



**Sunday, May 3rd,  
2026  
Mass Intentions**



**Monday, May 4th**

7:30AM OSF Mass—Fr. Deus

**Tuesday, May 5th**

8:00 AM No mass

**Wednesday, May 6th**

8:00AM For Armand & Mildred Stella by Ken & Cindy Stella

**Thursday, May 7th**

9:00 AM All School Mass with the Bishop for the People

**Friday, May 8th**

8:00 AM For James Bozeman by Lourdes Barcenilla

**Saturday, May 9th**

5:30 PM For June Connor by Chris Shouse

**Sunday, May 10th**

7:30 AM For Ken Craig by the Kelsey Family

10:00AM For the People

**Prayer Devotions**

**Rosary**

Monday 6:30 PM at Holy Family for Cancer Patients

**Confessions**

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM

**Church Open for Prayer**

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

*“This profound core, present in every man and woman, is not that of the soul, but of the entire person in his or her unique psychosomatic identity. (...) In a word, if love reigns in our heart, we become, in a complete and luminous way, the persons we are meant to be, for every human being is created above all else for love. In the deepest fibre of our being, we were made to love and to be loved,” Pope Leo quoted.*



**St. Paul Food Pantry—**

We are in need of canned fruit and beans.

Other items we can use are cereal, oatmeal, and ramen noodles.

[Thank you to everyone who supports the food pantry by donating and volunteering!](#)

**Sunday Collection for Sunday, April 19th, 2026**



Sunday Collection \$4,944.00  
Online Giving \$1,262.00  
Total \$6,206.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**Remember our Sick & Homebound † Joyce Melton**, Bridget Sheehan Holem, Sissy Romack, Paul Gilbert, Nyla Neal Hicks, Rowan Huffman, Taylor Huffman, Kristen Federmeier, Hart Williamson,

Libby Beninati, Kasi Mitchell, Wil Buse, Christy Lowery, Donna Kennedy, Jayne Donahue, Lily Harden, Karen Selvin, Carol Koebrich, Neil Newman, Faye Williamson, Keaton Wilkerson, Ron Masengale, John Beninati, Briget Kleiss, Pam Lane, Jim Reuther, Francis Lane, Janet Elliott, Mike Roark, John Roark, Jeffery Sparks, Bill Dressler, Michael Miller, Lincoln Downing, Scott Burgess, Mary Ann Merchen, Harvey Bryant, Pieternella Jenkins, Traca Shahan Zorns, Chase Rouse & family, Jay Huffman, Vicky Simons, John Hampton. **Contact the office to be**

**Congratulations to those who received their Holy Communion on May 3rd, 2026. May the Lord shine brightly upon you!**

**Brently Drake, Sawyer Woodworth, Jaclyn Chirayil, Claire Crane, Joseph Myers, Ulices Flores, Bodhi Brewer, James Ludwig, and Charles Franey.**

Congratulations to Richard Miller for becoming a Knight of Knights honoree. Richard has been a Knight for almost 27 years. Rich has served as Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor and held other officer positions in his council, as well as serving as a 4th degree Faithful Navigator. He helps with many maintenance projects at St. Paul’s church. He donated a kidney to his older brother in 2023. He and his wife, Darlene, have been married for 35 years and have two daughter and are expecting grandchild number five soon.





The Feast of  
**SAINTS PHILIP AND  
JAMES**  
May 3

The feast of Sts. Philip and James the Less honor two of the Twelve Apostles who played important roles in the early Church.

Philip was from Bethsaida, the same town as Peter and Andrew. In the Gospel of John, he is among the first disciples called by Jesus. Philip's immediate response was to find Nathanael and invite him to meet the Lord. His simple words, "Come and see," echo through the centuries as an invitation to every seeker.

In the Gospel accounts, Philip often asks sincere questions that reveal a desire to understand more deeply. At the Last Supper, he said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father." Jesus responded, "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father." These words became one of the clearest revelations of Christ's divine identity. Throughout the Gospel, Philip appears eager to understand and to bring others to Christ. After Pentecost, he evangelized in Greece and in Phrygia (modern-day Turkey).

St. James was called "the Less" likely because he was younger or smaller in stature than James the Greater. He was the son of Alphaeus. He is widely identified with James the Just, who became Bishop of Jerusalem. St. Paul refers to him as a "pillar" of the Church.

James played a key role at the Council of Jerusalem, helping guide the early Christian community as it welcomed Gentile converts. He is traditionally credited with the New Testament Letter of James, which emphasizes living faith through good works.

Both Apostles suffered martyrdom. St. James the Less was stoned to death in Jerusalem around 62 A.D. According to tradition, St. Philip was crucified around the year 80 A.D. while doing missionary work in Asia Minor during the Roman Empire's Christian persecutions.

Words from the Popes:

When he was approaching the Passion, Jesus reassured his disciples, asking them not to be afraid and to have faith; he then begins a conversation with them in which he talks about God the Father (cf. Jn 14:2-9). At a certain point the Apostle Philip asked Jesus: "Lord, show us the Father, and we shall be satisfied" (Jn 14:8). Philip was very practical and prosaic, he even said what we ourselves would like to say: "we want to see him, show us the Father", he asks to "see" the Father, to see his face. Jesus' answer is a reply not only to Philip but also to us and it ushers us into the heart of Christological faith; the Lord affirmed: "he who has seen me has seen the Father" (Jn 14:9). These words sum up the newness of the New Testament, that newness which appeared in the Bethlehem Grotto: God can be seen, God has shown his face, he is visible in Jesus Christ. (...) In Jesus too the mediation between God and man attains fulfilment. In the Old Testament there is an array of figures who carried out this role, in particular Moses, the deliverer, the guide, the "mediator" of the Covenant, as he is defined in the New Testament (cf. Gal 3:19; Acts 7:35; Jn 1:17). Jesus, true God and true man, is not simply one of the mediators between God and man but rather "the mediator" of the new and eternal Covenant (cf. Heb 8:6; 9:15; 12:24); "for there is one God", Paul says, "and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" (1 Tim 2:5 cf. Gal 3:19-20). In him we see and encounter the Father; in him we can call upon God with the name of "Abba, Father"; in him we are given salvation. (Pope Benedict XV I, General audience, 16 January 2013)



The Office of Catholic Schools is pleased to announce Dr. Daniel Dentino as the principal at Schlarman Academy (Danville).

Dr. Dentino has identified several low-cost, high-impact initiatives designed to enhance the student experience and strengthen the Academy's appeal to prospective families. His priorities include improving the exterior appearance of the campus and increasing the presence of Catholic art throughout the school's buildings. If your parish has religious statues—whether for interior or exterior use—or other sacred artwork (such as paintings) that are no longer in use, please consider making them available to Schlarman Academy.

For more information or to coordinate a donation, please contact Dr. Jerry Sanderson, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, at [jsanderson@cdop.org](mailto:jsanderson@cdop.org).



Join us at the Motsett Center for coffee and donuts May 10th!

**Congratulations to our final round of  
80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Winners!**

- James Pettigrew from Westville, IL
- Cassie Flessner from Oakwood, IL
- Mike Clutter from Rossville, IL
- James Snyder from Danville, IL
- Teri Marganski from Rossville, IL

**Each of you have won \$800!**

Next drawing is April 29th with  
2 - \$2,900 WINNERS  
for our 29th raffle anniversary!

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