217) 498-9197 for the anointing and/or a hospital visit.

Eucharistic Ministers taking communion to Carriage Crossing & Rochester Estates at 9:15am Sundays

Frances Yocum is having a Communion Service at 2:30 pm on the 2nd Tuesdays at Rochester Estates.

It is a privilege to pray for those who are ill. In hopes of keeping our list current, parishioners and parishioners' family and friends will be on the prayer list for 1 month unless the office is contacted to notify us that additional time is necessary. We are happy to keep people on the list as long as needed.

Please remember the elderly and homebound of our parish in your daily prayer.

God bless them all, and

Pray for Parishioners – Leroy Bozarth, JoAnn Camille, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy, Shirley Crawford, Lenna DeGroot, Evelyn Deimel, Carrie Downey, Linda Drewes, Herta Duban, Helen Dulle, Gary Dumonceaux, Paul Harris, Ryan Houmes, Jerry Jasinski, Janet Kalb, Jillian Kohlrus, Kristin Kohlrus, Betty Limper, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Ginger Rentschler, Ray Roland, Rene Runions, Eleanor Schudel, Brittany and Steve Smith and family, Owen Smith and his family (Kristin, Paisley, and Adam), Frances Tomashavich, Bill & Laurie White, Patrick Witcik, and Ron Wojcicki.

*** = new this week**

Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners

Mary Aplington – sister of Beth Yong
John Aplington – brother of Beth Yong
Carolyn Binion – friend of Paulette Dumonceaux
Gene Blade – friend of Pat Carlisle
Tamie Bottoms-Smith – cousin of Char Weitekamp
John Brunzman – father of Laura Horstman
Steven Butts - brother of Michelle Bullock
Suzanne Camp – friend of Beth Yong
Atticus Cassidy – cousin of Steve Decker
Virginia Chineke – mother of Fr. Peter
Leo Conway – father of Gary Conway
Judy Conway - friend of Maggie Patterson
Eddie Cook – friend of Lenna DeGroot family
Chris Crusen – brother of Tom Crusen
Linda Curtis – sister of Connie Leach
Bill Davis – friend of Donald & Lou Ellen Markovitch
Kelly Diaz – niece of Stan & Mary Jo Duesterhaus
Alison Donoho – friend of Jane and Harry Hendrickson
Sarah Egizio – daughter-in-law of Mary Ann Egizio
Frank Emerson- brother-in-law of Jean McDonald
Lynne (Auxier) Feece – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier
Cindy Frericks- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks
Ken Frericks- father-in-law of Jennifer Frericks
Jody Frese – sister-in-law of Barb Scheufe

Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White

Gary Garrison – brother-in-law of Kathleen Klee
Steven Godar - father of Dennis Godar
Jennifer Harbeck - cousin of Brad Zack
Brandon Harris – grandson of Les & LuAnn White
Chad Kunkle – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family
Jim Kirbach – friend of the Hendricks
Carol Kirby – friend of Ginger Rentschler
Dale Laningham – friend of the Hendricks
Glen Limper - son of Al & Betty Limper
Kristine Lundburg – sister of Mary Gartner
Rochelle Lynam – daughter of Tom & Helen Crusen
Robin Mahnken – friend of Jerry & Mary Jo Jasinski
Ann Martin – sister of Betty Downey
Mark Maxwell – brother-in-law of Beth Auxier
Paula McDonald- sister-in-law to Jean McDonald
Liz McKinney – friend of Roy & Cindy Collings
Donna Meyers - mother of Kellie Brewer
Wayne Michels – friend of Beth Auxier
Cindy Murdock – sister of Carolyn Carmichael and aunt of Leanne Collings
Fred J. Naffziger – brother of Michele Naffziger
Theresa Oldani – friend of Diane Bortmess, friend of Kelly Conlon & Family
Margie Palmatier – friend of the Hendricks
Antonio Garcia & Dolores Pantoja Salgado – father & mother of Diego Garcia
Ann Pardieck – family friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno
Emily Parnell – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell
Mike Patterson – father of Lori Farris
Sabrina Rice – niece of Beth Auxier
Mark & Chris Riedle – family of Tess & David Riedle
Teresa Rouse – friend of Jane Molohon
Bud Saputo- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo
Joe Saputo – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo
Jeannette Scheifinger – cousin of Phil & Emma Van Dyke
Rose Serrano – sister of Emma Van Dyke
Special Intentions of Andy Mihelich
Special Intentions of Barb Scoggins
Special Intentions of Carol Mataya
Special Intentions of Steve & Pat Jones and Brian & Sherri Jones
Marlene Spurgeon – friend of Pat Carlisle
Russ Steil- father of Teresa O'Sullivan
Mary Stewart – friend of Suzanne Moss
Georgann Turner – sister of Kathleen Klee
Kathy Whitaker – friend of Peggy Parnell
Steve White – brother of Les White
Mike Wilkin- brother of Leigh Ann Szabados
Vicki Will – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer
Connie & Marc Wilson – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler



