



**Sunday, May 31st,
2026**

Mass Intentions



Monday, June 1st

7:30AM OSF with Fr. Deus

Tuesday, June 2nd

8:00 AM For Sam & Breta Salading by Joe & MaryLee LaPara

Wednesday, June 3rd

8:00AM For Francisco T Aparece by Susan Aparece & Family

Thursday, June 4th

8:00AM For Zelda Page by the Dodd Family

Friday, June 5th

8:00AM For Lynn Ingram by Sara Snyder

Saturday, June 6th

5:30PM For the People

Sunday, June 7th

7:30AM For William & Freda Mis by the Dodd Family

10:00AM For Sue Wells by Maureen Askins

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

“When such power is concentrated in the hands of a few,” says the Pope, “it tends to become opaque and evade public oversight, increasing the risk of distorted forms of development that give rise to new dependencies, exclusions, manipulations, and inequalities.” Pope Leo VIX



Needs: We are in need of canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned chicken, soup, and beef stew.

Wants: Cereal, mashed potatoes, and canned pasta

Sunday Collection for Sunday, May 17th, 2026



Sunday Collection \$6,390.00
Online Giving \$1,157.00
Total \$7,547.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Remember our Sick & Homebound † Joyce Melton, Sissy Romack, Paul Gilbert, Nyla Neal Hicks, Rowan Huffman, Taylor Huffman, Hart Williamson, Libby Beninati, 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 placed on this list, to add someone other than yourself, and please ask permission of the person or their family.**

ADOPT-A-BED....If you'd like to adopt one or more of the planting areas around the church or school grounds to care for, a sign up sheet is located in the Walnut Street entrance of the church. Parishioners, families, and students have adopted areas in the past as part of their contribution to beautify the areas surrounding the church. Most beds need an occasional weeding and possibly watering during dry spells. Feel free to add colorful plants if you'd like. Questions?

Contact Kasi Mitchell 217-213-2075

Growing Disciples Update: The five area parishes have formed the Implementation Committee comprised of the four pastors and two representatives from each parish. We will hold our first meeting soon. St. Paul's parish will be represented by Eve Ludwig and Chris Yates. We thank them for offering their time and service.

The parish office is currently working on updating the Parish mailing list. If you or anyone you know has moved or passed away, please call or email the office to let us know. Also, if you are a new parishioner, please contact the office, so we can add you to our list. We really appreciate everyone's help.

Contact Kari at 217-442-5313 or office@stpauldanville.org



He was born **Filippo Giacomo Amoroso** in Nicosia, Sicily on 5 November 1715,^[2] about three weeks after the death of his father on October 12. As a young boy Filippo helped in the workshop of a shoemaker near a Capuchin friary. Thus from an early age, he got to know the friars and their way of life.^[2]

At the age of 20 he asked the Guardian of the friary to speak for him to the Minister Provincial in Messina so that he could be admitted to the Order as a lay brother. Being illiterate, he could not be admitted as a cleric. His application was rejected several times; however, seeing his continued perseverance, after eight years he was admitted to the Order and sent to the novitiate in Mistretta.^[2]

On October 19, 1743 he entered the novitiate, being given the name of **Brother Felix** (after the first Capuchin saint), and professed his vows a year later.^[2]

Against the norms, the authorities of the Province then assigned him to the friary in his hometown.^[2] This was contrary to the norms, because the fear was that young friars would find themselves distracted by family and friends, thereby stunting their spiritual growth. Yet the level of his detachment was so great that they felt that this fear was largely unwarranted in his case.

He was given the job of **quaeator**, which involved roaming the region in the goal of collecting alms to support the friars and their work.^[2] Every day he would knock on doors, inviting people to share their prosperity. His nature was such that he would always say 'thank you' and even when he was manhandled he would exclaim: *Let it be for the love of God.*^[2]

He was devoted to Jesus Christ and the Virgin Mary. On Fridays he would contemplate the Passion and death of Jesus Christ. On Fridays during Lent, he fasted on bread and water. He had a particular veneration for the Blessed Sacrament, spending hours in front of the tabernacle, even after having endured the harsh trials of every day.

He was endowed with the gift of healing both physical and spiritual diseases and he delighted in tending the sick. He could also bilocate. Called to aid the sick when a malignant epidemic was decimating the nearby town of Cerami in March 1777, he responded eagerly. He went about ministering the sick, and his efforts were crowned with great success.^[2]

For 33 years he lived under a guardian who considered it his role to sanctify Felix by subjecting him to relentless severity and fantastic humiliations, all of which he heroically endured. Finally, in May 1787 he was overtaken by a sudden, raging fever while working in the garden. Felix told the doctor, who prescribed medicines for him that proved useless, because this was his final illness. He died later that month, on May 31, at two in the morning. So dedicated was he to his vow of obedience that he requested permission to die from the guardian of the community.^[2]

SEND YOUR PRIEST A THANK YOU!

As we prepare for the Diocese of Peoria's first-ever Priest Convocation, we invite you to encourage your parishioners to send notes of gratitude and appreciation to our diocesan priests. These messages will be shared during the Convocation as a meaningful reminder of the impact our priests have on the lives of the faithful.

Please to go to cdop.org/thank-you to learn more.



VATICAN NEWS

Today, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, the Gospel is taken from Jesus' dialogue with Nicodemus (cf. Jn 3:16-18). Nicodemus was a member of the Sanhedrin, passionate about the mystery of God: he recognizes in Jesus a divine master and goes to speak to him in secret, at night. Jesus listens to him, understands he is a man on a quest, and then first, he surprises him, answering that in order to enter the Kingdom of God, one must be reborn: then, he reveals the heart of the mystery to him, saying that God loved humanity so much that he sent his Son into the world. Jesus, therefore, the Son, speaks to us about his Father and his immense love. Father and Son. It is a familiar image which, if we think about it, disrupts our images of God. Indeed, the very word "God" suggests to us a singular, majestic and distant reality, whereas hearing about a Father and a Son brings us back home. Yes, we can think of God in this way, through the image of a family gathered around the table, where life is shared. After all, the table, which, at the same time is an altar, is a symbol with which certain icons depict the Trinity. It is an image that speaks to us of a God of communion. Father, Son and Holy Spirit: communion. But it is not only an image; it is reality! It is reality because the Holy Spirit, the Spirit that the Father poured into our hearts through Jesus (cf. Gal 4:6), makes us taste, makes us savour God's presence: a presence that is always close, compassionate and tender. (Pope Francis, Angelus, 4 June 2023)



How Can We Keep From Singing?

All singers and instrumentalists, current and past choir members, and YOU, the person who loves to sing but hasn't joined us yet:

You are invited to a summer
Choir Potluck Dinner and Sing-Along!

We'll have choir books, including some from past years.

Sunday June 7th, 2026

4:00 pm at the Motsett Center

Bring the whole family! Meat & beverages will be provided
Please bring a dish to pass



ANNUAL ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

RUMMAGESALE Our annual garage sale has been rescheduled or Saturday, June 20 this year.

Donations of items will be accepted anytime after Easter. These may be placed in the garage. Please call the office to schedule a drop off. No electronics, clothing, books or coffee mugs, please

Uganda Hospital Project Update Event

The Lazarus Ministries is very grateful for all of the support and donations that have been given. In appreciation for your generosity and support, we cordially invite you to our upcoming event. We will be giving updates on the project and have pictures so that you can see the progress being made. This event will take place at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Saturday, June 6th at 5:00pm

(after the 4:00pm Mass at St. Mary's Church)

Traditional appetizers consisting of fruits, meats and cheeses, cheeseballs with dips, shrimp and small sandwiches will be served along with wine.

Please RSVP by emailing: lazarusministriesup@gmail.com, Calling Jennifer at St. Mary's: 217-267-3334 Sign up sheets located at the entrances of St. Mary's Church

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